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**The sixth production forecast for summer crops for 2014 is hereby released. /
 Hiermee word die sesde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2014 vrygestel.**

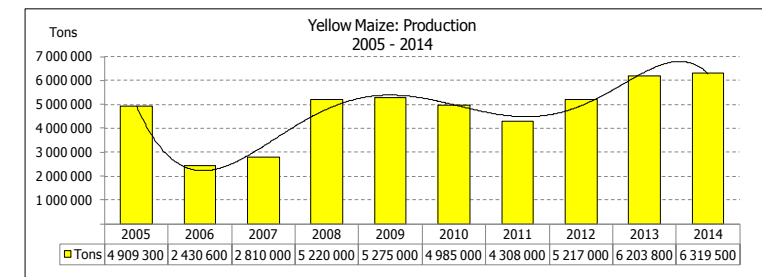
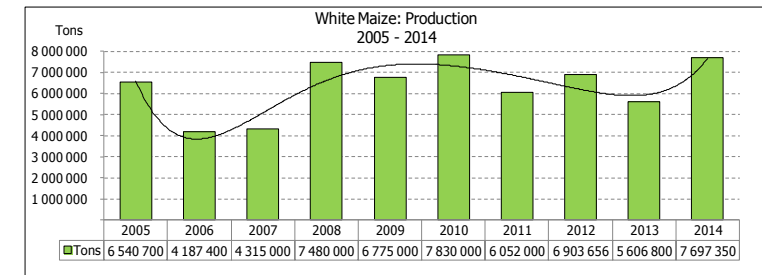
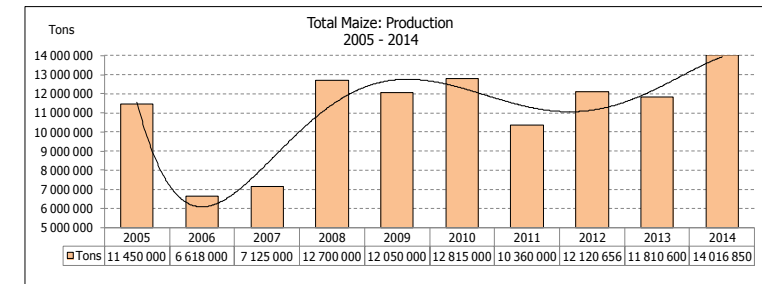
SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2014 Ha (A)	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2014 Tons (B)	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting 2014 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (D)	Finale oes/ Final crop 2013 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/ % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 551 200	7 697 350	7 697 350	1 617 200	5 606 800	-
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 137 000	6 319 500	6 192 800	1 164 000	6 203 800	+2,05
Maize/Mielies	2 688 200	14 016 850	13 890 150	2 781 200	11 810 600	+0,91
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	598 950	853 325	853 325	504 700	557 000	-
Soya-beans/Sojabone	502 900	944 340	944 340	516 500	784 500	-
Groundnuts/Grondbone	52 125	82 690	89 640	46 900	41 500	-7,75
Sorghum	78 850	255 700	233 220	62 620	147 200	+9,64
Dry beans/Droëbone	55 820	86 030	89 018	43 550	60 200	-3,36
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 976 845	16 238 935	16 099 693	3 955 470	13 401 000	+0,86

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2013/14 = 2014

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2013/14 = 2014



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); and Statistics SA.

