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### Summary of findings for the year 2022

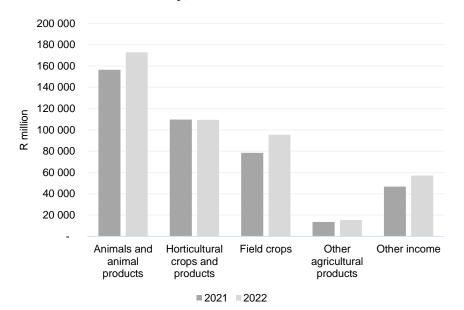
#### Income by type of product

Total income earned in the agriculture and related services industry was R450,2 billion in 2022 compared with R404,8 billion in 2021. This reflects an increase of 11,2% between 2021 and 2022 (see Figure 1 below and Table 1 on page 7).

In 2022, 'animals and animal products' generated the largest sales (R172,8 billion), followed by 'horticultural crops and products' (R109,5 billion) and 'field crops' (R95,4 billion).

The highest percentage increases were recorded for income earned from the sale of 'field crops' (21,5%) and 'other agricultural products' (13,4%).

Figure 1 – Income by type of product in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022



#### Concentration ratios for total income

In 2022, the 100 largest enterprises (in terms of total income) in the agriculture and related services industry contributed 21,3% of total income. Between 2021 and 2022 the concentration ratios decreased in the 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 categories.

Table A – Concentration ratios for total income in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Concentration ratio	2021	2022
	%	)
CR5	4,7	4,2
CR10	8,2	7,4
CR20	12,2	11,0
CR50	18,3	16,4
CR100	23,7	21,3

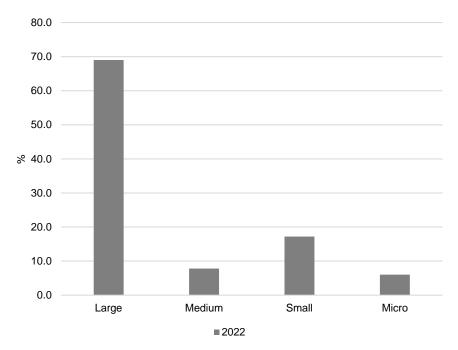
**Note:** The information was collected from enterprises for their financial year which ended on any date between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022. The majority of enterprises have a financial year ending February 2022.

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### Income by enterprise size in the agriculture and related services industry, 2022

Large enterprises contributed 69,0% or R310,3 billion of the total income in 2022, followed by small enterprises with a contribution of 17,2% or R77,4 billion. Medium and micro enterprises contributed 7,8% or R35,3 billion and 6,0% or R27,2 billion respectively (see Figure 2 below and Table 3 on page 9).

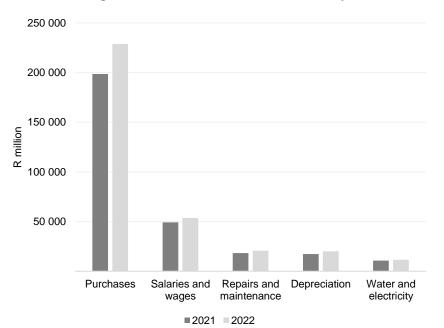
Figure 2 – Income by enterprise size (% contribution) in the agriculture and related services industry, 2022



#### **Expenditure**

Total expenditure incurred by the farming sector in 2022 was R424,1 billion compared with R379,2 billion in 2021 (an increase of 11,8%). The largest contributor to total expenditure was 'purchases' (54,0% of the total), followed by 'salaries and wages' (12,6%), 'repairs and maintenance' (4,9%) and 'depreciation' (4,7%) (see Figure 3 below and Table 6 on page 12).

