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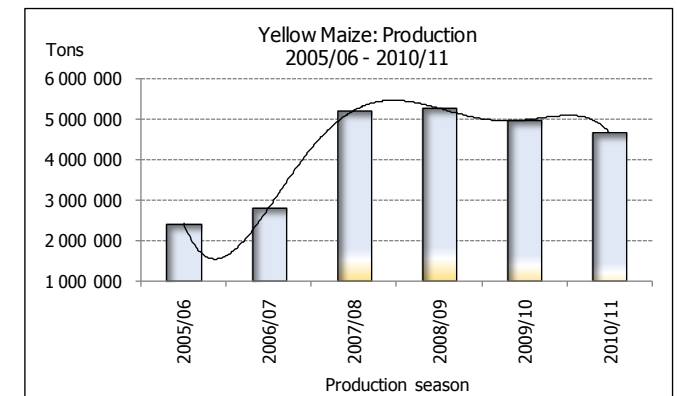
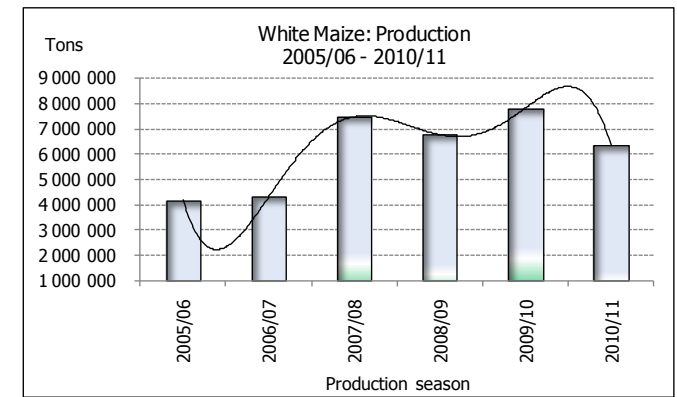
24 February / Februarie 2011

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

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

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

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2010/11 Ha (A)	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting 2010/11 Tons (B)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2009/10 Ha (C)	Finale oes/ Final crop 2009/10 Tons (D)	Change/ Verandering/ %
					(B) ÷ (D)
Commercial/Kommersieel:					
White maize/Witmielies	1 418 300	6 364 000	1 719 700	7 830 000	-18,72
Yellow maize/Geelmielies	965 000	4 680 000	1 022 700	4 985 000	-6,12
Maize/Mielies	2 383 300	11 044 000	2 742 400	12 815 000	-13,82
Sunflower seed/Sunflower seed	619 700	808 420	397 700	490 000	+64,98
Soya-beans/Sojabone	418 000	729 050	311 450	566 000	+28,81
Groundnuts/Grondbone	54 650	84 525	57 450	88 000	-3,95
Sorghum	70 200	209 300	86 675	196 500	+6,51
Dry beans/Droëbone	41 900	53 200	44 100	52 255	+1,81
TOTAL/TOTAAL	3 587 750	12 928 495	3 639 775	14 207 755	-9,00



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 FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON

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

Provinsie/ Province	Area planted/ Oppervlakte beplant 2010/11			1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} 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	400 000	995 000	2 737 000	1 600 000	4 337 000	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	13 500	60 000	73 500	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	1 008 000	1 430 000	2 438 000	232 000	250 000	482 000	1 370 000	1 375 000	2 745 000
Limpopo	25 000	18 000	43 000	125 000	77 400	202 400	26 000	18 500	44 500	130 000	80 000	210 000
Gauteng	74 000	41 000	115 000	429 200	196 800	626 000	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	965 000	2 383 300	6 364 000	4 680 000	11 044 000	1 719 700	1 022 700	2 742 400	7 830 000	4 985 000	12 815 000

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

SONNEBLMSAAD – OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} 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	75 000	75 000	75 000	67 500
Gauteng	4 000	5 200	3 500	4 900
North West/Noordwes	230 000	322 000	135 000	175 235
Total/Totaal	619 700	808 420	397 700	490 000

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

SOJABONE – OPPERVLAKTE EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010/11 PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} 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	304 000	145 000	239 600
Limpopo	23 500	58 750	18 000	50 400
Gauteng	14 000	22 400	12 000	20 400
North West/Noordwes	20 000	50 000	10 000	27 000
Total/Totaal	418 000	729 050	311 450	566 000

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

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} 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	2 000	3 200	2 200	3 520
Gauteng	-	-	50	60
North West/Noordwes	22 000	26 400	20 000	22 000
Total/Totaal	54 650	84 525	57 450	88 000

