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OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN SOMERGEWASSE: 2007/08-SEISOEN

AREA AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS: 2007/08 SEASON

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| GEWAS/CROP | Opp beplant/  Area planted  2007/08 | 3de skatting/  3rd forecast  2007/08 | 2de skatting/  2nd forecast  2007/08 | Opp beplant/  Area planted  2006/07 | Finale oes/  Final crop  2006/07 | Verandering/  Change |
|  | Ha | Tons | Tons | Ha | Tons | % |
|  | (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (E) | (B) ÷ (C) |
| Kommersieël/Commercial: | | | | | | |
| Witmielies/White maize | 1  737  000 | 6 525 050 | 6 428 750 | 1 624 800 | 4 315 000 | +1,50 |
| Geelmielies/Yellow maize | 1  062  000 | 4 472 800 | 4 336 200 | 927 000 | 2 810 000 | +3.15 |
| Mielies/Maize | 2  799  000 | 10 997 850 | 10 764 950 | 2 551 800 | 7 125 000 | +2,16 |
| Sonneblomsaad/Sunflower seed | 564  300 | 785 880 | 769 080 | 316 350 | 300 000 | +2,18 |
| Sojabone/Soya-beans | 174  400 | 302 250 | 297 250 | 183 000 | 205 000 | +1,68 |
| Grondbone/Groundnuts | 54  200 | 82 185 | 80 650 | 40 770 | 58 000 | +1,90 |
| Sorghum | 89  800 | 255 995 | 255 995 | 69 000 | 176 000 | - |
| Droëbone/Dry beans | 43  800 | 58 975 | 58 975 | 50 725 | 39 545 | - |
| TOTAAL/TOTAL | 3  725  500 | 12 483 135 | 12 226 900 | 3  211 645 | 7  903 545 | +2,10 |

VOORNEME OM WINTERGEWASSE TE PLANT: 2008-SEISOEN

INTENTIONS TO PLANT WINTER CEREALS: 2008 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GEWAS/CROP | Voorneme/  Intentions  2008 | Opp beplant/  Area planted  2007 | Finale skatting/  Final estimate  2007 | Verandering/  Change |
|  | Ha | Ha | Tons | % |
|  | (A) | (B) | (C) | (A) ÷ (B) |
| Kommersieël/Commercial: | | | | |
| Koring/Wheat | 750 000 | 632 000 | 1 843 900 | +18,7 |
| Moutgars/Malting barley | 68 150 | 73 360 | 218 224 | -7,1 |
| Kanola/Canola | 33 000 | 33 200 | 39 840 | -0,6 |
| TOTAAL/TOTAL | 851 150 | 738 560 | 2  101  964 | +15,2 |

WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2007/08-SEISOEN

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2007/08 SEASON

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Oppervlakte beplant/**  **Area planted**  **2007/08** | | | **3de skatting/**  **3rd forecast**  **2007/08** | | | Oppervlakte beplant/  Area planted  2006/07 | | | Finale oes/  Final crop  2006/07 | | |
|  | **Wit/**  **White**  **Ha** | **Geel/**  **Yellow**  **Ha** | **Totaal/**  **Total**  **Ha** | **Wit/**  **White**  **Tons** | **Geel/**  **Yellow**  **Tons** | **Totaal/**  **Total**  **Tons** | Wit/  White  Ha | Geel/  Yellow  Ha | Totaal/  Total  Ha | Wit/  White  Tons | Geel/  Yellow  Tons | Totaal/  Total  Tons |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **1 000** | **3 000** | **4 000** | **10 000** | **30 000** | **40 000** | 30 | 2 000 | 2 030 | 300 | 20 000 | 20 300 |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **3 000** | **52 000** | **55 000** | **33 750** | **572 000** | **605 750** | 3 770 | 45 000 | 48 770 | 42 700 | 498 000 | 540 700 |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **690 000** | **480 000** | **1 170 000** | **2 553 000** | **1 656 000** | **4 209 000** | 640 000 | 380 000 | 1 020 000 | 1 925 000 | 930 000 | 2 855 000 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **3 000** | **13 000** | **16 000** | **15 000** | **67 600** | **82 600** | 3 000 | 13 000 | 16 000 | 15 000 | 67 600 | 82 600 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **41 000** | **42 000** | **83 000** | **217 300** | **205 800** | **423 100** | 38 000 | 36 000 | 74 000 | 190 000 | 169 200 | 359 200 |
| Mpumalanga | **268 000** | **250 000** | **518 000** | **1 366 800** | **1 250 000** | **2 616 800** | 220 000 | 250 000 | 470 000 | 720 000 | 770 000 | 1 490 000 |
| Limpopo | **41 000** | **16 000** | **57 000** | **131 200** | **47 200** | **178 400** | 40 000 | 16 000 | 56 000 | 96 000 | 35 200 | 131 200 |
| Gauteng | **80 000** | **36 000** | **116 000** | **368 000** | **151 200** | **519 200** | 60 000 | 35 000 | 95 000 | 174 000 | 80 000 | 254 000 |
| Noordwes/North West | **610 000** | **170 000** | **780 000** | **1 830 000** | **493 000** | **2 323 000** | 620 000 | 150 000 | 770 000 | 1 152 000 | 240 000 | 1 392 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **1 737 000** | **1 062 000** | **2 799 000** | **6 525 050** | **4 472 800** | **10 997 850** | 1 624 800 | 927 000 | 2 551 800 | 4 315 000 | 2 810 000 | 7 125 000 |

SONNEBLOMSAAD – OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2007/08-SEISOEN

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2007/08 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Opp beplant/**  **Area planted**  **Ha** | **3de skatting/**  **3rd forecast**  **Tons** | Opp beplant/  Area planted  Ha | Finale oes/  Final crop  Tons |
|  | **2007/08** | **2007/08** | 2006/07 | 2006/07 |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **600** | **360** | 500 | 300 |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **400** | **960** | 700 | 1 320 |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **270 000** | **405 000** | 135 000 | 155 000 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **300** | **360** | 150 | 180 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **-** | **-** | - | - |
| Mpumalanga | **17 000** | **23 800** | 13 000 | 13 000 |
| Limpopo | **70 000** | **77 000** | 30 000 | 12 500 |
| Gauteng | **6 000** | **8 400** | 7 000 | 7 700 |
| Noordwes/North West | **200 000** | **270 000** | 130 000 | 110 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **564 300** | **785 880** | 316 350 | 300 000 |

SOJABONE – OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2007/08-SEISOEN

SOYA-BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2007/08 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Opp beplant/**  **Area planted**  **Ha** | **3de skatting/**  **3rd forecast**  **Tons** | Opp beplant/  Area planted  Ha | Finale oes/  Final crop  Tons |
|  | **2007/08** | **2007/08** | 2006/07 | 2006/07 |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **-** |  | - | - |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **500** | **1 525** | 500 | 1 500 |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **52 000** | **83 200** | 45 000 | 33 750 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **500** | **1 000** | 500 | 1 000 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **17 500** | **42 875** | 20 500 | 45 100 |
| Mpumalanga | **87 000** | **130 500** | 90 000 | 76 500 |
| Limpopo | **7 500** | **22 500** | 12 500 | 25 000 |
| Gauteng | **3 400** | **5 950** | 5 000 | 4 150 |
| Noordwes/North West | **6 000** | **14 700** | 9 000 | 18 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **174 400** | **302 250** | 183 000 | 205 000 |

GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2007/08-SEISOEN

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2007/08 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Opp beplant/**  **Area planted**  **Ha** | **3de skatting/**  **3rd forecast**  **Tons** | Opp beplant/  Area planted  Ha | Finale oes/  Final crop  Tons |
|  | **2007/08** | **2007/08** | 2006/07 | 2006/07 |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **-** |  | - | - |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **7 000** | **21 000** | 7 200 | 21 750 |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **25 500** | **34 425** | 18 800 | 20 750 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **-** | **-** | - | - |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **50** | **80** | 20 | 30 |
| Mpumalanga | **-** | **-** | - | - |
| Limpopo | **2 600** | **5 720** | 1 700 | 2 420 |
| Gauteng | **50** | **60** | 50 | 50 |
| Noordwes/North West | **19 000** | **20 900** | 13 000 | 13 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **54 200** | **82 185** | 40 770 | 58 000 |

