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The area planted estimate and **final** production estimate for summer crops for 2020 is hereby released.

Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en **finale** produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020 vrygestel.

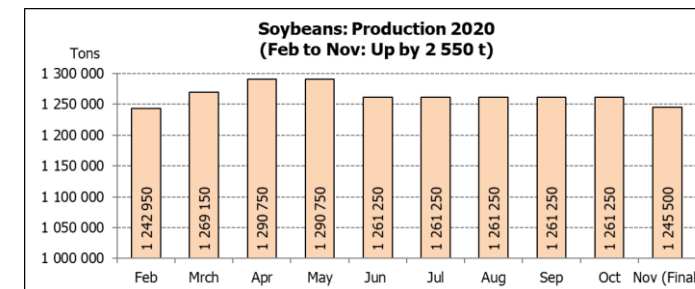
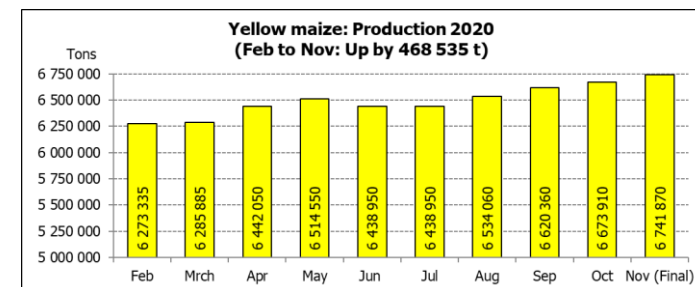
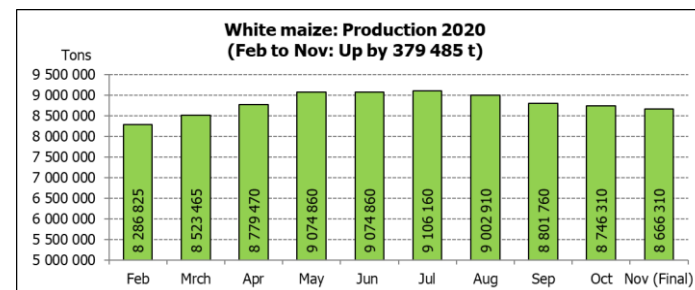
SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (A)	Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2020 Tons (B)	9 th forecast/ 9 ^{de} skatting 2020 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2019 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/ % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieël:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 616 300	8 666 310	8 746 310	1 298 400	5 545 000	-0,91
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	994 500	6 741 870	6 673 910	1 002 100	5 730 000	+1,02
Total Maize/Totale Mielies	2 610 800	15 408 180	15 420 220	2 300 500	11 275 000	-0,08
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	500 300	785 910	785 910	515 350	678 000	-
Soybeans/Sojabone	705 000	1 245 500	1 261 250	730 500	1 170 345	-1,25
Groundnuts/Grondbone	37 500	50 080	50 080	20 050	19 400	-
Sorghum	42 500	155 560	153 935	50 500	127 000	+1,06
Dry beans/Droëbone	50 150	64 800	64 800	59 300	66 355	-
Non-Commercial Maize/Nie-Kommersieële Mielies						
Total Maize/Totaal Mielies	297 460	543 545	543 545	296 000	549 180	-
Maize/Mielies: Commercial/Kommersieël + Non-Commercial/Nie-Kommersieël						
Total Maize RSA/Totaal Mielies RSA	2 908 260	15 951 725	15 963 765	2 596 500	11 824 180	-0,08