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

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} 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	120 400	50 000	102 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	-	-	-	-
KwaZulu-Natal	200	600	150	480
Mpumalanga	13 000	50 700	15 000	47 800
Limpopo	9 000	24 300	15 000	30 000
Gauteng	1 000	2 900	1 000	2 960
North West/Noordwes	4 000	10 400	5 500	13 200
Total/Totaal	70 200	209 300	86 675	196 500

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

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010/11	1 st forecast/ 1 ^{ste} skatting Tons 2010/11	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009/10	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009/10
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	100	300	100	300
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	500	1 000	600	1 200
Free State/Vrystaat	15 000	15 000	16 000	14 400
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	100	100	400	480
KwaZulu-Natal	4 000	4 800	3 000	4 500
Mpumalanga	10 000	12 000	10 500	12 075
Limpopo	5 200	10 400	5 500	9 350
Gauteng	2 000	2 600	3 500	4 550
North West/Noordwes	5 000	7 000	4 500	5 400
Total/Totaal	41 900	53 200	44 100	52 255

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- 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

**REVISED AREA AND FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST OF SUMMER CROPS (2010/11 PRODUCTION SEASON)/
HERSIENE OPPERVLAKTE- EN EERSTE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR SOMERGEWASSE (2010/11 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
24 FEBRUARY / FEBRUARIE 2011**

Summer field crops – 2010/11 production season

Commercial maize: The revised area estimate for maize is 2,383 mill. ha, which is 13,09% or 359 100 ha less than the 2,742 mill. ha planted for the previous season. The expected commercial maize crop is 11,044 mill. tons, which is 13,82% less than the 12,815 mill. tons of the previous season. The expected yield is 4,63 t/ha as against 4,67 t/ha of the previous season.

The revised area estimate for the Northern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, 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. Information on PICES for the Limpopo province will be available in March 2011.

The area estimate for white maize is 1,418 mill. ha, which represents a decrease of 17,53% or 301 400 ha compared to the 1,720 mill. ha planted last season. In the case of yellow maize the area estimate is 965 000 ha, which is 5,64% or 57 700 ha less than the 1,023 mill. ha planted last season.

The production forecast of white maize is 6,364 mill. tons, which is 18,72% less than the 7,830 mill. tons of last season. The yield for white maize is 4,49 t/ha as against 4,55 t/ha the previous season. In the case of yellow maize the production forecast is 4,680 mill. tons, which is 6,12% less than the 4,985 mill. tons of last season. The yield for yellow maize is 4,85 t/ha as against 4,87 t/ha the previous season.

Sunflower seed: The production forecast for sunflower seed is 808 420 tons, which is 64,98% more than the 490 000 tons of the previous season. The revised area estimate for sunflower seed is 619 700 ha, which is 55,82% more than the 397 700 ha planted the previous season. The expected yield is 1,30 t/ha as against 1,23 t/ha of the previous season.

Other crops: The production forecast for **soya-beans** is 729 050 tons, which is 28,81% more than the 566 000 tons of the previous season. It is estimated that 418 000 ha have been planted to soya-beans, which represents an increase of 34,21% compared to the 311 450 ha planted last season. The expected yield is 1,74 t/ha as against 1,82 t/ha last season.

The expected **groundnut** crop is 84 525 tons, which is 3,95% less than the 88 000 tons of last season. For groundnuts the area estimate is 54 650 ha, which is 4,87% less than the 57 450 ha planted for the previous season. The expected yield is 1,55 t/ha as against 1,53 t/ha last season.

The production forecast for **sorghum** is 209 300 tons, which is 6,51% higher than the 196 500 tons of the previous season. The area estimate for sorghum decreased by 19,01%, from 86 600 ha to 70 200 ha against the previous season. The expected yield is 2,98 t/ha as against 2,27 t/ha of the previous season.

In the case of **dry beans** the production forecast is 53 200 tons, which is 1,81% more than the 52 255 tons of the previous season. For dry beans, the area estimate is 41 900 ha, which is 4,99% less than the 44 100 ha planted for the previous season. The expected yield is 1,27 t/ha as against 1,18 t/ha of the previous season.

Please note that the second production forecast for summer field crops for the 2010/11 production season will be released on 24 March 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 hersiëne skatting van die oppervlakte onder mielies beloop 2,383 milj. ha, wat 13,09% of 359 100 ha minder is as die 2,742 milj. ha wat verlede seisoen aangeplant is. Die verwagte kommersiële mielie-oes is 11,044 milj. ton wat 13,82% minder is as die 12,815 milj. ton van die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 4,63 t/ha teenoor die 4,67 t/ha die vorige seisoen.