SORGHUM – OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2007/08-SEISOEN

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2007/08 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Opp beplant/**  **Area planted**  **Ha** | **3de skatting/**  **3rd forecast**  **Tons** | Opp beplant/  Area planted  Ha | Finale oes/  Final crop  Tons |
|  | **2007/08** | **2007/08** | 2006/07 | 2006/07 |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **50 000** | **140 000** | 38 000 | 96 500 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **-** | **-** | - | - |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **300** | **825** | 1 500 | 7 000 |
| Mpumalanga | **19 000** | **64 600** | 20 000 | 56 000 |
| Limpopo | **15 000** | **36 000** | 4 500 | 3 500 |
| Gauteng | **900** | **2 610** | 1 000 | 3 000 |
| Noordwes/North West | **4 600** | **11 960** | 4 000 | 10 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **89 800** | **255 995** | 69 000 | 176 000 |

DROËBONE – OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2007/08-SEISOEN

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2007/08 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Opp beplant/**  **Area planted**  **Ha** | **3de skatting/**  **3rd forecast**  **Tons** | Opp beplant/  Area planted  Ha | Finale oes/  Final crop  Tons |
|  | **2007/08** | **2007/08** | 2006/07 | 2006/07 |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **100** | **250** | 150 | 345 |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **200** | **600** | 75 | 225 |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **16 500** | **21 450** | 16 500 | 12 375 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **-** | **-** | - | - |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **3 500** | **5 950** | 2 500 | 3 000 |
| Mpumalanga | **12 500** | **15 000** | 19 000 | 13 300 |
| Limpopo | **4 000** | **6 800** | 3 500 | 4 900 |
| Gauteng | **3 500** | **5 075** | 4 000 | 3 400 |
| Noordwes/North West | **3 500** | **3 850** | 5 000 | 2 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **43 800** | **58 975** | 50 725 | 39 545 |

KORING – VOORNEME OM TE PLANT: 2008-SEISOEN

WHEAT – INTENTION S TO PLANT: 2008 SEASON

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Provinsie/  Province | **Voorneme/**  **Intentions**  **Ha** | Opp beplant/  Area planted  Ha | Finale skatting/  Final estimate  Tons |
|  | **2008** | 2007 | 2007 |
| Wes-Kaap/Western Cape | **347 500** | 325 000 | 812 500 |
| Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape | **46 500** | 42 000 | 260 400 |
| Vrystaat/Free State | **293 500** | 215 000 | 516 000 |
| Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape | **4 200** | 3 800 | 15 200 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | **7 300** | 6 000 | 28 800 |
| Mpumalanga | **6 000** | 5 000 | 25 500 |
| Limpopo | **18 000** | 11 000 | 58 300 |
| Gauteng | **2 000** | 1 700 | 10 200 |
| Noordwes/North West | **25 000** | 22 500 | 117 000 |
| Totaal/Total | **750 000** | 632 000 | 1 843 900 |

**AREA ESTIMATE AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS/**  
**OPPERVLAK- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE**

