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The **revised** area planted estimate and **first** production forecast for summer crops for 2019 is hereby released.
Hiermee word die **heriene** oppervlakte- en **eerste** produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2019 vrygestel.

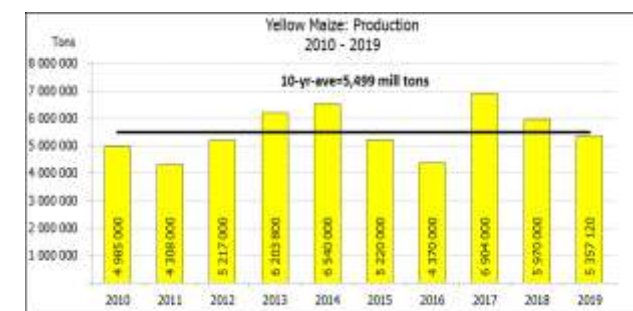
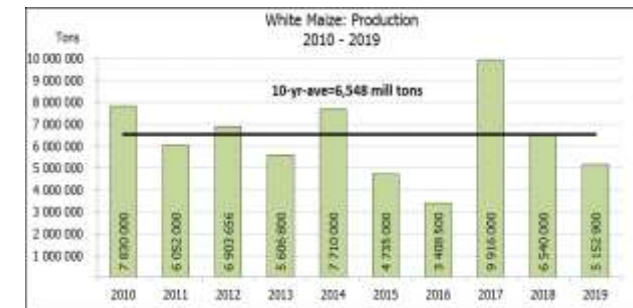
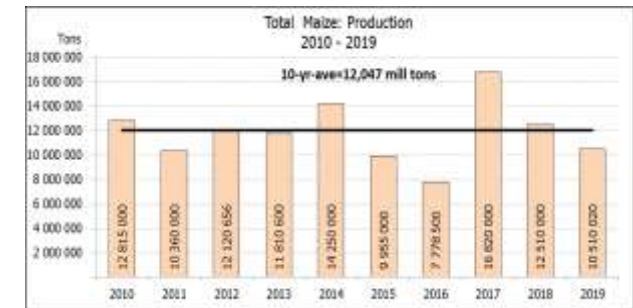
SUMMER CROPS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019

SOMERGEWASSE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE- EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (A)	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting 2019 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2018 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering/ % (B) ÷ (D)
Commercial/Kommersiëel:					
White maize/Witmielies	1 298 200	5 152 900	1 268 100	6 540 000	-21,2
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 003 600	5 357 120	1 050 750	5 970 000	-10,3
Total Maize/Totale Mielies	2 301 800	10 510 020	2 318 850	12 510 000	-16,0
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	515 350	563 590	601 500	862 000	-34,6
Soybeans/Sojabone	730 500	1 276 035	787 200	1 540 000	-17,1
Groundnuts/Grondbone	20 050	20 100	56 300	57 000	-64,7
Sorghum	50 500	168 400	28 800	115 000	+46,4
Dry beans/Droëbone	59 300	70 950	53 360	69 360	+2,3
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 677 500	12 609 095	3 846 010	15 153 360	-16,8