Die hersiëne oppervlakteskatting vir die Noord-Kaap, Vrystaat, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Gauteng en Noordwes provinsies is gebaseer op inligting soos verkry vanaf die Produsente Onafhanklike Oesskattingstelsel ("PICES"), soos deur die LNR-geleide Konsortium gerapporteer. Inligting vanaf PICES vir die Limpopo provinsie sal in Maart 2011 gerapporteer word.

Die oppervlak onder witmielies is 1,418 milj. ha, wat 'n afname van 17,53% of 301 400 ha verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 1,720 milj. ha die vorige seisoen. In die geval van geelmielies is die oppervlakteskatting 965 000 ha, wat 5,64% of 57 700 ha minder as die 1,023 milj. ha geplant die vorige seisoen.

Die produksieskatting van witmielies is 6,364 miljoen ton, 18,72% minder as die 7,830 milj. ton van die vorige seisoen. Die opbrengs van witmielies is 4,49 t/ha teenoor die 4,55 t/ha van die vorige seisoen. In die geval van geelmielies is die produksieskatting 4,680 miljoen ton, wat 6,12% minder is as die 4,985 milj. ton van die vorige seisoen. Die opbrengs van geelmielies is 4,85 t/ha teenoor die 4,87 t/ha van die vorige seisoen.

Sonneblomsaad: Die produksieskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 808 420 ton, wat 64,98% meer is as die 490 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die hersiëne oppervlakteskatting vir sonneblomsaad is 619 700 ha, wat 55,82% meer is as die 397 700 ha aangeplant die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,30 t/ha teenoor die 1,23 t/ha die vorige seisoen.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting van **sojabone** is 729 050 ton, wat 28,81% meer is as die 566 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die geskatte oppervlakte beplant met sojabone is 418 000 ha, wat 'n toename van 34,21% verteenwoordig vergeleke met die 311 450 ha geplant die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,74 t/ha teenoor die 1,82 t/ha die vorige seisoen.

Die verwagte **grondbone**-oes is 84 525 ton – 3,95% minder is as die 88 000 ton van die vorige seisoen. Vir grondbone is die oppervlakteskatting 54 650 ha, wat 4,87% minder is as die 57 450 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,55 t/ha teenoor die 1,53 t/ha die vorige seisoen.

Die produksieskatting van **sorghum** is 209 300 ton – 6,51% hoër as die 196 500 ton van die vorige seisoen. Die oppervlakteskatting vir sorghum het gedaal met 19,01%, van 86 600 ha tot 70 200 ha teenoor die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 2,98 t/ha teenoor die 2,27 t/ha die vorige seisoen.

In die geval van **droëbone** is die produksieskatting 53 200 ton, 1,81% meer is as die 52 255 ton van die vorige seisoen. Vir droëbone is die geskatte oppervlakte beplant 41 900 ha, wat 4,99% minder is as die 44 100 ha geplant vir die vorige seisoen. Die verwagte opbrengs is 1,27 t/ha teenoor die 1,18 t/ha die vorige seisoen.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die tweede produksieskatting vir somergewasse vir 2010/11, op 24 Maart 2011 vrygestel sal word.

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The seventh production forecast for winter cereals for the 2010 production season is hereby released. / Hiermee word die sewende produksieskatting vir wintergewasse vir die 2010 produksie-seisoen vrygestel.

WINTER CEREALS – AREA PLANTED AND SEVENTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010 PRODUCTION SEASON

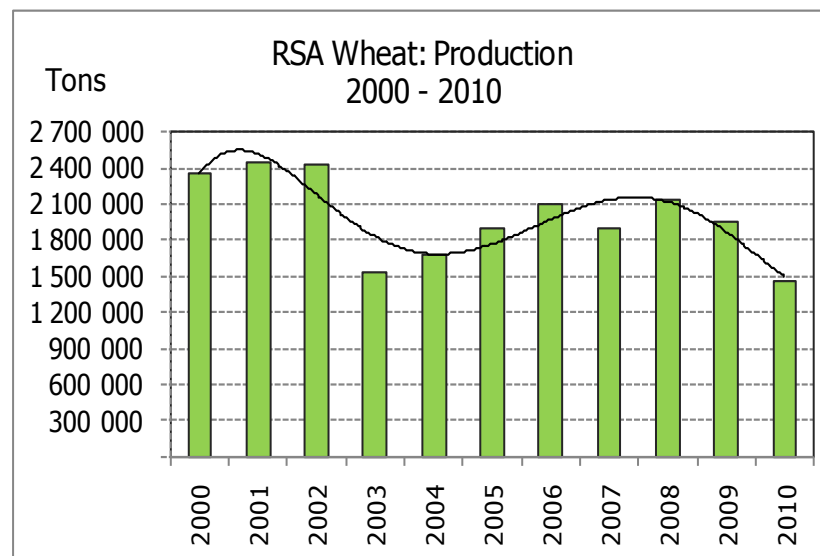
WINTERGEWASSE – OPPERVLAK- EN SEWENDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

