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The **preliminary** area planted estimate for summer crops for 2019 is hereby released.
 Hiermee word die **voorlopige** oppervlakteskating vir somergewasse vir 2019 vrygestel.

SUMMER CROPS – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2019

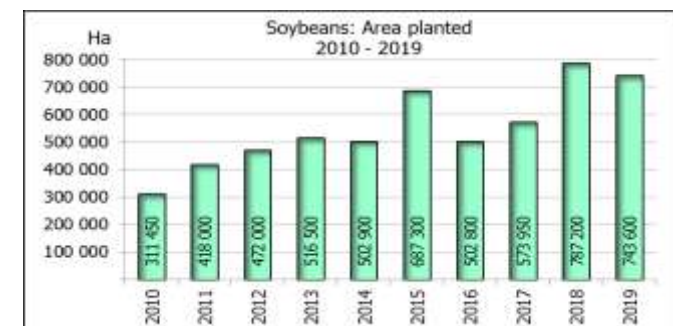
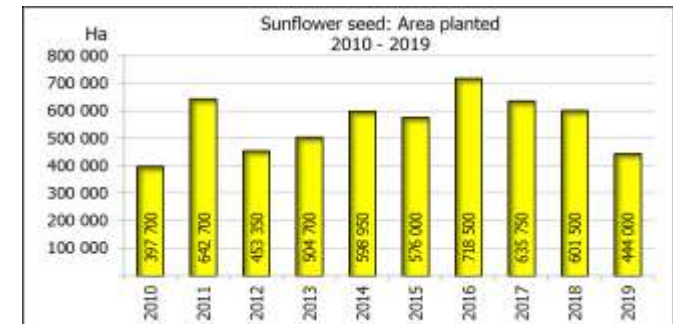
SOMERGEWASSE – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2019

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (A)	Intentions ^{1)/} Voorname ¹⁾ 2019 Ha (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (C)	Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2018 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering/ 2019 vs 2018 % (A) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieël:					
White maize/Witmielies	1 257 000	1 373 400	1 268 100	6 801 560	-0,88
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 011 900	1 075 000	1 050 750	6 129 650	-3,70
Total Maize/Totale Mielies	2 268 900	2 448 400	2 318 850	12 931 210	-2,15
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	444 000	575 000	601 500	858 605	-26,18
Soybeans/Sojabone	743 600	851 800	787 200	1 550 800	-5,54
Groundnuts/Grondbone	19 200	50 000	56 300	53 750	-65,90
Sorghum	46 000	43 000	28 800	109 855	+59,72
Dry beans/Droëbone	56 000	60 000	53 360	69 360	+4,95
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 577 700	4 028 200	3 846 010	15 573 580	-6,98

1) Soos middel Oktober 2018/ As mid October 2018

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2018/19 = 2019

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2018/19 = 2019



The Crop Estimates Committee comprises officials of the following institutions:

Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; Provincial Departments of Agriculture; various ARC-Institutes (Soil, Climate and Water; Small Grains Institute; and Grain Crops Institute); BFAP and Statistics SA.

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2019**WIT- EN GEELMIELIES** – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2019

Province/ Provinsie	Preliminary area planted Voorlopige oppervlakte beplant 2019			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2018			Final estimate ¹⁾ / Finale skatting ¹⁾ 2018		
	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Totaal/ Total Ha	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Totaal/ Total Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Geel/ Yellow Tons	Totaal/ Total Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	400	3 400	3 800	0	3 750	3 750	0	33 750	33 750
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 200	45 000	48 200	3 600	43 000	46 600	41 760	636 400	678 160
Free State/Vrystaat	610 000	390 000	1 000 000	644 000	410 000	1 054 000	3 477 600	2 009 000	5 486 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 400	10 500	13 900	3 500	11 000	14 500	21 700	71 500	93 200
KwaZulu-Natal	45 000	51 000	96 000	45 000	50 000	95 000	301 500	380 000	681 500
Mpumalanga	150 000	342 000	492 000	140 000	340 000	480 000	840 000	2 040 000	2 880 000
Limpopo	9 000	16 000	25 000	12 000	21 000	33 000	90 000	147 000	237 000
Gauteng	46 000	57 000	103 000	50 000	62 000	112 000	290 000	372 000	662 000
North West/Noordwes	390 000	97 000	487 000	370 000	110 000	480 000	1 739 000	440 000	2 179 000
Total/Totaal	1 257 000	1 011 900	2 268 900	1 268 100	1 050 750	2 318 850	6 801 560	6 129 650	12 931 210

