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The sixth production forecast for summer crops for 2013 is hereby released. /
 Hiermee word die sesde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2013 vrygestel.

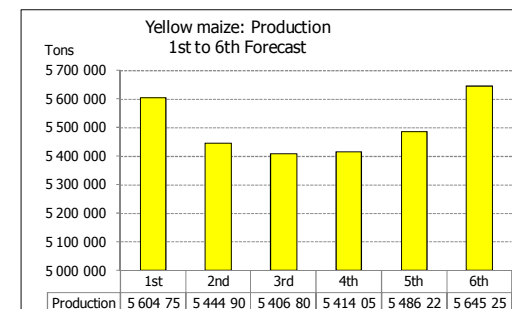
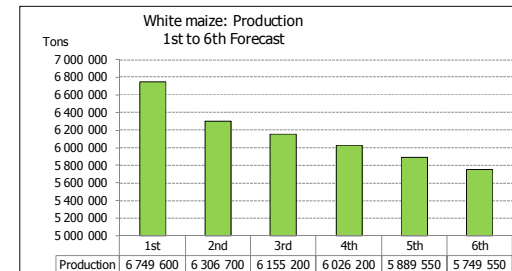
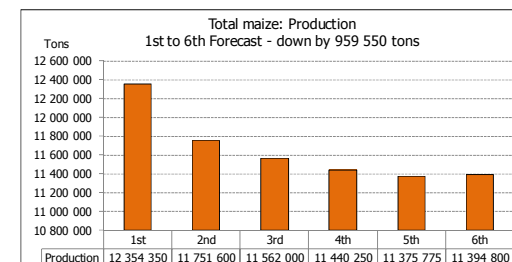
SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting	5 th forecast/ 5 ^{de} skatting	Area planted/ Opp beplant	Finale oes/ Final crop	Change/ Verandering/
	2013 Ha (A)	2013 Tons (B)	2013 Tons (C)	2012 Ha (D)	2012 Tons (E)	% (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 617 200	5 749 550	5 889 550	1 636 200	6 903 656	-2,38
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 164 000	5 645 250	5 486 225	1 063 000	5 217 000	+2,90
Maize/Mielies	2 781 200	11 394 800	11 375 775	2 699 200	12 120 656	+0,17
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	504 700	576 500	565 500	453 350	522 000	+1,95
Soya-beans/Sojabone	516 500	787 100	802 250	472 000	650 000	-1,89
Groundnuts/Grondbone	46 900	42 300	46 900	45 450	59 000	-9,81
Sorghum	62 620	164 069	173 884	48 550	135 500	-5,64
Dry beans/Droëbone	43 550	60 200	58 580	39 750	47 695	+2,77
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 955 470	13 024 969	13 022 889	3 758 300	13 534 851	+0,02

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2012/13 = 2013

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2012/13 = 2013



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WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013

WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2013			6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2013			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2012			Final crop/ Finale oes 2012		
	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	300	3 000	3 300	3 000	30 000	33 000	500	2 500	3 000	5 000	25 000	30 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 200	51 000	53 200	25 300	632 400	657 700	2 200	47 000	49 200	25 400	592 000	617 400
Free State/Vrystaat	725 000	505 000	1 230 000	2 646 250	2 045 250	4 691 500	710 000	450 000	1 160 000	3 050 000	1 773 000	4 823 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 700	15 000	18 700	18 500	82 500	101 000	3 500	13 500	17 000	17 756	75 000	92 756
KwaZulu-Natal	47 000	48 000	95 000	258 500	297 600	556 100	44 000	45 000	89 000	242 000	270 000	512 000
Mpumalanga	170 000	300 000	470 000	1 020 000	1 830 000	2 850 000	160 000	290 000	450 000	904 000	1 625 000	2 529 000
Limpopo	30 000	23 500	53 500	165 000	129 250	294 250	32 000	18 000	50 000	174 500	99 000	273 500
Gauteng	74 000	43 500	117 500	370 000	195 750	565 750	74 000	42 000	116 000	378 500	200 000	578 500
North West/Noordwes	565 000	175 000	740 000	1 243 000	402 500	1 645 500	610 000	155 000	765 000	2 106 500	558 000	2 664 500
Total/Totaal	1 617 200	1 164 000	2 781 200	5 749 550	5 645 250	11 394 800	1 636 200	1 063 000	2 699 200	6 903 656	5 217 000	12 120 656