Figure 3 – Expenditure according to major contributors in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022



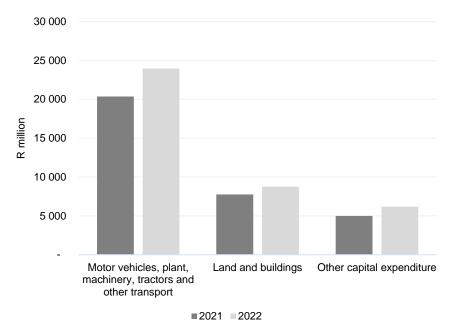
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## Capital expenditure on new assets in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

The total capital expenditure on new assets in the agriculture and related services industry in 2022 amounted to R38,9 billion compared with R33,1 billion in 2021, an increase of 17,4% (see Figure 4 below and Table 7 on page 13).

'Motor vehicles, plant, machinery, tractors and other transport' reported the largest increase, namely R3,6 billion (from R20,4 billion in 2021 to R24,0 billion in 2022).

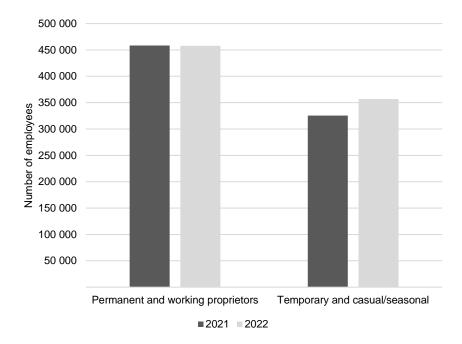
Figure 4 – Distribution of capital expenditure by type of asset in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022



#### **Employment**

The total number of persons employed in the agriculture and related services industry as at the end of June 2022 was 814 518 compared with 783 745 in June 2021, an increase of 3,9% (see Figure 5 below and Table 11 on page 15).

Figure 5 – Employment in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022



#### **Provincial estimates**

Table B - Key statistics in the agriculture and related services industry by province, 2022

Province	Sales of goods and services (R'000)	% contribution	Salaries and wages (R'000)	% contribution	Total employees (Number)	% contribution
Western Cape	78 608 653	19,1	14 350 263	26,8	211 564	25,9
Eastern Cape	38 013 832	9,3	4 986 334	9,3	80 268	9,9
Northern Cape	20 408 046	5,0	3 057 381	5,7	61 769	7,6
Free State	57 193 064	13,9	4 385 810	8,2	81 927	10,1
KwaZulu-Natal	42 163 222	10,3	6 422 523	12,0	105 463	12,9
North West	44 004 967	10,7	3 850 584	7,2	53 666	6,6
Gauteng	48 652 272	11,8	5 172 622	9,7	48 805	6,0
Mpumalanga	47 150 312	11,5	5 228 655	9,8	67 175	8,2
Limpopo	34 671 687	8,4	6 028 810	11,3	103 881	12,8
Total	410 866 055	100,0	53 482 982	100,0	814 518	100,0

The province with the largest income from sales of goods and services in the agriculture and related services industry in 2022 was Western Cape with R78,6 billion (or 19,1% of the industry total), followed by Free State (R57,2 billion or 13,9%), Gauteng (R48,7 billion or 11,8%), Mpumalanga (R47,2 billion or 11,5%) and North West (R44,0 billion or 10,7%).

The largest contributor to salaries and wages was Western Cape with R14,4 billion (or 26,8% of the industry total), followed by KwaZulu-Natal (R6,4 billion or 12,0%) and Limpopo (R6,0 billion or 11,3%).

In terms of employment, Western Cape was the largest contributor with 211 564 employees (or 25,9% of the industry total), followed by KwaZulu-Natal (105 463 or 12,9%), Limpopo (103 881 or 12,8%) and Free State (81 927 or 10,1%).

Table C - Key statistics in the agriculture and related services industry by province, 2021 and 2022