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 – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020**WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2020			Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2020			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2019			Final crop/ Finale oes 2019		
	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	400	3 400	3 800	3 600	30 600	34 200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 400	43 100	46 500	40 460	633 570	674 030	3 400	43 500	46 900	39 500	630 750	670 250
Free State/Vrystaat	855 000	365 000	1 220 000	4 745 250	2 208 250	6 953 500	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	35 750	119 000	154 750	3 800	10 200	14 000	23 000	69 750	92 750
KwaZulu-Natal	47 000	55 000	102 000	305 500	434 500	740 000	45 000	54 000	99 000	270 000	399 600	669 600
Mpumalanga	160 000	353 000	513 000	872 000	2 347 450	3 219 450	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	50 000	105 000	302 500	325 000	627 500	48 000	60 000	108 000	259 200	348 000	607 200
North West/Noordwes	475 000	90 000	565 000	2 256 250	517 500	2 773 750	390 000	95 000	485 000	1 274 000	399 000	1 673 000
Total/Totaal	1 616 300	994 500	2 610 800	8 666 310	6 741 870	15 408 180	1 298 400	1 002 100	2 300 500	5 545 000	5 730 000	11 275 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020**SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 200	1 440	950	1 140
Free State/Vrystaat	260 000	442 000	270 000	391 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	300	750	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	5 600	3 800	3 800
North West/Noordwes	167 000	267 200	175 000	215 800
Total/Totaal	500 300	785 910	515 350	678 000

SOYBEANS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020**SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	100	10
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 000	7 000	1 550	5 425
Free State/Vrystaat	315 000	519 750	301 000	391 300
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 500	3 000	1 150	1 380
KwaZulu-Natal	35 000	101 500	33 000	99 000
Mpumalanga	260 000	416 000	310 000	511 500
Limpopo	15 500	48 050	16 200	46 980
Gauteng	36 000	70 200	31 500	66 150
North West/Noordwes	40 000	80 000	36 000	48 600
Total/Totaal	705 000	1 245 500	730 500	1 170 345

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 200	2 580	1 200	2 520
Free State/Vrystaat	11 000	15 400	8 000	9 775
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	2 900	5 220	1 850	3 530
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	22 400	26 880	9 000	3 575
Total/Totaal	37 500	50 080	20 050	19 400

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	8 000	34 800	8 000	23 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	1 200	4 200	500	1 500
Mpumalanga	8 500	45 900	7 500	36 000
Limpopo	16 000	40 800	25 000	46 125
Gauteng	300	960	1 000	3 200
North West/Noordwes	8 500	28 900	8 500	16 575
Total/Totaal	42 500	155 560	50 500	127 000

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020**DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	150	100	180
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	350	700	1 000	1 400
Free State/Vrystaat	24 000	30 000	27 000	28 350
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	200	300	400	720
KwaZulu-Natal	2 900	3 480	3 500	4 025
Mpumalanga	6 600	8 250	7 500	6 750
Limpopo	8 400	13 440	7 800	12 480
Gauteng	600	780	1 500	1 950
North West/Noordwes	7 000	7 700	10 500	10 500
Total/Totaal	50 150	64 800	59 300	66 355

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- Personal items such as laptops, handbags, cell phones, etc. are not allowed in the venue during the meeting
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- 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

**AREA ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE OF SUMMER CROPS (2020 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2020 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
26 NOVEMBER 2020**

Summer field crops – 2020

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 15,408 mill. tons, which is 0,08% or 12 040 tons less than the previous forecast of 15,420 mill. tons. The area estimate for maize is 2,611 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 5,90 t/ha.

The estimated maize crop is 37% bigger than the 2019 crop. The three main maize producing areas, namely the Free State, Mpumalanga and North West provinces are expected to produce 84% of the 2020 crop.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,616 mill. ha & for yellow maize the area estimate is 994 500 ha.

The production forecast of white maize is 8,666 mill. tons, which is 0,91% or 80 000 tons less than the 8,746 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 5,36 t/ha. The production forecast of yellow maize is 6,742 mill. tons, which is 1,02% or 67 960 tons more than the 6,674 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 6,78 t/ha.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed remained unchanged at 785 910 tons. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 500 300 ha, while the expected yield is 1,57 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soybeans** is 1,246 mill. tons, which is 1,25% or 15 750 tons less than the 1,261 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The estimated area planted to soybeans is 705 000 ha and the expected yield is 1,77 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop remained unchanged at 50 080 tons. The area estimate is 37 500 ha, with an expected yield of 1,34 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 155 560 tons, which is 1,06% or 1 625 tons more than the 153 935 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate for sorghum is 42 500 ha and the expected yield is 3,66 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans**, the production forecast remained unchanged at 64 800 tons. The area estimate of dry beans is 50 150 ha, with an expected yield of 1,29 t/ha.