**24 APRIL 2008**

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| **Estimates are based on conditions as at 24 April 2008.**  **Summer field crops – 2007/08 production season**  **Commercial maize:** Due to favourable production conditions the size of the commercial maize crop has been increased by 2,16% from 10,765 mill. tons to 10,998 mill. tons. The area planted remained unchanged at 2,799 mill, while the estimated yield increased to 3,93 t/ha.  The area for white maize is 1,737 mill. ha, and for yellow maize it is 1,062 mill. ha. The ratio of white to yellow maize plantings is 62:38 as against the previous seasons’ 64:36.  The production forecast of white maize is 6,525 mill. tons, which is 1,50% more than the 6,429 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 3,76 t/ha as against 3,70 t/ha of the previous forecast. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 4,473 mill. tons, which is 3,15% more than the 4,336 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 4,21 t/ha as against 4,08 t/ha of the previous forecast.  **Sunflower seed**: The production forecast for sunflower seed is 785  880 tons, which is 2,18% more than the 769  080 tons of the previous forecast. The estimated area planted to sunflower seed was adjustedupward to 564  300 ha. The expected yield is 1,39 t/ha.  **Other crops**: The production forecast for **soya-beans** is 302 250 tons, which is 1,68% more than the 297 250 tons of the previous forecast. The area planted to soya-beans was adjustedupwardto 174  400 ha. The expected yield is 1,73 t/ha.  The expected **groundnut** crop is 82  185 tons, which is 1,90% higher than the 80  650 tons of the previous forecast. For groundnuts the area estimate remained unchanged at 54  200 ha. The expected yield is 1,52 t/ha as against 1,49 t/ha of the previous forecast.  The production forecast for **sorghum** remained unchanged at 255  995 tons. The area estimate for sorghum was also left unchanged at 89  800 ha. The expected yield is 2,85 t/ha.  In the case of **dry beans,** the production forecast as well as the area planted remained unchanged at 58  975 tons and 43  800 ha, respectively. The expected yield is 1,35 t/ha. |  | **Skatting is gebaseer op toestande soos en met 24 April 2008.**  **Somergewasse – 2007/08 produksie-seisoen**  **Kommersiële mielies**: As gevolg van gunstige produksietoestande is die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes verhoog met 2,16% van 10,765 milj. ton na 10,998 milj. ton. The oppervlakte beplant is onveranderd gelaat op 2,799 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs verhoog is na 3,93 t/ha.  Die oppervlakte onder witmielies is 1,737 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is dit 1,062 milj. ha. Die verhouding van wit- tot geelmielie-aanplantings is 62:38 teenoor die vorige seisoen se 64:36.  Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 6,525 milj. ton, 1,50% meer as die 6,429 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 3,76 t/ha teenoor die 3,70 t/ha van die vorige skatting. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 4,473 milj. ton wat 3,15% meer is as die 4,336 milj. ton van die vorige maand. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 4,21 t/ha teenoor die 4,08 t/ha van die vorige skatting.  **Sonneblomsaad:** Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 785  880 ton, wat 2,18% meer is as die 769  080 ton van die vorige skatting. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sonneblomsaad is opwaartsaangepas na564  300 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,39 t/ha.  **Ander gewasse:** Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is 302  250 ton, wat 1,68% meer is as die 297 250 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant met sojabone is is opwaartsaangepas na 174  400 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,73 t/ha.  Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 82  185 ton wat 1,90% hoër is as die 80  650 ton van die vorige skatting. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakteskatting onveranderd gelaat op 54  200 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,52 t/ha teenoor die 1,49 t/ha van die vorige skatting.  Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is onveranderd gelaat op 255  995 ton. Die oppervlakskatting vir sorghum is onveranderd gelaat op 89  800 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 2,85t/ha.  In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting sowel as die oppervlakte beplant onveranderd gelaat op onderskeidelik 58  975 ton en 43  800 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,35t/ha. |

