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Rapeseed Harvest - Update

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Report Highlights:

Preliminary German rapeseed harvest figures for 2002 were revised down to 3.85 million MT. This a 7.5 percent lower crop than in 2001.

Heavy rains and the flood in August resulted in a substantially lower rapeseed harvest than predicted in June. Therefore, the 2002 rapeseed crop is currently estimated at 3.85 million MT. In June a record crop of 4.48 million MT was predicted, the August estimate was at 3.94 million MT. Compared to the CY 2001 crop of 4.16 million MT, the current crop estimate reflects a drop of 7.5 percent.

The North and Eastern states were affected more heavily by the rains than the South because in Bavaria and Baden-Wuerttemberg the harvest had progressed much further than in the north when the rains started.

Table 1: Geographical distribution of German rapeseed harvest

State	2002 crop	change compared to 2001		
	in million MT	as a percentage		
Mecklenburg-Western Pommerania	764.1	-11.0		
Bavaria	513.6	2.4		
Saxony-Anhalt	356.0	-11.1		
Saxony	350.0	-7.6		
Thuringia	343.8	-12.4		
Schleswig-Holstein	331.9	-9.4		
Brandenburg	271.8	-17.6		
Lower Saxony	260.4	-5.8		
Baden-Wuerttemberg	222.8	-1.8		
Hessia	174.5	-2.1		
Northrhine-Westfalia	157.1	-6.9		
Rhineland-Palatinate	89.8	25.2		
Saarland	9.9	32.0		
Total	3,845.7	-7.5		
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Oil content is reported to be on an average to good level between 35 and 43 percent oil, with an average around 40 percent.

The flood resulting in saturated fields, also delayed the sowing of the 2003 crop. Farmers were able to compensate by switching to hybrid varieties, which can be sown later in the season. Generally, plant development in the early stages is reported to be below normal, which could make it more difficult for the young plants to withstand the winter.

Table 2: Rapeseed PSD (in 1000 ha, 1000 MT)

PSD Table						
Country	Germany					
Commodity Oilseed, Rapeseed					(1000 HA)(1000 N	MT)
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Area Planted	1,078	1,078	1,156	1,156	1,300	1,297
Area Harvested	1,078	1,078	1,138	1,138	1,300	1,297
Beginning Stocks	81	81	98	98	100	303
Production	3,585	3,585	4,160	4,160	3,950	3,846
MY Imports	1,330	1,322	1,220	1,200	1,000	1,200
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from the EC	821	821	800	764	950	800
TOTAL SUPPLY	4,996	4,988	5,478	5,458	5,050	5,349
MY Exports	642	604	700	751	700	750
MY Exp. to the EC	492	492	450	509	200	500
Crush Dom. Consumption	4,251	4,281	4,673	4,306	4,295	4,350
Food Use Dom. Consump.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed,Seed,Waste Dm.Cn.	5	5	5	98	5	92
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	4,256	4,286	4,678	4,404	4,300	4,442
Ending Stocks	98	98	100	303	50	157
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	4,996	4,988	5,478	5,458	5,050	5,349
Calendar Year Imports	1,350	1,396	1,220	1,256	1,000	1,200
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calendar Year Exports	734	734	681	681	700	800
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, ZMP (Central Market and Price Reporting Agency), FAS/Berlin estimates.

Note1: Ending stocks include stocks at cooperatives and agricultural trade.

Note 2: Feed, Seed, Waste include 10,000 MT feed, 5,000 MT seed, 2 percent waste

Table 3: Rapeseed Meal PSD (in 1000 MT)

PSD Table						
Country	Germany					
Commodity	Meal, Rapeseed				(1000 MT)(PERCENT)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Crush	4,251	4,281	4,673	4,306	4,295	4,350
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0.593978	0.579771	0.594907	0.572225	0.593714	0.586207
Beginning Stocks	92	92	20	20	20	20
Production	2,525	2,482	2,780	2,464	2,550	2,550
MY Imports	242	242	270	300	250	250
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from the EC	20	20	38	43	40	45
TOTAL SUPPLY	2,859	2,816	3,070	2,784	2,820	2,820
MY Exports	1,149	1,132	1,200	1,110	1,100	1,100
MY Exp. to the EC	1,127	1,127	1,020	1,100	1,040	1,090
Industrial Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Use Dom. Consump.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Waste Dom. Consum	1,690	1,664	1,850	1,654	1,700	1,690
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1,690	1,664	1,850	1,654	1,700	1,690
Ending Stocks	20	20	20	20	20	30
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	2,859	2,816	3,070	2,784	2,820	2,820
Calendar Year Imports	349	349	268	268	250	250
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calendar Year Exports	1,142	1,142	1,226	1,226	1,100	1,150
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, ZMP (Central Market and Price Reporting Agency), FAS/Berlin estimates.

Table 4: Rapeseed Oil (in 1000 MT)

PSD Table						
Country	Germany					
Commodity	Oil, Rapeseed				(1000 MT)(PERCENT)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Crush	4,251	4,281	4,673	4,306	4,295	4,350
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0.399906	0.413688	0.399101	0.423131	0.395809	0.406897
Beginning Stocks	100	100	99	98	92	50
Production	1,700	1,771	1,865	1,822	1,700	1,770
MY Imports	106	105	108	106	110	160
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from the EC	106	105	108	106	110	160
TOTAL SUPPLY	1,906	1,976	2,072	2,026	1,902	1,980
MY Exports	777	777	935	896	840	740
MY Exp. to the EC	625	670	825	793	640	640
Industrial Dom. Consum	330	350	335	400	330	500
Food Use Dom. Consump.	700	751	710	680	700	690
Feed Waste Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1,030	1,101	1,045	1,080	1,030	1,190
Ending Stocks	99	98	92	50	32	50
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	1,906	1,976	2,072	2,026	1,902	1,980
Calendar Year Imports	124	124	122	122	110	140
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calendar Year Exports	802	802	915	888	890	850
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Federal Office of Statistics, ZMP (Central Market and Price Reporting Agency), FAS/Berlin estimates.