Please note that the preliminary area estimate for summer field crops for 2021 will be released on 28 January 2021.

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Somergewasse – 2020

Kommersiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 15,408 milj. ton gestel, wat 0,08% of 12 040 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 15,420 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is 2,611 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 5,90 t/ha is.

Die geskatte mielie-oes is 37% groter as die 2019-oes. Die drie belangrikste mielieproduserende gebiede, nl. die Vrystaat, Mpumalanga en Noordwes provinsies, gaan na verwagting 84% van die 2020-oes produseer.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,616 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is die oppervlak 994 500 ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 8,666 milj. ton, wat 0,91% of 80 000 ton minder is as die 8,746 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 5,36 t/ha. Die produksieskatting van geelmielies is 6,742 milj. ton, wat 1,02% of 67 960 ton meer as die 6,674 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 6,78 t/ha.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is onveranderd gelaat op 785 910 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 500 300 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,57 t/ha is.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is 1,246 milj. ton, wat 1,25% of 15 750 ton minder is as die 1,261 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant van sojabone is 705 000 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,77 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is onveranderd gelaat op 50 080 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting is 37 500 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,34 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 155 560 ton, wat 1,06% of 1 625 ton meer is as die 153 935 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sorghum is 42 500 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 3,66 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting onveranderd gelaat op 64 800 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant met droëbone is 50 150 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,29 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting vir somergewasse vir 2021, op 28 Januarie 2021 vrygestel sal word.

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The non-commercial agricultural sectors' production estimate for maize for 2020 is hereby released. / Hiermee word die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor se produksieskatting vir mielies vir 2020 vrygestel.

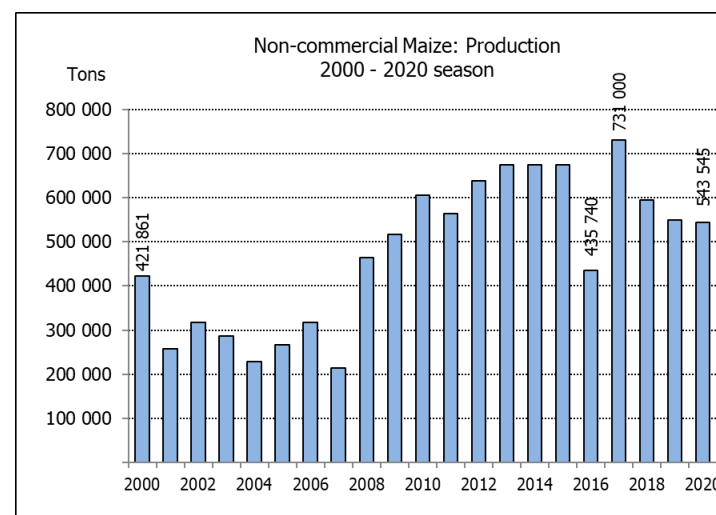
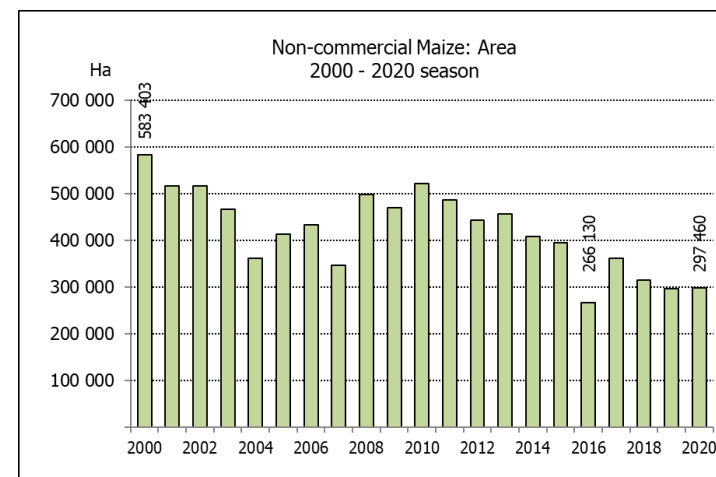
NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020

NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (A)	Production/ Produksie 2020 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2019 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (D)
Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou:					
White maize/Witmielies	221 945	375 295	221 300	379 460	-1,10
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	75 515	168 250	74 700	169 720	-0,87
Maize/Mielies	297 460	543 545	296 000	549 180	-1,03

The area planted to maize in the non-commercial agricultural sector is estimated at 297 460 ha, which represents a slight increase of 0,49%, compared to the 296 000 ha of the previous season. The expected maize crop for this sector is 543 545 tons, which is 1,03% less than the 549 180 tons of last season. It is important to note that about 40% 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 297 460 ha, wat 'n effense toename van 0,49 % verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 296 000 ha van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor is 543 545 ton, wat 1,03% minder is as die 549 180 ton van die vorige seisoen. Dit is belangrik om daarop te let dat ongeveer 40% 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 2020 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en vierde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2020 vrygestel.**

**WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020 PRODUCTION SEASON
WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN**

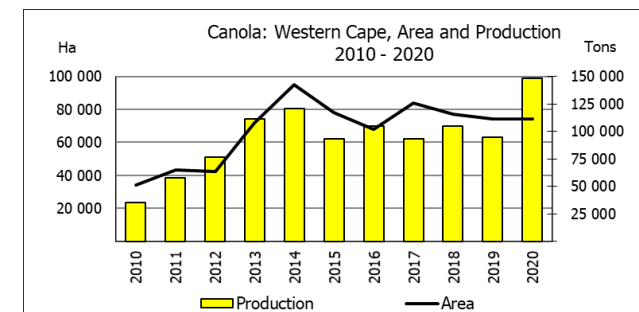
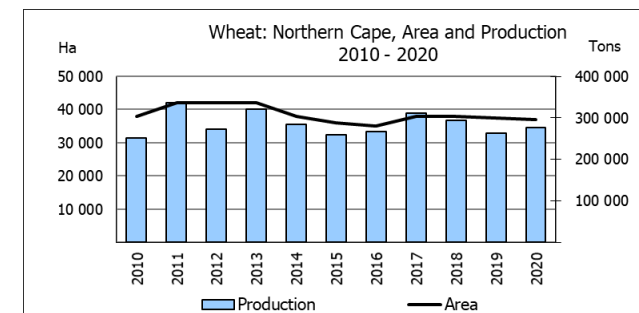
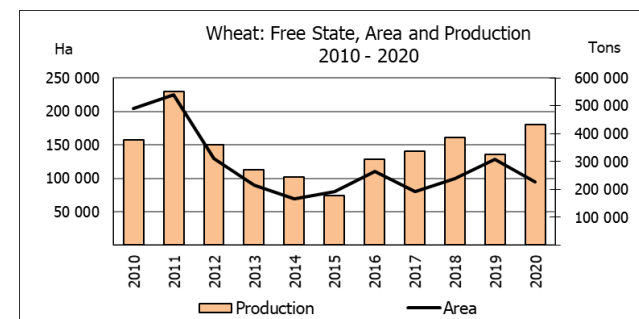
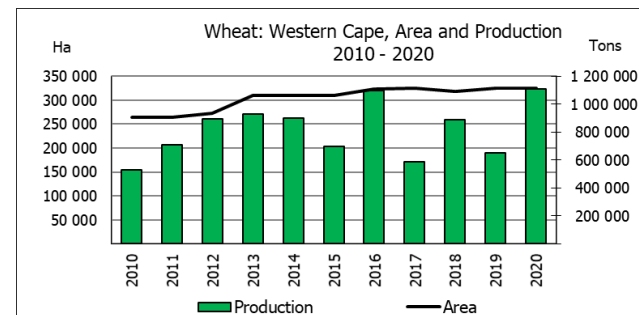
CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (A)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2020 Tons (B)	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^{de} skatting 2020 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2019 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	509 800	2 149 270	2 134 990	540 000	1 535 000	+0,67
Malting barley/Moutgars	141 690	552 766	526 706	131 960	345 000	+4,95
Canola/Kanola	74 120	148 456	137 356	74 000	95 000	+8,08
Cereal oats/Hawermout	26 200	47 400	47 400	21 000	16 500	-

* Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2020/21 = 2020

* Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2020/21 = 2020

**WHEAT – AREA PLANTED AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020
KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (A)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2020 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2019 Tons (E)
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	326 000	1 108 400	325 000	650 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	37 000	275 650	37 500	262 500
Free State/Vrystaat	94 000	432 400	128 000	326 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	4 000	26 000	3 100	18 150
KwaZulu-Natal	7 800	48 360	7 500	45 750
Mpumalanga	3 000	19 500	4 000	25 200
Limpopo	23 000	147 200	20 000	120 000
Gauteng	1 300	8 190	1 400	8 400
North West/Noordwes	13 700	83 570	13 500	79 000
Total/Totaal	509 800	2 149 270	540 000	1 535 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2020) /
OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2020)
26 NOVEMBER 2020**

Winter cereal crops - 2020 production season

Wheat: The expected production of wheat is 2,149 mill. tons, which is 0,67% or 14 280 tons more than the previous forecast of 2,135 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 4,22 t/ha. This is the largest expected wheat crop since the 2,427 mill. tons of the 2002 season.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 1,108 mill. tons (52%), in the Free State 432 400 tons (20%) and in the Northern Cape 275 650 tons (13%).

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** is 552 766 tons, which is 4,95% or 26 060 tons more than the previous forecast of 526 706 tons. The area planted is estimated at 141 690 ha, while the expected yield is 3,90 t/ha. This is the largest expected malting barley crop recorded for SA.

The expected **canola crop** is 148 456 tons, which is 8,08% or 11 100 tons more than the previous forecast of 137 356 tons. The area estimate for canola is 74 120 ha, with an expected yield of 2,00 t/ha. It is also the largest expected canola crop ever recorded for SA.

The expected **oats (cereals)** crop for 2020 remained unchanged at 47 400 tons. The area estimate is 26 200 ha and the expected yield is 1,81 t/ha.

Please note that the fifth production forecast for winter cereals for 2020 will be released on 18 December 2020.

Wintergewasse - 2020 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte produksie vir koring is 2,149 milj. ton, wat 0,67% of 14 280 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 2,135 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 4,22 t/ha is. Hierdie is die grootste verwagte koring-oes sedert die 2,427 milj. ton van die 2002 seisoen.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 1,108 milj. ton (52%), in die Vrystaat 432 400 ton (20%) en in die Noord-Kaap 275 650 ton (13%).

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is 552 766 ton, wat 4,95% of 26 060 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 526 706 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 141 690 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,90 t/ha beloop. Dit is die grootste verwagte moutgars-oes wat nog vir SA aangeteken is.

Die verwagte **kanola-oes** is 148 456 ton, wat 8,08% of 11 100 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 137 356 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 74 120 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 2,00 t/ha. Dit is ook die grootste verwagte kanola-oes wat nog aangeteken is vir SA.

Die verwagte **hawer-oes (ontbytgraan)** vir die 2020-seisoen is onveranderd gelaat op 47 400 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting is 26 200 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,81 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die vyfde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2020 op 18 Desember 2020 vrygestel sal word.

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