



# crop estimates committee oesskattingskomitee

**From/Van:** Mr Baldwin Netshifhefhe  
**Tel:** 012 319 8043 • **Fax/Faks:** 012 319 8031 • **E-mail/E-pos:** BaldwinN@daff.gov.za

Web page/Webblad: [www.daff.gov.za/statistics](http://www.daff.gov.za/statistics) and economic reports or  
[www.sagis.org.za/CEC](http://www.sagis.org.za/CEC): Crop Estimates

EMBARGO: 14:30



## agriculture, forestry & fisheries

Department:  
Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**26 February / Februarie 2020**

The revised area planted estimate and first production forecast for summer crops for 2020 is hereby released.  
Hiermee word die herziene oppervlakte- en eerste produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020 vrygestel.

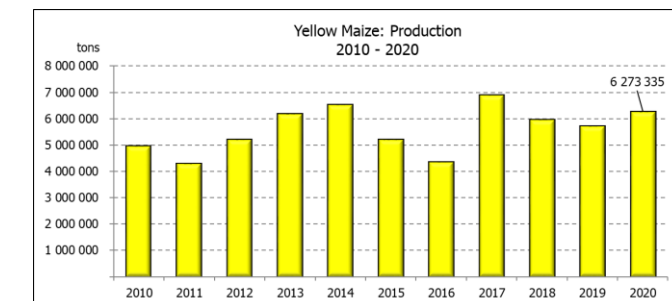
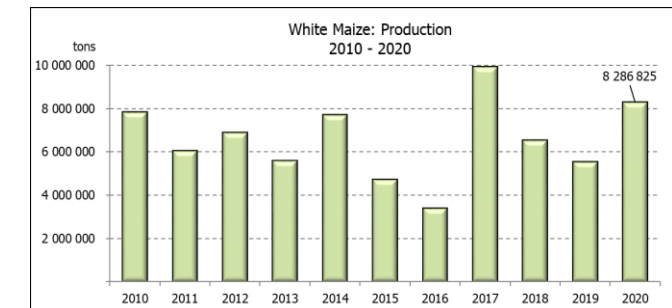
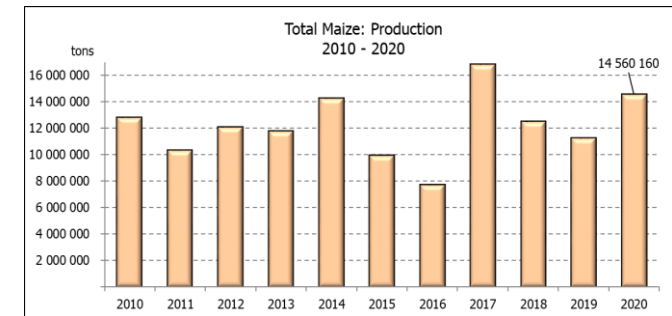
**SUMMER CROPS** – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020

**SOMERGEWASSE** – HERZIENE OPPERVLAKE- EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

| CROP/GEWAS                     | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br><br>2020<br>Ha<br>(A) | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br><br>2020<br>Tons<br>(B) | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br><br>2019<br>Ha<br>(C) | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br><br>2019<br>Tons<br>(D) | Change/<br>Verandering/<br><br>%<br>(B) ÷ (D) |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Commercial/Kommersieël:</b> |                                                       |                                                                                   |                                                       |                                                      |                                               |
| White maize/Witmielies         | <b>1 596 300</b>                                      | <b>8 286 825</b>                                                                  | 1 298 400                                             | 5 545 000                                            | +49,45                                        |
| Yellow maize/Geelmielies       | <b>1 003 500</b>                                      | <b>6 273 335</b>                                                                  | 1 002 100                                             | 5 730 000                                            | +9,48                                         |
| Total Maize/Totale Mielies     | <b>2 599 800</b>                                      | <b>14 560 160</b>                                                                 | 2 300 500                                             | 11 275 000                                           | +29,14                                        |
| Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad   | <b>500 300</b>                                        | <b>699 130</b>                                                                    | 515 350                                               | 678 000                                              | +3,12                                         |
| Soybeans/Sojabone              | <b>705 000</b>                                        | <b>1 242 950</b>                                                                  | 730 500                                               | 1 170 345                                            | +6,20                                         |
| Groundnuts/Grondbone           | <b>37 500</b>                                         | <b>54 390</b>                                                                     | 20 050                                                | 19 400                                               | +180,36                                       |
| Sorghum                        | <b>45 300</b>                                         | <b>135 090</b>                                                                    | 50 500                                                | 127 000                                              | +6,37                                         |
| Dry beans/Droëbone             | <b>50 150</b>                                         | <b>72 910</b>                                                                     | 59 300                                                | 66 355                                               | +9,88                                         |
| <b>TOTAL/TOTAAL</b>            | <b>3 938 050</b>                                      | <b>16 764 630</b>                                                                 | 3 676 200                                             | 13 336 100                                           | +25,71                                        |

