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

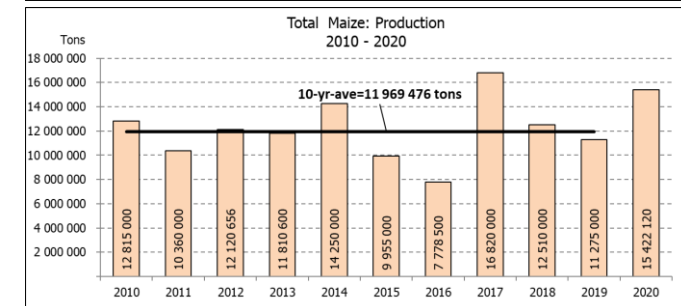
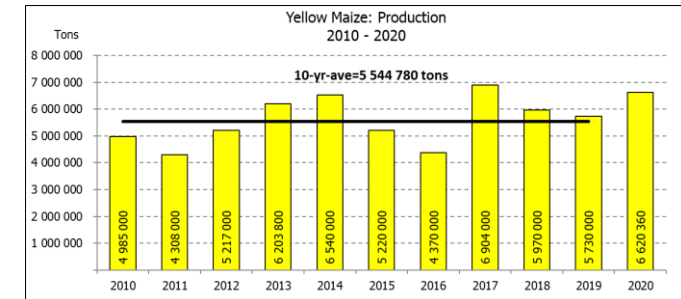
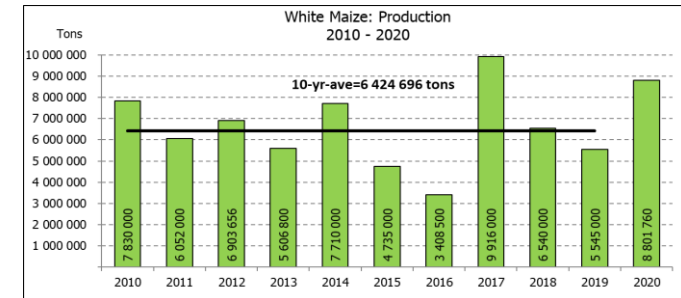
**SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020**

**SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKE- EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| CROP/GEWAS                                                                    | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br><br>2020<br>Ha<br>(A) | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <sup>ste</sup> skatting<br><br>2020<br>Tons<br>(B) | 7 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>7 <sup>de</sup> skatting<br><br>2020<br>Tons<br>(C) | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br><br>2019<br>Ha<br>(D) | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br><br>2019<br>Tons<br>(E) | Change/<br>Verandering/<br><br>%<br>(B) ÷ (C) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Commercial/Kommersieël:</b>                                                |                                                       |                                                                                   |                                                                                  |                                                       |                                                      |                                               |
| White maize/Witmielies                                                        | 1 616 300                                             | 8 801 760                                                                         | 9 002 910                                                                        | 1 298 400                                             | 5 545 000                                            | -2,23                                         |
| Yellow maize/Geelmielies                                                      | 994 500                                               | 6 620 360                                                                         | 6 534 060                                                                        | 1 002 100                                             | 5 730 000                                            | +1,32                                         |
| Total Maize/Totale Mielies                                                    | 2 610 800                                             | 15 422 120                                                                        | 15 536 970                                                                       | 2 300 500                                             | 11 275 000                                           | -0,74                                         |
| Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad                                                  | 500 300                                               | 785 910                                                                           | 785 910                                                                          | 515 350                                               | 678 000                                              | -                                             |
| Soybeans/Sojabone                                                             | 705 000                                               | 1 261 250                                                                         | 1 261 250                                                                        | 730 500                                               | 1 170 345                                            | -                                             |
| Groundnuts/Grondbone                                                          | 37 500                                                | 50 080                                                                            | 50 920                                                                           | 20 050                                                | 19 400                                               | -1,65                                         |
| Sorghum                                                                       | 42 500                                                | 150 885                                                                           | 145 610                                                                          | 50 500                                                | 127 000                                              | +3,62                                         |
| Dry beans/Droëbone                                                            | 50 150                                                | 64 800                                                                            | 64 800                                                                           | 59 300                                                | 66 355                                               | -                                             |
| <b>Non-Commercial Maize/Nie-Kommersieële Mielies</b>                          |                                                       |                                                                                   |                                                                                  |                                                       |                                                      |                                               |
| Total Maize/Totaal Mielies                                                    | 297 460                                               | 543 545                                                                           | 543 545                                                                          | 296 000                                               | 549 180                                              | -                                             |
| <b>Maize/Mielies: Commercial/Kommersieël + Non-Commercial/Nie-Kommersieël</b> |                                                       |                                                                                   |                                                                                  |                                                       |                                                      |                                               |
| Total Maize RSA/Totaal Mielies RSA                                            | 2 908 260                                             | 15 965 665                                                                        | 16 080 515                                                                       | 2 596 500                                             | 11 824 180                                           | -0,71                                         |