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013

SONNEBLOMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting Tons 2013	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2012	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2012
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	200	100	350	100
Free State/Vrystaat	220 000	297 000	190 000	247 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	6 600	10 230	10 000	13 500
Limpopo	99 000	89 100	100 000	85 000
Gauteng	3 900	5 070	3 000	3 900
North West/Noordwes	175 000	175 000	150 000	172 500
Total/Totaal	504 700	576 500	453 350	522 000

SOYA-BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013

SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting Tons 2013	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2012	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2012
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 000	7 000	500	1 500
Free State/Vrystaat	215 000	225 750	175 000	192 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	500	750	500	750
KwaZulu-Natal	32 000	80 000	34 000	81 600
Mpumalanga	205 000	369 000	200 000	263 050
Limpopo	20 000	55 000	22 000	50 600
Gauteng	20 000	32 000	19 000	28 500
North West/Noordwes	22 000	17 600	21 000	31 500
Total/Totaal	516 500	787 100	472 000	650 000

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting Tons 2013	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2012	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2012
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	7 000	14 000	6 500	16 900
Free State/Vrystaat	18 000	16 200	20 000	21 800
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	150	150	150	150
Mpumalanga	750	750	-	-
Limpopo	1 000	1 200	2 800	3 350
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	20 000	10 000	16 000	16 800
Total/Totaal	46 900	42 300	45 450	59 000

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting Tons 2013	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2012	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2012
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	32 000	76 800	22 000	60 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	320	1 344	200	800
Mpumalanga	11 500	45 425	11 500	49 450
Limpopo	12 000	26 400	10 000	13 700
Gauteng	500	1 500	350	1 050
North West/Noordwes	6 300	12 600	4 500	10 000
Total/Totaal	62 620	164 069	48 550	135 500

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2013**DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting Tons 2013	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2012	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2012
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	200	400	500	1 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	850	1 700	750	1 500
Free State/Vrystaat	16 000	19 200	16 000	17 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	100	200	200	240
KwaZulu-Natal	6 000	7 800	4 000	5 200
Mpumalanga	7 000	11 900	6 300	8 505
Limpopo	5 400	10 800	5 000	6 250
Gauteng	2 000	3 400	2 000	2 400
North West/Noordwes	6 000	4 800	5 000	5 000
Total/Totaal	43 550	60 200	39 750	47 695

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- Personal items such as laptops, handbags, cell phones, etc. are not allowed in the venue during the meeting
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- Members must regard the detail of any information that was collected for and/or discussed during the meeting, as confidential
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**AREA AND SIXTH PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2013)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN SESDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEGASSE (2013)
25 JULY / JULIE 2013**

Summer field crops – 2013

Commercial maize: The potential size of the maize crop was slightly increased by 19 025 tons or 0,17% to 11,395 mill. tons, mainly based on actual producer deliveries, as reported by SAGIS.

The area estimate for maize remained unchanged at 2,781 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 4,10 t/ha.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,617 mill. ha and for yellow maize it is 1,164 mill. ha.

