



crop estimates committee oesskattingskomitee

From/Van: Rodney D. Dredge

Tel: 012 319 6507 Fax/Faks: 012 319 6211 E-mail/E-pos: CDESS@daff.gov.za

Web page/Webblad: www.daff.gov.za/crop_estimates or www.sagis.org.za/CEC: Crop Estimates

EMBARGO: 15:30



agriculture, forestry & fisheries

Department:
Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

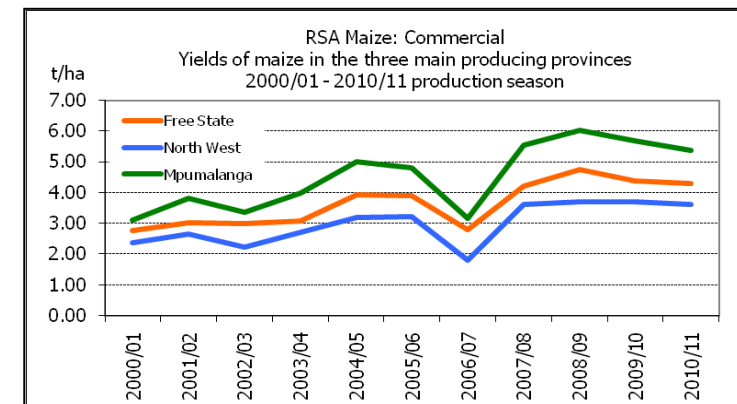
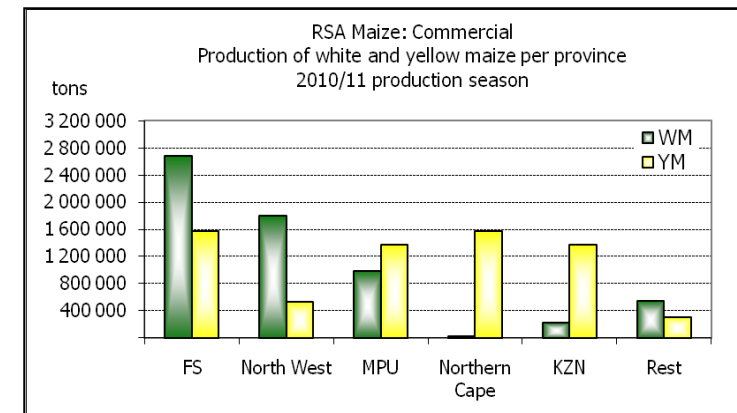
24 March / Maart 2011

The second production forecast for summer crops for the 2010/11 production season is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die tweede produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir die 2010/11 produksie-seisoen vrygestel.

SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2010/11 Ha (A)	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting 2010/11 Tons (B)	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting 2010/11 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2009/10 Ha (D)	Finale oes/ Final crop 2009/10 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering/ % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersiële:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 418 300	6 261 300	6 364 000	1 719 700	7 830 000	-1,61
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	954 000	4 569 900	4 680 000	1 022 700	4 985 000	-2,35
Maize/Mielies	2 372 300	10 831 200	11 044 000	2 742 400	12 815 000	-1,93
Sunflower seed/Sunflower seed	642 700	831 220	808 420	397 700	490 000	+2,82
Soya-beans/Sojabone	418 000	709 350	729 050	311 450	566 000	-2,70
Groundnuts/Grondbone	55 150	85 575	84 525	57 450	88 000	+1,24
Sorghum	69 200	201 800	209 300	86 675	196 500	-3,58
Dry beans/Droëbone	41 900	50 520	53 200	44 100	52 255	-5,04
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 599 250	12 709 665	12 928 495	3 639 775	14 207 755	-1,69



The Crop Estimates Committee comprises of the following officials:

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

WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON

WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2010/11			2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting 2010/11			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2009/10			Final crop/ Finale oes 2009/10		
	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	2 000	2 300	2 100	14 000	16 100	500	2 000	2 500	3 500	14 000	17 500
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 000	45 000	47 000	23 000	517 500	540 500	2 000	51 000	53 000	23 000	586 000	609 000
Free State/Vrystaat	595 000	395 000	990 000	2 677 500	1 580 000	4 257 500	690 000	466 000	1 156 000	3 174 000	1 902 000	5 076 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 000	12 000	15 000	10 500	60 000	70 500	3 200	13 200	16 400	14 500	66 000	80 500
KwaZulu-Natal	39 000	42 000	81 000	226 200	247 800	474 000	46 000	42 000	88 000	272 000	252 000	524 000
Mpumalanga	180 000	260 000	440 000	990 000	1 378 000	2 368 000	232 000	250 000	482 000	1 370 000	1 375 000	2 745 000
Limpopo	25 000	12 000	37 000	125 000	51 600	176 600	26 000	18 500	44 500	130 000	80 000	210 000
Gauteng	74 000	41 000	115 000	407 000	184 500	591 500	85 000	40 000	125 000	493 000	192 000	685 000
North West/Noordwes	500 000	145 000	645 000	1 800 000	536 500	2 336 500	635 000	140 000	775 000	2 350 000	518 000	2 868 000
Total/Totaal	1 418 300	954 000	2 372 300	6 261 300	4 569 900	10 831 200	1 719 700	1 022 700	2 742 400	7 830 000	4 985 000	12 815 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON

SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2010/11	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009/10
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	200	200
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	500	1 000	850	1 700
Free State/Vrystaat	300 000	390 000	175 000	227 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	200	220	150	165
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	10 000	15 000	8 000	12 800
Limpopo	98 000	98 000	75 000	67 500
Gauteng	4 000	5 000	3 500	4 900
North West/Noordwes	230 000	322 000	135 000	175 235
Total/Totaal	642 700	831 220	397 700	490 000

SOYA-BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON

SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2010/11	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009/10
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	500	1 500	650	1 950
Free State/Vrystaat	135 000	202 500	95 000	151 950
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	1 000	1 500	800	1 200
KwaZulu-Natal	34 000	88 400	30 000	73 500
Mpumalanga	190 000	285 000	145 000	239 600
Limpopo	23 500	58 750	18 000	50 400
Gauteng	14 000	21 700	12 000	20 400
North West/Noordwes	20 000	50 000	10 000	27 000
Total/Totaal	418 000	709 350	311 450	566 000

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2010/11	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009/10
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	7 500	22 500	10 000	27 120
Free State/Vrystaat	23 000	32 200	25 000	35 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	150	225	200	300
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	2 500	4 250	2 200	3 520
Gauteng	-	-	50	60
North West/Noordwes	22 000	26 400	20 000	22 000
Total/Totaal	55 150	85 575	57 450	88 000

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2010/11	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009/10
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	-	-	25	60
Free State/Vrystaat	43 000	116 100	50 000	102 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	200	600	150	480
Mpumalanga	13 000	50 700	15 000	47 800
Limpopo	8 000	20 800	15 000	30 000
Gauteng	1 000	2 800	1 000	2 960
North West/Noordwes	4 000	10 800	5 500	13 200
Total/Totaal	69 200	201 800	86 675	196 500

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON**DROëBONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting Tons 2010/11	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009/10
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	320	100	300
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	500	1 000	600	1 200
Free State/Vrystaat	15 000	13 500	16 000	14 400
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	100	100	400	480
KwaZulu-Natal	4 000	5 200	3 000	4 500
Mpumalanga	10 000	11 000	10 500	12 075
Limpopo	5 200	10 400	5 500	9 350
Gauteng	2 000	2 000	3 500	4 550
North West/Noordwes	5 000	7 000	4 500	5 400
Total/Totaal	41 900	50 520	44 100	52 255

CONFIDENTIALITY ISSUES that CEC members are committed to adhere to on the day of the meeting

- Personal items such as laptops, handbags, cell phones, etc. are not allowed in the venue during the meeting
- No member is allowed to leave the meeting before 12:00 in order to prevent disclosure of the information
- The embargo time for the release of crop estimates information is 15:30
- No member is allowed to discuss crop estimates information with anyone other than a member of the Committee before the embargo time
- Only the Chairperson, or a member appointed by the Chairperson, may release the figures to the media
- Members must regard the detail of any information that was collected for and/or discussed during the meeting, as confidential
- Individual information received for crop estimate purposes is treated strictly confidential, and is not divulged for any other purposes

**AREA AND SECOND PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
OPPERVLAKTE- EN TWEEDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2010/11 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
24 MARCH / MAART 2011**

Summer field crops – 2010/11 production season

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 10,831 mill. tons, which is 1,93 % or 212 800 tons lower than the previous forecast of 11,044 mill. tons. The expected production of maize was reduced mainly due to a dry spell in Mpumalanga and the Free State, which affected the yields. The area estimate for maize is 2,372 mill. ha, which is 0,46% or 11 000 ha less than the 2,383 mill. ha of the previous forecast. The expected yield is 4,57 t/ha as against 4,63 t/ha of the previous forecast

The area estimate for the Northern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng and North West provinces is based on information obtained from the Producer Independent Crop Estimation System (PICES) as conducted by the National Crop Statistics Consortium (NCSC), which is led by the ARC.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,418 mill. ha and for yellow maize it is 954 000 ha.