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2014			6th forecast/ 6de skatting 2014			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2013			Final crop/ Finale oes 2013		
	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	500	3 000	3 500	4 500	28 500	33 000	300	3 000	3 300	3 000	30 000	33 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 200	48 000	50 200	25 300	624 000	649 300	2 200	51 000	53 200	25 300	650 000	675 300
Free State/Vrystaat	730 000	465 000	1 195 000	3 759 500	2 371 500	6 131 000	725 000	505 000	1 230 000	2 574 000	2 310 800	4 884 800
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	2 500	16 000	18 500	13 750	97 600	111 350	3 700	15 000	18 700	18 500	90 000	108 500
KwaZulu-Natal	43 000	45 000	88 000	266 600	283 500	550 100	47 000	48 000	95 000	284 000	315 000	599 000
Mpumalanga	168 000	332 000	500 000	907 200	1 842 600	2 749 800	170 000	300 000	470 000	1 020 000	1 985 000	3 005 000
Limpopo	30 000	20 000	50 000	183 000	124 000	307 000	30 000	23 500	53 500	154 000	138 000	292 000
Gauteng	65 000	53 000	118 000	344 500	296 800	641 300	74 000	43 500	117 500	370 000	230 000	600 000
North West/Noordwes	510 000	155 000	665 000	2 193 000	651 000	2 844 000	565 000	175 000	740 000	1 158 000	455 000	1 613 000
Total/Totaal	1 551 200	1 137 000	2 688 200	7 697 350	6 319 500	14 016 850	1 617 200	1 164 000	2 781 200	5 606 800	6 203 800	11 810 600

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**SONNEBLOMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	6th forecast/ 6de skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	900	450	200	100
Free State/Vrystaat	280 000	448 000	220 000	297 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	550	825	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	3 500	5 250	6 600	9 900
Limpopo	90 000	85 500	99 000	85 000
Gauteng	3 000	3 900	3 900	4 000
North West/Noordwes	221 000	309 400	175 000	161 000
Total/Totaal	598 950	853 325	504 700	557 000

SOYA-BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	6th forecast/ 6de skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 900	14 040	2 000	7 000
Free State/Vrystaat	201 000	351 750	215 000	249 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	2 000	3 600	500	750
KwaZulu-Natal	35 000	98 000	32 000	82 000
Mpumalanga	203 000	334 950	205 000	335 000
Limpopo	22 000	66 000	20 000	53 500
Gauteng	20 000	44 000	20 000	34 000
North West/Noordwes	16 000	32 000	22 000	22 750
Total/Totaal	502 900	944 340	516 500	784 500

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	6th forecast/ 6de skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	7 000	18 900	7 000	14 000
Free State/Vrystaat	20 000	28 000	18 000	15 100
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	75	90	150	150
Mpumalanga	50	100	750	750
Limpopo	3 000	4 800	1 000	1 500
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	22 000	30 800	20 000	10 000
Total/Totaal	52 125	82 690	46 900	41 500

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	6th forecast/ 6de skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	42 000	134 400	32 000	68 800
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	850	4 250	320	1 280
Mpumalanga	11 000	49 500	11 500	42 620
Limpopo	14 000	33 600	12 000	21 000
Gauteng	1 500	4 500	500	1 500
North West/Noordwes	9 500	29 450	6 300	12 000
Total/Totaal	78 850	255 700	62 620	147 200

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	6th forecast/ 6de skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	300	450	200	400
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 000	2 000	850	1 700
Free State/Vrystaat	26 000	41 600	16 000	19 200
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	770	1 155	100	200
KwaZulu-Natal	5 000	6 500	6 000	7 800
Mpumalanga	8 750	12 250	7 000	11 900
Limpopo	5 500	9 625	5 400	10 800
Gauteng	3 000	4 200	2 000	3 400
North West/Noordwes	5 500	8 250	6 000	4 800
Total/Totaal	55 820	86 030	43 550	60 200

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- 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
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- Members must regard the detail of any information that was collected for and/or discussed during the meeting, as confidential
- Individual information received for crop estimate purposes is treated strictly confidential, and is not divulged for any other purposes

**AREA AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2014)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2014)
29 JULY 2014/29 JULIE 2014**

Summer field crops – 2014

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 14,017 mill. tons, which is 0,91% or 126 700 tons higher than the previous forecast of 13,890 mill. tons. The area estimate for maize remained unchanged at 2,688 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 5,21 t/ha.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,551 mill. ha and for yellow maize the area estimate is 1,137 mill. ha.

