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The preliminary area planted estimate for summer crops for 2014 is hereby released. /
 Hiermee word die voorlopige oppervlakteskating vir somergewasse vir 2014 vrygestel.

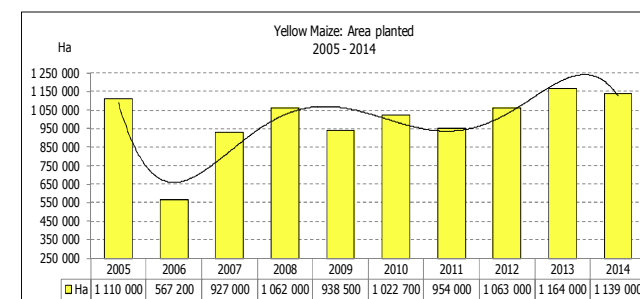
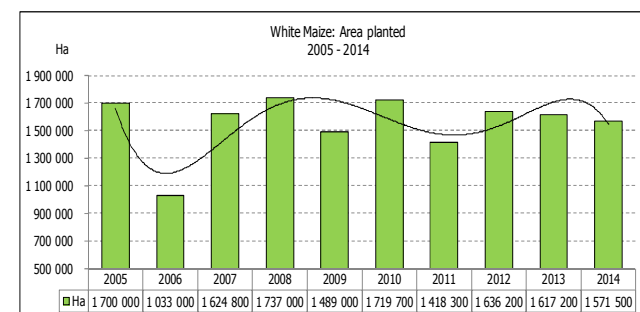
SUMMER CROPS – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2014

SOMERGEWASSE – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATING: 2014

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2014 Ha (A)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (B)	Finale oes/ Final crop 2013 Tons (C)	Change/ Verandering/ % (A) ÷ (B)
Commercial/Kommersieel:				
White maize/Witmielies	1 571 500	1 617 200	5 545 000	-2,83
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 139 000	1 164 000	6 145 000	-2,15
Maize/Mielies	2 710 500	2 781 200	11 690 000	-2,54
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	618 400	504 700	557 000	+22,53
Soya-beans/Sojabone	516 000	516 500	784 500	-0,10
Groundnuts/Grondbone	50 000	46 900	41 500	+6,61
Sorghum	74 700	62 620	147 200	+19,29
Dry beans/Droëbone	56 170	43 550	60 200	+28,98
TOTAL/TOTAAL	4 025 770	3 955 470	13 280 400	+1,78

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2013/14 = 2014

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2013/14 = 2014



The Crop Estimates Committee comprises officials of the following institutions:

Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; Provincial Departments of Agriculture; various ARC-Institutes (Soil, Climate and Water; Small Grains Institute; and Grain Crops Institute); and Statistics SA.

**PRELIMINARY AREA ESTIMATE OF SUMMER CROPS (2014 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2014 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
28 JANUARY / JANUARIE 2014**

Summer field crops – 2014

The preliminary area estimate is mainly based on the results of a non-probability survey conducted by the Directorate: Statistics and Economic Analysis of the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and reflects the position as at the middle of January 2014.

Please note that only provisional national area planted figures for maize, sunflower seed, soya-beans, groundnuts, sorghum and dry beans for the current production season are being released today. The estimates are based on a relatively poor response rate by farmers on the above survey conducted by the Directorate: Statistics and Economic Analysis of the Department.

The revised area planted and production figures, which will be released by the Crop Estimates Committee on 27 February 2014, will mainly be based on information obtained from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES) survey for the Northern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng and North West provinces, and should therefore be more accurate and comprehensive.

Commercial maize: The preliminary area estimate for maize is 2,710 mill. ha, which is 2,54% or 70 700 ha less than the 2,781 mill. ha planted for the previous season, and also 0,95% or 25 000 ha more than the intentions to plant figure of 2,685 mill. ha released in October 2013.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,572 mill. ha, which represents a decrease of 2,83% or 45 700 ha compared to the 1,617 mill. ha planted last season. In the case of yellow maize the area estimate is 1,139 mill. ha, which is 2,15% or 25 000 ha less than the 1,164 mill. ha planted last season.

Other summer crops:

Sunflower seed: The preliminary area estimate for sunflower seed is 618 400 ha, which is about 22,53% or 113 700 ha more than the 504 700 ha planted the previous season.

