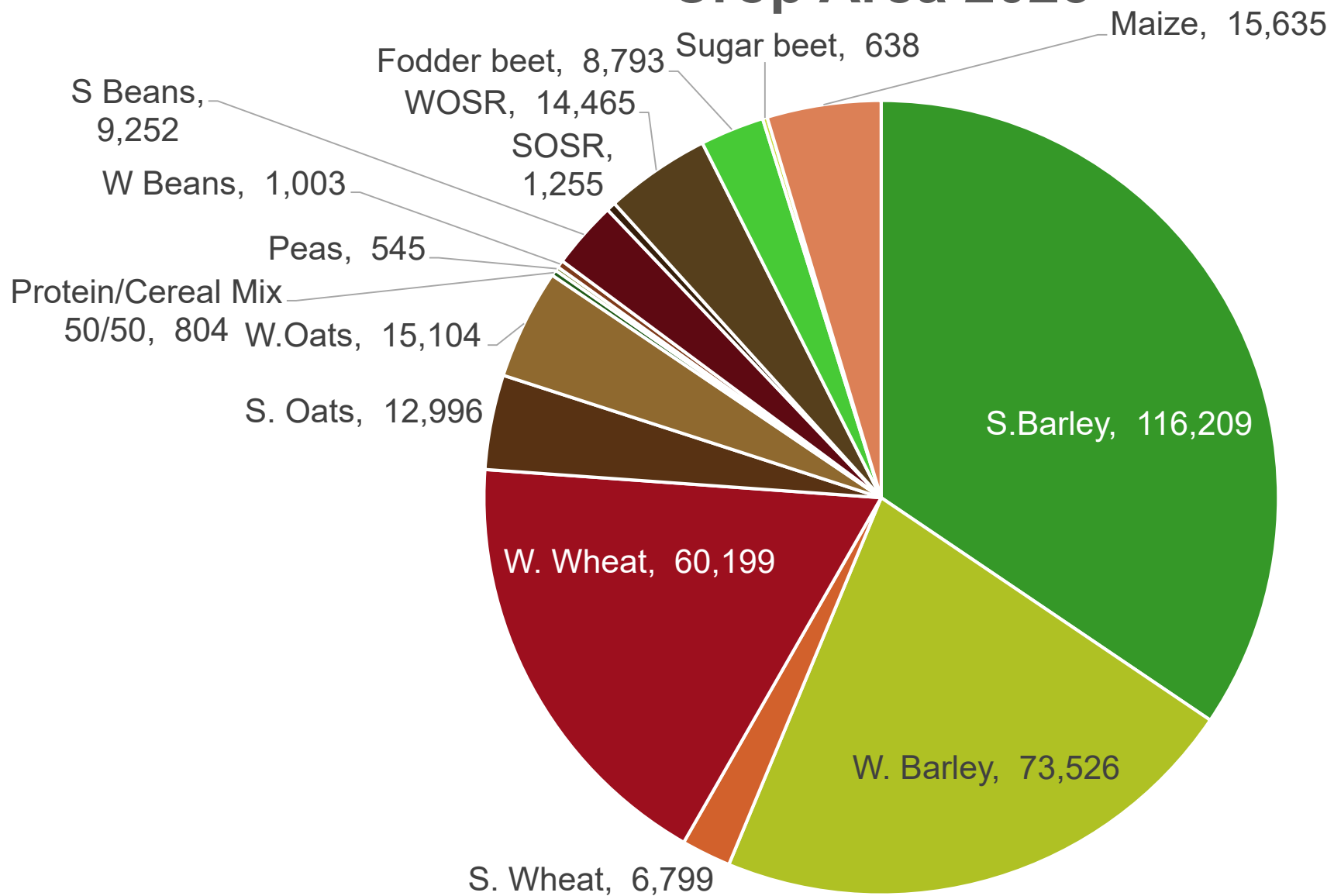


Tillage Update

NFFSC Committee Online Meeting – Wed 19th July @ 10.00

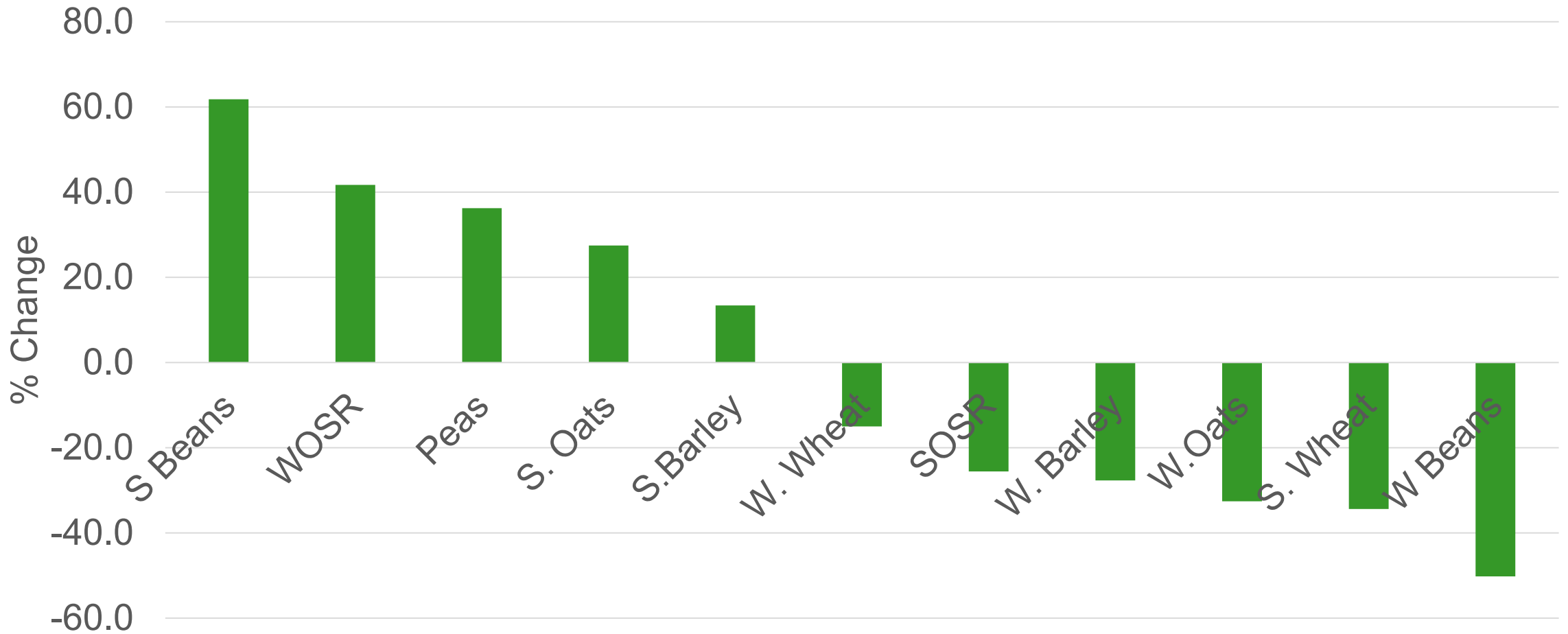
Michael Hennessy, Head Crops Knowledge Transfer

Crop Area 2023



Straw Chopping
70,000 ha applied

Crop area 2023 compared to 2022 % change



Crop area 2023 compared to 2022 (hectares)



Teagasc Harvest Prediction 2023

	Cereal Area ('000 ha)				Yield (t/ha)		Cereal Production ('000 tonnes)			
	<u>2023'</u>	<u>2022*</u>	<u>Diff</u>	<u>%*</u>	<u>2023**</u>	<u>2022*</u>	<u>2023\$</u>	<u>2022*</u>	<u>Diff ('000 tonnes)</u>	<u>%</u>
W. Wheat	51.2	60.2	-9.0	-15%	10.60	11.00	516	629	-113.5	-18%
S. Wheat	4.4	6.8	-2.4	-35%	7.70	8.00	32	52	-19.5	-38%
W. Barley	53.1	73.5	-20.4	-28%	9.20	8.70	464	607	-143.4	-24%
S. Barley	131.7	116.2	15.5	13%	6.50	8.10	813	894	-80.9	-9%
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W. Oats	10.1	15.1	-5.0	-33%	8.80	9.20	84	132	-47.5	-36%
S. Oats	16.5	13.0	3.5	27%	6.70	7.90	105	98	7.5	8%
Total Cereals	267	285	-17.8	-6.3%	-	-	2015	2412	-397.4	-16%
WOSR	20.5	14.4	6.1	42%	4.8	4.5	-	-	-	-

