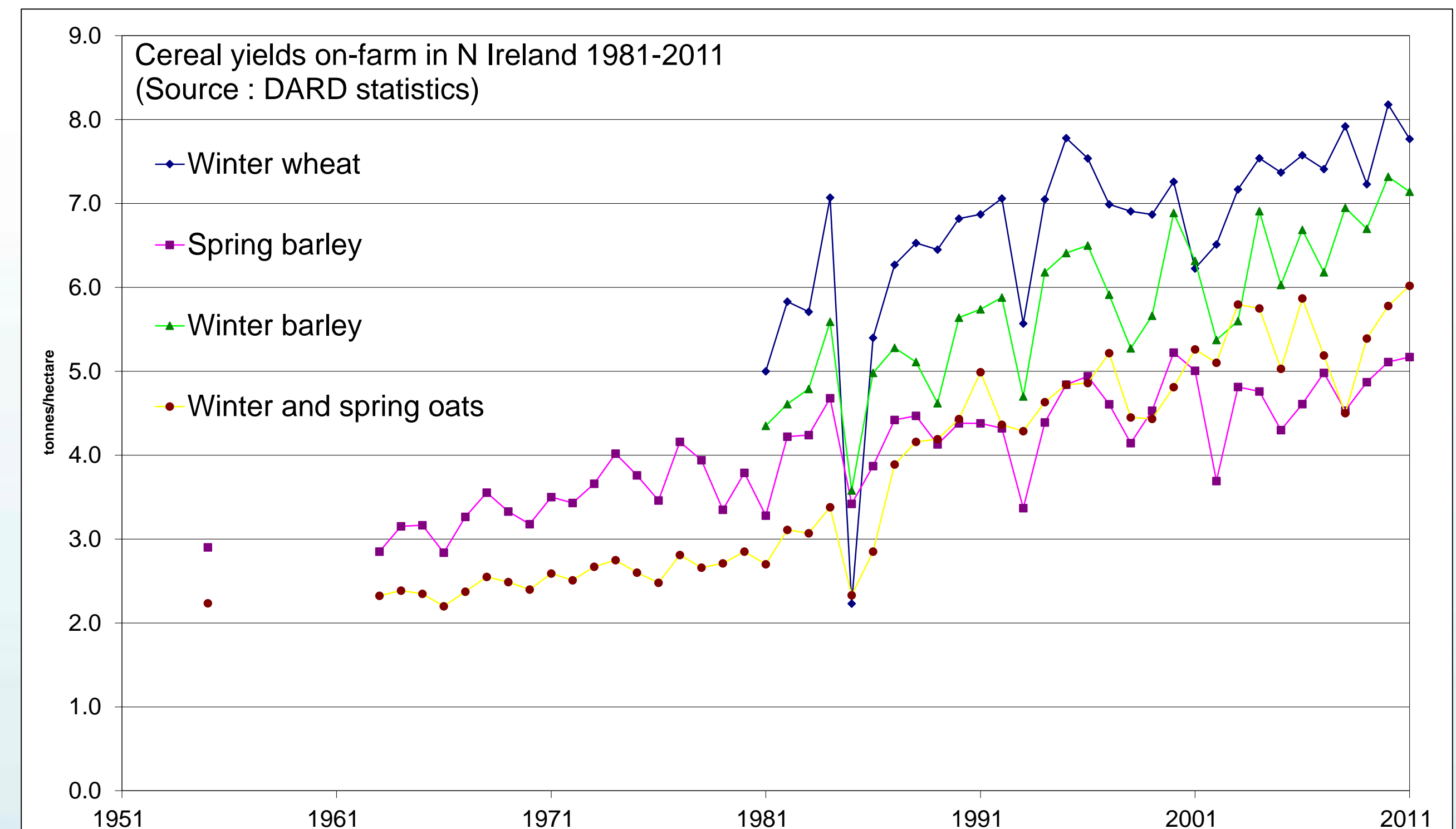
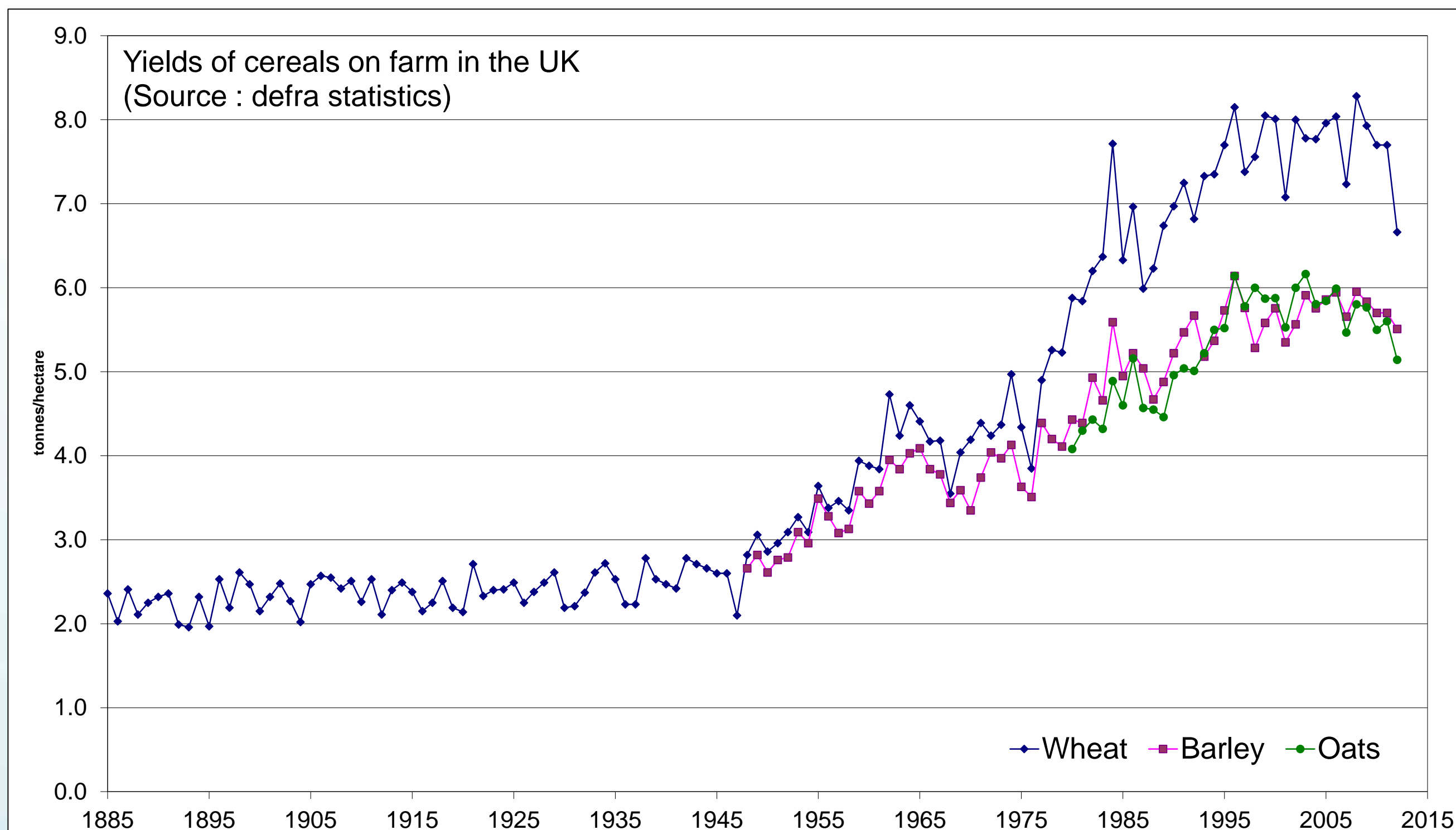