Other crops: It is estimated that 516 000 ha have been planted to **soya-beans**, which represents a slight decrease of 0,10% compared to the 516 500 ha planted last season.

For **groundnuts** the area estimate is 50 000 ha, which is 6,61% more than the 46 900 ha planted for the previous season.

The area estimate for **sorghum** increased by 19,29%, from 62 620 ha to 74 700 ha against the previous season.

In the case of **dry beans** the area estimate is 56 170 ha, which is 28,98% or 12 620 ha more than the 43 550 ha planted the previous season.

Please note that the revised area estimate and first production forecast for summer field crops for 2014 will be released on 27 February 2014.

Somergewasse – 2014

Die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting is hoofsaaklik gebaseer op die resultate van 'n nie-ewekansige opname onderneem deur die Direkoraat: Statistiek en Ekonomiese Analise van die Departement van Landbou, Bosbou en Visserye en weerspieël die situasie teen die middel van Januarie 2014.

Let asb. daarop dat net die voorlopige syfers vir die nasionale aangeplante area vir mielies, sonneblomsaad, sojabone, grondbone, sorghum en droëbone vir die huidige produksieseisoen vandag vrygestel word. Die skattings is gebaseer op 'n relatief swak deelname deur boere aan die opname wat deur die Direkoraat Statistiek en Ekonomiese Analise van die Departement gedoen word.

Die hersiene aangeplante oppervlakte en produksiesyfers sal deur die Oesskatting Komitee op 27 Februarie 2014 vrygestel word en sal hoofsaaklik gebaseer wees op inligting verkry vanaf die "PICES"-opname vir die Noord-Kaap, Vrystaat, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng en Noordwes provinsies, en behoort gevolglik akkurater en omvattender te wees.

Kommersiële mielies: Die voorlopige skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2,710 milj. ha, wat 2,54% of 70 700 ha minder is as die 2,781 milj. ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is, maar ook 0,95% of 25 000 ha meer as die voornemens om te plant syfer van 2,685 milj. ha soos vrygestel in Oktober 2013.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,572 milj. ha, wat 'n afname van 2,83% of 45 700 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 1,617 milj. ha die vorige seisoen. In die geval van geelmielies is die oppervlakteskatting 1,139 milj. ha, 2,15% of 25 000 ha minder as die 1,164 milj. ha geplant die vorige seisoen.

Ander somergewasse:

Sonneblomsaad: Die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 618 400 ha, wat omtrent 22,53% of 113 700 ha meer is as die 504 700 ha aangeplant die vorige seisoen.

Ander gewasse: Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met **sojabone** is 516 000 ha, wat 'n effense afname van 0,10% verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 516 500 ha geplant die vorige seisoen.

Vir **grondbone** is die oppervlakteskatting 50 000 ha, wat 6,61% meer is as die 46 900 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir **sorghum** het toegeneem met 19,29%, van 62 620 ha tot 74 700 ha teenoor die vorige seisoen.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die geskatte oppervlakte beplant 56 170 ha, wat 28,98% of 12 620 ha meer is as die 43 550 ha die vorige seisoen geplant.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die hersiene oppervlakte- en eerste produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2013, op 27 Februarie 2014 vrygestel sal word.

The area estimate and sixth production forecast for winter cereals for the 2013 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakteskatting en sesde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2013 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013

WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (A)	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2013 Tons (B)	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting 2013 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2012 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2012 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	505 500	1 795 150	1 750 850	511 200	1 870 000	+2,53
Malting barley/Moutgars	81 320	263 602	263 602	84 940	298 000	-
Canola/Kanola	72 165	112 041	112 041	44 100	79 000	-
Total/Totaal	658 985	2 170 793	2 126 493	640 240	2 247 000	+2,08