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2018/19 = 2019

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2018/19 = 2019



WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019
WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2019			1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting 2019			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2018			Final crop/ Finale oes 2018		
	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	400	3 400	3 800	3 600	30 600	34 200	0	3 750	3 750	0	33 750	33 750
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 200	45 000	48 200	36 800	639 000	675 800	3 600	43 000	46 600	41 300	628 000	669 300
Free State/Vrystaat	650 000	380 000	1 030 000	2 470 000	1 596 000	4 066 000	644 000	410 000	1 054 000	3 350 000	1 925 000	5 275 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 800	10 200	14 000	22 800	67 320	90 120	3 500	11 000	14 500	21 700	71 500	93 200
KwaZulu-Natal	45 000	54 000	99 000	265 500	378 000	643 500	45 000	50 000	95 000	280 000	380 000	660 000
Mpumalanga	145 000	338 000	483 000	783 000	1 825 200	2 608 200	140 000	340 000	480 000	812 000	2 005 000	2 817 000
Limpopo	12 800	18 000	30 800	83 200	117 000	200 200	12 000	21 000	33 000	90 000	141 700	231 700
Gauteng	48 000	60 000	108 000	240 000	324 000	564 000	50 000	62 000	112 000	275 000	356 500	631 500
North West/Noordwes	390 000	95 000	485 000	1 248 000	380 000	1 628 000	370 000	110 000	480 000	1 670 000	428 550	2 098 550
Total/Totaal	1 298 200	1 003 600	2 301 800	5 152 900	5 357 120	10 510 020	1 268 100	1 050 750	2 318 850	6 540 000	5 970 000	12 510 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019
SONNEBLMSAAD – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	100	100
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	950	1 140	1 600	1 920
Free State/Vrystaat	270 000	324 000	314 000	490 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	100	250	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	4 500	4 500	2 300	2 180
Limpopo	61 000	54 900	45 000	36 000
Gauteng	3 800	3 800	5 500	5 600
North West/Noordwes	175 000	175 000	233 000	326 200
Total/Totaal	515 350	563 590	601 500	862 000

SOYBEANS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019
SOJABONE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	200	800	1 200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 550	5 425	3 000	10 500
Free State/Vrystaat	301 000	436 450	345 000	552 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 150	1 380	2 400	2 900
KwaZulu-Natal	33 000	102 300	40 000	124 000
Mpumalanga	310 000	573 500	310 000	672 700
Limpopo	16 200	46 980	20 000	54 000
Gauteng	31 500	63 000	30 000	61 500
North West/Noordwes	36 000	46 800	36 000	61 200
Total/Totaal	730 500	1 276 035	787 200	1 540 000

GROUNDNUTS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019**GRONDBONE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 200	2 400	2 800	7 000
Free State/Vrystaat	8 000	6 800	22 000	21 150
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	1 850	3 700	3 500	7 350
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	9 000	7 200	28 000	21 500
Total/Totaal	20 050	20 100	56 300	57 000

SORGHUM – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019**SORGHUM – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	8 000	28 800	6 300	25 200
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	500	1 750	500	2 200
Mpumalanga	7 500	37 500	7 500	40 500
Limpopo	25 000	72 500	5 000	15 500
Gauteng	1 000	3 200	1 500	4 950
North West/Noordwes	8 500	24 650	8 000	26 650
Total/Totaal	50 500	168 400	28 800	115 000

DRY BEANS – REVISED AREA PLANTED AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2019**DROëBONE – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2019**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting Tons 2019	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2018	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2018
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	200	20	30
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 000	2 000	540	1 080
Free State/Vrystaat	27 000	28 350	26 000	28 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	400	800	300	450
KwaZulu-Natal	3 500	4 200	3 000	3 600
Mpumalanga	7 500	6 000	7 000	9 800
Limpopo	7 800	15 600	7 500	15 000
Gauteng	1 500	2 250	1 000	1 200
North West/Noordwes	10 500	11 550	8 000	9 600
Total/Totaal	59 300	70 950	53 360	69 360

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**REVISED AREA ESTIMATE AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2019 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE- EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2019 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
27 FEBRUARY 2019 / 27 FEBRUARIE 2019**

Summer field crops – 2019

Commercial maize: The revised area estimate for maize is 2 301 800 ha, which is 0,74% or 17 050 ha less than the 2 318 850 ha planted for the previous season, but 1,45% or 32 900 ha more than the preliminary area estimate of 2 268 900 ha released in January 2019.

The expected commercial maize crop is 10 510 020 tons, which is 15,99% or 1 999 980 tons less than the 12 510 000 tons of the previous season (2018). The yield for maize is 4,57 t/ha.