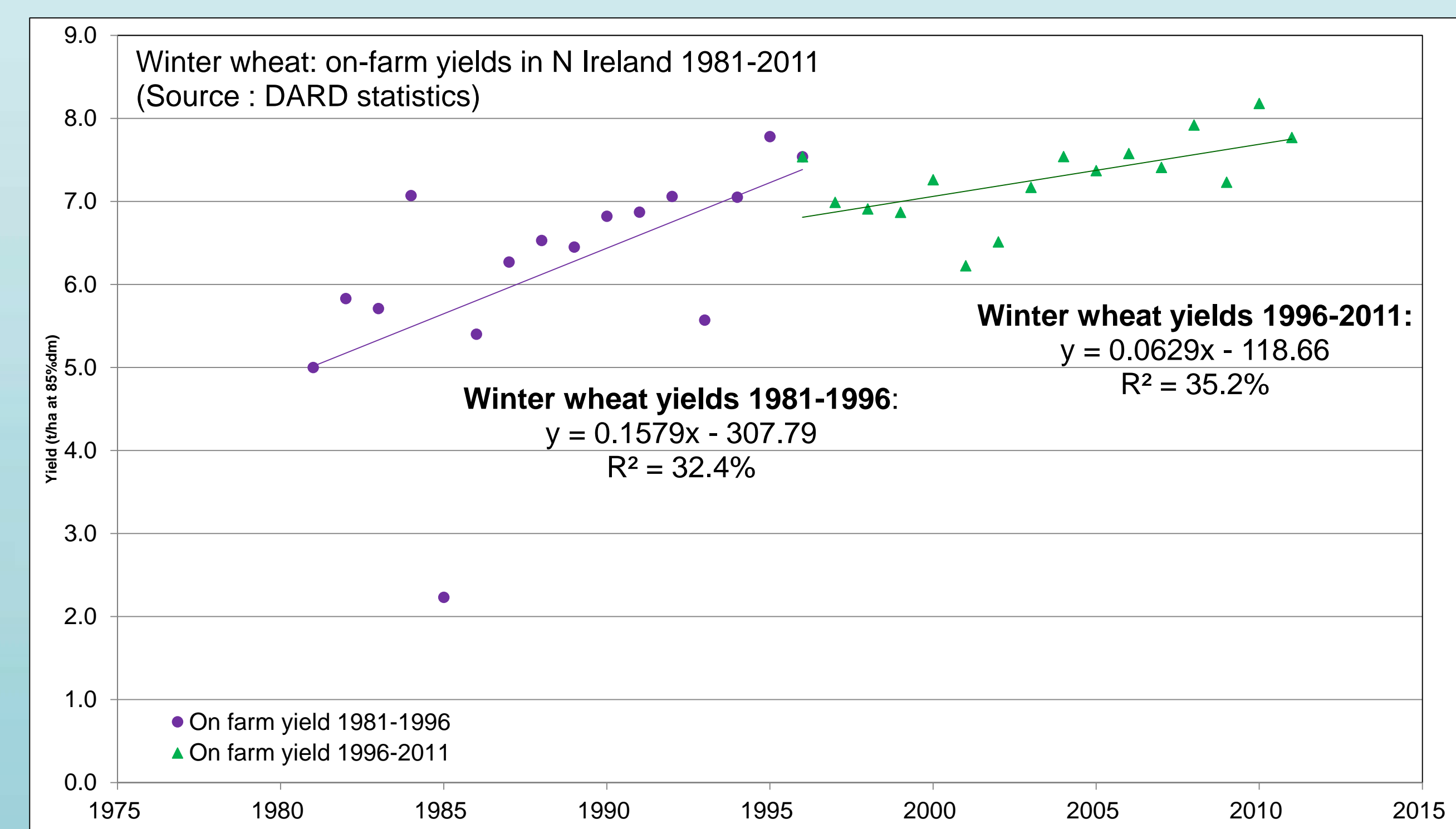
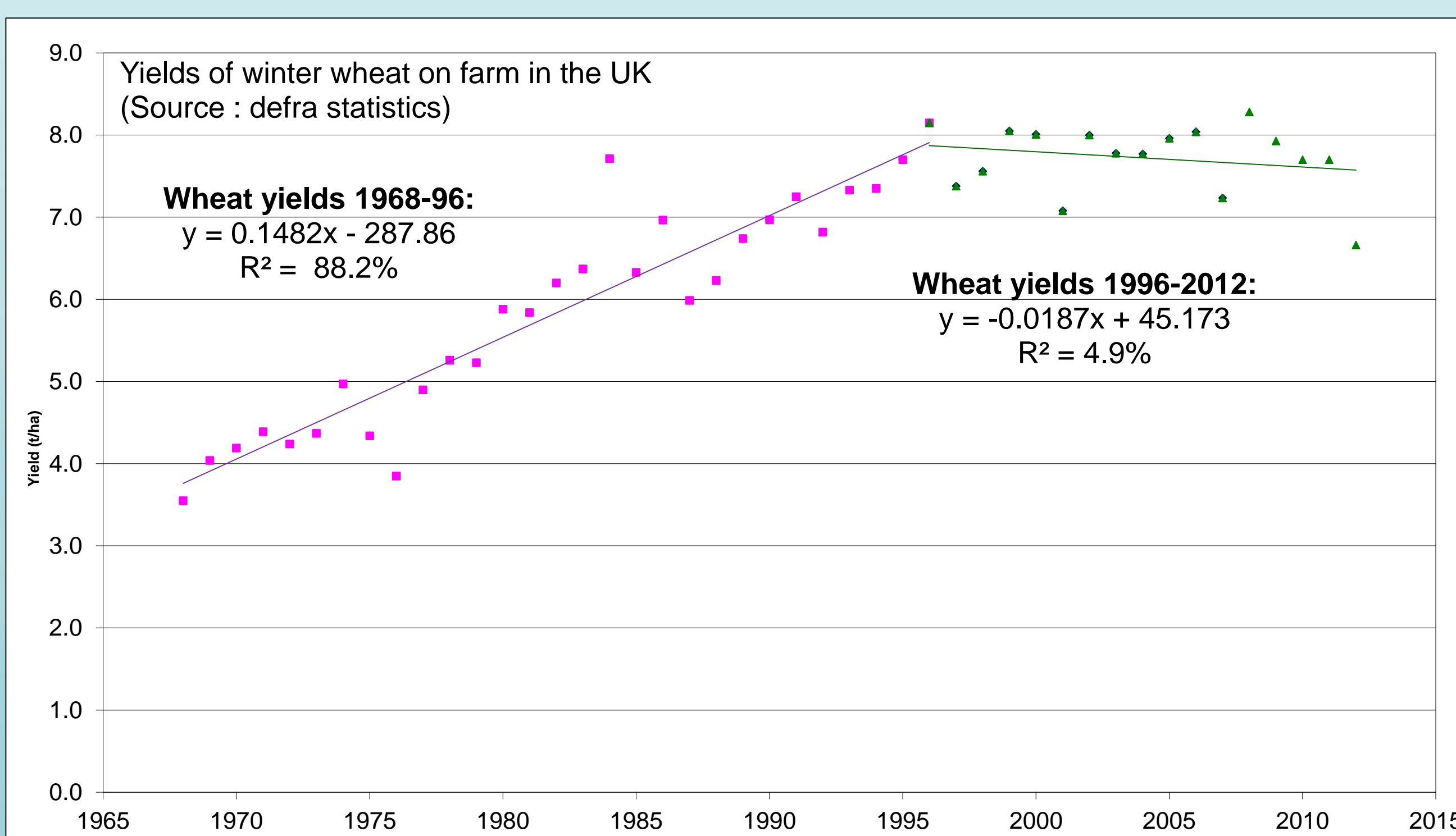
Yields of cereal crops on farm across the UK have stagnated since 1996 (Source: HGCA Project Report 502)  
How true is this in N Ireland?