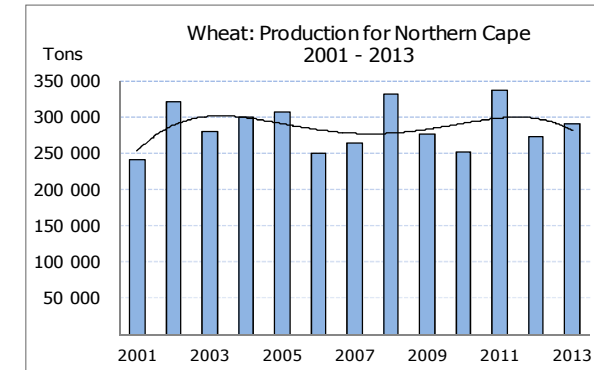
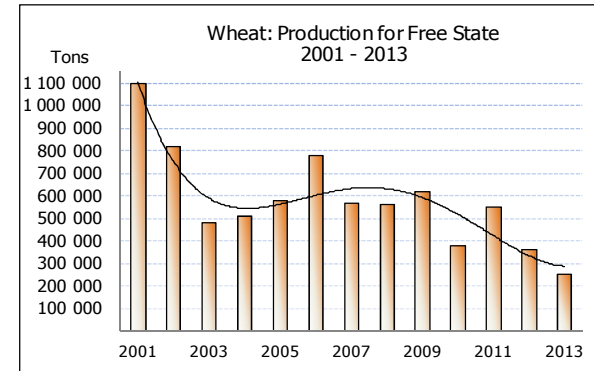
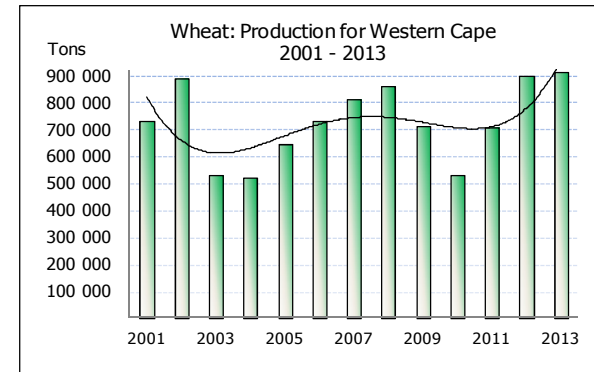
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Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2013/14 = 2013

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013

KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2013 Tons	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2012 Ha	Final crop/ Finale oes 2012 Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	310 000	914 500	272 000	897 600
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	42 000	289 800	42 000	272 600
Free State/Vrystaat	90 000	252 000	130 000	360 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	4 500	19 800	4 500	18 500
KwaZulu-Natal	7 000	37 800	6 500	32 500
Mpumalanga	4 500	27 000	4 700	25 380
Limpopo	28 000	142 800	30 000	141 000
Gauteng	1 000	6 000	1 500	8 420
North West/Noordwes	18 500	105 450	20 000	114 000
Total/Totaal	505 500	1 795 150	511 200	1 870 000



**AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF WINTER CEREALS (2013 PRODUCTION SEASON) /
OPPERVLAK - EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR WINTERGEWASSE (2013 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
28 JANUARY/ JANUARIE 2014**

Winter cereal crops - 2013 production season

Wheat: The expected commercial production of wheat is 1,795 mill. tons, which is 44 300 tons or 2,53% more than the previous forecast of 1,751 mill. tons, whilst the expected yield is 3,55 t/ha.

The expected production in the Western Cape is 914 500 tons (51%), in the Northern Cape 289 800 tons (16%) and in the Free State 252 000 tons (14%).

The area estimate for wheat stayed unchanged at 505 500 ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** remained unchanged at 263 602 tons. The estimated area planted is 81 320 ha, while the expected yield is 3,24 t/ha.

The expected **canola** crop also remained unchanged at 112 041 tons. The area estimate for canola is 72 165 ha, with an expected yield of 1,55 t/ha.

Please note that the final production estimate for winter cereals for 2013 will be released on 27 February 2014.

Wintergewasse - 2013 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte kommersiële produksie vir koring is 1,795 milj. ton, wat 44 300 ton of 2,53% meer is as die vorige skatting van 1,751 milj. ton, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,55 t/ha is.

Die verwagte produksie in die Wes-Kaap is 914 500 ton (51%), in die Noord-Kaap 289 800 ton (16%) en in die Vrystaat 252 000 ton (14%).

Die oppervlakeskatting vir koring is onveranderd gelaat op 505 500 ha.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is onveranderd gelaat op 263 602 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant is beraam op 81 320 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,24 t/ha behoop.

Die verwagte **kanola**-oes is ook onveranderd gelaat op 112 041 ton. Die oppervlakeskatting vir kanola is 72 165 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,55 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die sesde produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2013 op 27 Februarie 2014 vrygestel sal word.

Information is available on the internet at [http://www.daff.gov.za/crop estimates](http://www.daff.gov.za/crop_estimates) 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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