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The area planted estimate and **final** production forecast for summer crops for 2019 is hereby released.
Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en **finale** produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2019 vrygestel.

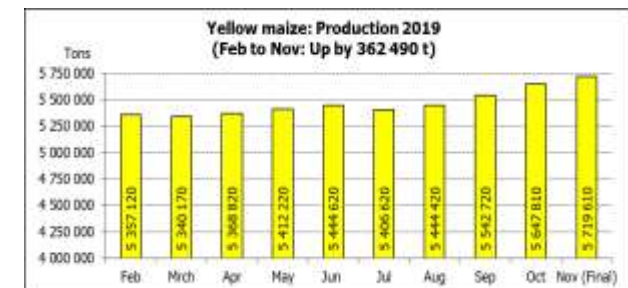
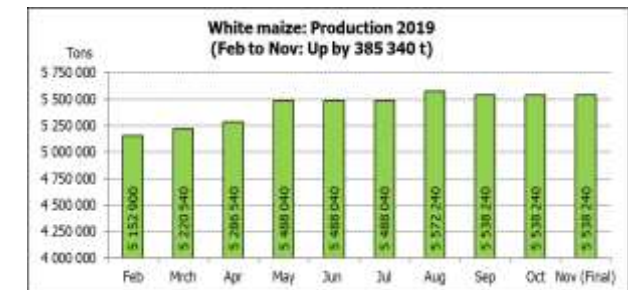
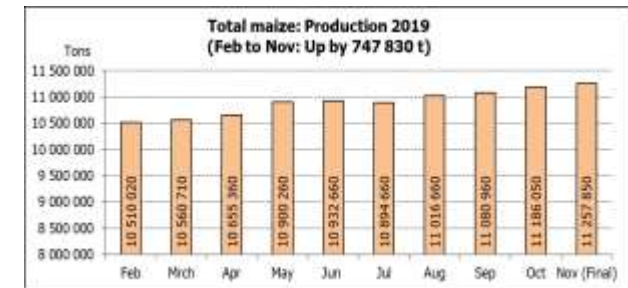
SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (A)	Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2019 Tons (B)	9 th forecast/ 9 ^{de} skatting 2019 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2018 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/ % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieël:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 298 400	5 538 240	5 538 240	1 268 100	6 540 000	-
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 002 100	5 719 610	5 647 810	1 050 750	5 970 000	+1,27
Total Maize/Totale Mielies	2 300 500	11 257 850	11 186 050	2 318 850	12 510 000	+0,64
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	515 350	680 940	680 940	601 500	862 000	-
Soybeans/Sojabone	730 500	1 170 345	1 170 345	787 200	1 540 000	-
Groundnuts/Grondbone	20 050	20 030	19 455	56 300	57 000	+2,96
Sorghum	50 500	130 875	134 525	28 800	115 000	-2,71
Dry beans/Droëbone	59 300	66 355	66 355	53 360	69 360	-
Non-Commercial Maize/Nie-Kommersieële Mielies						
Total Maize/Totaal Mielies	296 000	549 180	549 180	314 835	593 975	-
Maize/Mielies: Commercial/Kommersieël + Non-Commercial/Nie-Kommersieël						
Total Maize RSA/Totaal Mielies RSA	2 596 500	11 807 030	11 630 140	2 633 685	13 103 975	+1,52

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; Grain Crops Institute); BFAP, Statistics SA and CSIR.

