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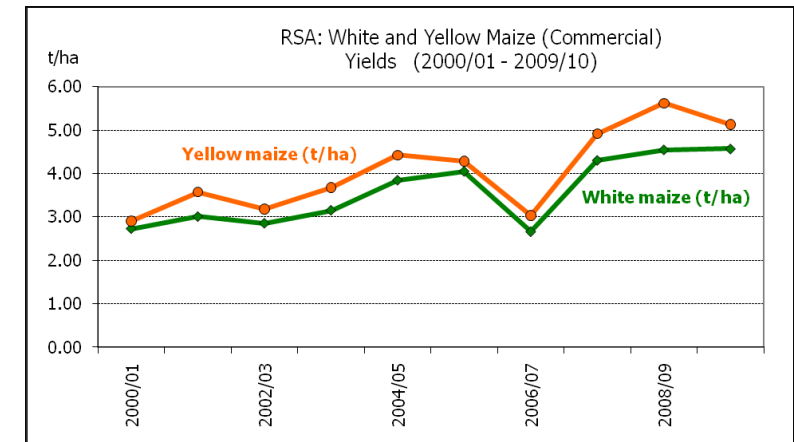
**The third production forecast for summer crops for the 2009/10 production season is hereby released. /
Hiermee word die derde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir die 2009/10 produksie-seisoen vrygestel.**

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SUMMER CROPS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON

SOMERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2009/10 Ha (A)	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting 2009/10 Tons (B)	2 nd forecast/ 2 ^{de} skatting 2009/10 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2008/09 Ha (D)	Finale oes/ Final crop 2008/09 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieël:						
White maize/Witmielies	1 719 700	7 857 900	7 786 000	1 489 000	6 775 000	+0,92
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	1 022 700	5 244 700	5 174 550	938 500	5 275 000	+1,36
Maize/Mielies	2 742 400	13 102 600	12 960 550	2 427 500	12 050 000	+1,10
Sunflower seed/Sunflower seed	397 700	501 565	501 565	635 800	801 000	-
Soya-beans/Sojabone	311 450	587 950	587 950	237 750	516 000	-
Groundnuts/Grondbone	57 450	99 230	99 230	54 550	99 500	-
Sorghum	86 675	262 633	252 633	85 500	276 500	+3,96
Dry beans/Droëbone	44 100	60 150	61 400	43 800	67 030	-2,04
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 639 775	14 614 128	14 463 328	3 484 900	13 810 030	+1,04



WHITE AND YELLOW MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON

WIT- EN GEELMIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2009/10			3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting 2009/10			Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2008/09			Final crop/ Finale oes 2008/09		
	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	2 000	2 500	3 500	16 000	19 500	1 500	3 500	5 000	15 000	35 000	50 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	2 000	51 000	53 000	23 000	599 250	622 250	2 500	48 000	50 500	28 750	605 000	633 750
Free State/Vrystaat	690 000	466 000	1 156 000	3 208 500	2 050 400	5 258 900	565 000	390 000	955 000	2 627 250	1 900 000	4 527 250
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	3 200	13 200	16 400	14 400	66 000	80 400	3 000	13 000	16 000	15 900	76 500	92 400
KwaZulu-Natal	46 000	42 000	88 000	273 700	258 300	532 000	40 000	42 000	82 000	248 000	273 000	521 000
Mpumalanga	232 000	250 000	482 000	1 368 800	1 437 500	2 806 300	215 000	262 000	477 000	1 290 000	1 580 000	2 870 000
Limpopo	26 000	18 500	44 500	123 500	83 250	206 750	33 000	15 000	48 000	171 550	75 000	246 550
Gauteng	85 000	40 000	125 000	493 000	216 000	709 000	69 000	30 000	99 000	358 800	175 500	534 300
North West/Noordwes	635 000	140 000	775 000	2 349 500	518 000	2 867 500	560 000	135 000	695 000	2 019 750	555 000	2 574 750
Total/Totaal	1 719 700	1 022 700	2 742 400	7 857 900	5 244 700	13 102 600	1 489 000	938 500	2 427 500	6 775 000	5 275 000	12 050 000

SUNFLOWER SEED – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON

SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting Tons 2009/10	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2008/09	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2008/09
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	200	200	700	700
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	850	1 700	500	1 000
Free State/Vrystaat	175 000	236 250	280 000	363 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	150	165	600	780
KwaZulu-Natal	-	-	-	-
Mpumalanga	8 000	11 600	27 000	37 700
Limpopo	75 000	71 250	90 000	90 000
Gauteng	3 500	4 900	7 000	9 820
North West/Noordwes	135 000	175 500	230 000	298 000
Total/Totaal	397 700	501 565	635 800	801 000