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 – AREA PLANTED AND EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Provinsie/<br>Province   | Area planted/<br>Oppervlakte beplant<br>2020 |                       |                        | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <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                 | 40 460                                                         | 629 260                 | 669 720                  | 3 400                                        | 43 500                | 46 900                 | 39 500                            | 630 750                 | 670 250                  |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 855 000                                      | 365 000               | 1 220 000              | 4 788 000                                                      | 2 153 500               | 6 941 500                | 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                | 310 200                                                        | 434 500                 | 744 700                  | 45 000                                       | 54 000                | 99 000                 | 270 000                           | 399 600                 | 669 600                  |
| Mpumalanga               | 160 000                                      | 353 000               | 513 000                | 896 000                                                        | 2 294 500               | 3 190 500                | 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                | 319 000                                                        | 320 000                 | 639 000                  | 48 000                                       | 60 000                | 108 000                | 259 200                           | 348 000                 | 607 200                  |
| North West/Noordwes      | 475 000                                      | 90 000                | 565 000                | 2 303 750                                                      | 513 000                 | 2 816 750                | 390 000                                      | 95 000                | 485 000                | 1 274 000                         | 399 000                 | 1 673 000                |
| Total/Totaal             | 1 616 300                                    | 994 500               | 2 610 800              | 8 801 760                                                      | 6 620 360               | 15 422 120               | 1 298 400                                    | 1 002 100             | 2 300 500              | 5 545 000                         | 5 730 000               | 11 275 000               |

**SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <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                                    | 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 EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <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                                    | 535 500                                                                | 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                                    | 1 261 250                                                              | 730 500                                    | 1 170 345                                 |

**GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <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                                      | 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 EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <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      | 8 000                                      | 34 400                                                                 | 8 000                                      | 23 600                                    |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | -                                          | -                                                                      | -                                          | -                                         |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | 1 200                                      | 3 600                                                                  | 500                                        | 1 500                                     |
| Mpumalanga               | 8 500                                      | 45 050                                                                 | 7 500                                      | 36 000                                    |
| Limpopo                  | 16 000                                     | 38 400                                                                 | 25 000                                     | 46 125                                    |
| Gauteng                  | 300                                        | 960                                                                    | 1 000                                      | 3 200                                     |
| North West/Noordwes      | 8 500                                      | 28 475                                                                 | 8 500                                      | 16 575                                    |
| Total/Totaal             | 42 500                                     | 150 885                                                                | 50 500                                     | 127 000                                   |

**DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020****DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>Ha<br>2020 | 8 <sup>th</sup> forecast/<br>8 <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                                     | 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
- 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
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**AREA ESTIMATE AND EIGHTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2020 PRODUCTION SEASON)/  
OPPERVLAKTE- EN AGTSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEGASSE (2020 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)  
29 SEPTEMBER 2020**

**Summer field crops – 2020**

**Commercial maize:** The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 15,422 mill. tons, which is 0,74% or 114 850 tons less than the previous forecast of 15,537 mill. tons. The area estimate for maize is 2,611 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 5,91 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 8,802 mill. tons, which is 2,23% or 201 150 tons less than the 9,003 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 5,45 t/ha. The production forecast of yellow maize is 6,620 mill. tons, which is 1,32% or 86 300 tons more than the 6,534 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 6,66 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** also remained unchanged at 1,261 mill. tons. The estimated area planted to soybeans is 705 000 ha and the expected yield is 1,79 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop is 50 080 tons, which is 1,65% or 840 ton less than the previous forecast of 50 920 tons. The area estimate is 37 500 ha, with an expected yield of 1,34 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 150 885 tons, which is 3,62% or 5 275 tons more than the 145 610 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate for sorghum is 42 500 ha and the expected yield is 3,55 t/ha.