CROP/GEWAS	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2010 Ha (A)	7 th forecast/ 7 ^e skatting 2010 Tons (B)	6 th forecast/ 6 ^e skatting 2010 Tons (C)	Area planted/ Opp beplant 2009 Ha (D)	Final crop/ Finale oes 2009 Tons (E)	Change/ Verandering % (B) ÷ (C)
Commercial/Kommersieel:						
Wheat/Koring	558 100	1 464 970	1 511 340	642 500	1 958 000	-3,07
Malting barley/Moutgars	82 670	200 035	200 035	74 760	216 000	-
Canola/Kanola	34 820	37 950	37 950	35 060	40 350	-
Total/Totaal	675 590	1 702 955	1 749 325	752 320	2 214 350	-2,65

WHEAT – AREA PLANTED AND SEVENTH PRODUCTION FORECAST: 2010 PRODUCTION SEASON

KORING – OPPERVLAK- EN SEWENDE PRODUKSIESKATTING: 2010-PRODUKSIESEISOEN

Province/ Provinsie	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2010	7 th forecast/ 7 ^e skatting Tons 2010	Area planted/ Opp beplant Ha 2009	Final crop/ Finale oes Tons 2009
Western Cape/Wes-Kaap	265 000	556 500	300 000	714 000
Northern Cape/Noord-Kaap	38 000	254 600	44 000	277 200
Free State/Vrystaat	204 000	377 400	235 000	622 000
Eastern Cape/Oos-Kaap	4 500	18 900	5 000	20 000
KwaZulu-Natal	6 100	31 720	7 000	35 000
Mpumalanga	4 500	24 300	7 500	41 200
Limpopo	12 500	68 750	18 000	99 000
Gauteng	1 500	9 600	2 000	12 800
North West/Noordwes	22 000	123 200	24 000	136 800
Total/Totaal	558 100	1 464 970	642 500	1 958 000



**AREA PLANTED AND FINAL PRODUCTION ESTIMATE OF WINTER CEREALS (2010 PRODUCTION SEASON) /
OPPERVLAK - EN SEWENDE PRODUKSIESKATTING VIR WINTERGEWASSE (2010 PRODUKSIE-SEISOEN)
24 FEBRUARY/ FEBRUARIE 2011**

Winter cereal crops - 2010 production season

Wheat: The production estimate for wheat was reduced by 46 370 tons to 1,465 million tons, which is 3,07 % lower than the previous forecast of 1,511 million tons. The area planted to wheat remained unchanged at 558 100 ha. The average yield of wheat is 2,62 t/ha.

The expected production of wheat in the Western Cape was adjusted downward by 26 500 tons, or 4,55%, in the Free State by 10 200 tons or 2,63%, and in the Northern Cape by 3 800 tons or 1,47%. Adjustments were also made in the other provinces.

Other crops: The production estimate for **malting barley** remained unchanged at 200 035 tons. The area planted to barley remained unchanged at 82 670 ha, while the expected yield is 2,42 t/ha.

The expected **canola** crop remained unchanged at 37 950 tons. The area estimate for canola also remained unchanged at 34 820 ha, with an expected yield of 1,09 t/ha.

Please note that the intentions to plant winter cereals for the 2011 production season will be released on 20 April 2011.

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Wintergewasse - 2010 produksie-seisoen

Koring: Die produksieskatting vir koring is afwaarts aangepas met 46 370 ton tot 1,465 miljoen ton, wat 3,07% laer is as die 1,511 miljoen ton van die vorige skatting. Die oppervlakte beplant met koring is onveranderd gelaat op 558 100 ha. Die gemiddelde opbrengs vir koring is 2,62 t/ha.

Die verwagte produksie van koring is afwaarts aangepas vir die Wes-Kaap met 26 500 ton of 4,55%, vir die Vrystaat met 10 200 ton of 2,63%, en vir die Noord-Kaap met 3 800 ton of 1,47%. Aanpassings is ook in die ander provinsies gemaak.

Ander gewasse: Die produksieskatting vir **moutgars** is onveranderde gelaat op 200 035 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting is onveranderd gelaat op 82 670 ha, terwyl die verwagte opbrengs 2,42 t/ha behoop.

Die verwagte **kanola**-oes is onveranderd gelaat op 37 950 ton. Die oppervlakteskatting vir kanola is ook onveranderd gelaat op 34 820 ha, met 'n verwagte opbrengs van 1,09 t/ha.

Neem asseblief kennis dat die voorneme om wintergewasse te plant vir die 2011 produksieseisoen op 20 April 2011 vrygestel sal word.

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