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2019			Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2019			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2018			Final crop/ Finale oes 2018		
	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	400	3 400	3 800	3 600	30 600	34 200	0	3 750	3 750	0	33 750	33 750
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 400	43 500	46 900	39 440	630 750	670 190	3 600	43 000	46 600	41 300	628 000	669 300
Free State/Vrystaat	650 000	380 000	1 030 000	2 795 000	1 748 000	4 543 000	644 000	410 000	1 054 000	3 350 000	1 925 000	5 275 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 800	10 200	14 000	22 800	69 360	92 160	3 500	11 000	14 500	21 700	71 500	93 200
KwaZulu-Natal	45 000	54 000	99 000	270 000	399 600	669 600	45 000	50 000	95 000	280 000	380 000	660 000
Mpumalanga	145 000	338 000	483 000	797 500	1 977 300	2 774 800	140 000	340 000	480 000	812 000	2 005 000	2 817 000
Limpopo	12 800	18 000	30 800	83 200	117 000	200 200	12 000	21 000	33 000	90 000	141 700	231 700
Gauteng	48 000	60 000	108 000	259 200	348 000	607 200	50 000	62 000	112 000	275 000	356 500	631 500
North West/Noordwes	390 000	95 000	485 000	1 267 500	399 000	1 666 500	370 000	110 000	480 000	1 670 000	428 550	2 098 550
Total/Totaal	1 298 400	1 002 100	2 300 500	5 538 240	5 719 610	11 257 850	1 268 100	1 050 750	2 318 850	6 540 000	5 970 000	12 510 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**SONNEBLOMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	100	100
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	950	1 140	1 600	1 920
Free State/Vrystaat	270 000	391 500	314 000	490 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	100	250	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	4 500	4 500	2 300	2 180
Limpopo	61 000	61 000	45 000	36 000
Gauteng	3 800	3 800	5 500	5 600
North West/Noordwes	175 000	218 750	233 000	326 200
Total/Totaal	515 350	680 940	601 500	862 000

SOYBEANS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	10	800	1 200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 550	5 425	3 000	10 500
Free State/Vrystaat	301 000	391 300	345 000	552 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 150	1 380	2 400	2 900
KwaZulu-Natal	33 000	99 000	40 000	124 000
Mpumalanga	310 000	511 500	310 000	672 700
Limpopo	16 200	46 980	20 000	54 000
Gauteng	31 500	66 150	30 000	61 500
North West/Noordwes	36 000	48 600	36 000	61 200
Total/Totaal	730 500	1 170 345	787 200	1 540 000

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 200	2 520	2 800	7 000
Free State/Vrystaat	11 500	9 775	22 000	21 150
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	1 850	3 885	3 500	7 350
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	5 500	3 850	28 000	21 500
Total/Totaal	20 050	20 030	56 300	57 000

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	8 000	23 600	6 300	25 200
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	500	1 500	500	2 200
Mpumalanga	7 500	36 000	7 500	40 500
Limpopo	25 000	50 000	5 000	15 500
Gauteng	1 000	3 200	1 500	4 950
North West/Noordwes	8 500	16 575	8 000	26 650
Total/Totaal	50 500	130 875	28 800	115 000

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	180	20	30
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 000	1 400	540	1 080
Free State/Vrystaat	27 000	28 350	26 000	28 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	400	720	300	450
KwaZulu-Natal	3 500	4 025	3 000	3 600
Mpumalanga	7 500	6 750	7 000	9 800
Limpopo	7 800	12 480	7 500	15 000
Gauteng	1 500	1 950	1 000	1 200
North West/Noordwes	10 500	10 500	8 000	9 600
Total/Totaal	59 300	66 355	53 360	69 360

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- Personal items such as laptops, handbags, cell phones, etc. are not allowed in the venue during the meeting
- No member is allowed to leave the meeting before 12:00 in order to prevent disclosure of the information
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- No member is allowed to discuss crop estimates information with anyone other than a member of the Committee before the embargo time
- Only the Chairperson, or a member appointed by the Chairperson, may release the figures to the media
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- Individual information received for crop estimate purposes is treated strictly confidential, and is not divulged for any other purposes

**AREA ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE OF SUMMER CROPS (2019 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2019 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
26 NOVEMBER 2019**

Summer field crops – 2019

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 11,258 mill. tons, which is 0,64% or 71 800 tons more than the previous forecast of 11,186 mill. tons. The area estimate for maize is 2,301 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 4,89 t/ha.

The estimated maize crop is 10% smaller than the 2018 crop. The three main maize producing areas, namely the Free State, Mpumalanga and North West provinces are expected to produce 80% of the 2019 crop.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,298 mill. ha & for yellow maize the area estimate is 1,002 mill. ha.