1) 26 September 2018

SUNFLOWER SEED – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2019**SONNEBLOMSAAD** – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2019

Province/ Provinsie	Prel area planted Voorl opp beplant Ha 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	100	100
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	900	1 600	1 920
Free State/Vrystaat	233 000	314 000	486 700
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	100	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	2 000	2 300	2 185
Limpopo	40 000	45 000	36 000
Gauteng	3 000	5 500	5 500
North West/Noordwes	165 000	233 000	326 200
Total/Totaal	444 000	601 500	858 605

SOYBEANS – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2019**SOJABONE** – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2019

Province/ Provinsie	Prel area planted Voorl opp beplant Ha 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	800	1 200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 300	3 000	10 500
Free State/Vrystaat	315 000	345 000	552 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 200	2 400	2 400
KwaZulu-Natal	33 000	40 000	124 000
Mpumalanga	320 000	310 000	682 000
Limpopo	15 000	20 000	56 000
Gauteng	25 000	30 000	61 500
North West/Noordwes	33 000	36 000	61 200
Total/Totaal	743 600	787 200	1 550 800

**PRELIMINARY AREA ESTIMATE OF SUMMER CROPS (2019 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2019 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
29 JANUARY / JANUARIE 2019**

Summer field crops – 2019

The preliminary area estimate of today is mainly based on the results of a non-probability survey conducted by the Directorate: Statistics and Economic Analysis of the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. Less favorable rainfall and warm temperatures in the western producing areas over the past few weeks prevented producers from planting their intended area with summer crops, especially in the Free State and North West provinces.

The revised area planted and production figures, which will be released by the Crop Estimates Committee on 27 February 2019, will mainly be based, on information obtained from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES) survey for the Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng and North West provinces.

Commercial maize: The preliminary area estimate for maize is 2,269 mill. ha, which is 2,15% or 49 950 ha less than the 2,319 mill. ha planted for the previous season, and also 7,33% or 179 500 ha less than the intentions to plant figure of 2,448 mill. ha released in October 2018.

The preliminary area estimate for white maize is 1,257 mill. ha, which represents a decrease of 0,88% or 11 100 ha compared to the 1,268 mill. ha planted last season. In the case of yellow maize the area estimate is 1,012 mill. ha, which is 3,70% or 38 850 ha less than the 1,051 mill. ha planted last season.

Other summer crops:

Please note that only provisional national area planted figures of groundnuts, sorghum and dry beans for the current production season are being released today.

Sunflower seed: The preliminary area estimate for sunflower seed is 444 000 ha, which is 26,18% or 157 500 ha less than the 601 500 ha planted the previous season.

It is estimated that 743 600 ha have been planted to **soybeans**, which represents a decrease of 5,54% or 43 600 ha compared to the 787 200 ha planted last season.

For **groundnuts**, the area estimate is 19 200 ha, which is 65,90% or 37 100 ha less than the 56 300 ha planted for the previous season.

The area estimate for **sorghum** increased by 59,72%, from 28 800 ha to 46 000 ha against the previous season.

For **dry beans**, the area estimate is 56 000 ha, which is 4,95% or 2 640 ha more than the 53 360 ha planted for the previous season.

Please note that the revised area estimate and first production forecast for summer field crops for 2019 will be released on 27 February 2019.

Somergewasse – 2019

Die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting van vandag is hoofsaaklik gebaseer op die resultate van 'n nie-ewekansige opname onderneem deur die Direkoraat: Statistiek en Ekonomiese Analise van die Departement van Landbou, Bosbou en Visserye. Minder gunstige reënvalneerslae en warm temperature in die westelike produserende gebiede die afgelope paar weke het produsente verhinder om hul beoogde oppervlakte met somergewasse aan te plant, veral in die Vrystaat en Noordwes provinsies.

