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1.0 Introduction

Agricultural Production Survey (APS) is an annual survey, which is undertaken by Agriculture and Food Security Statistics Division. APS runs from the 1st of August to 31st July of the following year and concentrates on the production of both livestock and crops in the rural parts of the country. The agricultural year has two seasons; winter and summer seasons. The summer season starts from August to January while winter is from February to July.

The 2014/2015 APS report has covered information on production and yield of the five major crops: Maize, Wheat, Sorghum, Beans and Peas as well as Area failed under each crop and reasons for crop failure. It also includes Household characteristics, Operations, Inputs and Costs of crop production.

2.0 Sample Design

Stratified multi-stage cluster sampling design was adopted for the selection of the sample of APS for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Two or three enumeration areas were combined to form a Primary Sampling Unit (PSU). A total of 120 PSU's were selected at the first stage in the rural areas of the country. A Probability Proportional to Size (PPS) was used for the selection of PSU's where number households were taken as a measure of size. Individual farming households constitute Secondary Sampling Units (SSU's) and systematic sampling technique was adopted for selection of SSU's. For the estimation of crop yield, ten fields for each of the main crops per PSU were selected following systematic sampling technique and these fields constitute third stage sample units. APS stratified farming households into households operating at least one field.

3.0 Method of Data Collection

All fields owned and operated by farming households either planted or fallow were measured. Fields which were not operated for more than three years were not considered. Each enumerator was responsible for one PSU. Data on yield was collected from two sampled sub-plots of 10 square meters each from selected fields.

Sub-plots were located using random numbers; the enumerators selected a random number to locate point 1 which is between 1 and the longest length of the field and the second random number; point 2 which is between 1 and the longest width of the field. For yield calculation, an average weight of grains from the two sub-plots was taken for each field and average yield of the PSU in each zone within the district was derived. In order to get Production, area harvested was multiplied by its crop yield. Additional Information was collected from the farming households through face to face interview.

Note:

Zeros in the report do not necessarily mean that there were no agricultural operations performed or inputs used, but the sampled households did not perform such activities.

4.0 Household Characteristics

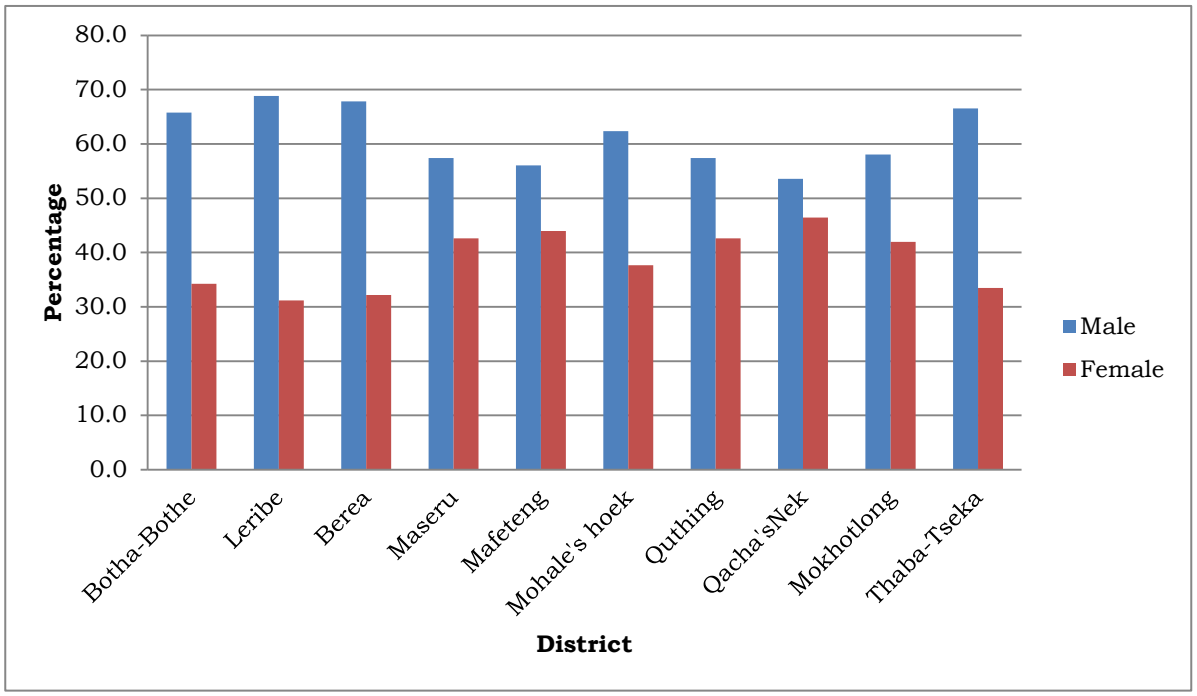
The section provides household characteristics of farming households in the rural areas of Lesotho during 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Characteristics such as age, sex, education and residential status are discussed.