The production forecast of white maize is 6,261 mill. tons, which is 102 700 tons less than the 6,364 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 4,41 t/ha as against 4,49 t/ha of the previous forecast. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 4,570 mill. tons, which is 110 100 tons less than the 4,680 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 4,79 t/ha as against 4,85 t/ha of the previous forecast.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed is 831 220 tons, which is 22 800 tons more than the 808 420 tons of the previous forecast. The revised area estimate for sunflower seed is 642 700 ha, which is 23 000 ha more than the 619 700 ha of the previous forecast. The expected yield is 1,29 t/ha as against 1,30 t/ha of the previous forecast.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soya-beans** is 709 350 tons, which is 19 700 tons less than the 729 050 tons of the previous forecast. It is estimated that 418 000 ha have been planted to soya-beans, whilst the expected yield is 1,70 t/ha as against 1,74 t/ha of the last forecast.

The expected **groundnut** crop is 85 575 tons, which is 1 050 tons more than the 84 525 tons of the last forecast. For groundnuts the area estimate is 55 150 ha, which is 500 ha more than the 54 650 ha of the previous forecast. The expected yield is 1,55 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 201 800 tons, which is 7 500 tons less than the 209 300 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate for sorghum decreased by 1 000 ha to 69 200 ha against the previous forecast. The expected yield is 2,92 t/ha as against 2,98 t/ha of the previous forecast.

In the case of **dry beans** the production forecast is 50 520 tons, which is 5,04% less than the 53 200 tons of the previous forecast. For dry beans, the area estimate is 41 900 ha, and the expected yield is 1,21 t/ha as against 1,27 t/ha of the previous forecast.

Please note that the third production forecast for summer field crops for the 2010/11 production season, as well as the intentions to plant winter cereals for the 2011 production season will be released on 20 April 2011.

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.

Somergewasse – 2010/11 produksie-seisoen

Kommersiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 10,831 milj. ton gestel, wat 1,93% of 212 800 ton laer is as die vorige skatting van 11,044 milj. ton. Die verwagte opbrengs van mielies is verlaag hoofsaaklik a.g.v. die droogtetoestande in Mpumalanga en die Vrystaat, wat die opbrengste beïnvloed het. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2,372 milj. ha, wat 0,46% of 11 000 ha minder is as die 2,383 milj. ha van die vorige skatting. Die verwagte opbrengs is 4,57 t/ha teenoor die 4,63 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

Die oppervlakeskatting vir die Noord-Kaap, Vrystaat, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Gauteng en Noordwes provinsies gebaseer op inligting soos verkry vanaf die Produsente Onafhanklike Oesskattingstelsel ("PICES"), soos deur die LNR-geleide Konsortium gerapporteer.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,418 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is dit 954 000 ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 6,261 miljoen ton, 102 700 ton minder as die 6,364 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 4,41 t/ha teenoor die 4,49 t/ha van die vorige skatting. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 4,570 miljoen ton, wat 110 100 minder is as die 4,680 milj. ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 4,79 t/ha teenoor die 4,85 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 831 220 ton, wat 22 800 ton meer is as die 808 420 ton van die vorige skatting. Die hersiene oppervlakeskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 642 700 ha, wat 23 000 ha meer is as die 619 700 ha van die vorige skatting. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,29 t/ha teenoor die 1,30 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is 709 350 ton, wat 19 700 ton minder is as die 729 050 ton van die vorige skatting. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sojabone is 418 000 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 1,70 t/ha is teenoor die 1,74 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 85 575 ton, wat 1 050 ton meer is as die 84 525 ton van die vorige skatting. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakeskatting 55 150 ha, wat 500 ha meer is as die 54 650 ha van die vorige skatting. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,55 t/ha.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 201 800 ton, wat 7 500 ton minder is as die 209 300 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakeskatting vir sorghum het gedaal met 1 000 ha tot 69 200 ha teenoor die vorige skatting. Die verwagte opbrengs is 2,92 t/ha teenoor die 2,98 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting 50 520 ton, wat 5,04% minder is as die 53 200 ton van die vorige skatting. Vir droëbone is die geskatte oppervlakte beplant 41 900 ha, en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,21 t/ha teenoor die 1,27 t/ha die vorige skatting.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die derde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2010/11, sowel as die voorneme om wintergewasse te plant vir die 2011 produksieseisoen op 20 April 2011 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.