The area planted figures are mainly based on information obtained from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES), conducted by the National Crop Statistics Consortium (NCSC) for Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng and North West provinces.

Please note that information from the objective yield survey by the NCSC for the Mpumalanga province will be available in April 2019; and for the Free State and North West provinces in May 2019. The current yield figures are mainly obtained from producers in the different provinces.

The area estimate for **white maize** is 1 298 200 ha, which represents an increase of 2,37% or 30 100 ha compared to the 1 268 100 ha planted last season. The production forecast of white maize is 5 152 900 tons, which is 21,21% or 1 387 100 tons less than the 6 540 000 tons of last season. The yield for white maize is 3,97 t/ha.

In the case of **yellow maize**, the area estimate is 1 003 600 ha, which is 4,49% or 47 150 ha less than the 1 050 750 ha planted last season. The yellow maize production forecast is 5 357 120 tons, which is 10,27% or 612 880 tons less than the 5 970 000 tons of last season. The yield for yellow maize is 5,34 t/ha.

Other summer crops:

Sunflower seed: The revised area estimate for sunflower seed is 515 350 ha, which is 14,32% or 86 150 ha less than the 601 500 ha planted the previous season. The production forecast for sunflower seed is 563 590 tons, which is 34,62% or 298 410 tons less than the 862 000 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 1,09 t/ha.

Other crops: It is estimated that 730 500 ha have been planted to **soybeans**, which represents a decrease of 7,20% or 56 700 ha compared to the 787 200 ha planted last season. The production forecast is 1 276 035 tons, which is 17,14% or 263 965 tons less than the 1 540 000 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 1,75 t/ha.

For **groundnuts**, the area estimate is 20 050 ha, which is 64,39% or 36 250 ha less than the 56 300 ha planted for the previous season. The expected crop is 20 100 tons – which is 64,74% or 36 900 tons less than the 57 000 tons of last season. The expected yield is 1,00 t/ha.

The area estimate for **sorghum** increased by 75,35% or 21 700 ha, from 28 800 ha to 50 500 ha against the previous season. The production forecast for sorghum is 168 400 tons, which is 46,43% or 53 400 tons more than the 115 000 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 3,33 t/ha.

For **dry beans**, the area estimate is 59 300 ha, which is 11,13% or 5 940 ha more than the 53 360 ha planted for the previous season. The production forecast is 70 950 tons, which is 2,29% or 1 590 tons more than the 69 360 tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 1,20 t/ha.

Please note that the second production forecast for summer field crops for 2019 will be released on 26 March 2019.

Somergewasse – 2019

Kommersiële mielies: Die hersiene skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2 301 800 ha, wat 0,74% of 17 050 ha minder is as die 2 318 850 ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is, maar 1,45% of 32 900 ha meer as die voorlopige oppervlakteskatting van 2 268 900 ha soos vrygestel in Januarie 2019.

Die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is 10 510 020 ton, wat 15,99% of 1 999 980 ton minder is as die 12 510 000 ton van die vorige seisoen (2018). Die opbrengs van mielies is 4,57 t/ha.

Die oppervlakte beplant syfers is hoofsaaklik verkry vanaf die Producente Onafhanklike Oesskattingstelsel (PICES), soos deur die Nasionale Oesskattingkonsortium gerapporteer vir Vrystaat, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng en Noordwes provinsies.

Neem kennis dat inligting van die objektiewe opbrengs-opname van die Konsortium vir die Mpumalanga provinsie, in April 2019 gerapporteer word en vir die Vrystaat en Noordwes provinsies in Mei 2019. Die huidige opbrengs syfers is hoofsaaklik verkry vanaf produsente in die verskillende provinsies.

Die oppervlak onder **witmielies** is 1 298 200 ha, wat 'n toename van 2,37% of 30 100 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 1 268 100 ha die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 5 152 900 ton, wat 21,21% of 1 387 100 ton minder is as die 6 540 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 3,97 t/ha.