		Sales of goods and services		Salaries and wages Total employees		nployees			
Province	2021	2022	% change	2021	2022	% change	2021	2022	% change
	R'000	)		R'00	0		Nur	nber	
Western Cape	75 665 849	78 608 653	3,9	12 883 514	14 350 263	11,4	188 269	211 564	12,4
Eastern Cape	32 287 453	38 013 832	17,7	4 453 557	4 986 334	12,0	75 363	80 268	6,5
Northern Cape	18 582 585	20 408 046	9,8	3 097 340	3 057 381	-1,3	62 494	61 769	-1,2
Free State	53 079 935	57 193 064	7,7	4 120 105	4 385 810	6,4	74 649	81 927	9,7
KwaZulu-Natal	40 639 041	42 163 222	3,8	6 154 057	6 422 523	4,4	105 437	105 463	0,0
North West	39 007 087	44 004 967	12,8	3 710 263	3 850 584	3,8	58 938	53 666	-8,9
Gauteng	39 225 720	48 652 272	24,0	4 201 721	5 172 622	23,1	48 027	48 805	1,6
Mpumalanga	42 019 735	47 150 312	12,2	4 743 889	5 228 655	10,2	69 712	67 175	-3,6
Limpopo	34 534 060	34 671 687	0,4	5 857 371	6 028 810	2,9	100 856	103 881	3,0
Total	375 041 465	410 866 055	9,6	49 221 817	53 482 982	8,7	783 745	814 518	3,9

Income from sales of goods and services in the agriculture and related services industry increased from R375,0 billion in 2021 to R410,9 billion in 2022, a growth of 9,6%. Gauteng reported the largest increase of 24,0%, followed by Eastern Cape (17,7%) and North West (12,8%).

Expenditure on salaries and wages increased from R49,2 billion in 2021 to R53,5 billion in 2022 (growth of 8,7% or R4,3 billion). Large increases were reported for Western Cape (+R1,5 billion), Gauteng (+R1,0 billion) and Eastern Cape (+R0,5 billion).

Employment increased from 783 745 in 2021 to 814 518 in 2022 (an increase of 30 773 jobs). Western Cape had the largest increase in employment (+23 295 jobs), followed by Free State (+7 278 jobs) and Eastern Cape (+4 905 jobs). There were decreases in employment in North West (-5 272 jobs), Mpumalanga (-2 537 jobs) and Northern Cape (-725 jobs).

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### **Detailed results**

Table 1 – Principal statistics in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022, at current prices

la	2021 <sup>1</sup>	2022 <sup>2</sup>	0/ ahanna
Item	R'0	% change	
Total income	404 843 142	450 177 163	11,2
Field crops	78 508 464	95 359 723	21,5
Horticultural crops and products	109 666 185	109 470 190	-0,2
Animals and animal products	156 356 326	172 832 363	10,5
Other agricultural products	13 511 183	15 324 896	13,4
Other income	46 800 984	57 189 991	22,2
Total expenditure	379 240 849	424 046 039	11,8
Purchases	198 600 204	228 683 333	15,1
Salaries and wages	49 221 817	53 482 982	8,7
Other current expenditure	131 418 828	141 879 724	8,0
Capital expenditure	33 107 014	38 880 999	17,4
Land and book value of assets	241 023 329	258 222 017	7,1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 2 – Total income and expenditure by type of activity in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

		Total income	Current expenditure			
Activity	2021 <sup>1</sup>	2022²	0/ -1	2021 <sup>1</sup>	2022 <sup>2</sup>	0/ -1/
	R'C	000	% change	R'000		% change
Growing of crops; market gardening; horticulture	180 321 900	188 213 636	4,4	165 382 274	177 545 331	7,4
Farming of animals	147 336 979	172 026 223	16,8	141 959 321	161 966 030	14,1
Growing of crops combined with farming of animals (mixed farming)	64 412 225	75 828 316	17,7	59 837 596	71 292 672	19,1
Agricultural and animal husbandry services, except veterinary activities	10 393 653	11 114 903	6,9	9 410 925	10 226 005	8,7
Hunting, trapping and game propagation including related services	2 378 385	2 994 085	25,9	2 650 733	3 016 001	13,8
Total	404 843 142	450 177 163	11,2	379 240 849	424 046 039	11,8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 3 – Total income by type of activity and size group in the agriculture and related services industry, 2022<sup>2</sup>