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

**Please note that the ninth production forecast for summer field crops for 2020 will be released on 28 October 2020.**

Information is available on the internet at [http://www.dalrrd.gov.za/statistics\\_and\\_economic\\_reports](http://www.dalrrd.gov.za/statistics_and_economic_reports) or <http://www.sagis.org.za>, as from **14:30** on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.

**Somergewasse – 2020**

**Kommersiële mielies:** Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 15,422 milj. ton gestel, wat 0,74% of 114 850 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 15,537 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is 2,611 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 5,91 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 8,802 milj. ton, wat 2,23% of 201 150 ton minder is as die 9,003 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 5,45 t/ha. Die produksieskatting van geelmielies is 6,620 milj. ton, wat 1,32% of 86 300 ton meer as die 6,534 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 6,66 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 ook onveranderd gelaat op 1,261 milj. ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant van sojabone is 705 000 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,79 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 50 080 ton, wat 1,65% of 840 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 50 920 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting is 37 500 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,34 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 150 885 ton, wat 3,62% of 5 275 ton meer is as die 145 610 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sorghum is 42 500 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 3,55 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 negende produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020, op 28 Oktober 2020 vrygestel sal word.**

Inligting is beskikbaar op die internet by [http://www.dalrrd.gov.za/statistics\\_and\\_economic\\_reports](http://www.dalrrd.gov.za/statistics_and_economic_reports) of by <http://www.sagis.org.za>, vanaf **14:30** op die dag van die toepaslike vergadering van die Oesskattingkomitee.

**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.**

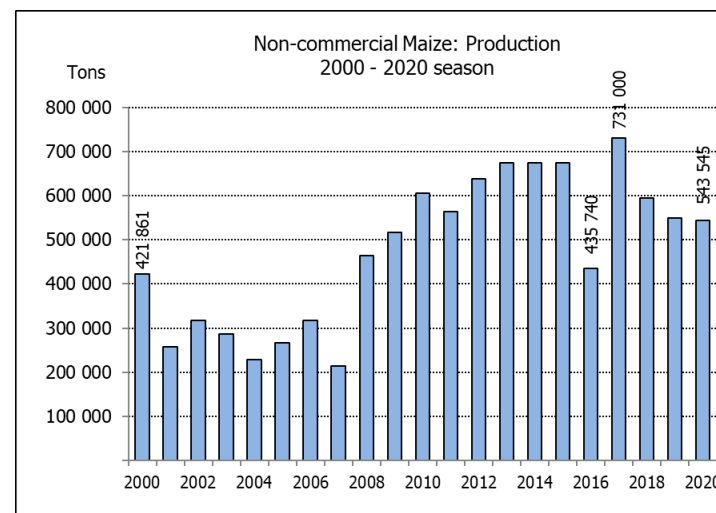
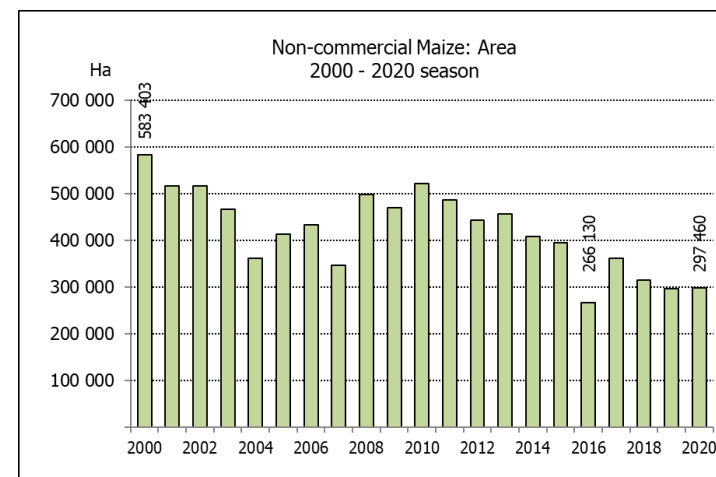
**NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE** – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2020

**NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES** – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

| CROP/GEWAS                                          | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2020<br>Ha<br>(A) | Production/<br>Produksie<br>2020<br>Tons<br>(B) | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2019<br>Ha<br>(C) | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>2019<br>Tons<br>(D) | Change/<br>Verandering<br>%<br>(B) ÷ (D) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou: |                                                   |                                                 |                                                   |                                                  |                                          |
| White maize/Witmielies                              | <b>221 945</b>                                    | <b>375 295</b>                                  | 221 300                                           | 379 460                                          | -1,10                                    |
| Yellow maize/Geelmielies                            | <b>75 515</b>                                     | <b>168 250</b>                                  | 74 700                                            | 169 720                                          | -0,87                                    |
| Maize/Mielies                                       | <b>297 460</b>                                    | <b>543 545</b>                                  | 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 revised area estimate and second production forecast for winter cereals for the 2020 is hereby released. /  
Hiermee word die hersiene oppervlakte- en tweede produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2020 vrygestel.