In die geval van **geelmielies** is die oppervlakteskatting 1 003 600 ha, wat 4,49% of 47 150 ha minder is as die 1 050 750 ha geplant die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting van geelmielies is 5 357 120 ton, wat 10,27% of 612 880 ton minder is as die 5 970 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 5,34 t/ha.

Ander somergewasse:

Sonneblomsaad: Die hersiene oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 515 350 ha, wat 14,32% of 86 150 ha minder is as die 601 500 ha aangeplant die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 563 590 ton, wat 34,62% of 298 410 ton minder is as die 862 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,09 t/ha.

Ander gewasse: Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met **sojabone** is 730 500 ha, wat 'n afname van 7,20% of 56 700 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 787 200 ha geplant die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting is 1 276 035 ton, wat 17,14% of 263 965 ton minder is as die 1 540 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,75 t/ha.

Vir **grondbone** is die oppervlakteskatting 20 050 ha, wat 64,39% of 36 250 ha minder is as die 56 300 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte grondbone-oes is 20 100 ton – 64,74% of 36 900 ton minder as die 57 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,00 t/ha.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir **sorghum** het toegeneem met 75,35% of 21 700 ha, van 28 800 ha tot 50 500 ha teenoor die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting van sorghum is 168 400 ton – 46,43% of 53 400 ton meer as die 115 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 3,33 t/ha.

Vir **droëbone** is die geskatte oppervlakte beplant 59 300 ha, wat 11,13% of 5 940 ha meer is as die 53 360 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen. Die produksieskatting is 70 950 ton, wat 2,29% of 1 590 ton meer is as die 69 360 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,20 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die tweede produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2019, op 26 Maart 2019 vrygestel sal word.

The area estimate and final production estimate for winter cereals for the 2018 is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die oppervlakteskatting en finale produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2018 vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2018

WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2018

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha (A)	Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2018 Tons (B)	6 th forecast/ 6 ^{de} skatting 2018 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2017 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2017 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	503 350	1 841 050	1 798 800	491 600	1 535 000	+2,4
Malting barley/Moutgars	119 000	421 790	421 790	91 380	307 000	-
Canola/Kanola	77 000	103 950	103 950	84 000	93 500	-
Total/Totaal	699 350	2 366 790	2 324 540	666 980	1 935 500	+1,8

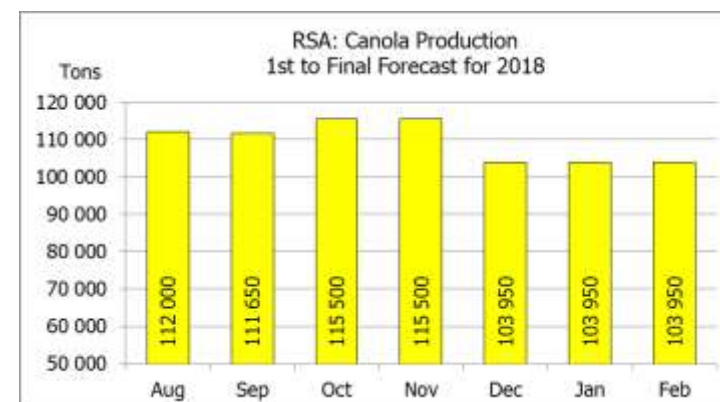
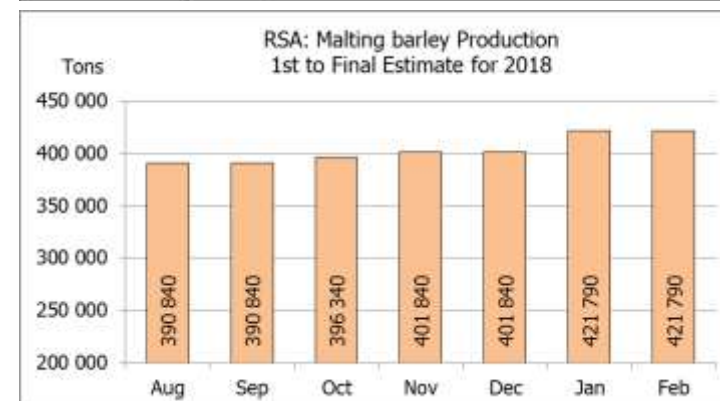
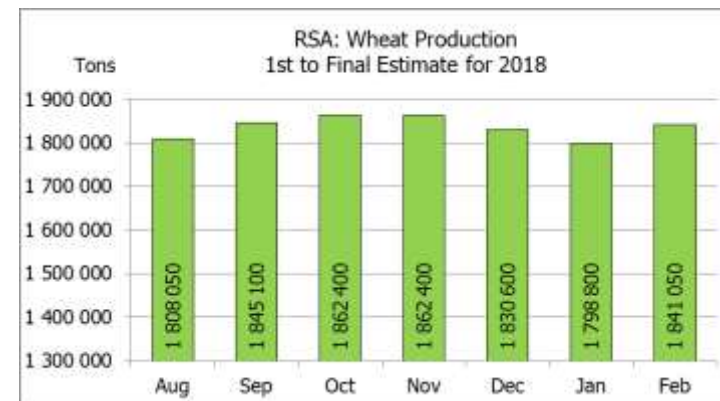
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* Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2018 = 2018

