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Wheat Harvest and Quality
in the Baltic Sea Region
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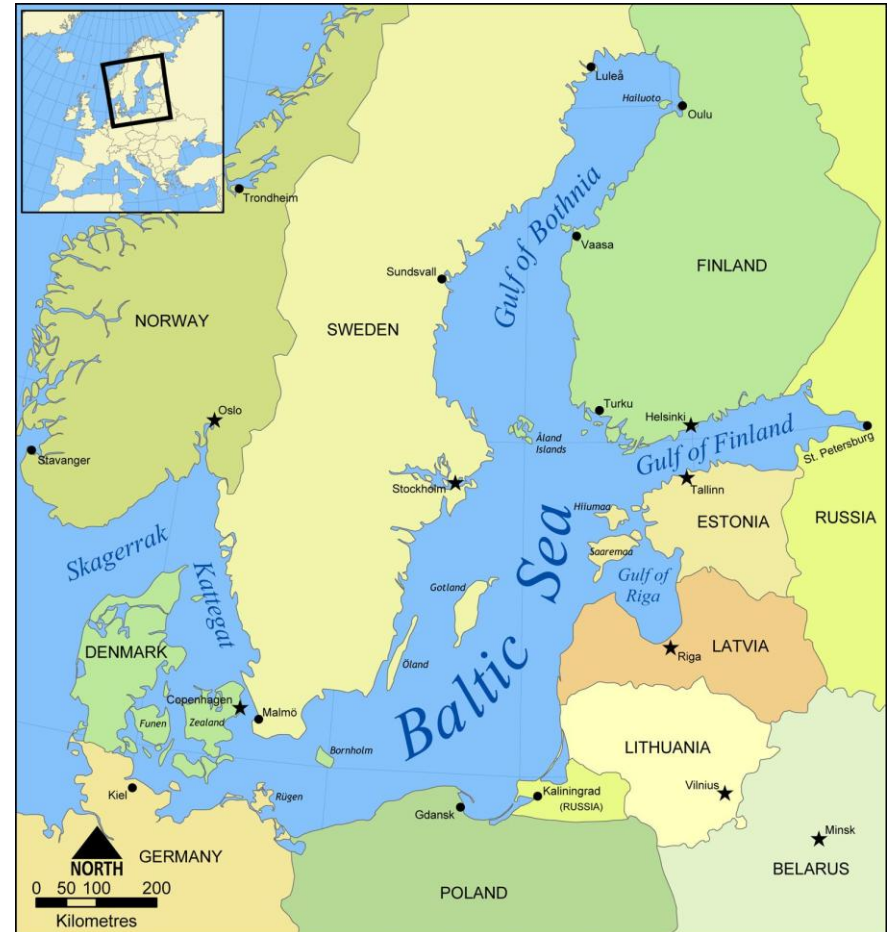
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Agenda

