

BELGIUM - LUXEMBOURG

BASIC INDICATORS (ECONOMIC/DEMOGRAPHIC/CONSUMPTION)

Economic classification:	Industrial Market economy	
Oil exporter or importer (net):	Importer	
Annual per capita income:	US\$11,195	1986
Annual per capita GNP	US\$13,429	1986
Average annual growth	6.85%	1977-87
Annual inflation rate	5.26%	1977-87
Annual inflation rate	1.3%	1988
Volume of imports	77.425 billion US\$	1987
Of which food	10.0%	1987
Of which fuels	19.0%	1987
Principal foreign exchange earning export:		
	Automobiles	
Debt service as % of GNP	10.4%	1986
Debt service as % of exports	18.39%	1987
Population	9.86 million	1986
Annual population growth	0.06%	1986
Annual Consumption:		
Flour	926,840 tonnes or 94 kg/capita	1988
Meat	695,800 tonnes or 71 kg/capita	1987

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Crop Situation and Outlook

This year's general crop outlook is good. Winter barley yielded 7 to 8 tonnes per hectare and winter wheat (soft wheat) 7 to 8.5 tonnes per hectare on average.

(a) Seeded Acreage: (in hectares)

<u>Product</u>	<u>1987/88</u>	<u>1986/87</u>
Wheat	185,349	181,412
Durum	-	-
Barley	122,878	127,893
Corn	6,015	7,164
Sorghum	-	-
Oats	14,667	13,542
Rye	4,145	4,476
Soyabeans	-	-
Rapeseed	3,914	2,614
Sunflower	-	-