The production forecast of white maize remained unchanged at 7,697 mill. tons. The yield for white maize is 4,96 t/ha. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 6,320 mill. tons, which is 2,05% or 126 700 tons more than the 6,193 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 5,56 t/ha.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed remained unchanged at 853 325 tons. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 598 950 ha, with an expected yield of 1,42 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soya-beans** also remained unchanged at 944 340 tons. The area estimate is 502 900 ha, and the expected yield is 1,88 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop was decreased by 7,75% or 6 950 tons to 82 690 tons. For groundnuts, the area estimate is 52 125 ha, with an expected yield of 1,59 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** was increased by 9,64% or 22 480 tons to 255 700 tons. The area estimate for sorghum is 78 850 ha, and the expected yield is 3,24 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans**, the production forecast was decreased by 3,36% to 86 030 tons. The area estimate of dry beans is 55 820 ha, and the expected yield is 1,54 t/ha.

Please note that the seventh production forecast for summer field crops for 2014, as well as the revised area estimate and first production forecast of the winter cereal crops for 2014, will be released on 27 August 2014.

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Somergewasse – 2014

Kommersiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 14,017 milj. ton gestel, wat 0,91% of 126 700 ton hoër is as die vorige skatting van 13,890 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is onveranderd gelaat op 2,688 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 5,21 t/ha is.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,551 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is die oppervlak 1,137 milj. ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is onveranderd gelaat op 7,697 milj. ton. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 4,96 t/ha. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 6,320 milj. ton, wat 2,05% of 126 700 ton meer is as die 6,193 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 5,56 t/ha.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is onveranderd gelaat op 853 325 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 598 950 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,42 t/ha is.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is ook onveranderd gelaat op 944 340 ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sojabone is 502 900 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,88 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is afwaarts aangepas met 7,75% of 6 950 ton na 82 690 ton. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakteskatting 52 125 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,59 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** het toegeneem met 9,64% of 22 480 ton na 255 700 ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sorghum is 78 850 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 3,24 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting afwaarts aangepas met 3,36% na 86 030 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant met droëbone is 55 820 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,54 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die sewende produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2014, sowel as die hersiene oppervlakte- en eerste produksieskatting van die wintergewasse vir 2014 op 27 Augustus 2014 vrygestel sal word.

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**The non-commercial agricultural sectors' production estimate for maize for 2014 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor se produksieskatting vir mielies vir 2014 vrygestel.**

NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2014

NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2014 Ha (A)	Production/ Produksie 2014 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2013 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (D)
Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou:					
White maize/Witmielies	288 100	447 500	320 105	459 995	-2,72
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	119 900	227 500	136 795	215 095	+5,77
Maize/Mielies	408 000	675 000	456 900	675 090	-0,01

The area planted to maize in the non-commercial agricultural sector is estimated at 408 000 ha, which represents a decrease of 10,70% compared to the 456 900 ha of the previous season. The expected maize crop for this sector is 675 000 tons, which is more or less the same than the 675 090 tons of last season. It is important to note that about 55% of the maize produced in the non-commercial sector, is planted in the Eastern Cape.

Die oppervlakte beplant met mielies in die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor word geskat op 408 000 ha, wat 'n afname van 10,70 % verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 456 900 ha van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor is 675 000 ton, wat min of meer dieselfde is as die 675 090 ton van die vorige seisoen. Dit is belangrik om daarop te let dat ongeveer 55% van die mielies wat geproduseer word in die nie-kommersiële sektor, in die Oos-Kaap geplant word.