The production forecast of white maize is 5,750 mill. tons, which is 140 000 tons or 2,38% less than the 5,890 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 3,56 t/ha as against the previous 3,64 t/ha. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 5,645 mill. tons, which is 159 025 tons or 2,90% more than the 5,486 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 4,85 t/ha as against the previous 4,71 t/ha.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed was increased by 11 000 tons or 1,95% to 576 500 tons. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 504 700 ha, with an expected yield of 1,14 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soya-beans** is 787 100 tons, which is 15 150 tons or 1,89% less than the previous forecast. For soya-beans the area estimate is 516 500 ha, with an expected yield of 1,52 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop decreased by 4 600 tons or 9,81% to 42 300 tons. The area estimate is 46 900 ha, and the expected yield is 0,90 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 164 069 tons, which is 9 815 tons or 5,64% less than the previous forecast. The area estimate for sorghum is 62 620 ha, and the expected yield is 2,62 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans** the production forecast increased by 1 620 tons or 2,77% to 60 200 tons, with an area estimate of 43 550 ha. The expected yield is 1,38 t/ha.

Please note that the seventh production forecast for summer field crops for 2013, will be released on 27 August 2013.

Somergewasse – 2013

Kommersiële mielies: Die potensiële grootte van die mielie-oes is effens verhoog met 19 025 ton of 0,17% tot 11,395 milj. ton, hoofsaaklik gebaseer op werklike produsentelewerings, soos gemonitor deur SAGIS.

Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is onveranderd gelaat op 2,781 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 4,10 t/ha is.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,617 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is dit 1,164 milj. ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 5,750 miljoen ton, wat 140 000 ton of 2,38% minder is as die 5,890 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 3,56 t/ha teenoor die vorige 3,64 t/ha. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 5,645 miljoen ton, wat 159 025 ton of 2,90% meer is as die 5,486 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 4,85 t/ha teenoor die vorige 4,71 t/ha.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is opwaarts aangepas met 11 000 ton of 1,95% na 576 500 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 504 700 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,14 t/ha is.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van sojabone is 787 100 ton, wat 15 150 ton of 1,89% minder is as die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant met **sojabone** is 516 500 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,52 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is afwaarts aangepas met 4 600 ton of 9,81% na 42 300 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting is 46 900 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 0,90 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van sorghum is 164 069 ton, wat 9 815 ton of 5,64% minder is as die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakteskatting vir **sorghum** is 62 620 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 2,62 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting opwaarts aangepas met 1 620 ton of 2,77% na 60 200 ton, met 'n oppervlakteskatting van 43 550 ha. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,38 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die sewende produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2013, op 27 Augustus 2013 vrygestel sal word.

Information is available on the internet at 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.

Inligting is beskikbaar op die internet by http://www.daff.gov.za/crop_estimates of by <http://www.sagis.org.za>, vanaf **15:30** op die dag van die toepaslike vergadering van die Oesskattingskomitee.

The non-commercial agricultural sectors' production estimate for maize for 2013 is hereby released. / Hiermee word die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor se produksieskatting vir mielies vir 2013 vrygestel.

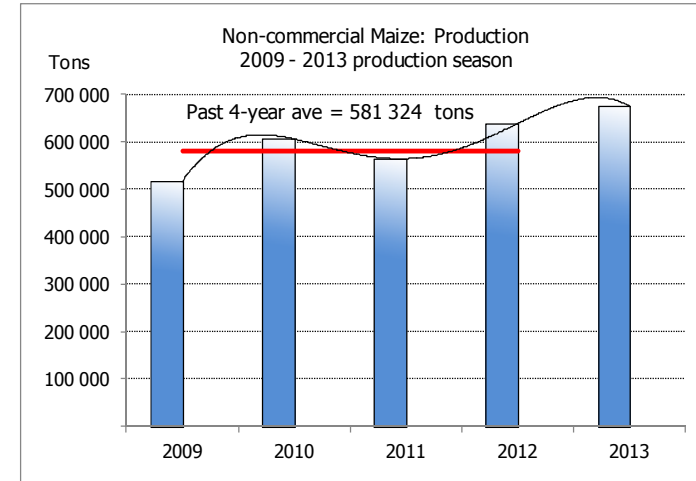
NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2013

NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2013

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (A)	Production/ Produksie 2013 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2012 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2012 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (D)
Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou:					
White maize/Witmielies	320 105	459 995	302 316	429 329	+7,14
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	136 795	215 095	139 798	209 134	+2,85
Maize/Mielies	456 900	675 090	442 114	638 463	+5,74

The area planted to maize in the non-commercial agricultural sector is estimated at 456 900 ha, which represents an increase of 3,34% compared to the 442 114 ha of the previous season. The expected maize crop for this sector is 675 090 tons, which is 5,74 % higher than the 638 463 tons of last season. It is important to note that about 58% of the maize produced in the non-commercial sector, is planted in the Eastern Cape.

Die oppervlakte beplant met mielies in die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor word geskat op 456 900 ha, wat 'n toename van 3,34 % verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 442 114 ha van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor is 675 090 ton, wat 5,74 % hoër is as die 638 463 ton van die vorige seisoen. Dit is belangrik om daarop te let dat ongeveer 58% van die mielies wat geproduseer word in die nie-kommersiële sektor, in die Oos-Kaap geplant word.



WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – SPLIT BETWEEN IRRIGATION AND DRY LAND PER PROVINCE: 2013

WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – VERDELING TUSSEN BESPROEING EN DROëLAND PER PROVINSIE: 2013

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2013						Production/ Production 2013					
	Irrigation/Besproeiing			Dry land/Droëland			Irrigation/Besproeiing			Dry land/Droëland		
	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	300	3 000	3 300	0	0	0	3 000	30 000	33 000	0	0	0
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 000	49 500	51 500	200	1 500	1 700	24 500	627 150	651 650	800	5 250	6 050
Free State/Vrystaat	10 000	50 000	60 000	715 000	455 000	1 170 000	89 000	550 000	639 000	2 557 250	1 495 250	4 052 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 700	7 500	9 200	2 000	7 500	9 500	14 300	65 000	79 300	4 200	17 500	21 700
KwaZulu-Natal	13 000	12 500	25 500	34 000	35 500	69 500	108 000	102 000	210 000	150 500	195 600	346 100
Mpumalanga	11 500	9 000	20 500	158 500	291 000	449 500	106 000	90 000	196 000	914 000	1 740 000	2 654 000
Limpopo	16 500	11 000	27 500	13 500	12 500	26 000	154 200	111 000	265 200	10 800	18 250	29 050
Gauteng	7 000	2 000	9 000	67 000	41 500	108 500	68 000	19 250	87 250	302 000	176 500	478 500
North West/Noordwes	20 000	16 000	36 000	545 000	159 000	704 000	160 000	132 000	292 000	1 083 000	270 500	1 353 500
Total/Totaal	82 000	160 500	242 500	1 535 200	1 003 500	2 538 700	727 000	1 726 400	2 453 400	5 022 550	3 918 850	8 941 400

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE: SUMMARY – SPLIT BETWEEN IRRIGATION AND DRY LAND: 2013

WIT- EN GEELMIELIES: OPSOMMING – VERDELING TUSSEN BESPROEING EN DROëLAND: 2013

Summary/ Opsomming	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2013			Production/ Production 2013			Yield/ Opbrengs 2013		
	White/ Wit Ha	Yellow/ Geel Ha	Total/ Totaal Ha	White/ Wit Tons	Yellow/ Geel Tons	Total/ Totaal Tons	White/ Wit T/ha	Yellow/ Geel T/ha	Total/ Totaal T/ha
Irrigation/Besproeiing	82 000	160 500	242 500	727 000	1 726 400	2 453 400	8,87	10,76	10,12
Dry land/Droëland	1 535 200	1 003 500	2 538 700	5 022 550	3 918 850	8 941 400	3,27	3,91	3,52
Total/Totaal	1 617 200	1 164 000	2 781 200	5 749 550	5 645 250	11 394 800	3,56	4,85	4,10

Maize: Irrigation and Dry land - 2013

The area estimate for maize is 2,781 mill. ha, of which 242 500 ha (8,72%) is planted under irrigation and 2,539 mill. ha (91,28%) under dry land conditions.

