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The area planted estimate and second production forecast for summer crops for 2020 is hereby released.
 Hiermee word die oppervlakte- en tweede produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020 vrygestel.

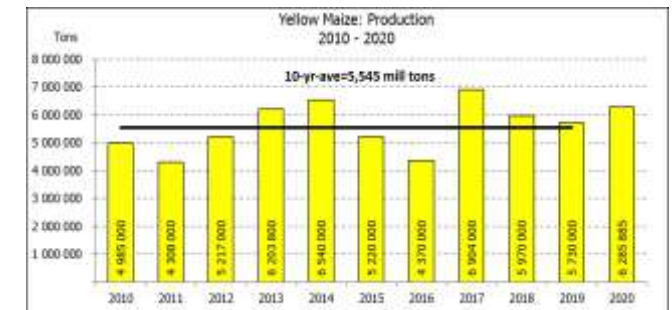
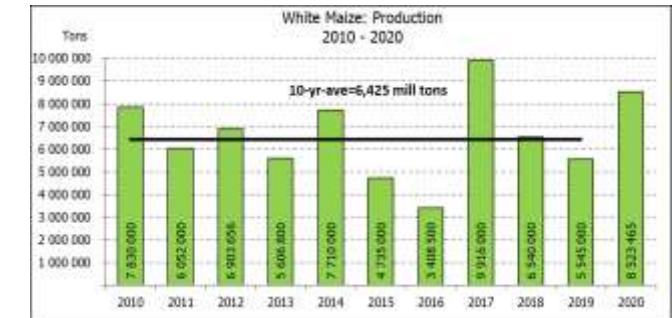
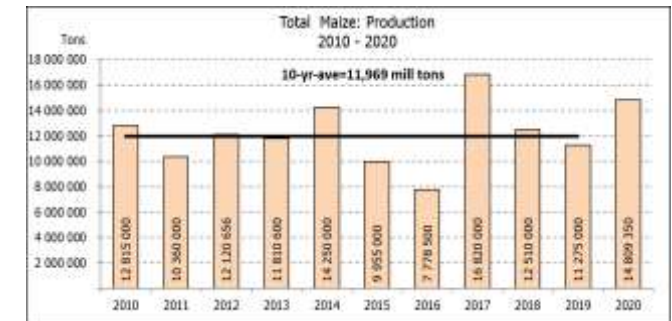
SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2020 Ha (A)	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting 2020 Tons (B)	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting 2020 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2019 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2019 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/ % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieël:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 616 300	8 523 465	8 286 825	1 298 400	5 545 000	+2,86
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	994 500	6 285 885	6 273 335	1 002 100	5 730 000	+0,20
Total Maize/Totale Mielies	2 610 800	14 809 350	14 560 160	2 300 500	11 275 000	+1,71
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	500 300	731 210	699 130	515 350	678 000	+4,59
Soybeans/Sojabone	705 000	1 269 150	1 242 950	730 500	1 170 345	+2,11
Groundnuts/Grondbone	37 500	56 060	54 390	20 050	19 400	+3,07
Sorghum	42 500	132 810	135 090	50 500	127 000	-1,69
Dry beans/Droëbone	50 150	72 910	72 910	59 300	66 355	-
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 946 250	17 071 490	16 764 630	3 676 200	13 336 100	+1,83

Note: Estimate is for calendar year, e.g. production season 2019/20 = 2020

Nota: Skatting is vir kalenderjaar, bv. produksie-seisoen 2019/20 = 2020



WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020
WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2020			2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting 2020			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2019			Final crop/ Finale oes 2019		
	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	400	3 400	3 800	3 600	30 600	34 200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 400	43 100	46 500	39 440	618 485	657 925	3 400	43 500	46 900	39 500	630 750	670 250
Free State/Vrystaat	855 000	365 000	1 220 000	4 617 000	1 989 250	6 606 250	650 000	380 000	1 030 000	2 795 000	1 758 000	4 553 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	5 500	17 000	22 500	36 025	118 150	154 175	3 800	10 200	14 000	23 000	69 750	92 750
KwaZulu-Natal	47 000	55 000	102 000	303 150	423 500	726 650	45 000	54 000	99 000	270 000	399 600	669 600
Mpumalanga	160 000	353 000	513 000	928 000	2 223 900	3 151 900	145 000	338 000	483 000	797 500	1 977 300	2 774 800
Limpopo	15 000	18 000	33 000	105 000	126 000	231 000	12 800	18 000	30 800	83 200	117 000	200 200
Gauteng	55 000	50 000	105 000	330 000	315 000	645 000	48 000	60 000	108 000	259 200	348 000	607 200
North West/Noordwes	475 000	90 000	565 000	2 161 250	441 000	2 602 250	390 000	95 000	485 000	1 274 000	399 000	1 673 000
Total/Totaal	1 616 300	994 500	2 610 800	8 523 465	6 285 885	14 809 350	1 298 400	1 002 100	2 300 500	5 545 000	5 730 000	11 275 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020
SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 200	1 440	950	1 140
Free State/Vrystaat	260 000	416 000	270 000	391 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	300	750	100	260
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	2 800	3 920	4 500	4 500
Limpopo	65 000	61 750	61 000	61 000
Gauteng	4 000	5 200	3 800	3 800
North West/Noordwes	167 000	242 150	175 000	215 800
Total/Totaal	500 300	731 210	515 350	678 000

SOYBEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020
SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap			100	10
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 000	7 000	1 550	5 425
Free State/Vrystaat	315 000	535 500	301 000	391 300
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 500	3 000	1 150	1 380
KwaZulu-Natal	35 000	101 500	33 000	99 000
Mpumalanga	260 000	429 000	310 000	511 500
Limpopo	15 500	44 950	16 200	46 980
Gauteng	36 000	70 200	31 500	66 150
North West/Noordwes	40 000	78 000	36 000	48 600
Total/Totaal	705 000	1 269 150	730 500	1 170 345

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 200	3 600	1 200	2 520
Free State/Vrystaat	8 000	14 800	8 000	9 775
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	2 900	4 640	1 850	3 530
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	25 400	33 020	9 000	3 575
Total/Totaal	37 500	56 060	20 050	19 400

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020**SORGHUM – HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	8 000	28 000	8 000	23 600
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	1 200	3 000	500	1 500
Mpumalanga	8 500	40 800	7 500	36 000
Limpopo	16 000	32 000	25 000	46 125
Gauteng	300	960	1 000	3 200
North West/Noordwes	8 500	28 050	8 500	16 575
Total/Totaal	42 500	132 810	50 500	127 000

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2020**DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2020**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2020	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2020	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2019	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2019
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	150	100	180
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	350	700	1 000	1 400
Free State/Vrystaat	24 000	32 400	27 000	28 350
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	200	300	400	720
KwaZulu-Natal	2 900	3 770	3 500	4 025
Mpumalanga	6 600	8 910	7 500	6 750
Limpopo	8 400	16 800	7 800	12 480
Gauteng	600	780	1 500	1 950
North West/Noordwes	7 000	9 100	10 500	10 500
Total/Totaal	50 150	72 910	59 300	66 355

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**AREA ESTIMATE AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2020 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2020 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
25 MARCH 2020 / 25 MAART 2020**

Summer field crops – 2020

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 14,809 mill. tons, which is 1,71% or 249 190 tons more than the previous forecast of 14,560 mill. tons. The revised area estimate for maize is 2,611 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 5,67 t/ha.

The estimated maize crop is 31% bigger than the 2019 crop. The three main maize producing areas, namely the Free State, Mpumalanga and North West provinces are expected to produce 83% of the 2020 crop.

The revised area estimate for white maize is 1,616 mill. ha and for yellow maize the revised area estimate is 994 500 ha.

The production forecast of white maize is 8,523 mill. tons, which is 2,86% or 236 640 tons more than the 8,287 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 5,27 t/ha. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 6,286 mill. tons, which is 0,20% or 12 550 tons more than the 6,273 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 6,32 t/ha.

Please note that information from the objective yield survey by the ARC for the Mpumalanga province will be available in April 2020; and for the Free State and North West provinces in May 2020. The current yield figures are mainly obtained from producers in the different provinces.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed is 731 210 tons, which is 4,59% or 32 080 tons more than the previous forecast of 699 130 tons. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 500 300 ha, while the expected yield is 1,46 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soybeans** increased by 2,11% or 26 200 tons to 1,269 mill. tons. The estimated area planted to soybeans is 705 000 ha and the expected yield is 1,80 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop has been set at 56 060 tons, which is 3,07% or 1 670 tons more than the previous forecast of 54 390 tons. For groundnuts, the area estimate is 37 500 ha, with an expected yield of 1,49 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 132 810 tons, which is 1,69% or 2 280 tons less than the 135 090 tons of the previous forecast. The revised area estimate for sorghum is 42 500 ha and the expected yield is 3,12 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans**, the production forecast remained unchanged at 72 910 tons. The area estimate of dry beans is 50 150 ha, with an expected yield of 1,45 t/ha.

Please note that the third production forecast for summer field crops for 2020 will be released on 29 April 2020.

Somergewasse – 2020

Kommersiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 14,809 milj. ton gestel, wat 1,71% of 249 190 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 14,560 milj. ton. Die hersiene skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is 2,611 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 5,67 t/ha is.

Die geskatte mielie-oes is 31% groter as die 2019-oes. Die drie belangrikste mielieproduserende gebiede, nl. die Vrystaat, Mpumalanga en Noordwes provinsies, gaan na verwagting 83% van die 2020-oes produseer.

Die hersiene oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,616 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is die oppervlak 994 500 ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 8,523 milj. ton, 2,86% of 236 640 ton meer as die 8,287 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 5,27 t/ha. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 6,286 milj. ton, wat 0,20% of 12 550 ton meer is as die 6,273 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 6,32 t/ha.

Neem kennis dat inligting van die objektiewe opbrengs-opname van die LNR vir die Mpumalanga provinsie, in April 2020 gerapporteer word en vir die Vrystaat en Noordwes provinsies in Mei 2020. Die huidige opbrengs syfers is hoofsaaklik verkry vanaf produsente in die verskillende provinsies.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 731 210 ton, wat 4,59% of 32 080 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 699 130 ton. Die oppervlakeskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 500 300 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,46 t/ha is.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is verhoog met 2,11% of 26 200 ton na 1,269 milj. ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant van sojabone is 705 000 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,80 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is op 56 060 ton gestel, wat 3,07% of 1 670 ton meer is as die vorige skatting van 54 390 ton. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakeskatting 37 500 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,49 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 132 810 ton, wat 1,69% of 2 280 ton minder is as die 135 090 ton van die vorige skatting. Die hersiene oppervlakeskatting vir sorghum is 42 500 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 3,12 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting onveranderd gelaat op 72 910 ton. Die oppervlakte beplant met droëbone is 50 150 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,45 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die derde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2020, op 29 April 2020 vrygestel sal word.