**The preliminary area estimate for winter cereals for the 2014 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die voorlopige oppervlakteskattings vir wintergewasse vir 2014 vrygestel.**

WINTER CEREALS – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2014 PRODUCTION SEASON

WINTERGEWASSE – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2014-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

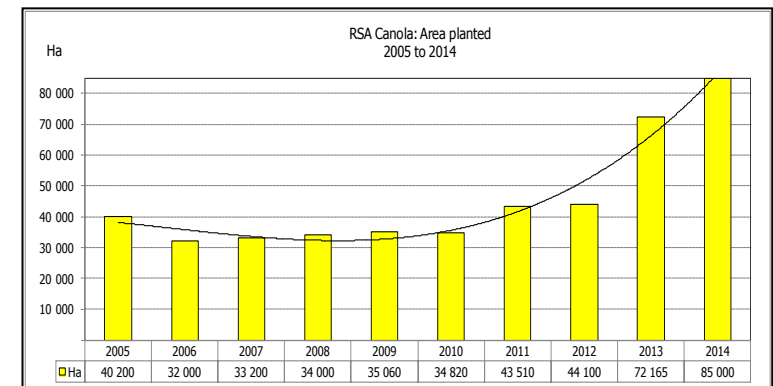
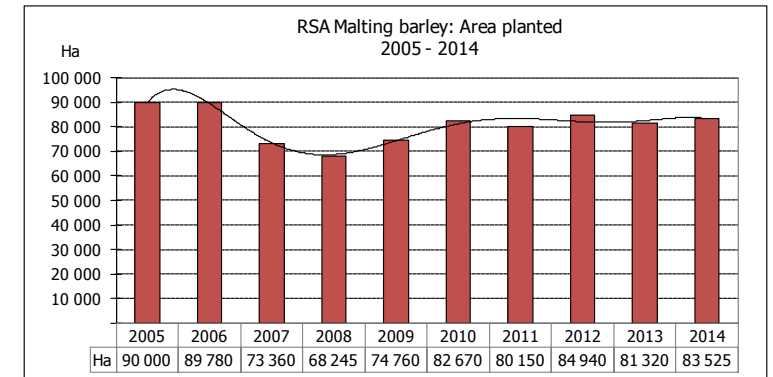
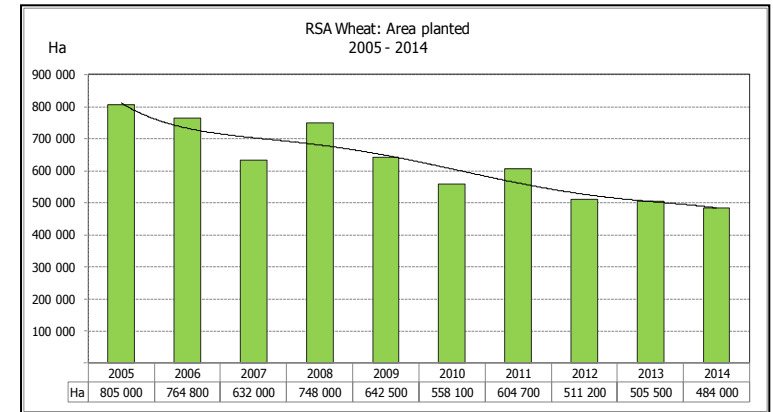
CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2014 Ha (A)	Intentions/ Voorneme* Mid April 2014 Ha (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2013 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (A) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:					
Wheat/Koring	484 000	500 500	505 500	1 870 000	-4,25
Malting barley/Moutgars	83 525	85 540	81 320	267 500	+2,71
Canola/Kanola	85 000	80 000	72 165	112 000	+17,79
Total/Totaal	652 525	666 040	658 985	2 249 500	-0,98

* Intentions based on conditions at the middle of April 2014 / Voorneme gebaseer op toestande soos teen middel April 2014.

WHEAT – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2014
KORING – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2014

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2014 Ha (A)	Intentions/ Voorneme* Mid April 2014 Ha (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2013 Tons (D)
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	315 000	324 500	310 000	928 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	38 000	40 500	42 000	320 000
Free State/Vrystaat	70 000	75 000	90 000	270 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	4 000	3 500	4 500	19 800
KwaZulu-Natal	7 000	6 500	7 000	42 000
Mpumalanga	4 000	4 000	4 500	28 000
Limpopo	27 500	28 000	28 000	146 000
Gauteng	500	500	1 000	6 200
North West/Noordwes	18 000	18 000	18 500	110 000
Total/Totaal	484 000	500 500	505 500	1 870 000

* Intentions based on conditions at the middle of April 2014 / Voorneme gebaseer op toestande soos teen middel April 2014.