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2019/20 = 2020

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2019/20 = 2020



**WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Provinsie/<br>Province   | Area planted/<br>Oppervlakte beplant<br>2020 |                       |                        | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br>2020 |                         |                          | Area planted/<br>Oppervlakte beplant<br>2019 |                       |                        | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>2019 |                         |                          |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                          | White/<br>Wit<br>Ha                          | Yellow/<br>Geel<br>Ha | Total/<br>Totaal<br>Ha | White/<br>Wit<br>Tons                                          | Yellow/<br>Geel<br>Tons | Total/<br>Totaal<br>Tons | White/<br>Wit<br>Ha                          | Yellow/<br>Geel<br>Ha | Total/<br>Totaal<br>Ha | White/<br>Wit<br>Tons             | Yellow/<br>Geel<br>Tons | Total/<br>Totaal<br>Tons |
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | 400                                          | 3 400                 | 3 800                  | 3 600                                                          | 30 600                  | 34 200                   | 400                                          | 3 400                 | 3 800                  | 3 600                             | 30 600                  | 34 200                   |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | 3 400                                        | 43 100                | 46 500                 | 39 100                                                         | 618 485                 | 657 585                  | 3 400                                        | 43 500                | 46 900                 | 39 500                            | 630 750                 | 670 250                  |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 855 000                                      | 365 000               | 1 220 000              | 4 574 250                                                      | 1 934 500               | 6 508 750                | 650 000                                      | 380 000               | 1 030 000              | 2 795 000                         | 1 758 000               | 4 553 000                |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | 5 500                                        | 17 000                | 22 500                 | 35 475                                                         | 118 150                 | 153 625                  | 3 800                                        | 10 200                | 14 000                 | 23 000                            | 69 750                  | 92 750                   |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | 47 000                                       | 55 000                | 102 000                | 303 150                                                        | 418 000                 | 721 150                  | 45 000                                       | 54 000                | 99 000                 | 270 000                           | 399 600                 | 669 600                  |
| Mpumalanga               | 160 000                                      | 358 000               | 518 000                | 928 000                                                        | 2 255 400               | 3 184 400                | 145 000                                      | 338 000               | 483 000                | 797 500                           | 1 977 300               | 2 774 800                |
| Limpopo                  | 15 000                                       | 18 000                | 33 000                 | 105 000                                                        | 126 000                 | 231 000                  | 12 800                                       | 18 000                | 30 800                 | 83 200                            | 117 000                 | 200 200                  |
| Gauteng                  | 55 000                                       | 54 000                | 109 000                | 319 000                                                        | 340 200                 | 659 200                  | 48 000                                       | 60 000                | 108 000                | 259 200                           | 348 000                 | 607 200                  |
| North West/Noordwes      | 455 000                                      | 90 000                | 545 000                | 1 979 250                                                      | 432 000                 | 2 411 250                | 390 000                                      | 95 000                | 485 000                | 1 274 000                         | 399 000                 | 1 673 000                |
| Total/Totaal             | 1 596 300                                    | 1 003 500             | 2 599 800              | 8 286 825                                                      | 6 273 335               | 14 560 160               | 1 298 400                                    | 1 002 100             | 2 300 500              | 5 545 000                         | 5 730 000               | 11 275 000               |

**SUNFLOWER SEED – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****SONNEBLMSAAD – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br>Tons<br>2020 | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2019 | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>Tons<br>2019 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | 1 200                                      | 1 440                                                                  | 950                                        | 1 140                                     |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 260 000                                    | 390 000                                                                | 270 000                                    | 391 500                                   |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | 300                                        | 570                                                                    | 100                                        | 260                                       |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Mpumalanga               | 2 800                                      | 3 920                                                                  | 4 500                                      | 4 500                                     |
| Limpopo                  | 65 000                                     | 65 000                                                                 | 61 000                                     | 61 000                                    |
| Gauteng                  | 4 000                                      | 4 400                                                                  | 3 800                                      | 3 800                                     |
| North West/Noordwes      | 167 000                                    | 233 800                                                                | 175 000                                    | 215 800                                   |
| Total/Totaal             | 500 300                                    | 699 130                                                                | 515 350                                    | 678 000                                   |