SOYA-BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON

SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting Tons 2009/10	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2008/09	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2008/09
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	650	1 950	750	2 250
Free State/Vrystaat	95 000	161 500	55 000	99 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	800	1 200	800	1 600
KwaZulu-Natal	30 000	78 000	27 000	75 600
Mpumalanga	145 000	246 500	125 000	262 500
Limpopo	18 000	50 400	16 000	44 000
Gauteng	12 000	20 400	6 700	12 525
North West/Noordwes	10 000	28 000	6 500	18 525
Total/Totaal	311 450	587 950	237 750	516 000

GROUNDNUTS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON**GRONDBONE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10 PRODUKSIESEISOEN**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting Tons 2009/10	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2008/09	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2008/09
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	10 000	30 000	10 000	31 000
Free State/Vrystaat	25 000	36 250	21 500	33 690
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	200	300	-	-
Mpumalanga	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	2 200	4 620	3 000	6 750
Gauteng	50	60	50	60
North West/Noordwes	20 000	28 000	20 000	28 000
Total/Totaal	57 450	99 230	54 550	99 500

SORGHUM – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON**SORGHUM – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10 PRODUKSIESEISOEN**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting Tons 2009/10	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2008/09	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2008/09
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	25	63	-	-
Free State/Vrystaat	50 000	150 000	55 000	170 500
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	150	420	300	900
Mpumalanga	15 000	52 500	16 500	66 000
Limpopo	15 000	41 250	8 000	23 000
Gauteng	1 000	3 000	700	2 100
North West/Noordwes	5 500	15 400	5 000	14 000
Total/Totaal	86 675	262 633	85 500	276 500

DRY BEANS – AREA PLANTED AND THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON**DROËBONE – OPPERVLAKTE- EN DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10 PRODUKSIESEISOEN**

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	3 rd forecast/ 3 ^e skatting Tons 2009/10	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2008/09	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2008/09
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	300	100	280
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	600	1 500	100	250
Free State/Vrystaat	16 000	16 000	18 000	28 800
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	400	600	200	300
KwaZulu-Natal	3 000	4 500	3 000	4 800
Mpumalanga	10 500	14 700	10 500	15 750
Limpopo	5 500	11 000	4 500	6 750
Gauteng	3 500	5 250	3 400	5 100
North West/Noordwes	4 500	6 300	4 000	5 000
Total/Totaal	44 100	60 150	43 800	67 030

**THIRD PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS/
DERDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE
22 APRIL 2010**

Summer field crops – 2009/10 production season

Commercial maize: The size of the expected commercial maize crop has been set at 13,103 million tons, which is higher (1,10%) than the previous forecast of 12,961 million tons. The area estimate for maize is 2,742 mill. ha, with an expected average yield of 4,78 t/ha.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,720 mill. ha, and for yellow maize it is 1,023 mill. ha.

The production forecast of white maize is 7,858 mill. tons, which is 0,92% or 71 900 tons more than the 7,786 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for white maize is 4,57 t/ha as against 4,53 t/ha of the previous forecast. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 5,245 mill. tons, which is 1,4% or 70 150 tons more than the 5,175 mill. tons of the previous forecast. The yield for yellow maize is 5,13 t/ha as against 5,06 t/ha of the previous forecast.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed remained unchanged at 501 565 tons. The estimated area planted to sunflower seed also remained unchanged at 397 700 ha and the yield is 1,26 t/ha.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soya-beans** also remained unchanged at 587 950 tons, whilst the estimated area planted to soya-beans is 311 450 ha. The expected yield is 1,89 t/ha.

The expected **groundnut** crop is the same as the previous month, namely 99 230 tons, with the area estimate at 57 450 ha, and an expected yield of 1,73 t/ha.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 262 633 tons, which is 3,96% higher than the 252 633 tons of the previous forecast. The area estimate for sorghum remained unchanged at 86 675 ha and the expected yield is 3,03 t/ha as against 2,91 t/ha of the previous forecast.

In the case of **dry beans**, both the production and area planted figures were adjusted downward. The production forecast for dry beans is now 60 150 tons, which is 2,04% less than the 61 400 tons of the previous forecast. The revised area estimate is 44 100 ha, which is 9,26% less than the 48 600 ha planted for the previous forecast. The expected yield is 1,36 t/ha as against 1,26 t/ha of the previous forecast.

Please note that the fourth production forecast for summer field crops for the 2009/10 production season will be released on 20 May 2010.

