







Cereal and oilseed rape harvest: final estimates – 2022









Summary

Total cereal production from the 2022 harvest was 3.1 million tonnes. This is a 10% increase compared to 2021 and the highest level since 2014. Total cereal yield was 7.6 tonnes per hectare, the highest record of the last 20 years. Winter barley, wheat and oilseed rape yields were also their highest in the past two decades. Dry and hot weather conditions in spring and summer resulted in a remarkably early harvest and reduced the need for drying. Production increased despite decreases in the sown area of spring barley and oats. The record yields of 2022 offset reductions in area.







Production

	Production (Tonnes)	Change from 2021/ 2022	
Total cereals	3,138,172	up 10%	
Spring barley	1,605,235	up 11%	
Winter barley	361,853	up 9%	
Wheat	1,000,083	up 12%	
Oats	171,000	down 9%	
Oilseed rape	150,876	up 19%	

Area

	Area (Hectares)	Change from 2021/ 2022	
Total cereals	414,256	down 4%	
Spring barley	235,816	down 5%	
Winter barley	44,174	up 2%	
Wheat	107,117	up 2%	
Oats	27,149	down 20%	
Oilseed rape	35,362	up 7%	

Yield

	Yield (Tonnes per hectare)	Change from 2021/ 2022	
Total cereals	7.58	up 14%	
Spring barley	6.81	up 17%	
Winter barley	8.19	up 6%	
Wheat	9.34	up 10%	
Oats	6.30	up 13%	
Oilseed rape	4.27	up 12%	



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Timeseries of cereals production, sown area and yield in Scotland, from 2013 to 2022.