The production forecast of white maize remained unchanged at 5,538 mill. tons. The yield for white maize is 4,27 t/ha. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 5,720 mill. tons, which is 1,27% or 71 800 tons more than the 5,648 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 5,71 t/ha.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed remained unchanged at 680 940 tons. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 515 350 ha, while the expected yield is 1,32 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soybeans** also remained unchanged at 1,170 mill. tons. The estimated area planted to soybeans is 730 500 ha and the expected yield is 1,60 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop is 20 030 tons, which is 2,96% or 575 tons more than the previous forecast of 19 455 tons. The area estimate for groundnuts is 20 050 ha and the expected yield is 1,00 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** decreased by 2,71% or 3 650 tons, from 134 525 tons to 130 875 tons. The area estimate for sorghum is 50 500 ha and the expected yield is 2,59 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans**, the production forecast remained unchanged at 66 355 tons. The area estimate of dry beans is 59 300 ha, with an expected yield of 1,12 t/ha.

Please note that the preliminary area planted estimate for summer grains for 2020 will be released on 29 January 2020.

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Somergewasse – 2019

Kommersiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 11,258 milj. ton gestel, wat 0,64% of 71 800 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 11,186 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is 2,301 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 4,89 t/ha is.

Die geskatte mielie-oes is 10% kleiner as die 2018-oes. Die drie belangrikste mielieproduserende gebiede, nl. die Vrystaat, Mpumalanga en Noordwes provinsies, gaan na verwagting 80% van die 2019-oes produseer.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,298 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is die oppervlak 1,002 milj. ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is onveranderd gelaat op 5,538 mill. ton. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 4,27 t/ha. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 5,720 milj. ton, wat 1,27% of 71 800 ton meer is as die 5,648 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 5,71 t/ha.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is onveranderd gelaat op 680 940 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 515 350 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,32 t/ha is.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is ook onveranderd gelaat op 1,170 milj. ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant van sojabone is 730 500 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,60 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 20 030 ton, wat 2,96% of 575 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 19 455 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir grondbone is 20 050 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,00 t/ha.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** het afgeneem met 2,71% of 3 650 ton, van 134 525 ton tot 130 875 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sorghum is 50 500 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 2,59 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting onveranderd gelaat op 66 355 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant met droëbone is 59 300 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,12 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020 op 29 Januarie 2020 vrygestel sal word.

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The non-commercial agricultural sectors' production estimate for maize for 2019 is hereby released. / Hiermee word die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor se produksieskatting vir mielies vir 2019 vrygestel.

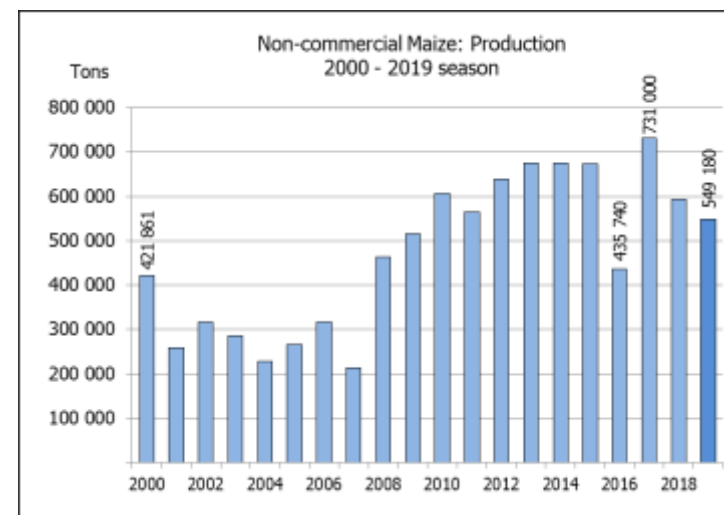
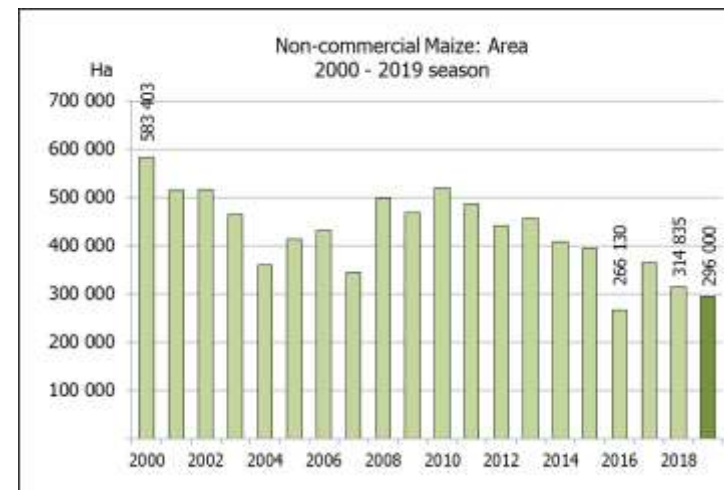
NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019

NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (A)	Production/ Produksie 2019 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2018 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (D)
Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou:					
White maize/Witmielies	221 300	379 460	236 644	414 162	-8,38
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	74 700	169 720	78 191	179 813	-5,61
Maize/Mielies	296 000	549 180	314 835	593 975	-7,54

The area planted to maize in the non-commercial agricultural sector is estimated at 296 000 ha, which represents a decrease of 5,98%, compared to the 314 835 ha of the previous season. The expected maize crop for this sector is 549 180 tons, which is 7,54% less than the 593 975 tons of last season. It is important to note that about 43% of the maize produced in the non-commercial sector, is planted in the Eastern Cape, followed by KwaZulu-Natal with 27%.

Die oppervlakte beplant met mielies in die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor word geskat op 296 000 ha, wat 'n afname van 5,98 % verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 314 835 ha van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor is 549 180 ton, wat 7,54% minder is as die 593 975 ton van die vorige seisoen. Dit is belangrik om daarop te let dat ongeveer 43% van die mielies wat geproduseer word in die nie-kommersiële sektor, in die Oos-Kaap geplant word, gevolg deur KwaZulu-Natal met 27%.



The area estimate and fourth production forecast for winter cereals for the 2019 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en vierde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2019 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019 PRODUCTION SEASON

WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (A)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2019 Tons (B)	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^{de} skatting 2019 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2018 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	540 000	1 618 460	1 695 470	503 350	1 868 000	-4,54
altling barley/Moutgars	131 960	358 760	364 860	119 000	421 500	-1,67
Canola/Kanola	74 000	96 200	81 400	77 000	104 500	+18,18
Cereal oats/Hawermout	27 200	31 240	34 990	19 235	32 700	-10,72

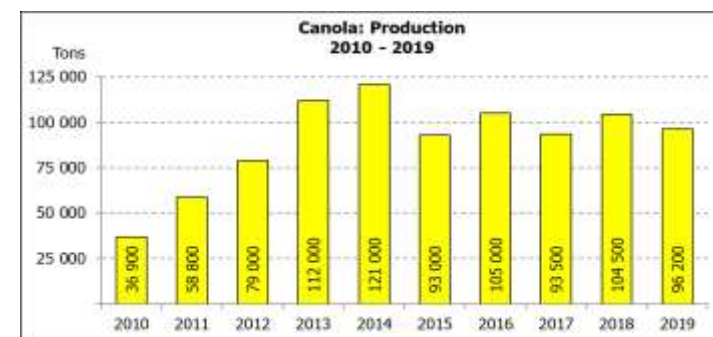
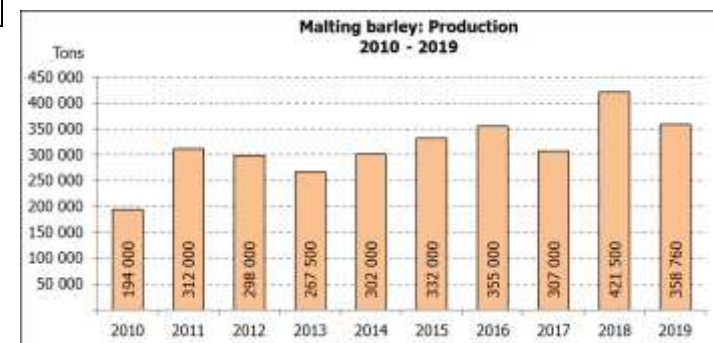
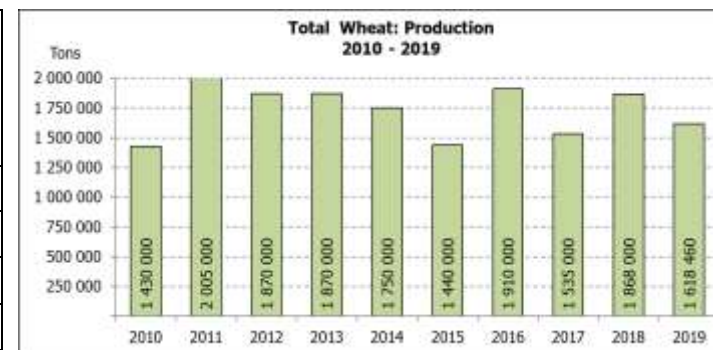
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* Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2019/20 = 2019