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Somergewasse – 2009/10 produksie-seisoen

Kommersiële mielies: Die grootte van die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is op 13,103 milj. ton gestel, wat hoër (1,10%) is as die vorige skatting van 12,961 milj. ton. Die skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2,742 milj. ha, met 'n verwagte gemiddelde opbrengs van 4,78t/ha.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,720 milj. ha en vir geelmielies is dit 1,023 milj. ha.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 7,858 miljoen ton, wat 0,92% of 71 900 ton meer is as die 7,786 miljoen ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 4,57 t/ha teenoor die 4,53 t/ha van die vorige skatting. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 5,245 miljoen ton wat 1,4% of 70 150 ton meer is as die 5,175 miljoen ton van die vorige skatting. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 5,13 t/ha teenoor die 5,06 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is onveranderd gelaat op 501 565 ton. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sonneblomsaad is ook onveranderd gelaat op 397 700 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 1,26 t/ha.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is ook onveranderd gelaat op 587 950 ton, terwyl die verwagte oppervlakte beplant met sojabone 311 450 ton is. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,89 t/ha.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is dieselfde as die vorige maand, naamlik 99 230 ton, met 'n oppervlakte beplant van 57 450 ha, en 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,73 t/ha.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 262 633 ton, wat 3,96% hoër is as die 252 633 ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakeskatting vir sorghum is onveranderd gelaat op 86 675 ha en die verwagte opbrengs is 3,03 t/ha teenoor die 2,91 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

In die geval van **droëbone** is beide die syfers vir produksie en oppervlakte beplant afwaarts aangepas. Die produksieskatting vir droëbone is nou 60 150 ton, wat 2,04% minder is as die 61 400 ton van die vorige skatting. Die hersiene oppervlakte beplant is 44 100 ha, wat 9,26% minder is as die 48 600 ha geplant vir die vorige skatting. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,36 t/ha teenoor die 1,26 t/ha van die vorige skatting.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die vierde produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2009/10 produksieseisoen op 20 Mei 2010 vrygestel sal word.

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The non-commercial agricultural sectors' production estimate for maize for the 2009/10 production season is hereby released. / Hiermee word die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor se produksieskatting vir mielies vir die 2009/10 produksie-seisoen vrygestel.

NON-COMMERCIAL MAIZE – AREA PLANTED AND PRODUCTION ESTIMATE: 2009/10 PRODUCTION SEASON

NIE-KOMMERSIËLE MIELIES – OPPERVLAKTE- EN PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2009/10-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2009/10 Ha (A)	Estimate/ Skatting 2009/10 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2008/09 Ha (C)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2008/09 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (D)
Non-commercial agriculture/Nie-kommersiële landbou:					
White maize/Witmielies	371 861	421 969	356 276	378 576	+11,46
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	149 079	183 895	112 407	138 057	+33,20
Maize/Mielies	520 940	605 864	468 683	516 633	+17,27

The area planted to maize in the non-commercial agricultural sector is estimated at 520 940 ha, which represents an increase of 11,1 % compared to the 468 683 ha of the previous season. Due to favourable production conditions, the expected maize crop for this sector is 605 864 tons, which is 17,3 % higher than the 516 633 tons of last season.

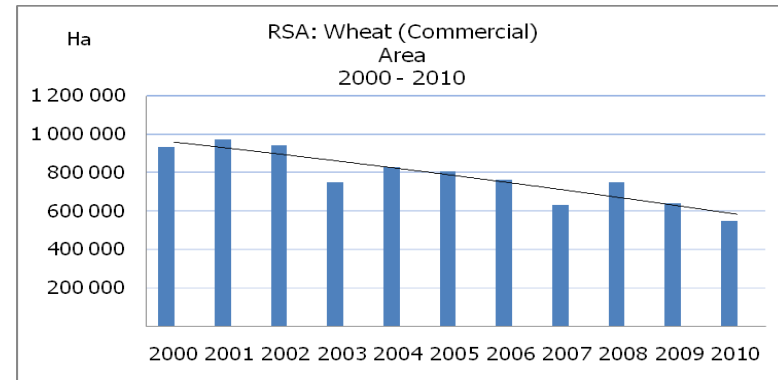
Die oppervlakte beplant met mielies in die nie-kommersiële landbou-sektor word geskat op 520 940 ha, wat 'n toename van 11,1 % verteenwoordig in vergelyking met die 468 683 ha van die vorige seisoen. Weens gunstige produksie toestande, is die verwagte mielie-oes van dié sektor 605 864 ton, wat 17,3 % hoër is as die 516 633 ton van die vorige seisoen.

