Winter Oilseed Rape

Table 14: Winter Oilseed Rape Returns

	Average	top 1/3	Top v Average
Physical			
Total No. hectares	625		
No. Of Farms	34	11	
Tillage Adj. Ha	18	25	+ 7
Yield t/Ha	4.7	5.1	+ 0.40
Financial			
Crop Sales €/tonne	€369	€372	+ 3
Gross Output /ha	€ 1,745	€ 1,911	+ 166
of which is straw/ha	€14	€19	+ 5
Material Costs/ha	€619	€ 600	- 19
Total Machinery Costs/ha	€300	€ 272	- 28
of which are contractor/ha	€85	€2	- 83
Other Variable Costs/ha	€4	€1	- 3
Gross Margin / Ha	€ 822	€ 1,038	+ 216
Fixed Costs / Ha	€311	€ 290	- 22
Net Margin/ha	€ 511	€ 748	+ 238
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Break Even Costs €/ton*	€263	€228	- 35
Land Lease Costs/ha	€119	€86	- 33
Net Margin/ha (exc. Land Rental)	€630	€834	+ 204

^{*} Cost per ton excluding straw

- Winter oilseed rape average yields are 0.2 t/ha (4%) above the Teagasc harvest report average yield of 4.5t/ha. The top group produced 0.6t/ha over the Teagasc Harvest Report yield.
- The top farms grew more area and produced 0.4 t/ha more yield than the ePM average. This is hugely significant given the relatively low number of tonnes produced from the crop.

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- The top group spent €19/ha less on material costs and €28/ha less on machinery costs compared to the average.
- Average net margin was €511/ha but the top group achieved a 47% increase, returning a margin of €748/ha.
- Average yield increased by 1.3t/ha over 2016 which resulted in substantial change in net margin from -€47/ha in 2016 to €511 in 2017.