**WINTER CEREALS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020 PRODUCTION SEASON**  
**WINTERGEWASSE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKE- EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN**

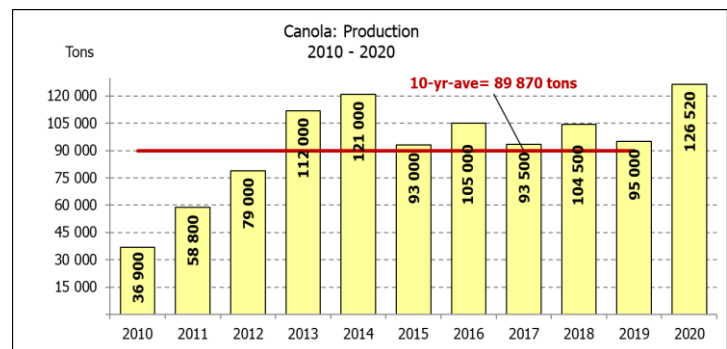
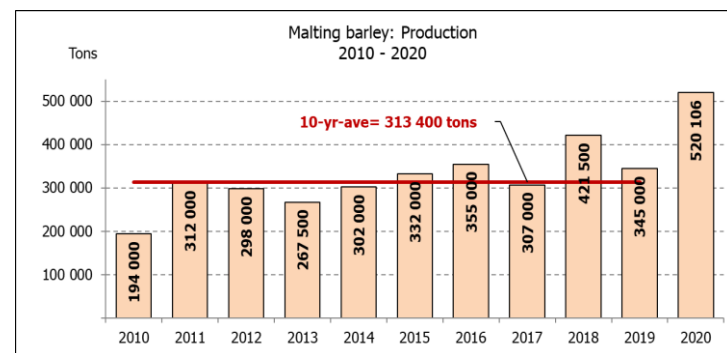
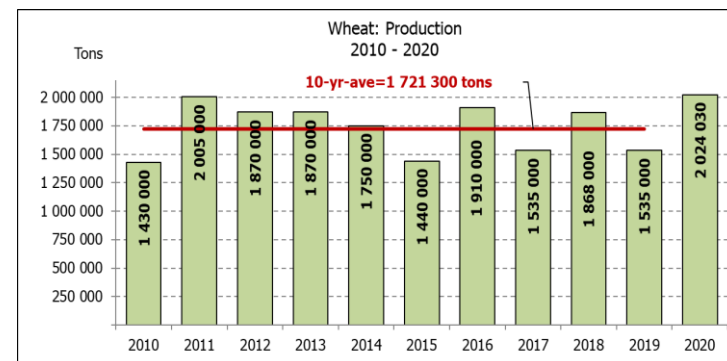
| CROP/GEWAS                     | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2020<br>Ha<br>(A) | 2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/<br>2 <sup>de</sup> skatting<br>2020<br>Tons<br>(B) | 1st forecast/<br>1ste skatting<br>2020<br>Tons<br>(C) | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2019<br>Ha<br>(D) | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>2019<br>Tons<br>(E) | Change/<br>Verandering<br>%<br>(B) ÷ (C) |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>Commercial/Kommersieel:</b> |                                                   |                                                                              |                                                       |                                                   |                                                  |                                          |
| Wheat/Koring                   | 509 800                                           | 2 024 030                                                                    | 1 962 230                                             | 540 000                                           | 1 535 000                                        | +3,15                                    |
| Malting barley/Moutgars        | 141 690                                           | 520 106                                                                      | 505 215                                               | 131 960                                           | 345 000                                          | +2,95                                    |
| Canola/Kanola                  | 74 120                                            | 126 520                                                                      | 122 820                                               | 74 000                                            | 95 000                                           | +3,01                                    |
| Cereal oats/Hawermout          | 26 200                                            | 44 900                                                                       | 45 500                                                | 21 000                                            | 16 500                                           | -1,32                                    |

