

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD

STATEMENT ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE CORN RETURNS ACT 1882, THE CORN SALES ACT 1921, THE AGRICULTURE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1943, THE AGRICULTURE ACT 1970 AND THE AGRICULTURE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1972.

The following are the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES OF BRITISH CORN per tonne of 1,000 kilograms computed from returns received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD in the week ended 12th October 1978. They are based on purchases from growers during the week ended 5th October 1978 by merchants carrying on business in prescribed areas in England and Wales.

British Corn							Quantities sold	Average price per tonne
							tonnes	£
Wheat	...	...	...	...	...	...	132,835.36	88.43
Barley	...	...	...	...	...	...	99,597.37	80.04
Oats	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,776.44	73.36
Rye	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,408.97	81.72
Maize	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	—

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES OF BRITISH CORN per tonne of 1,000 kilograms for the QUARTER ENDED MICHAELMAS DAY 1978 with comparative figures for the three earlier years:—

British Corn	Quarter ended Michaelmas Day							
	1975		1976		1977		1978	
	Quantities sold	Average price per tonne	Quantities sold	Average price per tonne	Quantities sold	Average price per tonne	Quantities sold	Average price per tonne
	tonnes	£	tonnes	£	tonnes	£	tonnes	£
Wheat	1,040,484.65	60.15	887,322.52	77.54	648,104.77	80.73	956,177.21	85.75
Barley	1,368,648.22	59.02	1,338,846.06	79.96	1,314,918.81	75.12	1,380,794.67	81.38
Oats	42,670.96	53.96	52,389.64	71.23	32,401.65	70.46	41,242.12	73.08
Rye	6,573.88	60.94	8,200.87	75.73	5,265.59	81.08	7,628.69	78.53
Maize	72.14	56.47	—	—	—	—	282.00	101.33

STATEMENT showing the WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES OF BRITISH CORN per tonne of 1,000 kilograms for QUARTER ENDED MICHAELMAS DAY 1978 with comparative prices for the three earlier years:—

British Corn	Quarter ended Michaelmas Day			
	1975	1976	1977	1978
	£	£	£	£
Wheat	61.66	79.46	78.33	85.80
Barley	61.69	81.79	74.93	83.11
Oats	55.58	71.67	69.08	73.14
Rye	61.17	75.86	79.99	80.36
Maize	55.85	—	—	101.13