Activity	Large	Medium	Small	Micro	Total
			R'000		
Growing of crops; market gardening; horticulture	138 860 744	13 584 822	27 527 192	8 240 878	188 213 636
Farming of animals	139 666 678	7 428 338	17 627 285	7 303 922	172 026 223
Growing of crops combined with farming of animals (mixed farming)	23 316 910	12 372 710	29 677 621	10 461 075	75 828 316
Agricultural and animal husbandry services, except veterinary activities	7 616 816	1 596 379	1 209 432	692 276	11 114 903
Hunting, trapping and game propagation including related services	864 991	243 557	1 381 266	504 271	2 994 085
Total	310 326 139	35 225 806	77 422 796	27 202 422	450 177 163

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 4 – Details of income in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Tuna of income	2021	11	202	0/ abouga	
Type of income	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Income from sales of goods	362 207 278	89,4	397 113 394	88,2	9,6
Income received from services rendered	12 834 187	3,2	13 752 661	3,1	7,2
Rental income	3 465 078	0,9	3 870 177	0,9	11,7
Interest received	3 938 685	1,0	4 095 701	0,9	4,0
Profit on financial and other assets, other liabilities and foreign exchange	8 703 536	2,1	13 610 167	3,0	56,4
Other income	13 694 378	3,4	17 735 063	3,9	29,5
Total income	404 843 142	100,0	450 177 163	100,0	11,2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 5 – Income from sales of goods by type of product in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Type of product	202	<b>2021</b> <sup>1</sup>		2022 <sup>2</sup>		
	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change	
Field crops	78 508 464	21,7	95 359 723	24,1	21,5	
Horticulture crops	105 273 893	29,1	104 510 698	26,3	-0,7	
Animals	85 492 199	23,6	95 770 179	24,1	12,0	
Animal products	70 864 127	19,6	77 062 184	19,4	8,7	
Horticulture products	4 392 292	1,2	4 959 492	1,2	12,9	
Other agricultural products	13 511 183	3,7	15 324 896	3,9	13,4	
Other sales of goods	4 165 120	1,1	4 126 222	1,0	-0,9	
Total	362 207 278	100,0	397 113 394	100,0	9,6	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 6 – Details of expenditure in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	202		
Expenditure items	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Purchases	198 600 204	52,3	228 683 333	54,0	15,1
Salaries and wages	49 221 817	13,0	53 482 982	12,6	8,7
Repairs and maintenance	18 305 117	4,8	20 758 936	4,9	13,4
Depreciation	17 356 991	4,6	19 999 508	4,7	15,2
Interest	10 322 589	2,7	10 293 205	2,4	-0,3
Railage and transport out	8 157 021	2,2	8 924 403	2,1	9,4
Water and electricity	10 727 734	2,8	11 534 671	2,7	7,5
Rental of land, buildings and other structures under operating lease	8 982 899	2,4	9 435 345	2,2	5,0
Insurance	5 956 904	1,6	6 009 365	1,4	0,9
Share farming expenses	3 817 523	1,0	5 348 082	1,3	40,1
Other expenditure	47 792 050	12,6	49 576 209	11,7	3,7
Total current expenditure	379 240 849	100,0	424 046 039	100,0	11,8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 7 – Capital expenditure on new assets in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Type of capital expenditure	2021 <sup>1</sup>		20:	0/ shange	
	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Land and buildings	7 758 420	23,4	8 750 501	22,5	12,8
Motor vehicles, plant, machinery, tractors and other transport	20 356 886	61,5	23 954 206	61,6	17,7
Other capital expenditure	4 991 708	15,1	6 176 292	15,9	23,7
Total capital expenditure	33 107 014	100,0	38 880 999	100,0	17,4

Table 8 – Book value of assets in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Type of asset	2021	1	2022	9/ ahanga	
	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Land and buildings	143 095 299	59,4	154 390 097	59,8	7,9
Motor vehicles, plant, machinery, tractors and other transport	72 281 140	30,0	78 369 174	30,3	8,4
Other assets	25 646 890	10,6	25 462 746	9,9	-0,7
Total book value of assets	241 023 329	100,0	258 222 017	100,0	7,1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