\* 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 – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020**  
**KORING – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKE- EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

| Province/<br>Provinsie   | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2020<br>Ha | 2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/<br>2 <sup>de</sup> skatting<br>2020<br>Tons | Area planted/<br>Opp beplant<br>2019<br>Ha | Final crop/<br>Finale oes<br>2019<br>Tons |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Western Cape/Wes-Kaap    | 326 000                                    | 978 000                                                               | 325 000                                    | 650 000                                   |
| Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap | 37 000                                     | 277 500                                                               | 37 500                                     | 262 500                                   |
| Free State/Vrystaat      | 94 000                                     | 441 800                                                               | 128 000                                    | 326 000                                   |
| Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap    | 4 000                                      | 24 800                                                                | 3 100                                      | 18 150                                    |
| KwaZulu-Natal            | 7 800                                      | 47 580                                                                | 7 500                                      | 45 750                                    |
| Mpumalanga               | 3 000                                      | 19 500                                                                | 4 000                                      | 25 200                                    |
| Limpopo                  | 23 000                                     | 138 000                                                               | 20 000                                     | 120 000                                   |
| Gauteng                  | 1 300                                      | 7 800                                                                 | 1 400                                      | 8 400                                     |
| North West/Noordwes      | 13 700                                     | 89 050                                                                | 13 500                                     | 79 000                                    |
| Total/Totaal             | 509 800                                    | 2 024 030                                                             | 540 000                                    | 1 535 000                                 |



**REVISED AREA ESTIMATE AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2020) /  
HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2020)  
29 SEPTEMBER 2020**

**Winter cereal crops - 2020 production season**

**Wheat:** The expected production of wheat is 2,024 mill. tons, which is 3,15% or 61 800 tons more than the previous forecast of 1,962 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 3,97 t/ha. This is the largest expected wheat crop since the 2,130 mill. tons of the 2008 season.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 978 000 tons (48%), in the Free State 441 800 tons (22%) and in the Northern Cape 277 500 tons (14%).

The area estimate for wheat was revised to 509 800 ha, which is 6 000 ha less than the 515 800 ha of the previous forecast. An estimated 326 000 ha or 64 % is planted in the Western Cape, 94 000 ha or 18 % in the Free State and 37 000 ha or 7 % in the Northern Cape.

**Other crops:** The production forecast for **malting barley** is 520 106 tons, which is 2,95% or 14 891 tons more than the previous forecast of 505 215 tons. The area planted is estimated at 141 690 ha, while the expected yield is 3,67 t/ha.

The expected **canola crop** is 126 520 tons, which is 3,01% or 3 700 tons more than the previous forecast of 122 820 tons. The area estimate for canola is 74 120 ha, with an expected yield of 1,71 t/ha.

The expected **oats (cereals)** crop for 2020 is 44 900 tons. The revised area estimate is 26 200 ha and the expected yield is 1,71 t/ha.

**Please note that the third production forecast for winter cereals for 2020 will be released on 28 October 2020.**

**Wintergewasse - 2020 produksie-seisoen**

**Koring:** Die verwagte produksie vir koring is 2,024 milj. ton, wat 3,15% of 61 800 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 1,962 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,97 t/ha is. Hierdie is die grootste verwagte koring-oes sedert the 2,130 milj. ton van die 2008 seisoen.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 978 000 ton (48%), in die Vrystaat 441 800 ton (22%) en in die Noord-Kaap 277 500 ton (14%).

Die oppervlakteskatting vir koring is hersien na 509 800 ha, wat 6 000 ha laer is as die 515 800 ha teenoor die vorige skatting. Die beraamde oppervlakte geplant in die Wes-Kaap is 326 000 ha of 64 %, die Vrystaat is 94 000 ha of 18 % en 37 000 ha of 7 % is in die Noord-Kaap.

**Ander gewasse:** Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is 520 106 ton, wat 2,95% of 14 891 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 505 215 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 141 690 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,67 t/ha beloop.

Die verwagte **kanola-oes** is 126 520 ton, wat 3,01% of 3 700 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 122 820 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 74 120 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,71 t/ha.

Die verwagte **hawer-oes (ontbytgraan)** vir die 2020-seisoen is 44 900 ton. Die hersiene oppervlakteskatting is 26 200 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,71 t/ha.

**Neem asseblief kennis dat die derde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2020 op 28 Oktober 2020 vrygestel sal word.**

Information is available on the internet at [http://www.daff.gov.za/links/crop estimates](http://www.daff.gov.za/links/crop_estimates) or <http://www.sagis.org.za>, as from **14:30** on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.

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