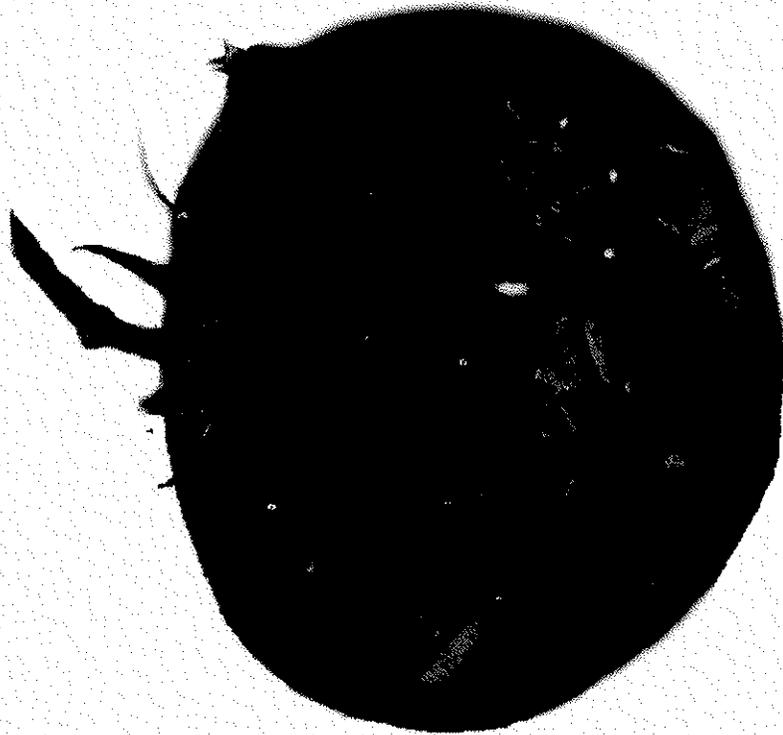




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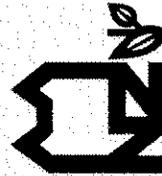
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Major country

Year 2008*

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Italy 4900

Turkey 2700

Spain 1730

Portugal 998

Tunisia 800

*Thousands of metric tons

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Italy

- Surface (acres): 187.000 (2008) → 206.000 (2009)
- Low temperature April and start of May → low early production.
- June temperature on average → good setting medium and late planting.
- Only few disease problems (Bacterial speck, Early blight, Late blight, TSWV r. breaking,)
- Water available north and south
- New factory Ferrara area (from sugar beet company) and Foggia area

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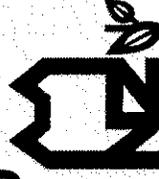
Turkey

- Surface (acres): 94.000 (2008) → 67.000 (2009)
- Water available
- Bacterial and fungus diseases problem
- Diffusion of “european variety”

Spain

- Surface (acres): 62.000 (2008) → 89.000 (2009)
- Water available
- No heavy disease problems
- Good temperature for early crop

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Major country

Year	2008*	2009 f**	%
Italy	4900	5400	+10
Turkey	2700	2000	-26
Spain	1730	2400	+40
Portugal	998	1000	0
Tunisia	800	800	0

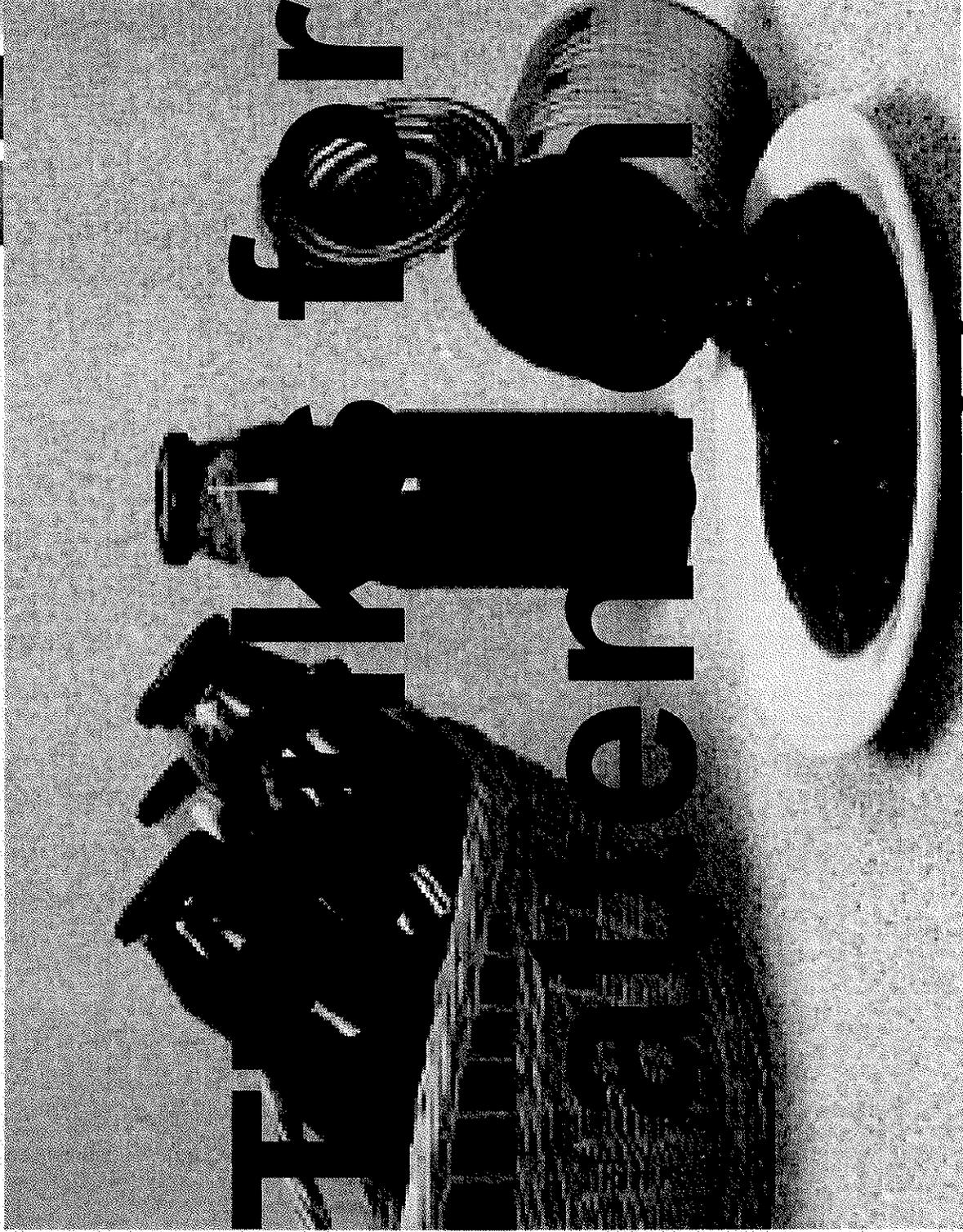
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