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Table 9 – Fair value of biological assets in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Type of asset	20211		20	0/ shares	
	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Animals	24 764 489	56,8	24 206 943	53,3	-2,3
Plantations (forestry, vineyards and orchards)	18 840 346	43,2	21 213 998	46,7	12,6
Total	43 604 835	100,0	45 420 941	100,0	4,2

Table 10 – Additions to biological assets in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Type of asset	20211		20	% change	
	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Animals	27 182 545	87,3	28 793 163	86,1	5,9
Plantations (forestry, vineyards and orchards)	3 968 277	12,7	4 634 397	13,9	16,8
Total	31 150 822	100,0	33 427 560	100,0	7,3

Revised figures.Preliminary figures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 11 – Employment for the last pay period ended on or before 30 June in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

		Female			Male			Total	
Type of employment	2021¹	2022²	0/ 04-0-0	2021¹	2022²	0/ abanas	2021 <sup>1</sup>	2022 <sup>2</sup>	0/
	Num	% change umber		Number		% change	Number		% change
Permanent and working proprietors	161 500	162 195	0,4	296 947	295 591	-0,5	458 447	457 786	-0,1
Temporary and casual/seasonal	155 354	174 022	12,0	169 944	182 710	7,5	325 298	356 732	9,7
Total	316 854	336 217	6,1	466 891	478 301	2,4	783 745	814 518	3,9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 12 – Details of sales of goods in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Type of field crop	2021 <sup>1</sup>		202	% shangs	
туре от нега стор	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Maize	45 770 912	58,3	56 632 354	59,4	23,7
Wheat	6 478 260	8,3	8 254 804	8,7	27,4
Sugar cane	8 972 295	11,4	8 227 658	8,6	-8,3
Other field crops	17 286 997	22,0	22 244 907	23,3	28,7
Total	78 508 464	100,0	95 359 723	100,0	21,5

Table 12 – Details of sales of goods in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022 (continued)

Type of horticulture	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	2022	% change	
Type of norticulture	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Vegetables	24 160 987	23,0	26 658 656	25,5	10,3
Fruits excluding grapes	51 446 474	48,9	47 164 848	45,2	-8,3
Grapes	15 422 073	14,6	15 291 937	14,6	-0,8
Seeds	6 426 591	6,1	7 355 434	7,0	14,5
Other horticultural crops	7 817 768	7,4	8 039 823	7,7	2,8
Total	105 273 893	100,0	104 510 698	100,0	-0,7

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Table 12 – Details of sales of goods in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022 (continued)

Tune of spirmel	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	2022	% change	
Type of animal	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Cattle	48 549 303	56,9	53 570 750	56,0	10,3
Sheep	9 947 725	11,6	8 706 730	9,1	-12,5
Pigs	5 145 899	6,0	7 219 121	7,5	40,3
Chickens: live	18 901 320	22,1	22 619 935	23,6	19,7
Other animals	2 947 952	3,4	3 653 643	3,8	23,9
Total	85 492 199	100,0	95 770 179	100,0	12,0

Table 12 – Details of sales of goods in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022 (continued)

Time of onimal product	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	202	% change	
Type of animal product	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Eggs	14 089 968	19,9	14 331 952	18,6	1,7
Fresh milk and cream	15 851 174	22,4	18 798 830	24,4	18,6
Beef	4 451 560	6,3	4 161 628	5,4	-6,5
Chicken meat: fresh, chilled or frozen	29 528 299	41,7	32 542 040	42,3	10,2
Wool	2 436 876	3,4	2 319 770	3,0	-4,8
Dairy products	1 018 532	1,4	720 467	0,9	-29,3
Other animal products	3 487 718	4,9	4 187 497	5,4	20,1
Total	70 864 127	100,0	77 062 184	100,0	8,7

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Table 12 – Details of sales of goods in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022 (concluded)

Type of product	2021¹		20:	% change	
Type of product	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Forestry	679 624	5,0	788 532	5,1	16,0
Animal feed	9 812 360	72,6	11 669 809	76,2	18,9
Organic fertilisers	617 033	4,6	622 609	4,1	0,9
Other agricultural products	2 402 166	17,8	2 243 946	14,6	-6,6
Total	13 511 183	100,0	15 324 896	100,0	13,4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 13 – Details of purchases in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

