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2011 Grain Production in Slovakia Up 45 Percent

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Report Highlights:

2011 total grain production is estimated at 3.712 Million Metric Tons (MMT), 45 percent larger than the 2010 crop.

General Information:

Grain quality is variable due to heavy rains, low temperatures, and hail in the latter half of July which degraded the production environment in pockets around the country. Poor wheat quality will force farmers in several areas to sell their crop mostly as animal feed. Corn developed well, despite extremely hot temperatures in August as kernels were maturing. The official crop estimate is revised slightly upward to 1.366 MMT, with per hectare yield average of 6.91 MT.

Crop	Area (Thousand Hectares)	Production (Thousand MT)
Wheat	364	1,693
Rye	13	43
Barley	136	537
Oats	16	39
Triticale	11	35
Corn	199	1,366
Grains Total	740	3,712

Rising grain prices in Slovakia mirror trends globally but do not reflect local market reality where grains are in significant surplus. Exportable supply of wheat, barley, and corn is projected to increase.

MY 2010/11 trade data show Slovakia imports at 80 thousand MT of wheat, 84 thousand MT of barley, and 20 thousand MT of corn. Exports during the same period totaled 303 thousand MT of wheat, 138 thousand MT of barley and 239 thousand MT of corn.