WINTERGEWASSE – VOORNEME OM TE PLANT: 2010-SEISOEN

WINTER CEREALS –INTENTIONS TO PLANT: 2010 SEASON

GEWAS/CROP	Voorneme/ Intentions* 2010 Ha (A)	Opp beplant/ Area planted 2009 Ha (B)	Finale skatting/ Final estimate 2009 Tons (C)	Verandering/ Change %
Koring/Wheat	548 000	642 500	1 919 800	-14,71
Moutgars/Malting barley	85 000	74 760	223 622	+13,70
Kanola/Canola	37 500	35 060	40 310	+6,96
Totaal/Total	670 500	752 320	2 183 732	-10,88

* Based on conditions at the middle of April 2010 / Gebaseer op toestande soos teen middel April 2010.



KORING – VOORNEME OM TE PLANT: 2010-SEISOEN

WHEAT – INTENTIONS TO PLANT: 2010 SEASON

Provinsie/ Province	Voorneme/ Intentions Ha 2010	Opp beplant/ Area planted Ha 2009	Finale skatting/ Final estimate Tons 2009
Wes-Kaap/Western Cape	277 000	300 000	675 000
Noord-Kaap/Northern Cape	38 000	44 000	277 200
Vrystaat/Free State	180 000	235 000	622 750
Oos-Kaap/Eastern Cape	4 200	5 000	20 000
KwaZulu-Natal	6 000	7 000	35 000
Mpumalanga	5 000	7 500	41 250
Limpopo	14 000	18 000	99 000
Gauteng	1 800	2 000	12 800
Noordwes/North West	22 000	24 000	136 800
Totaal/Total	548 000	642 500	1 919 800

* Based on conditions at the middle of April 2010 / Gebaseer op toestande soos teen middel April 2010.

INTENTIONS TO PLANT WINTER CROPS FOR 2010 / VOORNEME OM WINTERGEWASSE AAN TE PLANT VIR 2010
22 April 2010

Winter cereal crops – 2010 production season

The intentions to plant are based on inputs as at the middle of April 2010, received from:

- Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries: Sample of producers; and
- Provincial Departments of Agriculture: PDA representatives.

The figures for wheat represent the total number of hectares that are intended to be planted for grain, excluding any hectares that will be planted for fodder and grazing.

Early indications are that producers intend to plant 548 000 ha of **wheat** for the 2010 production season. This is 94 500 ha or 14,7% less than the area planted to wheat in 2009. This is also the smallest area planted to wheat since the early 1900's. The main producing areas are within the Western Cape with 277 000 ha (51%), followed by the Free State with 180 000 ha (33%) and the Northern Cape with 38 000 ha (7%).

According to producers the decrease in the expected planting of wheat can mainly be attributed to unfavourable prices for the crop.

The expected area planted to **malting barley** is 85 000 ha, which shows an increase of 10 240 ha compared to the 74 760 ha of the previous year. The expected area planted to **canola** is 37 500 ha, which is 2 440 ha more than the 35 060 ha planted in 2009.

Please note that the preliminary area estimate of winter crops for 2010 will be released on 22 July 2010.

Wintergewasse – 2010 produksie-seisoen

Die voorneme om te plant is gebaseer op insette soos teen die middel van April 2010, ontvang van:

- Departement van Landbou, Bosbou en Visserie: Steekproef van produsente; en
- Provinsiale Departemente van Landbou: PDL Verteenwoordigers.

Die syfers vir koring verteenwoordig die totale aantal hektare wat werklik beplant gaan word vir graan, uitgesluit alle hektare wat beplant gaan word vir groenvoer en weiding.

Vroeë aanduidings is dat produsente van voorneme is om 548 000 ha **koring** te plant vir die 2010-produksie-seisoen. Dit is 94 500 ha of 14,7% minder koring as in 2009. Dit is ook die kleinste oppervlakte beplant met koring sedert die vroeë 1900's. Die grootste produserende gebiede is in die Wes-Kaap, met 277 000 ha (51%), gevolg deur die Vrystaat met 180 000 ha (33%) en die Noord-Kaap met 38 000 ha (7%).

Volgens produsente kan die afname in verwagte aanplantings van koring hoofsaaklik toegeskryf word aan ongunstige pryse vir dié gewas.

Die verwagte aanplantings van **moutgars** is 85 000 ha wat 'n toename van 10 240 ha toon in vergelyking met die 74 760 ha van die vorige jaar. Die verwagte aanplantings van **kanola** is 37 500 ha wat 2 440 ha meer is as die 35 060 ha wat aangeplant was in 2009.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorlopige oppervlakeskatting vir wintergewasse vir 2010 op 22 Julie 2010 vrygestel sal word.

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