**SOYBEANS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****SOJABONE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br>Tons<br>2020 | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2019 | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>Tons<br>2019 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    |                                            |                                                                        | 100                                        | 10                                        |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | 2 000                                      | 7 000                                                                  | 1 550                                      | 5 425                                     |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 315 000                                    | 504 000                                                                | 301 000                                    | 391 300                                   |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | 1 500                                      | 3 000                                                                  | 1 150                                      | 1 380                                     |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | 35 000                                     | 105 000                                                                | 33 000                                     | 99 000                                    |
| Mpumalanga               | 260 000                                    | 429 000                                                                | 310 000                                    | 511 500                                   |
| Limpopo                  | 15 500                                     | 44 950                                                                 | 16 200                                     | 46 980                                    |
| Gauteng                  | 36 000                                     | 72 000                                                                 | 31 500                                     | 66 150                                    |
| North West/Noordwes      | 40 000                                     | 78 000                                                                 | 36 000                                     | 48 600                                    |
| Total/Totaal             | 705 000                                    | 1 242 950                                                              | 730 500                                    | 1 170 345                                 |

**GROUNDNUTS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****GRONDBONE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br>Tons<br>2020 | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2019 | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>Tons<br>2019 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | 1 200                                      | 3 600                                                                  | 1 200                                      | 2 520                                     |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 8 000                                      | 14 400                                                                 | 8 000                                      | 9 775                                     |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Mpumalanga               | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Limpopo                  | 2 900                                      | 4 640                                                                  | 1 850                                      | 3 530                                     |
| Gauteng                  | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| North West/Noordwes      | 25 400                                     | 31 750                                                                 | 9 000                                      | 3 575                                     |
| Total/Totaal             | 37 500                                     | 54 390                                                                 | 20 050                                     | 19 400                                    |

**SORGHUM – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****SORGHUM – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br>Tons<br>2020 | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2019 | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>Tons<br>2019 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 9 300                                      | 30 690                                                                 | 8 000                                      | 23 600                                    |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | 1 200                                      | 3 000                                                                  | 500                                        | 1 500                                     |
| Mpumalanga               | 8 000                                      | 40 800                                                                 | 7 500                                      | 36 000                                    |
| Limpopo                  | 18 000                                     | 34 200                                                                 | 25 000                                     | 46 125                                    |
| Gauteng                  | 500                                        | 1 500                                                                  | 1 000                                      | 3 200                                     |
| North West/Noordwes      | 8 300                                      | 24 900                                                                 | 8 500                                      | 16 575                                    |
| Total/Totaal             | 45 300                                     | 135 090                                                                | 50 500                                     | 127 000                                   |

**DRY BEANS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****DROëBONE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/<br>1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br>Tons<br>2020 | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2019 | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>Tons<br>2019 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | 100                                        | 150                                                                    | 100                                        | 180                                       |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | 350                                        | 700                                                                    | 1 000                                      | 1 400                                     |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 24 000                                     | 32 400                                                                 | 27 000                                     | 28 350                                    |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | 200                                        | 300                                                                    | 400                                        | 720                                       |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | 2 900                                      | 3 770                                                                  | 3 500                                      | 4 025                                     |
| Mpumalanga               | 6 600                                      | 8 910                                                                  | 7 500                                      | 6 750                                     |
| Limpopo                  | 8 400                                      | 16 800                                                                 | 7 800                                      | 12 480                                    |
| Gauteng                  | 600                                        | 780                                                                    | 1 500                                      | 1 950                                     |
| North West/Noordwes      | 7 000                                      | 9 100                                                                  | 10 500                                     | 10 500                                    |
| Total/Totaal             | 50 150                                     | 72 910                                                                 | 59 300                                     | 66 355                                    |

**CONFIDENTIALITY ISSUES that CEC members are committed to adhere to on the day of the meeting**

- 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
- The embargo time for the release of crop estimates information is 14:30
- 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
- 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

**REVISED AREA ESTIMATE AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2020 PRODUCTION SEASON)/  
HERSIENE OPPERVLAKE- EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2020 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)  
26 FEBRUARY 2019 / 26 FEBRUARIE 2020**

**Summer field crops – 2020**

**Commercial maize:** The revised area estimate for maize is 2 599 800 ha, which is 13,01% or 299 300 ha more than the 2 300 500 ha planted for the previous season, and 2,54% or 64 500 ha more than the preliminary area estimate of 2 535 300 ha released in January 2020.