**PRELIMINARY AREA ESTIMATE OF WINTER CROPS (2014) /
VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTEKSKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2014)
29 JULY/ 29 JULIE 2014**

Winter cereal crops - 2014 production season

The preliminary area estimate is based on the results of a non-probability survey conducted by the Directorate: Statistics and Economic Analysis and reflects the position as at the middle of July 2014, as well as inputs from the PDA representatives. Please note that the information from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES) as conducted by the National Crop Statistics Consortium (NCSC) for the Western Cape province will be available in August 2014; and for the Free State in September 2014.

Wheat: The preliminary area estimate for wheat is 484 000 ha, which is 4,25% or 21 500 ha less than the 505 500 ha planted for the previous season. On record, this is the smallest area planted to wheat. The decrease in the expected planting of wheat can mainly be attributed to farmers that are expected to plant more oilseeds like soybeans at the expense of wheat, low prices (no longer profitable), as well as inadequate soil moisture levels in some of the northern producing areas.

An estimated 315 000 ha is planted in the Western Cape, which is 5 000 ha more than the 310 000 ha planted for the previous season. In the Free State, 70 000 ha is planted, which is 20 000 ha less than the 90 000 ha planted for the previous season. The area planted in the Northern Cape is 38 000 ha, which is 4 000 ha less than the 42 000 ha for the previous season.

Other crops: The preliminary area estimate for malting barley is 83 525 ha, which is 2,71% or 2 205 ha more than the 81 320 ha of last season. The area planted to canola is 85 000 ha, which is 17,79% or 12 835 ha more than the 72 165 ha planted for the previous season. On record, this is the largest area planted to canola.

Please note that the revised area planted estimate and first production forecast for winter cereals for 2014 will be released on 27 August 2014.

Wintergewasse - 2014 produksie-seisoen

Die voorlopige oppervlakteskating is gebaseer op die resultate van 'n nie-ewekansige opname onderneem deur die Direkoraat: Statistiek en Ekonomiese Analise en weerspieël die situasie teen die middel van Julie 2014, sowel as insette van die PDL verteenwoordigers. Let wel, inligting van die Produsente Onafhanklike Oesskatingstelsel ("PICES"), soos deur die Nasionale Oesskattingskonsortium gerapporteer vir die Wes-Kaap provinsie, sal in Augustus 2014 gerapporteer word en vir die Vrystaat in September 2014.

Koring: Die voorlopige skating van die oppervlakte onder koring beloop 484 000 ha, wat 4,25% of 21 500 ha minder is as die 505 500 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Volgens rekords, is dit die kleinste oppervlakte beplant met koring. Die afname in die verwagte aanplantings van koring kan hoofsaaklik toegeskryf word aan die verwagting dat produsente meer oliesade soos sojabone gaan plant ten koste van koring, lae pryse (nie meer winsgewend), asook onvoldoende grondvogvlakke in sekere van die noordelike produksiegebiede.

Die beraamde oppervlakte beplant in die Wes-Kaap is 315 000 ha, wat 5 000 ha meer is as die 310 000 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Vir die Vrystaat is die aanplantings 70 000 ha, wat 20 000 ha minder is as die 90 000 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Die oppervlakte beplant in die Noord-Kaap is 38 000 ha, wat 4 000 ha minder is as die 42 000 ha wat die vorige seisoen aangeplant is.

Ander gewasse: Die voorlopige oppervlakskating vir moutgars is 83 525 ha, wat 2,71% of 2 205 ha meer is as die 81 320 ha van verlede seisoen. Die oppervlakte onder kanola is 85 000 ha, wat 17,79% of 12 835 ha meer is as die 72 165 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Volgens rekords, is dit die grootste oppervlakte beplant met kanola.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die hersiene oppervlakte beplant en eerste produksieskating vir wintergewasse vir 2014 op 27 Augustus 2014 vrygestel sal word.

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