Of the 242 500 ha planted to maize under irrigation, 82 000 ha (33,81%) is for white maize and 160 500 ha (66,19%) for yellow maize.

The potential size of the maize crop under irrigation is 2,453 mill. tons (21,53%) and under dry land conditions 8,941 mill. tons (78,47%).

The average yield for maize under irrigation is 10,12 t/ha and for dry land 3,52 t/ha. In the case of white maize, the yield for irrigation is 8,87 t/ha and for dry land 3,27 t/ha. The yield for yellow maize under irrigation is 10,76 t/ha and for dry land 3,91 t/ha.

Mielies: Besproeiing en Droëland - 2013

Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is 2,781 milj. ha, waarvan 242 500 ha (8,72%) onder besproeiing geplant is en 2,539 milj. ha (91,28%) onder droëland toestande.

Van die 242 500 ha mielies beplant onder besproeiing, is 82 000 ha (33,81%) vir witmielies en 160 500 ha (66,19%) vir geelmielies.

Die potensiële grootte van die mielie-oes onder besproeiing is 2,453 milj. ton (21,53%) en onder droë land toestande 8,941 milj. ton (78,47%).

Die gemiddelde opbrengs vir mielies onder besproeiing is 10,12 t/ha en vir droëland 3,52 t/ha. In die geval van witmielies, is die opbrengs onder besproeiing 8,87 t/ha en vir droëland 3,27 t/ha. Die opbrengs vir geelmielies onder besproeiing is 10,76 t/ha en vir droëland 3,91 t/ha.

The preliminary area estimate for winter cereals for the 2013 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die voorlopige oppervlakteskating vir wintergewasse vir 2013 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2013 PRODUCTION SEASON

WINTERGEWASSE – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2013-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2013 Ha (A)	Intentions/ Voorneme* Mid April 2013 Ha (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2012 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2012 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (A) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:					
Wheat/Koring	515 200	516 600	511 200	1 870 000	+0,78
Malting barley/Moutgars	79 390	78 700	84 940	298 000	-6,53
Canola/Kanola	63 000	55 000	44 100	79 000	+42,86
Total/Totaal	657 590	650 300	640 240	2 247 000	+2,71

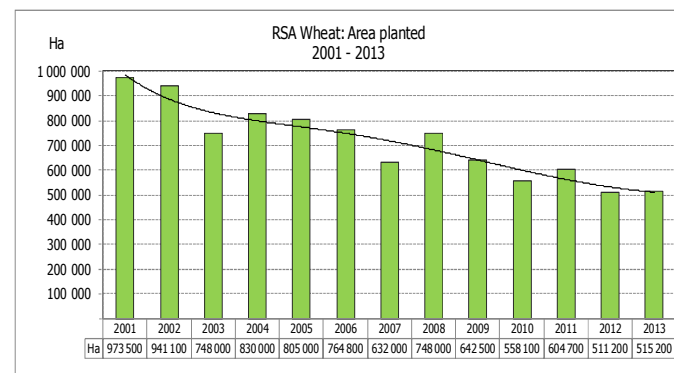
* Intentions based on conditions at the middle of April 2013 / Voorneme gebaseer op toestande soos teen middel April 2013.

WHEAT – PRELIMINARY AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE: 2013

KORING – VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTESKATTING: 2013

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Intentions/ Voorneme* Ha Mid April 2013	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2012	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2012
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	300 000	285 000	272 000	897 600
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	41 500	43 000	42 000	272 600
Free State/Vrystaat	110 000	125 000	130 000	360 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	4 500	4 000	4 500	18 500
KwaZulu-Natal	7 000	6 600	6 500	32 500
Mpumalanga	4 200	4 500	4 700	25 380
Limpopo	28 000	27 000	30 000	141 000
Gauteng	1 500	1 500	1 500	8 420
North West/Noordwes	18 500	20 000	20 000	114 000
Total/Totaal	515 200	516 600	511 200	1 870 000

* Intentions based on conditions at the middle of April 2013 / Voorneme gebaseer op toestande soos teen middel April 2013.