Die hersiene aangeplante oppervlakte en produksiesyfers sal deur die Oesskattingskomitee op 27 Februarie 2019 vrygestel word en sal hoofsaaklik, gebaseer wees op inligting verkry vanaf die "PICES"-opname vir die Vrystaat, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng en Noordwes provinsies.

Kommersiële mielies: Die voorlopige skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2,269 milj. ha, wat 2,15% of 49 950 ha minder is as die 2,319 milj. ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is, en ook 7,33% of 179 500 ha minder as die voornemens om te plant syfer van 2,448 milj. ha soos vrygestel in Oktober 2018.

Die voorlopige oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,257 milj. ha, wat 'n afname van 0,88% of 11 100 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 1,268 milj. ha die vorige seisoen. In die geval van geelmielies is die oppervlakteskatting 1,012 milj. ha, wat 3,70% of 38 850 ha minder is as die 1,051 milj. ha geplant die vorige seisoen.

Ander somergewasse:

Let asb. daarop dat net die nasionale aangeplante area vir die voorlopige oppervlakte van die grondbone, sorghum en droëbone vir die huidige produksieseisoen vandag vrygestel word.

Sonneblomsaad: Die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 444 000 ha, wat 26,18% of 157 500 ha minder is as die 601 500 ha aangeplant die vorige seisoen.

Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met **sojabone** is 743 600 ha, wat 'n afname van 5,54% of 43 600 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 787 200 ha geplant die vorige seisoen.

Vir **grondbone** is die oppervlakteskatting 19 200 ha, wat 65,90% of 37 100 ha minder is as die 56 300 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir **sorghum** het toegeneem met 59,72%, van 28 800 ha tot 46 000 ha teenoor die vorige seisoen.

Vir **droëbone** is die geskatte oppervlakte beplant 56 000 ha, wat 4,95% of 2 640 ha meer is as die 53 360 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die hersiene oppervlakte- en eerste produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2019, op 27 Februarie 2019 vrygestel sal word.

**The area estimate and sixth production forecast for winter cereals for the 2018 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakteskatting en sesde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2018 vrygestel.**

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2018

WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2018

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (A)	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2018 Tons (B)	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting 2018 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2017 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2017 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	503 350	1 798 800	1 830 600	491 600	1 535 000	-1,74
Malting barley/Moutgars	119 000	421 790	401 840	91 380	307 000	+4,96
Canola/Kanola	77 000	103 950	103 950	84 000	93 500	-
Total/Totaal	699 350	2 324 540	2 336 390	666 980	1 935 500	-0,51