4.1 Agricultural Household Heads

A household head is a person who makes day to day decisions for the household and whose authority is acknowledged by other members.

Figure 1 depicts Percentage Distribution of Household Heads by District and Sex for the 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. The total number of household heads was estimated to be 170,458. In all districts, there were more male household heads than female heads. Leribe had the highest proportion of male heads with 68.8 percent followed by Berea with 67.8 percent. On the other hand, Qacha's Nek had the highest proportion of female heads with 46.4 percent followed by Mafeteng with 44.0 percent.

Figure 1: Percentage Distribution of Household Heads by District and Sex, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year



4.2 Residential Status of Household Head

Some agricultural households' heads make decisions and other members acknowledge their authority even when they are not present within the household. Table 1 shows Percentage Distribution of Household Heads by Residential Status, Sex and District. According to table 1, Botha-Bothe had 48.2 percent of males who were present in Lesotho and 3.9 percent were elsewhere in Lesotho, while 12 percent of this males were in RSA. The table further shows that Maseru had 37.9 percent of females who were present in Lesotho and 1.8 percent of females were elsewhere in Lesotho, while 2.1percent were in RSA.

Table 1: Percentage Distribution of Household Heads by Residential Status and Sex, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Present		Elsewhere in Lesotho		RSA		Not in Lesotho and RSA		
District	**Male**	**Female**	**Male**	**Female**	**Male**	**Female**	**Male**	**Female**	**Total**
Botha-Bothe	48.2	35.9	3.9	0	12	0	0	0	100
Leribe	50.2	29.3	1.1	0.7	16.7	2	0	0	100
Berea	54	29.7	1.7	0.8	12.6	1.3	0	0	100
Maseru	42.7	37.9	4.7	1.8	8.7	2.1	1.2	0.8	100
Mafeteng	46.5	43	0.6	0	8.6	1.3	0	0	100
Mohale's Hoek	46.6	37.3	1.1	1.7	12.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	100
Quthing	47	40.5	1.2	2.5	7.5	1.3	0	0	100
Qacha's Nek	47.3	46.9	2.9	0	2.9	0	0	0	100
Mokhotlong	42.9	38.9	3.9	0	14.3	0	0	0	100
Thaba-Tseka	50.7	34	4.5	0	8.5	1.6	0	0.8	100

4.3 Household Members Contributing to Farming Activities

Table 2 reflects Percentage Distribution of farming Households by District and Months during the 2014/2015 agricultural year. It can be observed from the table that majority of farming household members (37.4 percent) who did not contribute to farming activities were from Quthing followed by Qacha's Nek with 36.4 percent. Moreover 76.3 percent of household members in Bothe-Bothe contributed to farming on duration of 1-3 months followed by Mohale's Hoek with 68.3percent.

