

## 4th COTTON CROP REPORT FOR THE 2017/18 PRODUCTION YEAR - 30 April 2018

### COTTON CROP REPORT - 4th ESTIMATE 2017/18 PRODUCTION YEAR 30/04/2018

PRODUCTION REGION	HECTARES IRRIGATION	HECTARES DRYLAND	YIELD IRRIGATION kg seed cotton/ha	YIELD DRYLAND kg seed cotton/ha	PRODUCTION 200 kg bales cotton lint	% OF CROP HAND PICKED	% OF CROP GINNED SO FAR
<b>LIMPOPO PROV.</b>							
Loskop	5115	193	3700	600	34274	0%	0%
North & South Flats	736	9265	3700	600	14908	0%	0%
Koedoeskop/Dwaalboom/Thabaz	2717	0	5000	0	25132	0%	0%
Limpopo Other	690	171	3200	600	4159	0%	0%
Weipe	734	0	3500	0	4753	0%	0%
<b>NORTHERN CAPE</b>							
Vaalharts	3009	0	4949	0	27548	0%	0%
Lower Orange River	398	0	4500	0	3313	0%	0%
Rest of Northern Cape	3894	0	4992	0	36564	0%	0%
<b>NORTH WEST</b>							
Stella/Delareyville/Setlagoli	1042	4919	5000	1172	20304	9%	0%
Taung	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0%
<b>KWAZULU-NATAL</b>	1330	1110	4320	600	11860	23%	0%
<b>MPUMALANGA</b>	0	2017	0	763	2847	100%	0%
<b>EASTERN CAPE</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0%
<b>RSA TOTAL</b>	<b>19665</b>	<b>17675</b>	<b>4445</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>185663</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>0%</b>
Swaziland*	0	1000	0	600	1080	100%	0%
Botswana*	0	0	0	0	0		
Namibia*	0	0	0	0	0		
Zimbabwe*	0	0	0	0	0		
Mozambique*	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>19665</b>	<b>18675</b>	<b>4445</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>186743</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0%</b>

\* Particulars relate to expected purchases of seed cotton by RSA & Swaziland ginners from these countries.

### CURRENT CROP ESTIMATE VS. PREVIOUS CROP ESTIMATE 30/04/2018

	2017/18 4th est.	2017/18 3rd est.	Monthly change	Change prev. year	2016/17 FINAL
<b>RSA CROP ONLY</b>					
HA irrigation ha	19665	19681	0%	169%	7301
HA dryland ha	17675	17675	0%	68%	10540
HA total ha	37340	37356	0%	109%	17841
YIELD irrigation kg/ha	4445	4502	-1%	1%	4411
YIELD dryland kg/ha	778	825	-6%	-26%	1048
<b>RSA PRODUCTION 200kg lint bales</b>	<b>185663</b>	<b>189370</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>139%</b>	<b>77599</b>
<b>RSA AND SWAZILAND CROP*</b>					
HA irrigation ha	19665	19681	0%	169%	7301
HA dryland ha	18675	18675	0%	62%	11540
HA total ha	38340	38356	0%	103%	18841
YIELD irrigation kg/ha	4445	4502	-1%	1%	4411
YIELD dryland kg/ha	768	813	-6%	-24%	1009
<b>TOTAL PRODUCTION 200kg lint bales</b>	<b>186743</b>	<b>190450</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>136%</b>	<b>79034</b>

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