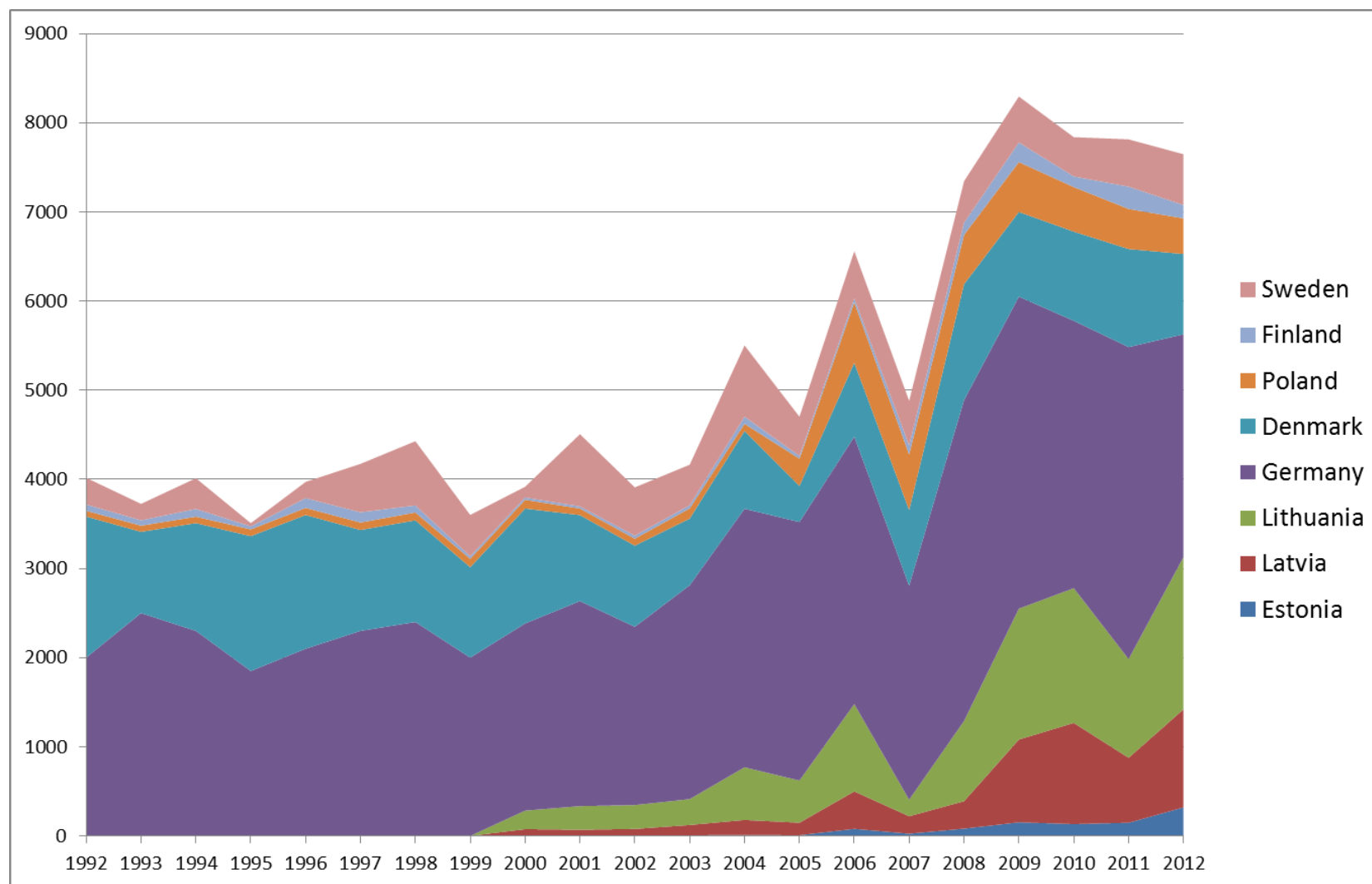
- Baltic Sea Region
- Regional Wheat surplus by country
- Harvest 2012 Quality
- Ports of the Region
- Collect structure for the Region
- Russian & Kazakh export via the Region
- Future prospects

Baltic Sea Region

- Total area under wheat
 - 8 mln ha
- Combined wheat production
 - 47 mio tn
- Combined wheat exports
 - 8,3 mio tn