No	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	20:	04 - 14 - 17 - 17	
Item	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Feed and supplements for livestock, poultry and aquaculture	47 417 631	23,9	54 132 144	23,7	14,2
Fertilisers, both manure and inorganic fertilisers, and lime	24 420 985	12,3	31 435 209	13,7	28,7
Remedies for combating diseases and pests in livestock and poultry	4 243 692	2,1	4 139 133	1,8	-2,5
Remedies for forage, field and horticultural crops	9 811 462	4,9	10 020 073	4,4	2,1
Seed, seedling and other plant material	14 656 749	7,4	17 498 403	7,7	19,4
Fuel, lubricants and grease	12 464 454	6,3	15 547 217	6,8	24,7
Containers, pallets and other packing materials	14 292 879	7,2	15 491 291	6,8	8,4
Field crops	10 425 348	5,2	12 607 378	5,5	20,9
Horticultural products	4 365 974	2,2	5 256 977	2,3	20,4
Animals	38 992 218	19,6	45 412 924	19,9	16,5
Animal products	3 107 950	1,6	3 766 948	1,6	21,2
Other purchases	14 400 862	7,3	13 375 636	5,8	-7,1
Total	198 600 204	100,0	228 683 333	100,0	15,1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

Table 14 – Income from sales and services by province in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Dravines	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	20	22 <sup>2</sup>	% change
Province	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Western Cape	75 665 849	20,2	78 608 653	19,1	3,9
Eastern Cape	32 287 453	8,6	38 013 832	9,3	17,7
Northern Cape	18 582 585	5,0	20 408 046	5,0	9,8
Free State	53 079 935	14,2	57 193 064	13,9	7,7
KwaZulu-Natal	40 639 041	10,8	42 163 222	10,3	3,8
North West	39 007 087	10,4	44 004 967	10,7	12,8
Gauteng	39 225 720	10,5	48 652 272	11,8	24,0
Mpumalanga	42 019 735	11,2	47 150 312	11,5	12,2
Limpopo	34 534 060	9,2	34 671 687	8,4	0,4
Total	375 041 465	100,0	410 866 055	100,0	9,6

Revised figures.Preliminary figures.

Table 15 – Salaries and wages by province in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Dravines	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	20	22 <sup>2</sup>	% change
Province	R'000	% contribution	R'000	% contribution	% change
Western Cape	12 883 514	26,2	14 350 263	26,8	11,4
Eastern Cape	4 453 557	9,0	4 986 334	9,3	12,0
Northern Cape	3 097 340	6,3	3 057 381	5,7	-1,3
Free State	4 120 105	8,4	4 385 810	8,2	6,4
KwaZulu-Natal	6 154 057	12,5	6 422 523	12,0	4,4
North West	3 710 263	7,5	3 850 584	7,2	3,8
Gauteng	4 201 721	8,5	5 172 622	9,7	23,1
Mpumalanga	4 743 889	9,6	5 228 655	9,8	10,2
Limpopo	5 857 371	11,9	6 028 810	11,3	2,9
Total	49 221 817	100,0	53 482 982	100,0	8,7

Revised figures.Preliminary figures.

Table 16 – Employment for the last pay period ended on or before 30 June by province in the agriculture and related services industry, 2021 and 2022

Providence	202	21 <sup>1</sup>	20	22 <sup>2</sup>	0/ abanas
Province	Number	% contribution	Number	% contribution	% change
Western Cape	188 269	24,0	211 564	25,9	12,4
Eastern Cape	75 363	9,6	80 268	9,9	6,5
Northern Cape	62 494	8,0	61 769	7,6	-1,2
Free State	74 649	9,5	81 927	10,1	9,7
KwaZulu-Natal	105 437	13,5	105 463	12,9	0,0
North West	58 938	7,5	53 666	6,6	-8,9
Gauteng	48 027	6,1	48 805	6,0	1,6
Mpumalanga	69 712	8,9	67 175	8,2	-3,6
Limpopo	100 856	12,9	103 881	12,8	3,0
Total	783 745	100,0	814 518	100,0	3,9

Revised figures.Preliminary figures.