¹ Preliminary DAFM BPS figures

* CSO 2021, Area, Yield and Production of Crops

** Teagasc estimates

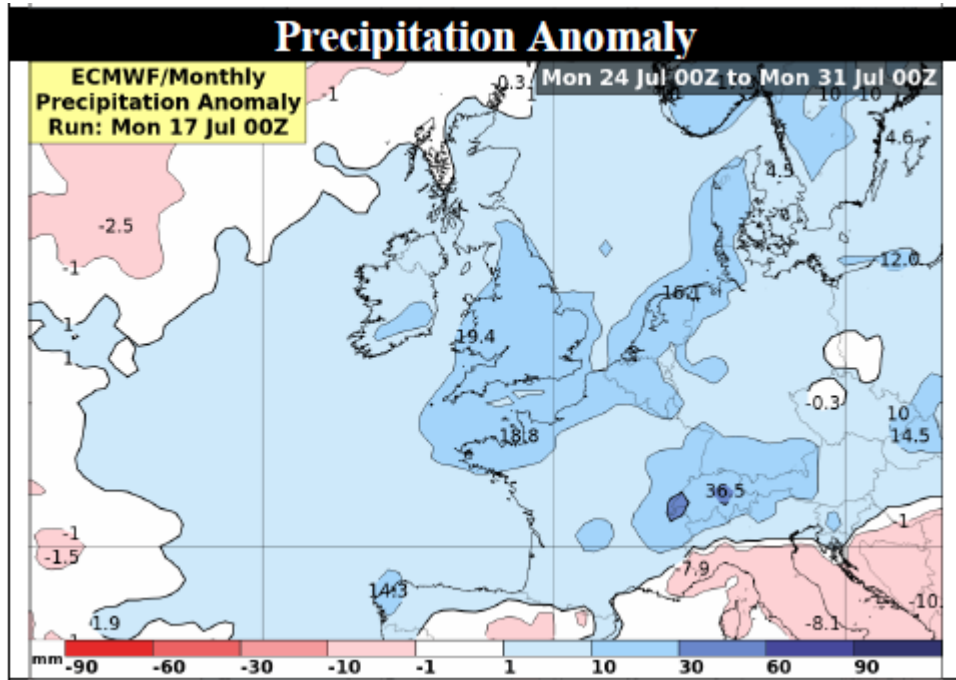
\$ Yields X Utilisable Area (Area x 0.95)

Harvest 2023

■ Complete

- < 50% of Winter barley (<20% of straw baled)
 - » Yields 7.5 - 11 t/ha – some low KPH crops
- <10% of Winter Oats
 - » Yields 7.5 - 8.5 t/ha – quality ok
- Crops ready for harvest
 - » Winter Oilseed rape
 - » Early planted Spring barley

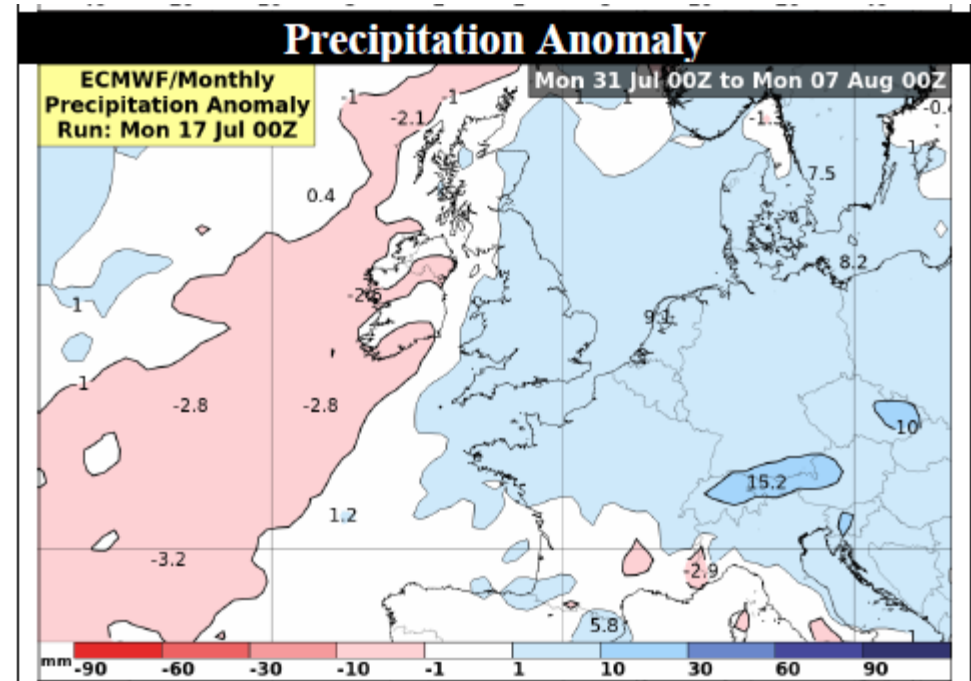
Week 1 (Monday 24 July to Sunday 30 July)



Forecast

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Week 2 (Monday 31 July to Sunday 06 August)



A hint of better weather after this period??

Current actions

- Lower specs now being accepted for some premium crops
- Winter barley ripe for 2 weeks
 - Lodged, heads breaking off – potential for sprouting?
 - Harvesting at higher moistures will be necessary
- W Oats – most crops now ripe
 - Grain will dry quickly but straw very wet!!
- Oilseed rape
 - Kind weather to get harvested at reasonable moistures
- Straw
 - Will be difficult to save – 3-4 good drying days needed for most crops