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The area estimate and fifth production forecast for winter cereals for the 2023 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en vyfde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2023 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED AND FIFTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2023 PRODUCTION SEASON
WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VYFDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2023 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN

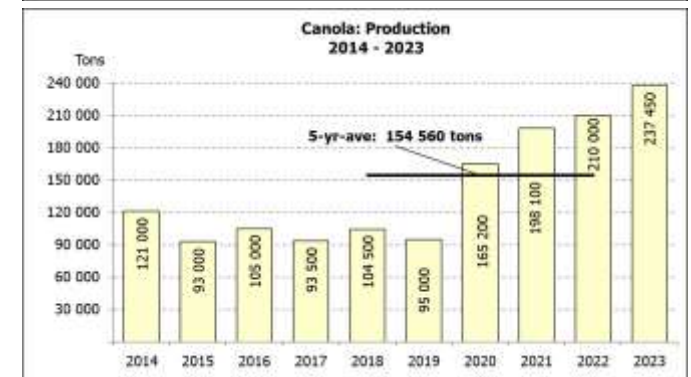
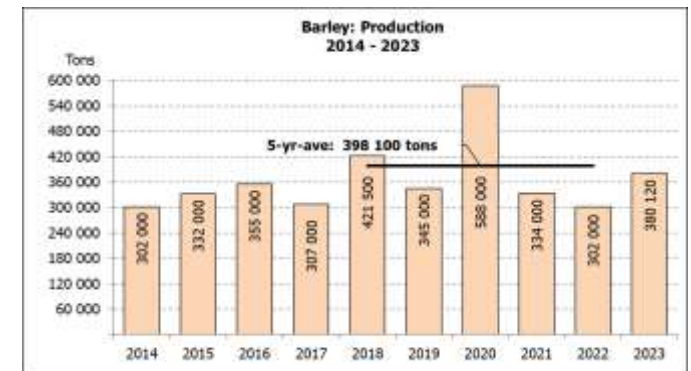
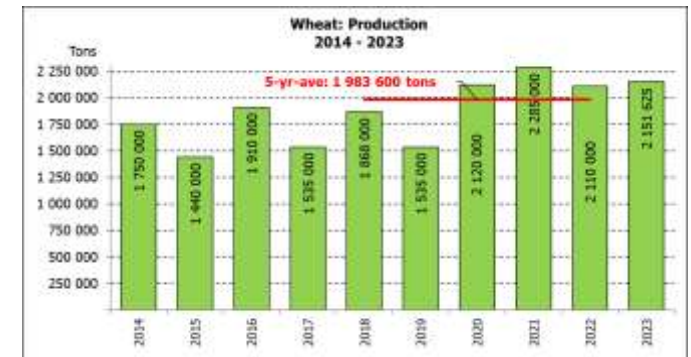
CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2023 Ha (A)	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting 2023 Tons (B)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2023 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2022 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2022 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	537 950	2 151 625	2 151 625	566 800	2 110 000	-
Barley/Gars	107 600	360 220	360 220	101 000	302 000	-
Canola/Kanola	131 200	237 450	237 450	123 510	210 000	-
Oats/Hawer	27 500	36 200	36 200	27 000	27 550	-
Sweet lupines/Soetlupine	16 000	16 800	16 800	21 000	15 750	-

1) Commercial only. Excluding barley or oats used as pasture, silage, hay and/or on the farm as fodder for livestock /
Slegs kommersieël. Uitgesluit gars of hawer wat gebruik word as weiding, kuilvoer, hooi en/of op die plaas as voer vir vee.

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED AND FIFTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2023

KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VYFDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2023

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2023	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting Tons 2023	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2022	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2022
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	365 000	1 131 500	360 000	918 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	40 000	310 000	47 000	338 500
Free State/Vrystaat	72 000	309 600	96 000	436 800
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	6 300	40 950	6 000	40 200
KwaZulu-Natal	8 500	56 950	9 200	60 730
Mpumalanga	4 200	28 560	4 000	27 600
Limpopo	30 000	199 500	29 000	187 000
Gauteng	950	6 365	1 100	7 370
North West/Noordwes	11 000	68 200	14 500	93 800
Total/Totaal	537 950	2 151 625	566 800	2 110 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FIFTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2023) /
OPPERVLAKTE- EN VYFDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2023)
19 DECEMBER/DESEMBER 2023**

Winter cereal crops - 2023 production season

Wheat: The production forecast for **wheat** is 2,152 mill. tons, which is the same as the previous month's forecast. The area planted is estimated at 537 950 ha, while the expected yield is 4,00 t/ha.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 1,131 mill. tons (53%), in the Northern Cape 310 000 tons (14%) and in the Free State 309 600 tons (14%).

The estimated area estimate for wheat in the Western Cape is 365 000 ha or 68 %, 72 000 ha or 13 % in the Free State and 40 000 ha or 7 % in the Northern Cape.

Other crops: The production forecast for **barley** remained unchanged at 360 220 tons. The area planted is estimated at 107 600 ha, while the expected yield is 3,35 t/ha.

The expected **canola crop** remained unchanged at 237 450 tons. The area estimate for canola is 131 200 ha, with an expected yield of 1,81 t/ha.

The expected crop for **oats** for the 2023 season is 36 200 tons and the area planted is 27 500 ha. The expected yield is 1,32 t/ha.

In the case of **sweet lupines**, the production forecast is 16 800 tons, which is also the same as the previous month's forecast. The area estimate of sweet lupines is 16 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,05 t/ha.

Please note that the sixth production forecast for winter cereals for 2023 will be released on 30 January 2024.

Information is available on the internet at <http://www.dalrrd.gov.za/old website/statistics> or <http://www.sagis.org.za>, as from **14:30** on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.

Wintergewasse - 2023 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die produksieskatting vir **koring** is 2,152 milj. ton, wat dieselfde is as die vorige maand se skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 537 950 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 4,00 t/ha behoort.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 1,131 milj. ton (53%), in die Noord-Kaap 310 000 ton en in die Vrystaat 309 600 ton (14%).

Die geraamde oppervlakteskatting vir koring in die Wes-Kaap is 365 000 ha of 68 %, 72 000 ha of 13 % in die Vrystaat en 40 000 ha of 7 % in die Noord-Kaap.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **gars** is onveranderd gelaat op 360 220 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 107 600 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,35 t/ha behoort.

Die verwagte **kanola-oes** is onveranderd gelaat op 237 450 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 131 200 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,81 t/ha.

Die verwagte oes vir **hawer** vir die 2023-seisoen is 36 200 ton en die oppervlakteskatting is 27 500 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,32 t/ha.

In die geval van **soetlupine** is die produksieskatting 16 800 ton, wat ook dieselfde is as die vorige maand se skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant met soetlupine is 16 000 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,05 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die sesde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2023 op 30 Januarie 2024 vrygestel sal word.

Inligting is beskikbaar op die internet by <http://www.dalrrd.gov.za/old website/statistics> of by <http://www.sagis.org.za>, vanaf **14:30** op die dag van die toepaslike vergadering van die Oesskattingstokomitee.

The Crop Estimates Committee comprises officials of the following institutions:

Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Provincial Departments of Agriculture; various ARC-Institutes (Soil, Climate and Water; Small Grains Institute, Grain Crops Institute), BFAP and Statistics SA.