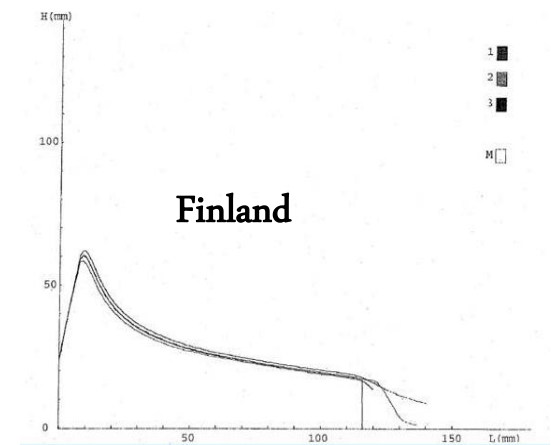
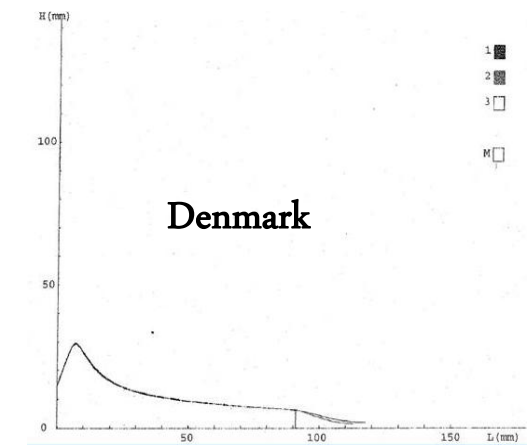
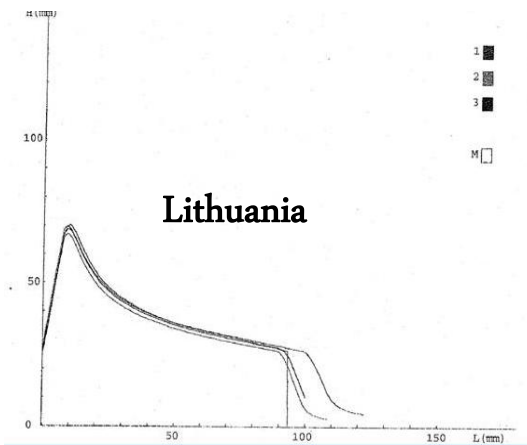
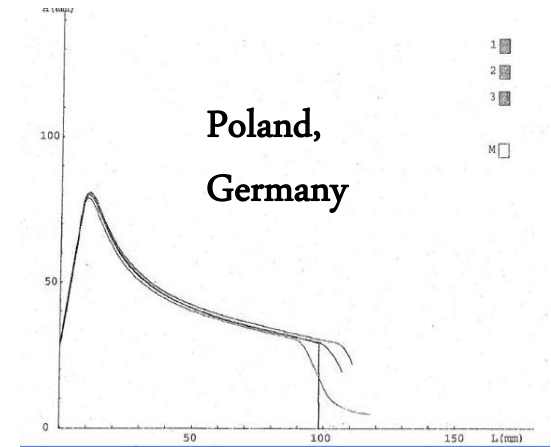
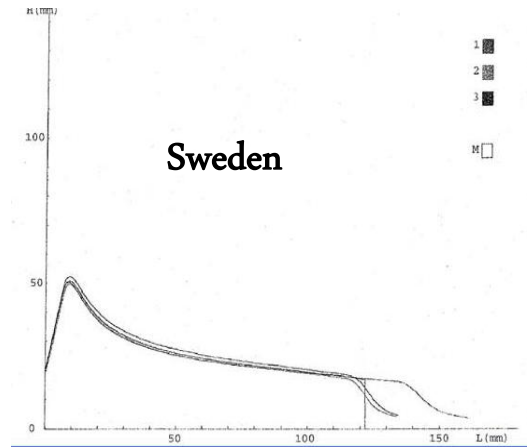
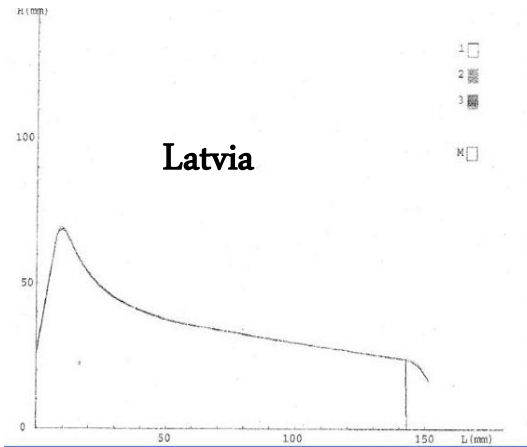
Wheat Surplus in the Baltic Sea Countries 1992-2012



