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**The second production forecast for summer crops for 2014 is hereby released. /  
Hiermee word die tweede produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2014 vrygestel.**

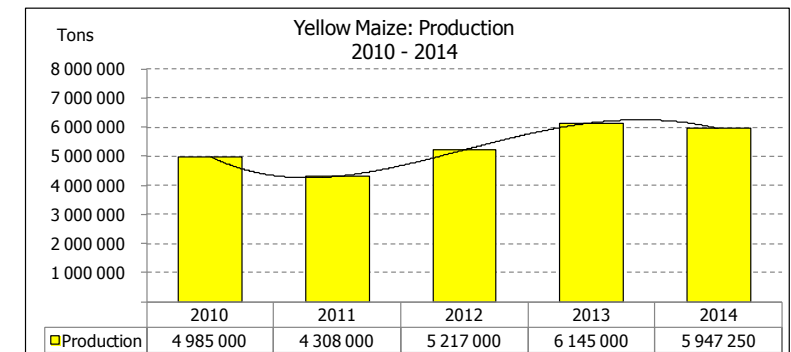
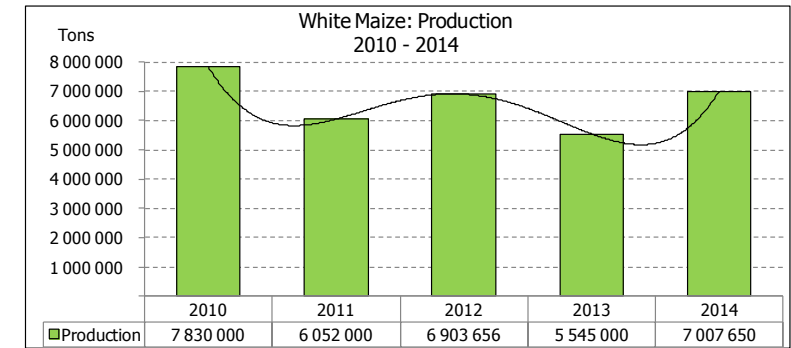
**SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**

**SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant  2014 Ha (A)	2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting  2014 Tons (B)	1 <sup>st</sup> forecast/ 1 <sup>ste</sup> skatting  2014 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant  2013 Ha (D)	Finale oes/ Final crop  2013 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/  %
						(B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 551 200	7 007 650	6 548 050	1 617 200	5 545 000	+7,02
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 137 000	5 947 250	5 854 700	1 164 000	6 145 000	+1,58
Maize/Mielies	2 688 200	12 954 900	12 402 750	2 781 200	11 690 000	+4,45
Sunflower seed/Sonneblomsaad	598 950	825 325	778 175	504 700	557 000	+6,06
Soya-beans/Sojabone	502 900	867 700	832 350	516 500	784 500	+4,25
Groundnuts/Grondbone	52 125	85 265	82 365	46 900	41 500	+3,52
Sorghum	78 850	228 450	239 650	62 620	147 200	-4,67
Dry beans/Droëbone	55 820	79 205	76 570	43 550	60 200	+3,44
<b>TOTAL/TOTAAL</b>	<b>3 976 845</b>	<b>15 040 845</b>	14 411 860	3 955 470	13 280 400	+4,36

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

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



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**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.**

**WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**
**WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2014			2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting 2014			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2013			Final crop/ Finale oes 2013		
	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	500	3 000	3 500	4 250	28 500	32 750	300	3 000	3 300	2 500	30 000	32 500
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 200	48 000	50 200	25 300	590 400	615 700	2 200	51 000	53 200	25 300	650 000	675 300
Free State/Vrystaat	730 000	465 000	1 195 000	3 358 000	2 185 500	5 543 500	725 000	505 000	1 230 000	2 518 000	2 292 000	4 810 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	2 500	16 000	18 500	13 500	94 400	107 900	3 700	15 000	18 700	18 200	87 000	105 200
KwaZulu-Natal	43 000	45 000	88 000	253 700	283 500	537 200	47 000	48 000	95 000	280 000	312 000	592 000
Mpumalanga	168 000	332 000	500 000	890 400	1 792 800	2 683 200	170 000	300 000	470 000	1 024 000	1 990 000	3 014 000
Limpopo	30 000	20 000	50 000	180 000	120 000	300 000	30 000	23 500	53 500	165 000	137 000	302 000
Gauteng	65 000	53 000	118 000	344 500	294 150	638 650	74 000	43 500	117 500	362 000	242 000	604 000
North West/Noordwes	510 000	155 000	665 000	1 938 000	558 000	2 496 000	565 000	175 000	740 000	1 150 000	405 000	1 555 000
Total/Totaal	1 551 200	1 137 000	2 688 200	7 007 650	5 947 250	12 954 900	1 617 200	1 164 000	2 781 200	5 545 000	6 145 000	11 690 000

**SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**
**SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	900	450	200	100
Free State/Vrystaat	280 000	420 000	220 000	297 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	550	825	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	3 500	5 250	6 600	9 900
Limpopo	90 000	85 500	99 000	85 000
Gauteng	3 000	3 900	3 900	4 000
North West/Noordwes	221 000	309 400	175 000	161 000
Total/Totaal	598 950	825 325	504 700	557 000