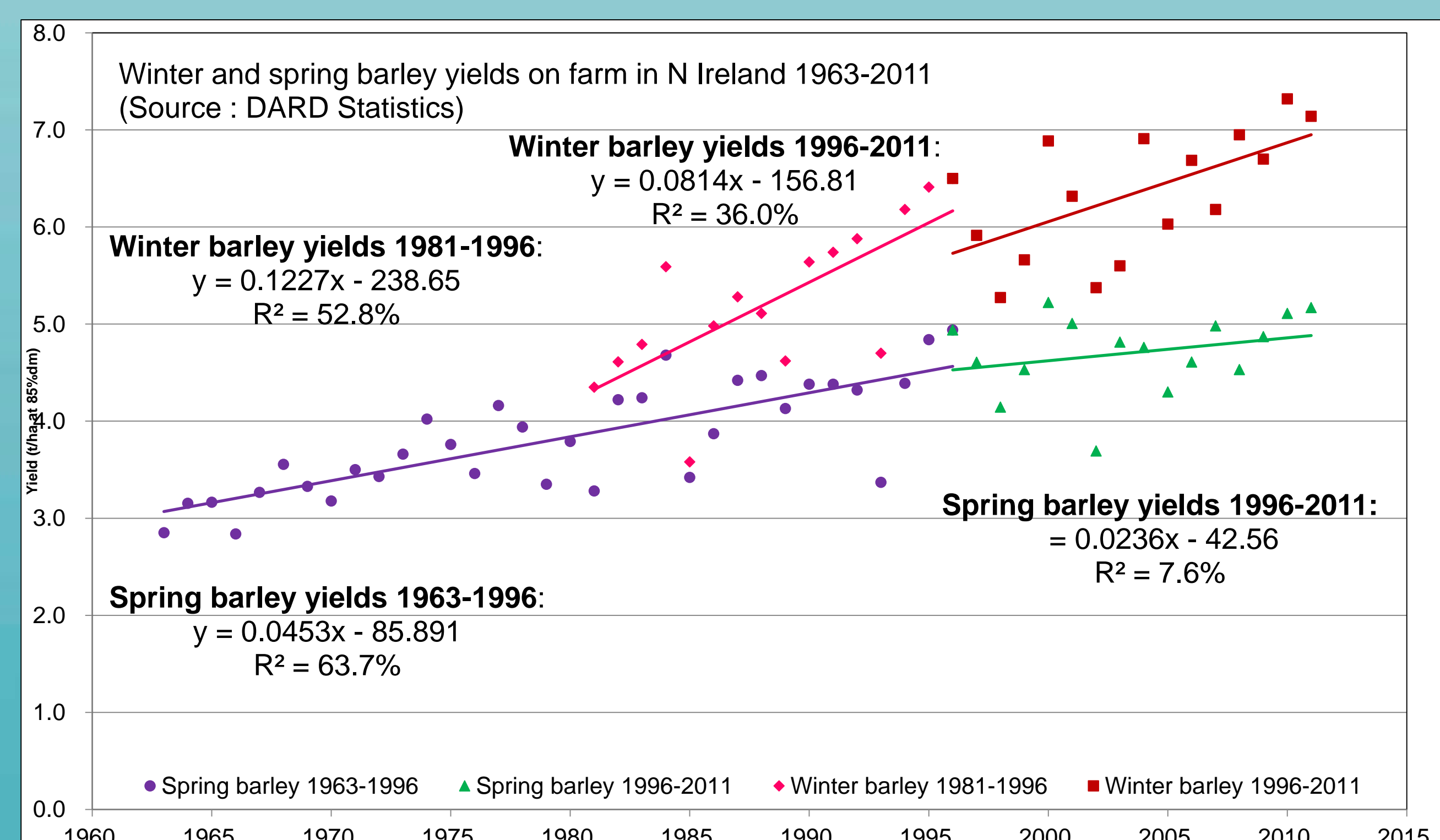
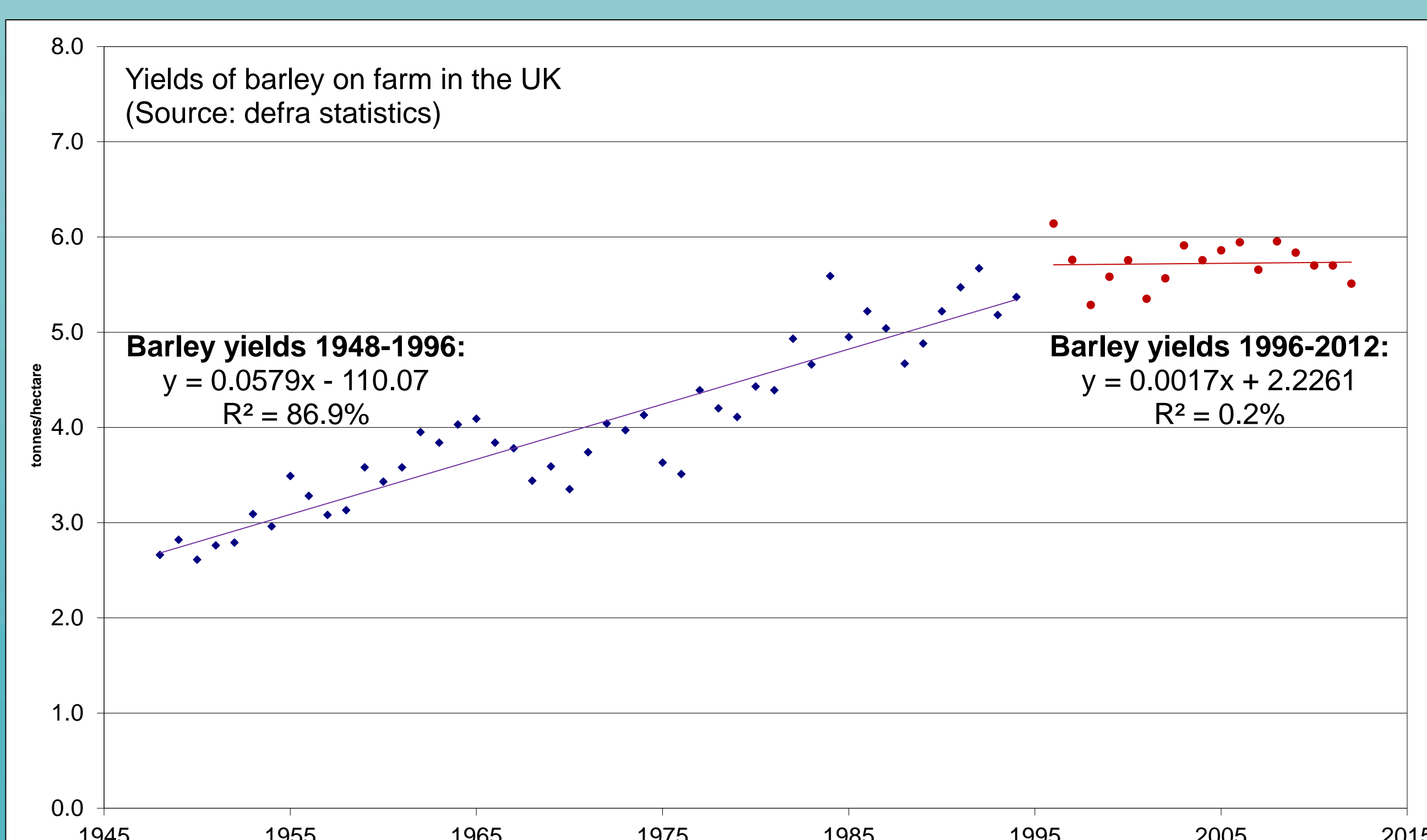
## Yields of all cereals on farm in the UK and N Ireland



## Yields of winter wheat in the UK and N Ireland



## Yields of barley in the UK and winter and spring barley in N Ireland



Conclusions about causes of variation in wheat yield on farm in the UK included in HGCA Project Report 502:

- Varieties have contributed to increases in yield
- Weather influences annual variation in yield
- Increased crop protection and earlier sowing have contributed positively to yield
- Reduced tillage may have reduced yield in the short-term and reduced crop nutrition has limited yield
- Deep soil compaction may be having a longer-term impact

Cereal yields on farm in N Ireland are still increasing, but for how long? Analysis of causes of variation has yet to be done.