Table 2: Percentage Distribution of Household Members Contributing to Farming by District and Month, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	0 mth	1-3 mth	4-6 mth	7-9 mth	10-12mth	Total %
Botha-Bothe	0	76.3	24	0	0	100
Leribe	0	35.3	64.7	0	0	100
Berea	0	56.9	43.1	0	0	100
Maseru	30.2	22.4	21.4	6.3	19.6	100
Mafeteng	21.5	51.5	19.2	0.5	7.3	100
Mohale's hoek	3.7	68.3	26.9	1.0	0	100
Quthing	37.4	26.1	26.1	3.1	7.3	100
Qacha's Nek	36.4	31.9	12.1	3.8	15.9	100
Mokhotlong	19.0	29.8	4.8	3.4	43.1	100
Thaba-Tseka	0	24.2	75.8	0	0	100

4.4 Main Activity

The main activity undertaken by farming households by those six years and above include among others employer, own account worker and wage/salary earner. Students and retired individuals are also included in this section. Table 3 presents Total Number of Members by Main Activities and Zone, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. About 236 452 members were students, followed by 136 963 housewives. About 1400 household members were employers; the least economic activity undertaken by household members in Lesotho.

Table 3: Total number of Household Members by Main Activity and Zone, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

Main Activity	Lowlands	Foothills	Mountains	SRV	Lesotho
Employer	429	290	682	0	1,400
Employed with salary	42,206	16,050	24,634	13,212	96,101
Self-employed with paid labour	1,530	143	852	105	2,630
Self-employed without paid labour	6,964	1,762	2,083	1,661	12,471
Subsistence Farmer	29,786	12,382	27,489	9,173	78,830
Casual Worker	10,895	5,462	6,976	3,322	26,655
Unpaid Family Worker	12,016	7,028	18,554	3,360	40,958
Pupil/Student	110,672	30,187	71,748	23,846	236,452
Retired	1,339	866	1,604	235	4,045
Disabled	2,361	1,193	1,690	3,796	9,040
Unemployed	22,829	6,748	5,988	3,579	39,144
Homemaker	2,540	1,617	4,088	1,871	10,116
Housewife	66,144	19,262	42,639	8,919	136,963
Other	3,142	621	757	418	4,938
Total	**312,853**	**103,611**	**209,784**	**73,497**	**699,743**

4.5 Management of Fields

Management refers to daily overseeing of farming activities in a household. The management of farming activities is a vital role in the agricultural crop production, and can be done by members in the farming household. Table 4 indicates Farming Population Management by District and Sex during the 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Out of 218 105 members who managed their fields, 57.3 percent were males. Among all the districts, Mohale's Hoek is observed to have more males and females who manage their fields with 28 486 males and 23 558 females. Further, Mokhotlong had few males farming household while Qacha's Nek had few females farming households with 1 365 and 1 456 respectively.

Table 4: Farming Population Management by District and Sex, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Sex	
District	**Male**	**Female**
Botha-Bothe	5,694	3,159
Leribe	15,506	8,263
Berea	20,803	15,287
Maseru	15,346	11,422
Mafeteng	12,450	9,954
Mohale's Hoek	28,486	23,558
Quthing	5,590	4,290
Qacha's Nek	2,063	1,456
Mokhotlong	1,365	1,618
Thaba-Tseka	17,615	14,183
Lesotho	**124,917**	**93,188**

4.6 Decision Making

Decisions regarding activities that may be performed in the fields can be done by different members of the households. Table 5 indicates the total Number of Household Members' Responses on who Make Decision is indicated by table 5. The total number of farming household members' responses who made decision was 780 349. It is observed from the table that 385 581 responses of male heads made decisions. It is also observed that 110 male parents/parents in law to the household head responded that they made decisions on their fields.

Table 5: Responses made by Household Members on who Makes Decision by Sex, 2014/2015 Agricultural year

	sex	
Members	**Male**	**Female**
Head	385,581	375,867
Spouse	5,017	11,011
Child	1,406	422
Sibling	641	0
Parent/Parent in law	110	0
Other relative	209	0
Not related	87	0
Total	**393,050**	**387,299**

4.7 Dependency Ratio

Dependency ratio is the ratio of non active population aged 0-14 together with those aged 65 years and above to active population (those aged 15 to 64). During the 2014/2015 Agricultural Year, dependency ratio of households was 72, meaning that 100 active people were looking after 72 inactive people. The (total) dependency ratio can be decomposed into the child dependency ratio and the aged dependency ratio. Therefore it was found that child dependency ratio was 56 while aged dependency ratio was 15.