The expected commercial maize crop is 14 560 160 tons, which is 29,14% or 3 285 160 tons more than the 11 275 000 tons of the previous season (2019). The yield for maize is 5,60 t/ha.

The area planted figures are mainly based on information obtained from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES), conducted by the National Crop Statistics Consortium (NCSC) for Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng and North West provinces.

Please note that information from the objective yield survey by the NCSC for the Mpumalanga province will be available in April 2020; and for the Free State and North West provinces in May 2020. The current yield figures are mainly obtained from producers in the different provinces.

The area estimate for **white maize** is 1 596 300 ha, which represents an increase of 22,94% or 297 900 ha compared to the 1 298 400 ha planted last season. The production forecast of white maize is 8 286 825 tons, which is 49,45% or 2 741 825 tons more than the 5 545 000 tons of last season. The yield for white maize is 5,19 t/ha.

In the case of **yellow maize**, the area estimate is 1 003 500 ha, which is 0,14% or 1 400 ha more than the 1 002 100 ha planted last season. The yellow maize production forecast is 6 273 335 tons, which is 9,48% or 543 335 tons more than the 5 730 000 tons of last season. The yield for yellow maize is 6,25 t/ha.

**Other summer crops:**

**Sunflower seed:** The revised area estimate for sunflower seed is 500 300 ha, which is 2,92% or 15 050 ha less than the 515 350 ha planted the previous season. The production forecast for sunflower seed is 699 130 tons, which is 3,12% or 21 130 tons more than the 678 000 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 1,40 t/ha.

**Other crops:** It is estimated that 705 000 ha have been planted to **soybeans**, which represents a decrease of 3,49% or 25 500 ha compared to the 730 500 ha planted last season. The production forecast is 1 242 950 tons, which is 6,20% or 72 605 tons more than the 1 170 345 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 1,76 t/ha.

For **groundnuts**, the area estimate is 37 500 ha, which is 87,03% or 17 450 ha more than the 20 050 ha planted for the previous season. The expected crop is 54 390 tons – which is 180,36% or 34 990 tons more than the 19 400 tons of last season. The expected yield is 1,45 t/ha.

The area estimate for **sorghum** decreased by 10,30% or 5 200 ha, from 50 500 ha to 45 300 ha against the previous season. The production forecast for sorghum is 135 090 tons, which is 6,37% or 8 090 tons more than the 127 000 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 2,98 t/ha.

For **dry beans**, the area estimate is 50 150 ha, which is 15,43% or 9 150 ha less than the 59 300 ha planted for the previous season. The production forecast is 72 910 tons, which is 9,88% or 6 555 tons more than the 66 355 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 1,45 t/ha.

**Please note that the second production forecast for summer field crops for 2020 will be released on 25 March 2020.**

**Somergewasse – 2020**

**Kommersiële mielies:** Die hersiene skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2 599 800 ha, wat 13,01% of 299 300 ha meer is as die 2 300 500 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is, en 2,54% of 64 500 ha meer as die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting van 2 535 300 ha soos vrygestel in Januarie 2020.

Die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is 14 560 160 ton, wat 29,14% of 3 285 160 ton meer is as die 11 275 000 ton van die vorige seisoen (2019). Die opbrengs van mielies is 5,60 t/ha.

Die oppervlakte beplant syfers is hoofsaaklik verkry vanaf die Producente Onafhanklike Oesskattingstelsel (PICES), soos deur die Nasionale Oesskattingkonsortium gerapporteer vir Vrystaat, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng en Noordwes provinsies.

Neem kennis dat inligting van die objektiewe opbrengs-opname van die Konsortium vir die Mpumalanga provinsie, in April 2020 gerapporteer word en vir die Vrystaat en Noordwes provinsies in Mei 2020. Die huidige opbrengs syfers is hoofsaaklik verkry vanaf produsente in die verskillende provinsies.

Die oppervlak onder **witmielies** is 1 596 300 ha, wat 'n toename van 22,94% of 297 900 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 1 298 400 ha die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 8 286 825 ton, wat 49,45% of 2 741 825 ton meer is as die 5 545 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 5,19 t/ha.

In die geval van **geelmielies** is die oppervlakteskatting 1 003 500 ha, wat 0,14% of 1 400 ha meer is as die 1 002 100 ha geplant die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting van geelmielies is 6 273 335 ton, wat 9,48% of 543 335 ton meer is as die 5 730 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 6,25 t/ha.