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019

KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2019 Tons	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha	Final crop/ Finale oes 2018 Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	325 000	666 250	318 000	890 500
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	37 500	273 750	38 000	294 500
Free State/Vrystaat	128 000	371 200	100 000	385 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 100	18 910	1 650	10 730
KwaZulu-Natal	7 500	45 750	7 000	43 400
Mpumalanga	4 000	25 200	3 500	22 740
Limpopo	20 000	128 000	20 000	128 000
Gauteng	1 400	8 400	1 200	7 800
North West/Noordwes	13 500	81 000	14 000	85 330
Total/Totaal	540 000	1 618 460	503 350	1 868 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2019) /
OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2019)
26 NOVEMBER 2019**

Winter cereal crops - 2019 production season

Wheat: The expected production of wheat is 1,618 mill. tons, which is 4,54% or 77 010 tons less than the previous forecast of 1,695 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 3,00 t/ha.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 666 250 tons (41%), in the Free State 371 200 tons (23%) and in the Northern Cape 273 750 tons (17%).

An estimated 325 000 ha or 60% is planted in the Western Cape, 128 000 ha or 24% in the Free State and 37 500 ha or 7% in the Northern Cape.

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** is 358 760 tons, which is 1,67% or 6 100 tons less than the previous forecast of 364 860 tons. The area planted is estimated at 131 960 ha, while the expected yield is 2,72 t/ha.

The expected **canola crop** is 96 200 tons, which is 18,18% or 14 800 tons more than the previous forecast of 81 400 tons. The area estimate for canola is 74 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,30 t/ha.

The area estimate for **oats (cereals)** for the 2019 season is 27 200 ha and the expected crop is 31 240 tons. The expected yield is 1,15 t/ha.

Please note that the fifth production forecast for winter cereals for 2019 will be released on 19 December 2019.

Wintergewasse - 2019 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte produksie vir koring is 1,618 milj. ton, wat 4,54% of 77 010 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 1,695 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,00 t/ha is.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 666 250 ton (41%), in die Vrystaat 371 200 ton (23%) en in die Noord-Kaap 273 750 ton (17%).

Die beraamde oppervlakte geplant in die Wes-Kaap is 325 000 ha of 60%, die Vrystaat is 128 000 ha of 24% en 37 500 ha of 7% is in die Noord-Kaap.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is 358 760 ton, wat 1,67% of 6 100 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 364 860 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 131 960 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 2,72 t/ha behoort.

Die verwagte **kanola-oes** is 96 200 ton, wat 18,18% of 14 800 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 81 400 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 74 000 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,30 t/ha.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir **hawer (ontbytygraan)** vir die 2019-seisoen is 27 200 ha en die verwagte oes is 31 240 ton. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,15 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die vyfde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2019 op 19 Desember 2019 vrygestel sal word.

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