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2018

KORING – OPPERVLAKTE- EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2018

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2018 Ha	Final estimate/ Finale skatting 2018 Tons	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2017 Ha	Final crop/ Finale oes 2017 Tons
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	318 000	890 400	326 000	586 800
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	38 000	294 500	38 000	311 650
Free State/Vrystaat	100 000	360 000	80 000	336 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 650	10 725	1 900	9 500
KwaZulu-Natal	7 000	43 400	7 500	45 750
Mpumalanga	3 500	22 225	4 000	25 400
Limpopo	20 000	128 000	20 000	132 000
Gauteng	1 200	7 800	700	4 200
North West/Noordwes	14 000	84 000	13 500	83 700
Total/Totaal	503 350	1 841 050	491 600	1 535 000



**AREA ESTIMATE AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE OF WINTER CROPS (2018) /
OPPERVLAKTESKATTING EN FINALE PRODUKSIESKATTING VAN WINTERGEWASSE (2018)**

27 FEBRUARY / FEBRUARIE 2019

Winter cereal crops - 2018 production season

Wheat: The expected commercial production of wheat is 1,841 mill. tons, which is 2,35% or 42 250 tons more than the previous forecast of 1,799 mill. tons. The expected yield is 3,66 t/ha.

The area estimate for wheat is 503 350 ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **malting barley** remained unchanged at 421 790 tons. The current crop of 421 790 tons is the highest crop ever produced in the RSA. The area planted is estimated at 119 000 ha, while the expected yield is 3,54 t/ha.

The expected **canola** crop remained unchanged at 103 950 tons. The area estimate for canola is 77 000 ha, with an expected yield of 1,35 t/ha.

Please note that the intentions to plant winter cereals for 2019 will be released on 25 April 2019.

Wintergewasse - 2018 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die verwagte kommersiële produksie vir koring is 1,841 milj. ton, wat 2,35% of 42 250 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 1,799 milj. ton. Die verwagte opbrengs is 3,66 t/ha.

Die oppervlakteskatting vir koring is 503 350 ha.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is onveranderd gelaat op 421 790 ton. Die huidige skatting van 421 790 ton is die hoogste oes nog ooit geproduseer in die RSA. Die oppervlakte beplant is beraam op 119 000 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 3,54 t/ha beloop.

Die verwagte **kanola**-oes is onveranderd gelaat op 103 950 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is 77 000 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,35 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorneme om wintergewasse te plant vir 2019 op 25 April 2019 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 **14:30** on the date of the relevant meeting of the Crop Estimates Committee.

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