**Ander somergewasse:**

**Sonneblomsaad:** Die hersiene oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 500 300 ha, wat 2,92% of 15 050 ha minder is as die 515 350 ha aangeplant die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 699 130 ton, wat 3,12% of 21 130 ton meer is as die 678 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,40 t/ha.

**Ander gewasse:** Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met **sojabone** is 705 000 ha, wat 'n afname van 3,49% of 25 500 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 730 500 ha geplant die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting is 1 242 950 ton, wat 6,20% of 72 605 ton meer is as die 1 170 345 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,76 t/ha.

Vir **grondbone** is die oppervlakteskatting 37 500 ha, wat 87,03% of 17 450 ha meer is as die 20 050 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte grondbone-oes is 54 390 ton – 180,36% of 34 990 ton meer as die 19 400 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,45 t/ha.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir **sorghum** het afgeneem met 10,30% of 5 200 ha, van 50 500 ha tot 45 300 ha teenoor die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting van sorghum is 135 090 ton – 6,37% of 8 090 ton meer as die 127 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 2,98 t/ha.

Vir **droëbone** is die geskatte oppervlakte beplant 50 150 ha, wat 15,43% of 9 150 ha minder is as die 59 300 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting is 72 910 ton, wat 9,88% of 6 555 ton meer is as die 66 355 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,45 t/ha.

**Neem asseblief kennis dat die tweede produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020, op 25 Maart 2020 vrygestel sal word.**

**The area estimate and final production estimate for winter cereals for the 2019 is hereby released. /  
Hiermee word die oppervlakteskatting en finale produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2019 vrygestel.**

**WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**

**WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

| CROP/GEWAS                     | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2019<br>Ha<br>(A) | Final estimate/<br>Finale skatting<br>2019<br>Tons<br>(B) | 6 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>6 <sup>de</sup> skatting<br>2019<br>Tons<br>(C) | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2018<br>Ha<br>(D) | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>2018<br>Tons<br>(E) | Change/<br>Verandering<br>%<br>(B) ÷ (C) |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>Commercial/Kommersieel:</b> |                                                   |                                                           |                                                                              |                                                   |                                                  |                                          |
| Wheat/Koring                   | <b>540 000</b>                                    | <b>1 501 675</b>                                          | 1 501 675                                                                    | 503 350                                           | 1 868 000                                        | -                                        |
| Malting barley/Moutgars        | <b>131 960</b>                                    | <b>345 080</b>                                            | 345 080                                                                      | 119 000                                           | 421 500                                          | -                                        |
| Canola/Kanola                  | <b>74 000</b>                                     | <b>96 200</b>                                             | 96 200                                                                       | 77 000                                            | 104 500                                          | -                                        |
| Cereal oats/Hawermout          | <b>21 000</b>                                     | <b>15 540</b>                                             | 17 250                                                                       | 19 235                                            | 32 700                                           | -9,91                                    |

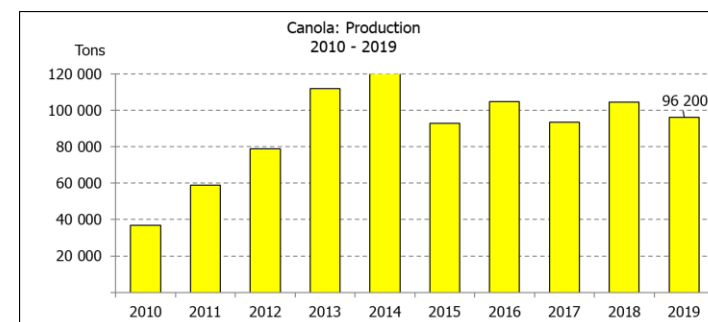
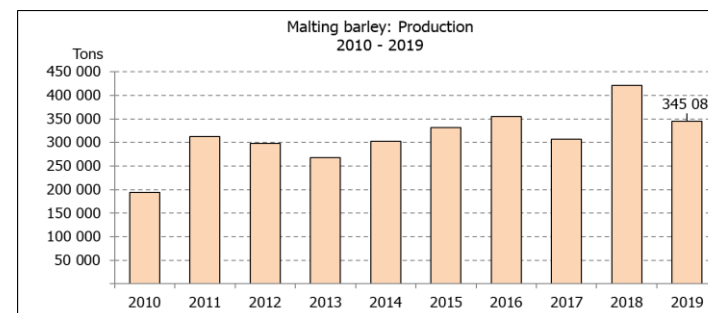
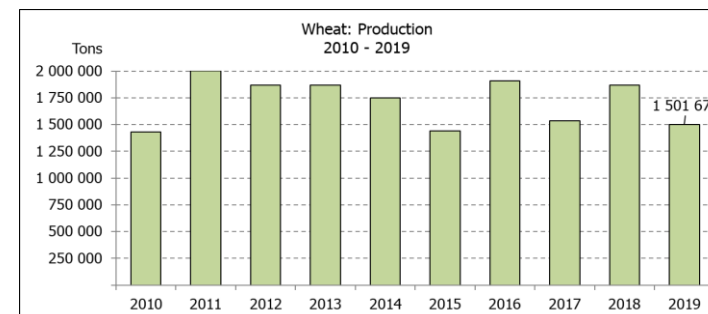
\* Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2019 = 2019

