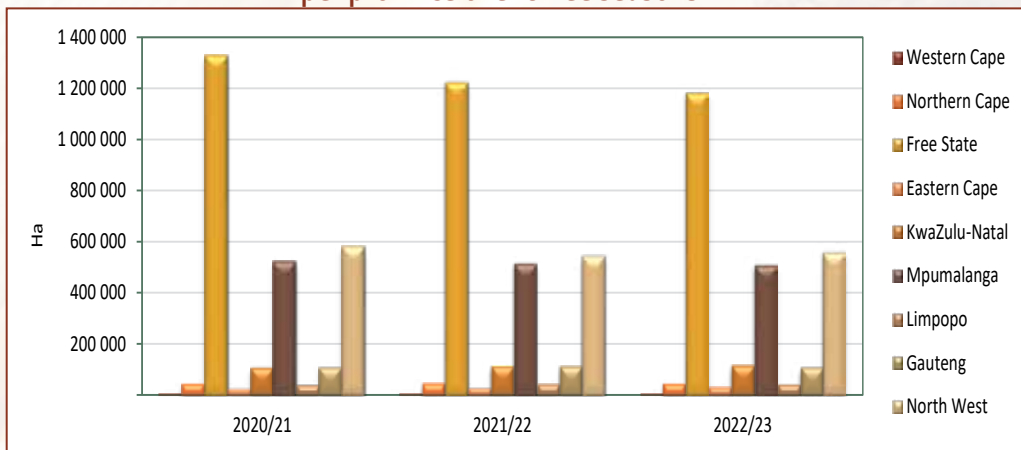


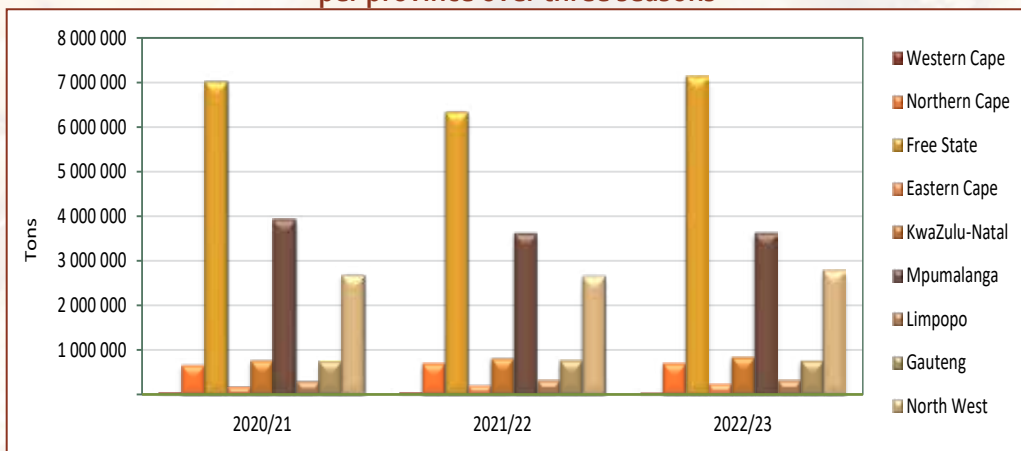
The major commercial maize-producing provinces are the Free State, Mpumalanga and North West, contributing 82.5% of the total maize production in the RSA (Table 1). The Free State produced 7 142 000 tons of maize on 1 181 000 hectares with a yield of 6.05 t/ha. Mpumalanga produced 3 628 900 tons of maize on 508 500 hectares with a yield of 7.14 t/ha and North West harvested 2 789 000 tons of maize on 556 000 hectares yielding 5.02 t/ha. Yellow maize contributed 71.5% of the total maize production in Mpumalanga while the majority of maize produced in the Free State (62.3%) and North West (78.7%) was white.

Please see graphs 5 to 7 for provincial figures of area planted, production and yield over the last three seasons.

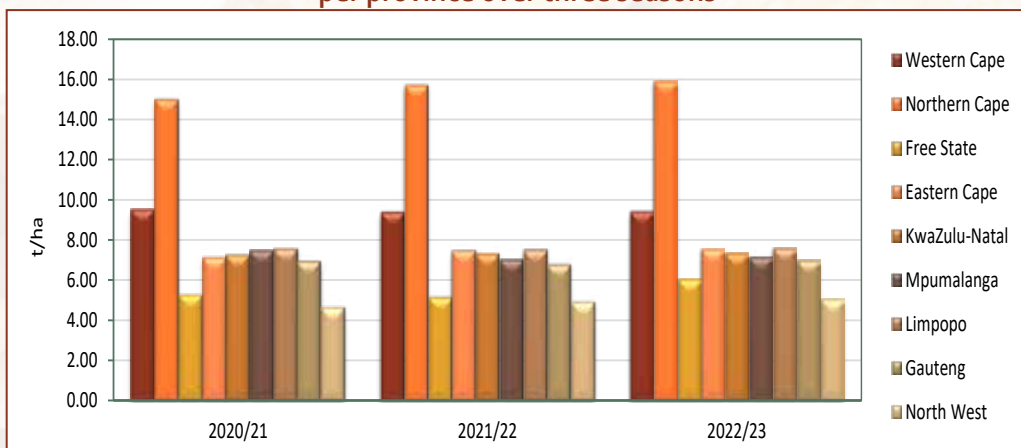
**Graph 5: Area utilised for maize production (dryland and/or irrigation) per province over three seasons**



**Graph 6: Maize production (dryland and/or irrigation) per province over three seasons**



**Graph 7: Maize yield (dryland and/or irrigation) per province over three seasons**



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