ITALY

BASIC INDICATORS (ECONOMIC/DEMOGRAPHIC/CONSUMPTION)

Economic classif				nomy				
Oil exporter or importer (net): Importer Annual per capita income: US\$6,227								
Annual per capit		1985 1985						
Average annual g		1975-85						
Annual inflation		1975-85						
Annual inflation		1986						
Volume of import	90.5 billion US\$			1985				
Of which food	16.7%			1985				
Of which fuels		16.1%			1985			
Principal foreign exchange earning export: Machinery,								
footwear, clothing, tourism								
Population		57.1	million		1985			
Annual populatio	.025%			1975-85				
Annual Consumption:								
Flour/semolina	9,377,900 t	tonnes or 1	65 kg/cap	ita	1983			
Meat	4,342,000 t				1983			
Vegetable Oil	1,200,000 t				1983			

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Crop Situation and Outlook

	1984		1985		1986	
	1000 ha	'000 t.	1000 ha	'000 t.	'000 ha	'000 t.
Bread Wheat	1,474	5,410	1,294	4,660	1,265	4,450
Durum	1,804	4,595	1,738	3,850	1,712	4,450
Corn	962	6,780	914	6,340	815	6,200
Barley	434	1,618	468	1,550	465	1,620
0ats	191	433	190	404	180	400
Rice	180	989	180	1,142	180	1,100
Sunflower	85	162	97	186	115	220
Soybeans	35	104	93	285	165	500

2. Foreign Exchange Situation

Current inflation rate is 6.6%, still running about double EC average. U.S. dollar currently running around 1,450 Lira, as compared to average of 1,739 in 1984 and 1,903 in 1985. Costs of imports falling on unit basis and trade deficit is down from 1985.