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The area estimate and fifth production forecast for winter cereals for the 2016 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakteskatting en vyfde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2016 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND FIFTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2016

WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VYFDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2016

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2016 Ha (A)	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting 2016 Tons (B)	4 th forecast/ 4 ^{de} skatting 2016 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2015 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2015 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	508 365	1 875 540	1 766 280	482 150	1 440 000	+6,2
Malting barley/Moutgars	88 695	339 135	309 815	93 730	332 000	+9,5
Canola/Kanola	68 075	108 860	112 260	78 050	93 000	-3,0
Total/Totaal	665 135	2 323 535	2 188 355	653 930	1 865 000	+6,2

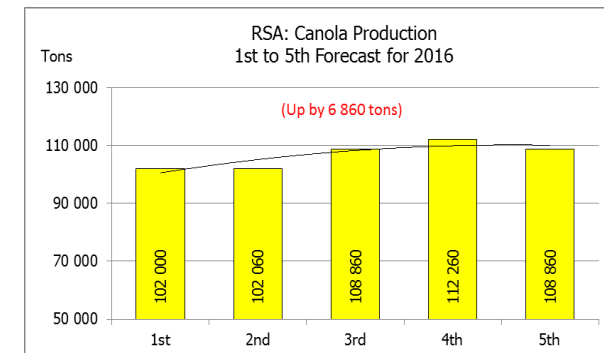
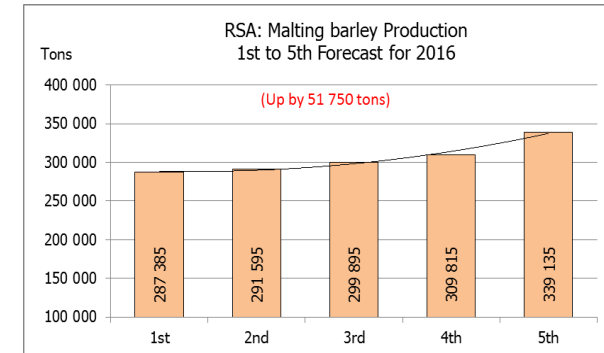
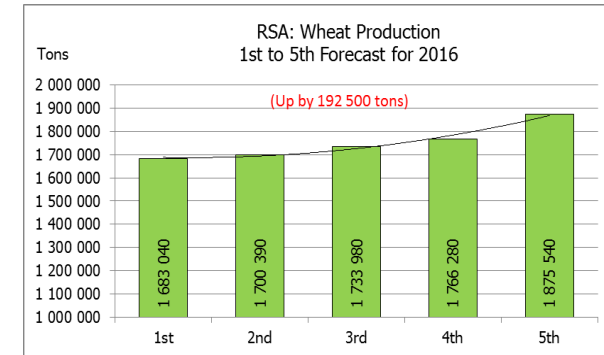
* Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2016 = 2016

* Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2016 = 2016

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND FIFTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2016

KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN VYFDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2016

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2016 Ha	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting 2016 Tons	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2015 Ha	Final crop/ Finale oes 2015 Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	323 000	1 065 900	310 000	697 500
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	35 000	266 000	36 000	259 200
Free State/Vrystaat	110 000	308 000	80 000	176 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	2 200	11 000	3 100	14 880
KwaZulu-Natal	6 500	37 050	7 300	41 000
Mpumalanga	2 300	13 800	3 500	19 500
Limpopo	17 000	102 000	27 000	144 420
Gauteng	365	2 190	250	1 500
North West/Noordwes	12 000	69 600	15 000	85 500
Total/Totaal	508 365	1 875 540	482 150	1 440 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FIFTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CROPS (2016) /
OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN VYFDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2016)**

20 DECEMBER / DESEMBER 2016

Winter cereal crops - 2016 production season

Wheat: The expected commercial production of wheat is 1,876 mill. tons, which is 6,2% or 109 260 tons more than the previous forecast of 1,766 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 3,69 t/ha. The main reason for the increase in wheat production is that farmers harvested better than expected yields, especially in the Western Cape.

The expected production in the Western Cape increased by 10,0 % or 96 900 tons, from 969 000 tons to 1,066 million tons against the previous forecast.

The production forecast for the Free State remained unchanged at 308 000 tons. In the Northern Cape, the expected production forecast increased by 5,6% or 14 000 tons, from 252 000 tons to 266 000 tons.

The area estimate for wheat 508 365 ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** is 339 135 tons, which is 9,5% or 29 320 tons more than the previous forecast of 309 815 tons. The area planted is estimated at 88 695 ha, while the expected yield is 3,82 t/ha.

The expected **canola** crop was adjusted downwards by 3,0% or 3 400 tons to 108 860 tons. The area estimate for canola is 68 075 ha, with an expected yield of 1,60 t/ha.

Please note that the sixth production forecast for winter cereals for 2016 will be released on 26 January 2017.

Wintergewasse - 2016 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte kommersiële produksie vir koring is 1,876 milj. ton, wat 6,2% of 109 260 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 1,766 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,69 t/ha is. Die hoofrede vir die toename in koringproduksie is as gevolg van produsente wat beter as verwagte opbrengste gestroop het, veral in die Wes-Kaap.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap het met 10,0 % of 96 900 ton toegeneem, van 969 000 ton tot 1,066 miljoen ton teenoor die vorige skatting.

Die produksieskatting vir die Vrystaat is onveranderd gelaat op 308 000 ton. In die Noord-Kaap is die verwagte produksie opwaarts aangepas met 5,6 % of 14 000 ton, van 252 000 ton tot 266 000 ton.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir koring is 508 365 ha.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is 339 135 ton, wat 9,5% of 29 320 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 309 815 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant is beraam op 88 695 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,82 t/ha beloop.

Die verwagte **kanola**-oes is afwaarts aangepas met 3,0% of 3 400 ton na 108 860 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 68 075 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,60 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die sesde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2016 op 26 Januarie 2017 vrygestel sal word.

Information is available on the internet at <http://www.daff.gov.za/statistics> and [economic reports](http://www.daff.gov.za/economic-reports) or <http://www.sagis.org.za>, as from **15:30 on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.**

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