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| **Winter cereal crops – 2008 production season**   * The figures for wheat represent the total number of hectares that are intended to be planted for grain, excluding any hectares that will be planted for fodder and grazing.   Based on replies received from a sample of producers the expected area planted to **wheat** for the 2008 production season is 750  000 ha.  The survey, which was undertaken by the Department of Agriculture, gives an indication of the intentions of commercial farmers to plant winter crops as at the middle of April  2008.  The survey shows that producers intend to plant 118  000 ha (18,7%) more wheat than in 2007. The main producing areas are within the Western Cape with 347  500 ha (46%) or 6,9% up on the previous season, followed by the Free State with 293  500 ha (39%) or 36,5% higher than the previous season.  The producers indicated that the increase in the expected planting of wheat could mainly be ascribed to better prices and sufficient soil moisture in most of the production areas. Various factors can, however, still influence these intentions up until planting time.  The expected area planted to **malting barley** shows a decrease of 7,1% and the expected area planted to **canola** also shows a decrease of 0,6%.  Please note that the fourth production forecast for summer crops for 2007/08, will be released on 28  May 2008. The preliminary area planted to winter crops for 2008 will be released on 24  July  2008.  Information is available on the internet at <http://www.nda.agric.za/food> security issues or <http://www.sagis.org.za>, as from 14:30 on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee. |  | **Wintergewasse – 2008 produksie-seisoen**   * Die syfers vir koring verteenwoordig die totale aantal hektare wat werklik beplant gaan word vir graan, uitgesluit alle hektare wat beplant gaan word vir groenvoer en weiding.   Volgens vraelyste ontvang vanaf ‘n steekproef van produsente is die verwagte oppervlakte met **koring** beplant vir die 2008-produksieseisoen 750  000 ha.  Die opname wat deur die Departement van Landbou onderneem is, weerspieël kommersiële boere se voornemens om wintergewasse te plant soos teen die middel van April 2008.  Die opname toon dat produsente van voorneme is om 118  000 ha (18,7%) meer koring te plant as in 2007. Die grootste produserende gebiede is in die Wes-Kaap, met 347  500 ha (46%) wat 6,9% hoër is as die vorige seisoen, gevolg deur die Vrystaat met 293  500 ha (39%) wat 36,5,% hoër is as die vorige seisoen.  Die produsente het aangedui dat die toename in verwagte aanplantings van koring hoofsaaklik toegeskryf kan word aan beter pryse en voldoende grondvog in die meeste produksiegebiede. Verskeie faktore kan egter nog tot planttyd 'n invloed op hierdie voornemens uitoefen.  Die verwagte aanplantings van **moutgars** toon ’n afname van 7,1% en die verwagte aanplantings van **kanola** toon ook ‘n afname van 0,6%.  Neem asseblief kennis dat die vierde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2007/08 op 28 Mei 2008 vrygestel sal word. Die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2008 sal op 24  Julie 2008 vrygestel word.  Inligting is beskikbaar op die internet by <http://www.nda.agric.za/food> security issues of by <http://www.sagis.org.za>, vanaf 14:30 op die dag van die toepaslike vergadering van die Oesskattingskomitee. |

MIELIES - OPPERVLAK EN PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR BESTAANSLANDBOU: 2007/08-SEISOEN

MAIZE - AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE FOR SUBSISTENCE AGRICULTURE: 2007/08 SEASON

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GEWAS/CROP | Opp beplant/  Area planted  2007/08 | Skatting/  Estimate  2007/08 | Opp beplant/  Area planted  2006/07 | Finale oes/  Final crop  2006/07 | Verandering/  Change |
|  | Ha | Tons | Ha | Tons | % |
|  | (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (B) ÷ (D) |
| Bestaanslandbou/Subsistence agriculture: | | | | | |
| Witmielies/White maize | 373 821 | 334 324 | 263 780 | 149 057 | +124,3 |
| Geelmielies/Yellow maize | 124 159 | 129 745 | 81 486 | 64 681 | +100,6 |
| Mielies/Maize | 497 980 | 464 069 | 345 266 | 213 738 | +117,1 |

The area planted to maize in the subsistence agricultural sector is estimated at 497  980 ha, which represents an increase of 44,2% compared to the 345  266 ha of the previous season. Due to favourable production conditions, the expected maize crop for this sector is 464  069 tons, which is 117,1% higher than the 213  738 tons of last season.

Die oppervlakte beplant met mielies in die bestaanslandbou-sektor word geskat op 497  980 ha, wat ‘n toename van 44,2% verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 345  266 ha van die vorige seisoen. Weens gunstige produksie toestande, is die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor 464  069 ton, wat 117,1% hoër is as die 213  738 ton van die vorige seisoen.