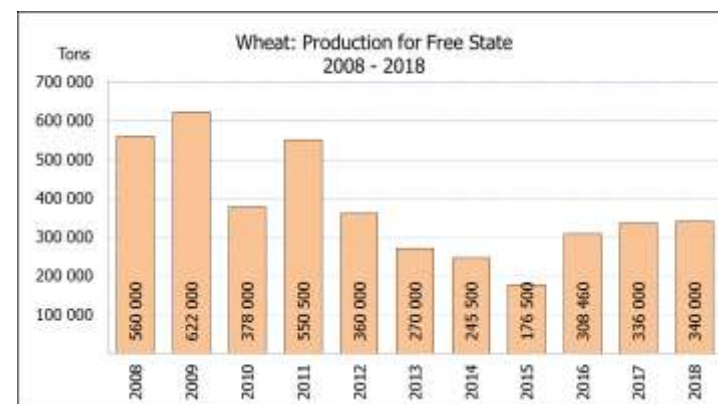
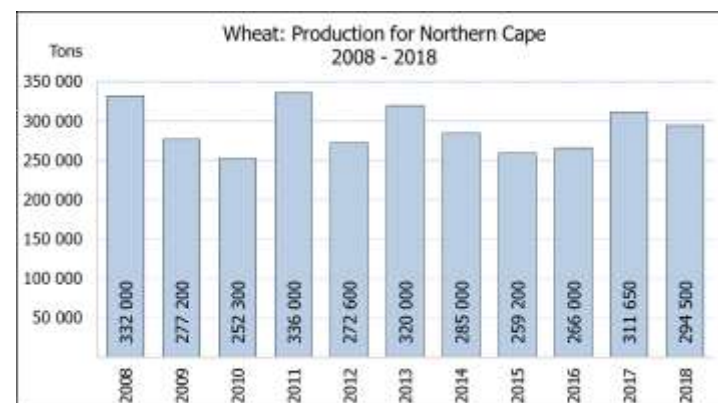
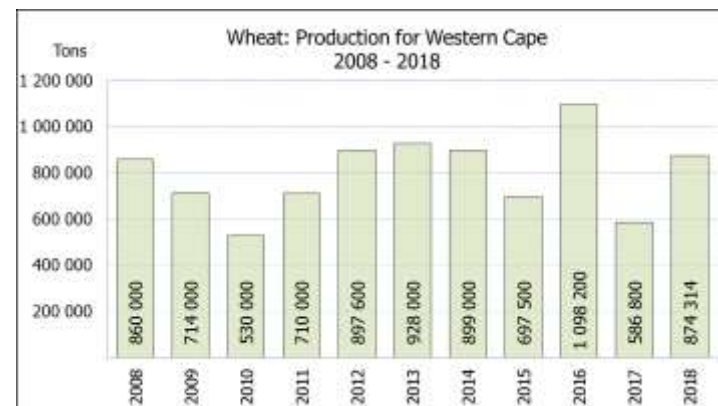
* Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2018 = 2018

* Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2018 = 2018

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2018

KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2018

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2018 Tons	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2017 Ha	Final crop/ Finale oes 2017 Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	318 000	874 500	326 000	586 800
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	38 000	294 500	38 000	311 650
Free State/Vrystaat	100 000	340 000	80 000	336 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 650	10 725	1 900	9 500
KwaZulu-Natal	7 000	43 400	7 500	45 750
Mpumalanga	3 500	21 875	4 000	25 400
Limpopo	20 000	122 000	20 000	132 000
Gauteng	1 200	7 800	700	4 200
North West/Noordwes	14 000	84 000	13 500	83 700
Total/Totaal	503 350	1 798 800	491 600	1 535 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2018) /
OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2018)**

29 JANUARY / JANUARIE 2019

Winter cereal crops - 2018 production season

Wheat: The expected commercial production of wheat is 1,799 mill. tons, which is 1,74% or 31 800 tons less than the previous forecast of 1,831 mill. tons. The expected yield is 3,57 t/ha.

The area estimate for wheat is 503 350 ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** is 421 790 tons, which is 4,96% or 19 950 tons more than the previous forecast of 401 840 tons. The current crop of 421 790 tons is the highest crop ever produced in the RSA. The area planted is estimated at 119 000 ha, while the expected yield is 3,54 t/ha.

The expected **canola** crop remained unchanged at 103 950 tons. The area estimate for canola is 77 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,35 t/ha.

Please note that the final production estimate for winter cereals for 2018 will be released on 27 February 2019.

Wintergewasse - 2018 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte kommersiële produksie vir koring is 1,799 milj. ton, wat 1,74% of 31 800 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 1,831 milj. ton. Die verwagte opbrengs is 3,57 t/ha.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir koring is 503 350 ha.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is 421 790 ton, wat 4,96% of 19 950 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 401 840 ton. Die huidige skatting van 421 790 ton is die hoogste oes nog ooit geproduseer in die RSA. Die oppervlakte beplant is beraam op 119 000 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,54 t/ha beloop.

Die verwagte **kanola**-oes is onveranderd gelaat op 103 950 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 77 000 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,35 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die finale produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2018 op 27 Februarie 2019 vrygestel sal word.

Information is available on the internet at <http://www.daff.gov.za/statistics> and [economic reports](http://www.daff.gov.za/economic-reports) or <http://www.sagis.org.za>, as from **15:30** on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.

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- The embargo time for the release of crop estimates information is 15:30

- No member is allowed to discuss crop estimates information with anyone other than a member of the Committee before the embargo time
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