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

**WHEAT – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2019**

**KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2019<br>Ha<br>2019 | Final estimate/<br>Finale skatting<br>2019<br>Tons<br>2019 | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2018<br>Ha<br>2018 | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>2018<br>Tons<br>2018 |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | <b>325 000</b>                                     | <b>633 750</b>                                             | 318 000                                            | 890 500                                           |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | <b>37 500</b>                                      | <b>262 500</b>                                             | 38 000                                             | 294 500                                           |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | <b>128 000</b>                                     | <b>313 600</b>                                             | 100 000                                            | 385 000                                           |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | <b>3 100</b>                                       | <b>15 500</b>                                              | 1 650                                              | 10 730                                            |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | <b>7 500</b>                                       | <b>45 750</b>                                              | 7 000                                              | 43 400                                            |
| Mpumalanga               | <b>4 000</b>                                       | <b>25 200</b>                                              | 3 500                                              | 22 740                                            |
| Limpopo                  | <b>20 000</b>                                      | <b>118 000</b>                                             | 20 000                                             | 128 000                                           |
| Gauteng                  | <b>1 400</b>                                       | <b>8 400</b>                                               | 1 200                                              | 7 800                                             |
| North West/Noordwes      | <b>13 500</b>                                      | <b>78 975</b>                                              | 14 000                                             | 85 330                                            |
| Total/Totaal             | <b>540 000</b>                                     | <b>1 501 675</b>                                           | 503 350                                            | 1 868 000                                         |



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE OF WINTER CROPS (2019) /  
OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2019)**

**26 FEBRUARY / FEBRUARIE 2020**

**Winter cereal crops - 2019 production season**

**Wheat:** The expected wheat crop remained unchanged at 1,502 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 2,78 t/ha.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 633 750 tons (42%), in the Free State 313 600 tons (21%) and in the Northern Cape 262 500 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** also remained unchanged at 345 080 tons. The area planted is estimated at 131 960 ha, whilst the expected yield is 2,62 t/ha.

The expected **canola crop** is 96 200 tons, whereas the area estimate is 74 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,30 t/ha.

The area estimate for **oats (cereals)** for the 2019 season is 21 000 ha and the expected crop is 15 540 tons. The expected yield is 0,74 t/ha.

**Please note that the intentions to plant winter cereals for 2020 will be released on 29 April 2020.**

**Wintergewasse - 2019 produksie-seisoen**

**Koring:** Die verwagte koring-oes is onveranderd gelaat op 1,502 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 2,78 t/ha is.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 633 750 ton (42%), in die Vrystaat 313 600 ton (21%) en in die Noord-Kaap 262 500 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 ook onveranderd gelaat op 345 080 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 131 960 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 2,62 t/ha beloop.

Die verwagte **kanola-oes** is 96 200 ton, terwyl die oppervlakteskatting 74 000 ha is, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,30 t/ha.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir **hawer (ontbytgraan)** vir die 2019-seisoen is 21 000 ha en die verwagte oes is 15 540 ton. Die verwagte opbrengs is 0,74 t/ha.

**Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorneme om wintergewasse te plant vir 2020 op 29 April 2020 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 **14:30** on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.

Inligting is beskikbaar op die internet by <http://www.daff.gov.za/statistics> and [economic reports](http://www.daff.gov.za/economic-reports) of by <http://www.sagis.org.za>, vanaf **14:30** op die dag van die toepaslike vergadering van die Oesskattingskomitee.

**CONFIDENTIALITY ISSUES that CEC members are committed to adhere to on the day of the meeting**

- 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
- The embargo time for the release of crop estimates information is 14:30

- 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
- 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