#### **Explanatory notes**

#### **Background**

The results presented in this publication are derived from the 2022 agricultural sample survey. This is an annual survey which measures economic activity in the agriculture and related services industry of the South African economy. The survey is based on a sample of private and public enterprises operating in the agriculture and related services industry.

The sample was drawn from Stats SA's statistical business register, based on the units registered for value-added tax (VAT).

All figures exclude value-added tax (VAT).

The last annual agricultural survey was conducted for the year 2021 (Statistical release P1101, Agricultural survey, 2021).

#### Reference period

The information was collected from enterprises for their financial year which ended on any date between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022. The majority of enterprises have a financial year ending February 2022.

#### Purpose of the survey

The agricultural survey covers the activities of commercial farms in South Africa which are registered for value-added tax (VAT).

Uses of the agricultural survey:

- policy advisers in government monitor the performance of the industry and its contribution to the South African economy, and evaluate the effectiveness of industry policies;
- industry associations monitor trends in their own and competing or complementary industries in order to inform their members of market changes; and
- individual businesses use the data to analyse their performance relative to their industry.

### Classification by industry

The 1993 edition of the *Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities* (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02, was used to classify the statistical units in the survey. The SIC is based on the 1990 *International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities* (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions. Statistics in this publication are presented at SIC major group (3-digit) level. Each enterprise is classified to an industry which reflects its predominant activity.

#### Statistical unit

The statistical unit is an enterprise. An enterprise is a legal unit or a combination of legal units that includes and directly controls all functions necessary to carry out its productions activities.

#### **Collection unit**

The collection unit is a farming unit. A farming unit consists of one or more farms, holdings or pieces of land, whether adjacent or not, operated as a single unit and situated within the same local municipality. Thus, an enterprise can have one or more farming units.

#### Confidentiality

According to section 17 of the Statistics Act, 1999 (Act No. 6 of 1999), completed questionnaires are treated as strictly confidential by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA). Results are presented in aggregated form only.

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#### Scope and coverage

This survey covers enterprises registered in the taxation system that are mainly engaged in agriculture and related services. It includes the following major groups within its scope:

- growing of crops, market gardening, horticulture and production of organic fertiliser (SIC 111 and SIC 116);
- farming of animals (SIC 112);
- growing of crops combined with farming of animals (mixed farming) (SIC 113);
- agricultural and animal husbandry services, except veterinary activities (SIC 114); and
- hunting, trapping, and game propagation, including related services (SIC 115).

#### Including

South African-based activities of enterprises which operate in multiple countries.

#### Excluding

• activities of South African-based companies in other countries.

#### Size groups

The enterprises are divided into four size groups according to the value of turnover as recorded on Stats SA's statistical business register (SBR). Large enterprises are those with an annual recorded turnover above R30,0 million. Table D presents the size groups defined using the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (DTIC) cut-off points multiplied by 6.

Table D – Size groups for the agriculture and related services industry, 2022

Size group	Annual turnover		
Large	Turnover > R30 000 000		
Medium	R18 000 000 < turnover ≤ R30 000 000		
Small	R3 000 000 < turnover ≤ R18 000 000		
Micro	Turnover ≤ R3 000 000		

#### Survey methodology

The survey was conducted by email, telephone and personal visits.

#### Sampling design

A stratified simple random sampling was drawn. Enterprises were stratified using four-digit level according to the SIC, province and by size of enterprise. The SBR turnover was used as a measure of size for stratification. Large enterprises were completely enumerated and other size groups were sampled.

#### Collection rate

Collection rate = ((collected enterprises + finalised investigations) / sample size)\*100. The collection rate was 77,0%.

### Turnover collection rate

Turnover collection rate = ((weighted collected enterprises SBR turnover + weighted finalised investigations SBR turnover) / population turnover)\*100. The turnover collection rate was 79,4%.

