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The area planted and **final** production estimate for summer crops for 2021 is hereby released.
Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en **finale** produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2021 vrygestel.

SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021

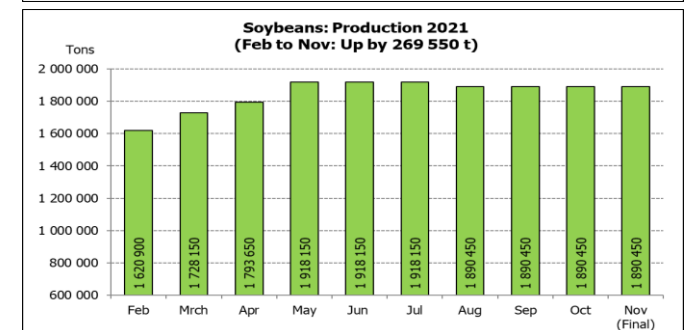
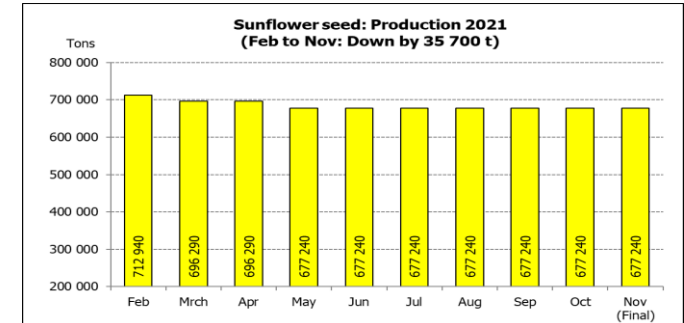
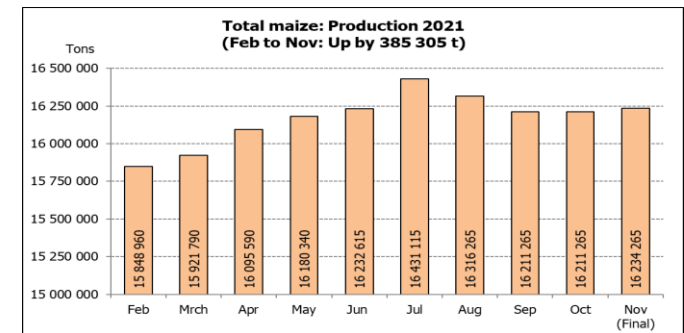
SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2021 Ha (A)	Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2021 Tons (B)	9 th forecast/ 9 ^{de} skatting 2021 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2020 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/ %
						(B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersiële:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 691 900	8 608 815	8 608 815	1 616 300	8 547 500	-
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 063 500	7 625 450	7 602 450	994 500	6 752 500	+0,30
Total Maize/Totale Mielies	2 755 400	16 234 265	16 211 265	2 610 800	15 300 000	+0,14
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	477 800	677 240	677 240	500 300	788 500	-
Soybeans/Sojabone	827 100	1 890 450	1 890 450	705 000	1 245 500	-
Groundnuts/Grondbone	38 550	59 950	58 900	37 500	50 080	+1,78
Sorghum	49 200	213 645	209 980	42 500	158 000	+1,75
Dry beans/Droëbone	47 390	57 672	57 672	50 150	64 800	-
Non-Commercial Maize/Nie-Kommersiële Mielies						
Total Maize/Totaal Mielies	362 900	636 440	636 440	297 460	543 545	-
Maize/Mielies: Commercial/Kommersiël + Non-Commercial/Nie-Kommersiël						
Total Maize RSA/Totaal Mielies RSA	3 118 300	16 870 705	16 847 705	2 908 260	15 843 545	+0,14

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2020/21 = 2021

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2020/21 = 2021

25 November 2021



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.