Baltic Sea Quality – Harvest 2012

- Cold and wet summer.
- Harvest delayed by rains – especially in the northern regions.
- High average yields
 - Protein levels lower than previous seasons.
 - Higher test weights and kernel sizes

Baltic Sea Wheats by Alveograph



Wheat Quality by Country 2012

Denmark

- Low protein – abt 10%
- Test weight >78 kg/hl
- Moisture <14.5%
- P/L appx. 0.6 – 0.8

Sweden & Finland

- Test weight > 80 kg/hl
- Protein content: 11,5% - 13,5%
- Moisture 12.5% - 13.5%
- P/L 0.2 – 0.4
- Very high W, Hagberg & Gluten

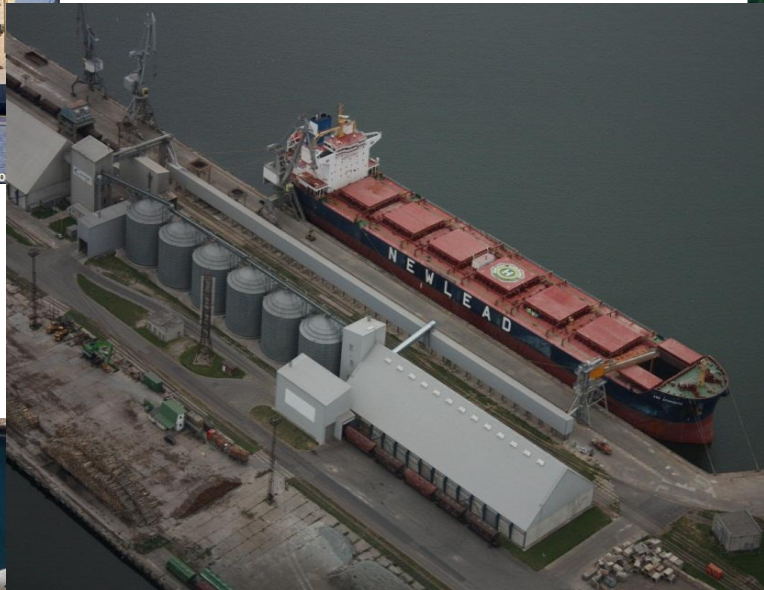
The Baltics

- Moisture 12.5% - 13.5%
- Protein 11.5% - 14%;
- Test weight 79-80kg/hl
- good W, Hagberg and gluten

Poland/Germany

- Protein 12% - 14%
- Moisture <14,5%
- Test weight 77-79 kg/hl
- High W, Hagberg & Gluten

Main ports



Ports

- There are 11 high speed & efficient panamax ports in the Baltic Sea plus numerous ports suitable for loading Handies.
- During recent years there have been massive investments made into grain terminals in the Baltic States and Poland to meet increased demand in the future.
- All Baltic Sea ports provide preservation of identity – same goods which are delivered into the port are also loaded on the vessel on behalf of the same shipper.

Structure of Baltic Exporters

- Relatively few companies handling big volume.
- Mostly 2 structures:
 - Collectors
 - Coops
- Safe trading environment – no defaults in the area.



Russian & Kazakh Wheat Through the Baltic States' Ports

- There has been a constant flow for Russian/Kazakh grain through the Baltic ports for the last 5 years.
- The handling capacity in the Baltic States' ports is 10 mio tn annually, less than half of this is used for local exports.
- Freight spread between the Baltic and the Black Sea ports for panamaxs is 2-4 USD/mt.



The Future



Future Developments

- Estonia, Latvia & Lithuania still have more than a million hectares of unused agricultural land, this will increase their grain surplus in the future by ca 5 mio tn.
- Abt 75% of the wheat surplus today is shipped to North African and Middle Eastern countries: Morocco, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Iran, etc. We expect this volume to increase further.
- Due to increasing volumes, the Baltic exporters will need to find new markets in the future.
- Due to low freight difference between the Baltic Sea and the Black Sea and lower loading costs we see an increasing trend for Russian/Kazakh grains moving through the Baltic ports.

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Thank you very much

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