

RSA Production Regions

The RSA is divided into 9 provinces as illustrated in Figure 1. The 9 provinces are divided into 36 grain production regions.

The regions are distributed as follows:

- Region 1: Namakwaland
- Regions 2 and 3: Swartland
- Regions 4 to 6: Rûens
- Regions 7 and 8: Eastern Cape
- Region 9: Karoo
- Region 10: Griqualand West
- Region 11: Vaalharts
- Regions 12 to 20: North West
- Regions 21 to 28: Free State
- Regions 29 to 33: Mpumalanga
- Region 34: Gauteng
- Region 35: Limpopo
- Region 36: KwaZulu-Natal

These production regions are described on pages 15 to 21 (in the header of the quality data per region tables), providing the depot names (silos/bunkers/bags) for each region.

The contribution of the three main production areas to the total crop is as follows:

- Mpumalanga, 339 500 tons (43%)
- Free State, 254 250 tons (32%) and
- KwaZulu-Natal, 78 000 tons (10%).

Soybeans are not cultivated in the Southern production regions. Canola is the key oilseed crop in the winter rainfall area.

Figure 1: RSA Provinces