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021
WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2021			Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2021			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2020			Final crop/ Finale oes 2020		
	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	500	3 500	4 000	4 500	31 500	36 000	400	3 400	3 800	3 600	30 600	34 200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 400	41 000	44 400	40 290	627 300	667 590	3 400	43 100	46 500	40 300	633 900	674 200
Free State/Vrystaat	907 500	420 000	1 327 500	4 492 125	2 499 000	6 991 125	855 000	365 000	1 220 000	4 700 000	2 209 000	6 909 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	6 000	18 000	24 000	39 000	133 200	172 200	5 500	17 000	22 500	35 200	119 000	154 200
KwaZulu-Natal	50 000	55 000	105 000	310 000	451 000	761 000	47 000	55 000	102 000	298 400	434 500	732 900
Mpumalanga	165 000	360 000	525 000	1 105 500	2 790 000	3 895 500	160 000	353 000	513 000	872 000	2 347 500	3 219 500
Limpopo	16 500	21 000	37 500	112 200	172 200	284 400	15 000	18 000	33 000	105 000	126 000	231 000
Gauteng	58 000	50 000	108 000	371 200	375 000	746 200	55 000	50 000	105 000	297 000	330 000	627 000
North West/Noordwes	485 000	95 000	580 000	2 134 000	546 250	2 680 250	475 000	90 000	565 000	2 196 000	522 000	2 718 000
Total/Totaal	1 691 900	1 063 500	2 755 400	8 608 815	7 625 450	16 234 265	1 616 300	994 500	2 610 800	8 547 500	6 752 500	15 300 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021
SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2021	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2021	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2020
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 100	1 320	1 200	1 430
Free State/Vrystaat	235 000	352 500	260 000	444 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	300	450	300	750
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	3 500	5 250	2 800	3 920
Limpopo	76 500	76 500	65 000	65 000
Gauteng	4 400	5 720	4 000	5 600
North West/Noordwes	157 000	235 500	167 000	267 200
Total/Totaal	477 800	677 240	500 300	788 500

SOYBEANS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021
SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2021	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2021	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2020
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 000	3 500	2 000	7 000
Free State/Vrystaat	365 000	766 500	315 000	519 750
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 100	9 300	1 500	3 000
KwaZulu-Natal	36 000	129 600	35 000	101 500
Mpumalanga	290 000	638 000	260 000	416 000
Limpopo	20 500	71 750	15 500	48 050
Gauteng	42 000	105 000	36 000	70 200
North West/Noordwes	69 500	166 800	40 000	80 000
Total/Totaal	827 100	1 890 450	705 000	1 245 500

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2021	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2021	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2020
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 500	3 900	1 200	2 580
Free State/Vrystaat	16 000	24 800	11 000	15 400
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	50	50	-	-
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	3 000	6 900	2 900	5 220
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	18 000	24 300	22 400	26 880
Total/Totaal	38 550	59 950	37 500	50 080

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2021	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2021	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2020
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	10 500	44 625	8 000	35 200
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	500	2 250	1 200	4 200
Mpumalanga	9 400	57 340	8 500	46 340
Limpopo	17 000	61 200	16 000	41 950
Gauteng	300	1 080	300	960
North West/Noordwes	11 500	47 150	8 500	29 350
Total/Totaal	49 200	213 645	42 500	158 000

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021**DROËBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2021	Final estimate/ Finale skatting Tons 2021	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2020
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	150	100	150
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	350	700	350	700
Free State/Vrystaat	22 000	16 500	24 000	30 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	200	300	200	300
KwaZulu-Natal	3 000	3 900	2 900	3 480
Mpumalanga	6 500	9 750	6 600	8 250
Limpopo	8 000	16 000	8 400	13 440
Gauteng	840	1 092	600	780
North West/Noordwes	6 400	9 280	7 000	7 700
Total/Totaal	47 390	57 672	50 150	64 800

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- No member is allowed to leave the meeting before 12:00 in order to prevent disclosure of the information
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- No member is allowed to discuss crop estimates information with anyone other than a member of the Committee before the embargo time
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**AREA ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE OF SUMMER CROPS (2021 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2021 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
25 NOVEMBER 2021**

Summer field crops – 2021

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 16,234 mill. tons, which is 0,14% or 23 000 tons more than the previous forecast of 16,211 mill. tons. The area estimate for maize is 2,755 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 5,89 t/ha.

The estimated maize crop is 6% bigger than the 2020 crop. The three main maize producing areas, namely the Free State, Mpumalanga and North West provinces is expected to produce 84% of the 2021 crop.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,692 mill. ha and for yellow maize the area estimate is 1,064 mill. ha.