### Weighting methodology

For those strata not completely enumerated, the weights to produce estimates are the inverse ratio of the sampling fraction, modified to take account of non-response in the survey. Stratum estimates are calculated and then aggregated with the completely enumerated strata to form the total estimates.

### Relative standard error

Figures presented in this publication are estimated from a sample and are, therefore, subject to sampling variability; that is, figures may differ from those that would have been produced if all enterprises in the agriculture and related services industry in South Africa had been included.

One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error (SE), which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of enterprises was used. The relative standard error (RSE) provides an immediate indication of the percentage error likely to have occurred as a result of sampling (Table E).

Table E – Income in the agricultural industry within 95% confidence limits: agriculture and related services industry, 2022

Type of product	Lower limit	Income	Upper limit	Relative standard error
	R'000			%
Field crops	89 138 996	95 359 723	101 580 451	3,3
Horticultural crops and products	104 507 752	109 470 190	114 432 627	2,3
Animals and animal products	167 553 142	172 832 363	178 111 586	1,6
Other income	68 706 692	72 514 887	76 323 079	2,7
Total	440 580 715	450 177 163	459 773 610	1,1

#### Non-sampling errors

Inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by enterprises and errors made in the collection and processing of the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling errors. Every effort is made to minimise non-sampling errors by careful design of questionnaires, testing them in pilot studies, editing reported data and implementing efficient operating procedures. Non-sampling errors occur in both sample surveys and censuses.

# Comparability with previously published information

The information in this publication is comparable with the information published in the *Agricultural survey* 2021 (P1101).

### Rounding-off of figures

The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded off to the nearest final digit shown. There may therefore be slight discrepancies between the sums of the constituent items and the totals shown.

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Department of Trade, Industry and Competition Nil or less than half the final digit shown DTIC **Abbreviations** 

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SARS South African Revenue Service SBR Statistical business register Stats SA Statistics South Africa

VAT Value-added tax STATISTICS SOUTH AFRICA 27 P1101

#### Glossary

### Fair value of biological assets

The price that a seller of an asset would expect to receive at the end of the financial year.

#### Other assets

#### Other assets include:

- construction works, roads and parking areas; computers and other IT equipment; intangible fixed assets (computer software, other);
- intangible non-produced assets (goodwill, patented entities, etc.); and
- other assets.

#### Other capital expenditure

Other capital expenditure includes:

- construction works, roads and parking areas; computers and other IT equipment; intangible fixed assets (computer software, other);
- intangible non-produced assets (goodwill, patented entities, etc.); and
- other assets.

#### Other expenditure

Other expenditure includes:

Accounting and auditing costs; artificial insemination costs; consulting fees; leasing and hiring of livestock; motor vehicle running expenditure including licence fees; losses on financial and other assets: disposal of assets, realisation for cash and revaluation of assets; losses on financial and other liabilities: redemption, liquidation and revaluation of liabilities; losses on foreign exchange as a result of variations in foreign exchange rates; membership or affiliation costs; property rates paid to municipalities; research and development costs; storage costs; and other expenditure.

#### Other income

Other income includes:

Dividends; insurance; rebates; share farming income; tourism accommodation and services; water rights traded; and other income.

#### Other purchases

Other purchases include:

Coal and gas; semen and embryos; consumables (e.g. food and beverages, hand tools, cleaning materials, uniforms and protective clothing); and other purchases.

#### **Total income**

Total income, as reported by the farmer, includes income earned from agricultural products sold and other income. In this release, agricultural products are divided into field crops, horticultural crops and products, animals and animal products, and other agricultural products, where:

- field crops include cereals, oil seeds, legumes, sugar cane and fodder crops;
- horticultural crops include vegetables, fruits, aromatic crops and seeds;
- horticultural products include cellar products, dried fruit, cane fruit, sparkling wine and sherry;
- animals include livestock, poultry, game and all other animals;
- animal products include milk, eggs, hides and skins, wool and feathers; and
- other agricultural products include aquaculture products, forestry products, organic fertiliser and forage and silage.

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