**PRELIMINARY AREA ESTIMATE OF WINTER CROPS (2013) /
VOORLOPIGE OPPERVLAKTEKSKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2013)
25 JULY/ 25 JULIE 2013**

Winter cereal crops - 2013 production season

The preliminary area estimate is based on the results of a non-probability survey conducted by the Directorate: Statistics and Economic Analysis and reflects the position as at the middle of July 2013, as well as inputs from the PDA representatives. Please note that the information from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES) as conducted by the National Crop Statistics Consortium (NCSC) for the Western Cape and Northern Cape provinces, will be available in August 2013; and for the Free State in September 2013.

Wheat: The preliminary area estimate for wheat is 515 200 ha, which is 0,8% or 4 000 ha more than the 511 200 ha planted for the previous season. The area planted to wheat was impacted negatively by inadequate soil moisture levels in certain production areas.

An estimated 300 000 ha is planted in the Western Cape, which is 28 000 ha more than the 272 000 ha planted for the previous season. In the Free State, 110 000 ha is planted, which is 20 000 ha less than the 130 000 ha planted for the previous season. The area planted in the Northern Cape is 41 500 ha, which 500 ha less than the 42 000 ha for the previous season.

Other crops: The preliminary area estimate for malting barley is 79 390 ha, which is 6,5% or 5 550 ha less than the 84 940 ha of last season. The area planted to canola is 63 000 ha, which is 42,9% or 18 900 ha more than the 44 100 ha planted for the previous season.

Please note that the revised area planted estimate and first production forecast for winter cereals for 2013 will be released on 27 August 2013.

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 **15:30 on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.**

Wintergewasse - 2013 produksie-seisoen

Die voorlopige oppervlakteskattings is gebaseer op die resultate van 'n nie-ewekansige opname onderneem deur die Direkoraat: Statistiek en Ekonomiese Analise en weerspieël die situasie teen die middel van Julie 2013, sowel as insette van die PDL verteenwoordigers. Let wel, inligting van die Produsente Onafhanklike Oesskattingsstelsel ("PICES"), soos deur die Nasionale Oesskattingskonsortium gerapporteer vir die Wes-Kaap en Noord-Kaap provinsies, sal in Augustus 2013 gerapporteer word en vir die Vrystaat in September 2013.

Koring: Die voorlopige skatting van die oppervlakte onder koring beloop 515 200 ha, wat 0,8 % of 4 000 ha meer is as die 511 200 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Die oppervlakte beplant met koring is negatief beïnvloed deur onvoldoende grondvogvlakke in sekere produksie-gebiede.

Die beraamde oppervlakte beplant in die Wes-Kaap is 300 000 ha, wat 28 000 ha meer is as die 272 000 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Vir die Vrystaat is die aanplantings 110 000 ha, wat 20 000 ha minder is as die 130 000 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Die oppervlakte beplant in die Noord-Kaap is 41 500 ha, wat 500 ha minder is as die 42 000 ha wat die vorige seisoen aangeplant is.

Ander gewasse: Die voorlopige oppervlakskatting vir moutgars is 79 390 ha, wat 6,5% of 5 550 ha minder is as die 84 940 ha van verlede seisoen. Die oppervlakte onder kanola is 63 000 ha, wat 42,9% of 18 900 ha meer is as die 44 100 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die hersiene oppervlakte beplant en eerste produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2013 op 27 Augustus 2013 vrygestel sal word.

Inligting is beskikbaar op die internet by [http://www.daff.gov.za/links/crop estimates](http://www.daff.gov.za/links/crop_estimates) of by <http://www.sagis.org.za>, vanaf **15:30 op die dag van die toepaslike vergadering van die Oesskattingskomitee.**