**SOYA-BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014**
**SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	3 900	13 650	2 000	7 000
Free State/Vrystaat	201 000	301 500	215 000	249 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	2 000	3 000	500	750
KwaZulu-Natal	35 000	94 500	32 000	82 000
Mpumalanga	203 000	314 650	205 000	335 000
Limpopo	22 000	66 000	20 000	53 500
Gauteng	20 000	44 000	20 000	34 000
North West/Noordwes	16 000	30 400	22 000	22 750
Total/Totaal	502 900	867 700	516 500	784 500

**GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014****GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	7 000	18 200	7 000	14 000
Free State/Vrystaat	20 000	31 000	18 000	15 100
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	75	90	150	150
Mpumalanga	50	75	750	750
Limpopo	3 000	5 100	1 000	1 500
Gauteng	-	-	-	-
North West/Noordwes	22 000	30 800	20 000	10 000
Total/Totaal	52 125	85 265	46 900	41 500

**SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014****SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	42 000	121 800	32 000	68 800
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	850	3 400	320	1 280
Mpumalanga	11 000	45 100	11 500	42 620
Limpopo	14 000	28 000	12 000	21 000
Gauteng	1 500	4 500	500	1 500
North West/Noordwes	9 500	25 650	6 300	12 000
Total/Totaal	78 850	228 450	62 620	147 200

**DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2014****DROËBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2014**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> forecast/ 2 <sup>de</sup> skatting Tons 2014	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2013	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2013
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	300	450	200	400
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	1 000	2 400	850	1 700
Free State/Vrystaat	26 000	36 400	16 000	19 200
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	770	1 155	100	200
KwaZulu-Natal	5 000	6 500	6 000	7 800
Mpumalanga	8 750	10 500	7 000	11 900
Limpopo	5 500	10 450	5 400	10 800
Gauteng	3 000	4 200	2 000	3 400
North West/Noordwes	5 500	7 150	6 000	4 800
Total/Totaal	55 820	79 205	43 550	60 200

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**AREA AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2014)/  
HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE- EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2014)  
27 MARCH / MAART 2014**

**Summer field crops – 2014**

**Commercial maize:** The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 12,955 mill. tons, which is 4,45% or 552 150 tons higher than the previous forecast of 12,403 mill. tons. The area estimate for maize increased by 20 000 ha or 0,75% to 2,688 mill. ha, while the expected yield is 4,82 t/ha.

The increase in the expected production figure of maize can mainly be attributed to favourable production conditions following the recent good rains received in the major production areas.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,551 mill. ha and for yellow maize the area estimate is 1,137 mill. ha.

The production forecast of white maize is 7,008 mill. tons, which is 7,02% more than the 6,548 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 4,52 t/ha. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 5,947 mill. tons, which is 1,58% more than the 5,855 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 5,23 t/ha.

**Sunflower seed:** The production forecast for sunflower seed is 825 325 tons, which is 6,06% more than the 778 175 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate for sunflower seed is 598 950 ha, while the expected yield is 1,38 t/ha.

**Other crops:** The production forecast for **soya-beans** is 867 700 tons, which is 4,25% more than the 832 350 tons of the previous forecast. It is estimated that 502 900 ha have been planted to soya-beans, with an expected yield of 1,73 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop is 85 265 tons, which is 3,52% more than the 82 365 tons of the last forecast. For groundnuts, the area estimate was decreased by 400 ha to 52 125 ha, with an expected yield of 1,64 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 228 450 tons, which is 4,67% lower than the 239 650 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate for sorghum was adjusted downwards by 8 000 ha to 78 850 ha and the expected yield is 2,90 t/ha.

In the case of **dry beans**, the production forecast is 79 205 tons, which is 3,44% more than the 76 570 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate of dry beans was increased by 150 ha to 55 820 ha, with an expected yield of 1,42 t/ha.

**Please note that the third production forecast for summer field crops for 2014 will be released on 24 April 2014.**

**Somergewasse – 2014**

**Kommersiële mielies:** Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 12,955 milj. ton gestel, wat 4,45% of 552 150 ton hoër is as die vorige skatting van 12,403 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies is met 20 000 ha of 0,75% verhoog na 2,688 milj. ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 4,82 t/ha is.

Die toename in die verwagte produksiesyfer van mielies kan hoofsaaklik toegeskryf word aan die gunstige produksietoestande na die onlangse goeie reënval ontvang in die belangrikste produserende gebiede.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,551 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is die oppervlak 1,137 milj. ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 7,008 miljoen ton, 7,02% meer as die 6,548 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 4,52 t/ha. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 5,947 miljoen ton, wat 1,58% meer is as die 5,855 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 5,23 t/ha.

**Sonneblomsaad:** Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 825 325 ton, wat 6,06% meer is as die 778 175 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 598 950 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,38 t/ha is.

**Ander gewasse:** Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is 867 700 ton, wat 4,25% meer is as die 832 350 ton van die vorige skatting. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sojabone is 502 900 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,73 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 85 265 ton, wat 3,52% meer is as die 82 365 ton van die vorige skatting. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakteskatting met 400 ha verlaag na 52 125 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,64 t/ha is.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 228 450 ton, wat 4,67% laer is as die 239 650 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sorghum is afwaarts aangepas met 8 000 ha na 78 850 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 2,90 t/ha.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting 79 205 ton, wat 3,44% meer is as die 76 570 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant met droëbone is verhoog met 150 ha na 55 820 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,42 t/ha.

**Neem asseblief kennis dat die derde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2014, op 24 April 2014 vrygestel sal word.**