The production forecast of white maize remained unchanged at 8,609 mill. tons. The yield for white maize is 5,09 t/ha. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast increased by 0,30% or 23 000 tons from 7,602 mill. tons to 7,625 mill. tons. The yield for yellow maize is 7,17 t/ha.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed remained unchanged at 677 240 tons. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 477 800 ha, while the expected yield is 1,42 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soybeans** also remained unchanged at 1,890 mill. tons. The estimated area planted to soybeans is 827 100 ha and the expected yield is 2,29 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop is 59 950 tons, which is 1,78% or 1 050 tons more than the previous forecast of 58 900 tons. For groundnuts, the area estimate is 38 550 ha, with an expected yield of 1,56 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** increased by 1,75% or 3 665 tons, from 209 980 tons to 213 645 tons. The area estimate for sorghum is 49 200 ha and the expected yield is 4,34 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans**, the production forecast is 57 672 tons, also unchanged from the previous forecast. The area estimate of dry beans is 47 390 ha, with an expected yield of 1,22 t/ha.

Please note that the preliminary area estimate for summer field crops for 2022 will be released on 27 January 2022.

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Somergewasse – 2021

Kommerisiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 16,234 milj. ton gestel, wat 0,14% of 23 000 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 16,211 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is 2,755 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 5,89 t/ha is.

Die geskatte mielie-oes is 6% groter as die 2020-oes. Die drie belangrikste mielieproduserende gebiede, nl. die Vrystaat, Mpumalanga en Noordwes provinsies, gaan na verwagting 84% van die 2021-oes produseer.

Die oppervlakte onder witmielies is 1,692 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is die oppervlakte 1,064 milj. ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is onveranderd gelaat op 8,609 milj. ton. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 5,09 t/ha. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting met 0,30% of 23 000 ton verhoog vanaf 7,602 milj. ton na 7,625 milj. ton. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 7,17 t/ha.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is onveranderd gelaat op 677 240 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 477 800 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,42 t/ha is.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is ook onveranderd gelaat op 1,890 milj. ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant van sojabone is 827 100 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 2,29 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 59 950 ton, wat 1,78% of 1 050 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 58 900 ton. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakteskatting 38 550 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,56 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is verhoog met 1,75% of 3 665 ton vanaf 209 980 ton na 213 645 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sorghum is 49 200 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 4,34 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting 57 672 ton, ook onveranderd teenoor die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant met droëbone is 47 390 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,22 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting vir somergewasse vir 2022, op 27 Januarie 2022 vrygestel sal word.

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The non-commercial agricultural sectors' production estimate for maize for 2021 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor se produksieskatting vir mielies vir 2021 vrygestel.

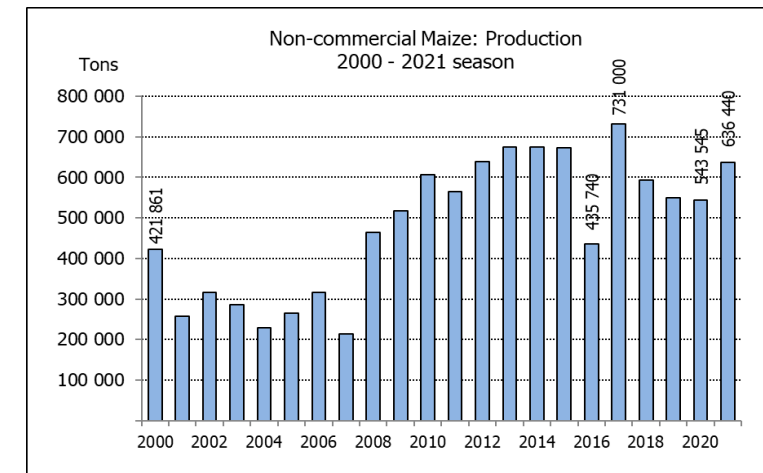
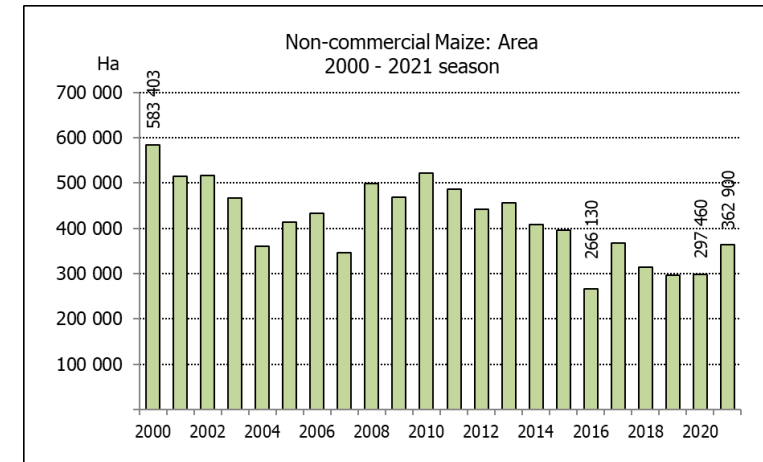
NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2021

NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2021 Ha (A)	Production/ Produksie 2021 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2020 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (D)
Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou:					
White maize/Witmielies	276 100	445 335	221 945	375 295	+18,66
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	86 800	191 105	75 515	168 250	+13,58
Maize/Mielies	362 900	636 440	297 460	543 545	+17,09

The preliminary area planted to maize in the non-commercial agricultural sector is estimated at 362 900 ha, which represents an increase of 22,00%, compared to the 297 460 ha of the previous season. The expected maize crop for this sector is 636 440 tons, which is 17,09% more than the 543 545 tons of last season. It is important to note that about 53% of the maize produced in the non-commercial sector, is planted in the Eastern Cape, followed by KwaZulu-Natal with 23%.

Die voorlopige oppervlakte beplant met mielies in die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor word geskat op 362 900 ha, wat 'n toename van 22,00% verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 297 460 ha van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor is 636 440 ton, wat 17,09% meer is as die 543 545 ton van die vorige seisoen. Dit is belangrik om daarop te let dat ongeveer 53% van die mielies wat geproduseer word in die nie-kommersiële sektor, in die Oos-Kaap geplant word, gevolg deur KwaZulu-Natal met 23%.



The area estimate and fourth production forecast for winter cereals for the 2021 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en vierde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2021 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2021 PRODUCTION SEASON
WINTERGEWASSE - OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN

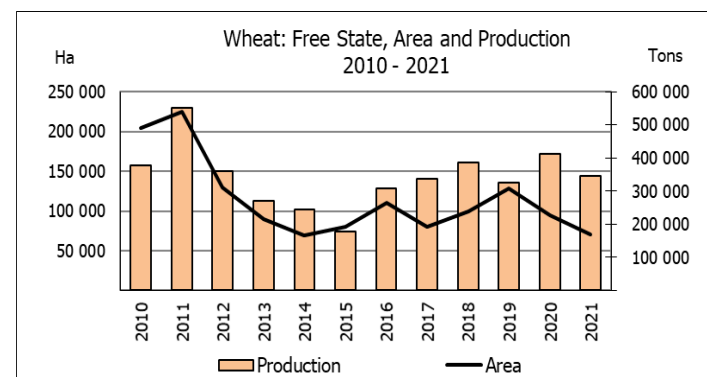
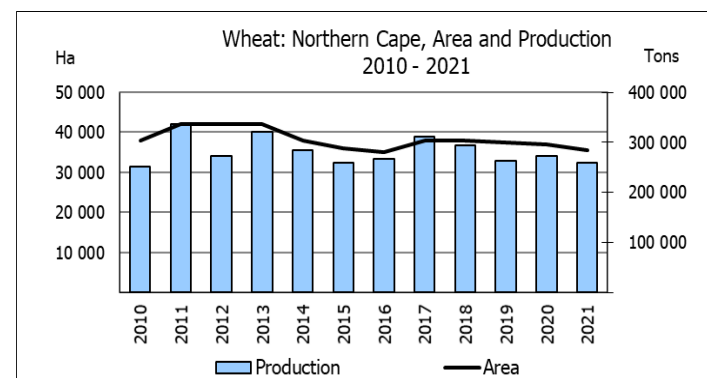
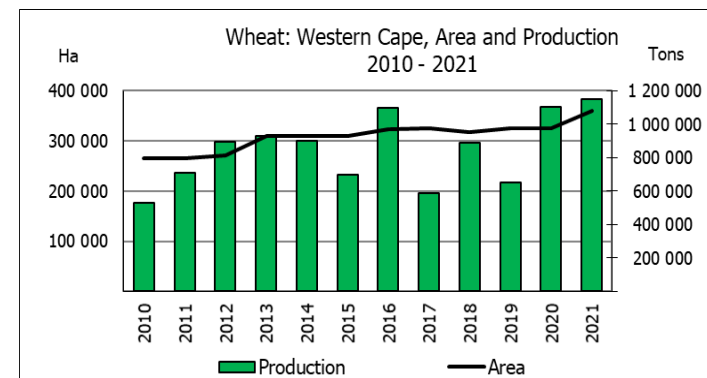
CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2021 Ha (A)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2021 Tons (B)	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^{de} skatting 2021 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2020 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieël:						
Wheat/Koring	523 500	2 117 435	2 099 435	509 800	2 120 000	+0,86
Malting barley/Moutgars	94 730	339 800	348 200	141 690	588 000	-2,41
Canola/Kanola	100 000	190 000	190 000	74 120	165 200	-
Cereal oats/Hawermout	36 250	80 450	80 473	26 200	57 000	-0,03
Sweet lupines/Soetlupine	22 000	30 800	30 800	N/a	N/a	-

* Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2021/22 = 2021

* Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2021/22 = 2021

WHEAT AREA PLANTED AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2021 PRODUCTION SEASON
KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2021 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2021 Ha (A)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2021 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2019 Tons (E)
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	360 000	1 152 000	326 000	1 103 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	35 500	259 150	37 000	271 950
Free State/Vrystaat	70 000	346 500	94 000	413 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 800	24 700	4 000	26 000
KwaZulu-Natal	8 500	53 125	7 800	48 360
Mpumalanga	4 100	27 060	3 000	19 500
Limpopo	26 500	164 300	23 000	147 200
Gauteng	1 100	6 600	1 300	8 190
North West/Noordwes	14 000	84 000	13 700	82 200
Total/Totaal	523 500	2 117 435	509 800	2 120 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FOURTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2021) /
OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN VIERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2021)
25 NOVEMBER 2021**

Winter cereal crops - 2021 production season

Wheat: The expected production of wheat is 2,117 mill. tons, which is 0,86% or 18 000 tons more than the previous forecast of 2,099 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 4,04 t/ha.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 1,152 mill. tons (54%), in the Free State 346 500 tons (16%) and in the Northern Cape 259 150 tons (12%).

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** is 339 800 tons, which is 2,41% or 8 400 tons less than the previous forecast of 348 200 tons. The area planted is estimated at 94 730 ha, while the expected yield is 3,59 t/ha.

The expected **canola crop** remained unchanged at 190 000 tons. This is the largest expected canola crop produced in the history of SA. The area estimate for canola is 100 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,90 t/ha.

The expected crop for **oats (cereals)** for the 2021 season is 80 450 tons and the area planted is 36 250 ha. The expected yield is 2,22 t/ha.

In the case of **sweet lupines**, the production forecast remained unchanged at 30 800 tons. The area estimate of sweet lupines is 22 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,40 t/ha.

Please note that the fifth production forecast for winter cereals for 2021 will be released on 15 December 2021.

Wintergewasse - 2021 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte produksie vir koring is 2,117 milj. ton, wat 0,86% of 18 000 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 2,099 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 4,04 t/ha is.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 1,152 milj. ton (54%), in die Vrystaat 346 500 ton (16%) en in die Noord-Kaap 259 150 ton (12%).

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is 339 800 ton, wat 2,41% of 8 400 ton minder is as die vorige skatting van 348 200 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant word beraam op 94 730 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,59 t/ha behoort.

Die verwagte **kanola-oes** is onveranderd gelaat op 190 000 ton. Dit is die grootste kanola-oes wat nóg geproduseer is in die geskiedenis van SA. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 100 000 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,90 t/ha.

Die verwagte oes vir **hawer (ontbytgraan)** vir die 2021-seisoen is 80 450 ton en die oppervlakteskatting is 36 250 ton. Die verwagte opbrengs is 2,22 t/ha.

In die geval van **soetlupine** is die produksieskatting onveranderd gelaat op 30 800 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant met soetlupine is 22 000 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,40 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die vyfde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2021 op 15 Desember 2021 vrygestel sal word.

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