Spring Malting Barley

Table 8: Spring Malting Barley Returns

	Average	top 1/3	Top v Average
Physical			
Total No. hectares	3374		
No. Of Farms	107	36	
Tillage Adj. Ha	32	34	+ 2
Yield t/Ha	7.8	8.1	+ 0.33
Financial			
Crop Sales €/tonne	€159	€160	+ 1
Gross Output /ha	€ 1,445	€ 1,552	+ 106
of which is straw/ha	€208	€ 252	+ 44
Material Costs/ha	€ 496	€ 491	- 6
Total Machinery Costs/ha	€ 291	€ 264	- 26
of which are contractor/ha	€108	€25	- 83
Other Variable Costs/ha	€6	€1	- 6
Gross Margin / Ha	€ 652	€ 796	+ 144
Fixed Costs / Ha	€284	€288	+ 3
Net Margin/ha	€ 367	€ 508	+ 141
Key Figures			
Break Even Costs €/ton*	€138	€129	- 10
Land Lease Costs/ha	€117	€133	+ 15
Net Margin/ha (exc. Land Rental)	€ 485	€ 641	+ 156

^{*} Cost per ton excluding straw

- Average yields are 0.1 t/ha (1%) below the CSO national average, with the top group of farmers producing 0.2 t/ha (2.5%) above the CSO national average.
- The top group grew more area and produced 0.33 t/ha (4%) more yield than the ePM average. Average yield for feed and malting growers was the same.

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- The gross output of the top group was €106/ha higher than the average group resulting in a gross margin of €144 more than average group.
- Fixed costs were 3% lower in the top group compared to average.
- Net Margins were €141/ha (38%) higher in the top group compared to average group.
- Average net margin increased by €144/ha (64.5%) compared to 2016.