4.8 Educational Attainment

Table 6 shows the Percentage Distribution of Household members by Age Group and Educational Level for 2014/2015. It is observed from the table that most of members have attained Primary level while few members are Graduates. Majority of the members with 10 -14 years age group (92.8 percent) completed Primary level.

Table 6: Percentage Distribution of Household Members by Age Groups and Educational Attainment, 2014/2015

Age Group	None	Primary	Pre-school	Secondary & Non-graduate	Graduate	Non-formal	Total
0-4	91.0	0	9	0	0.0	0.0	**100.0**
5-9	31.2	51.5	17.2	0	0.0	0.0	**100.0**
10-14	2.4	92.8	0.1	4.6	0.0	0.2	**100.0**
15-19	2.9	55.2	0.1	41.8	0.0	0.0	**100.0**
20-24	4.5	46.4	0.0	48.1	1.0	0.0	**100.0**
25-29	7.5	50.4	0.6	38.1	3.3	0.0	**100.0**
30-34	9.0	56.5	0.3	33.1	1.1	0.0	**100.0**
35-39	12.9	56.2	0.0	28.8	1.8	0	**100.0**
40-44	12.9	58.9	0.4	26.9	0.9	0.0	**100.0**
45-49	13.8	61.0	0.0	25.3	0.0	0.0	**100.0**
50-54	15.0	63.0	0.0	21.3	0.0	0.7	**100.0**
55-59	19.8	67.3	0.0	11.4	0.7	0.8	**100.0**
60-64	19.4	68.2	0.0	11.1	0.4	0.9	**100.0**
65-69	16.3	74.0	0.0	7.5	0.5	1.6	**100.0**
70-74	22.9	71.0	0.0	5.7	0.4	0.0	**100.0**
75-79	23.5	69.0	0.0	6.0	0.0	1.4	**100.0**
80-84	28.5	68.5	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	**100.0**
85+	30.5	67.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	**100.0**

5.0 Summer Crops

Summer season crops are those crops that are planted between 1st August and 31st January of the following year. This section covers information on Area Planted, Area Harvested, Production as well as Yield to Maize, Sorghum, Wheat, Beans and Peas. It should be noted that during summer season, Wheat is mostly grown in the mountain areas of the country.

5.1 Area Planted

Area planted refers to cultivated and sown land in hectares (ha) to pure stand crops such as maize, sorghum, wheat, beans, peas and mixtures of these crops such as maize and beans, maize and sorghum, sorghum and beans, beans and peas and other crop mixtures.

Table 7 presents Area Planted to Five Major Crops by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. The total area planted to maize was 111 640ha showing a decrease of 23.4 percent compared to 145 665ha of the previous year. Maseru had the largest area planted to maize with 22 177ha, followed by Mafeteng with 19 269ha. The least area planted to maize was observed in Qacha's Nek (2 301ha).

Area planted to sorghum (17 346ha) has decreased by 28.0 percent compared to the area planted to sorghum (24 121ha) in 2013/2014 agricultural year. The largest area planted to sorghum was experienced in Mohale's Hoek with 3 513ha while Qacha's Nek was the least with 265ha.

The total area planted to wheat (8 409ha) decreased by 38.7 percent when compared to area planted to wheat (13 719ha) in 2013/2014. Mokhotlong had the largest area planted to Wheat with 2 745ha followed by Thaba-Tseka with 1 661ha. The least area planted to wheat was recorded in Mafeteng (30ha). The total area planted to all crops is 166 626ha. It has decreased by 19.1 percent from that of 2013/2014 which was 206 031ha.

Table 7: Area Planted to Five Major Crops by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha Bothe	4,765	671	396	857	32
Leribe	18,937	2,129	762	2,605	103
Berea	13,705	2,062	0	4,778	46
Maseru	22,177	2,787	729	3,829	201
Mafeteng	19,269	2,379	30	2,214	44
Mohale's Hoek	9,671	3,513	589	2,214	52
Quthing	4,438	1,763	861	1,573	60
Qacha's Nek	2,301	265	637	958	103
Mokhotlong	6,901	318	2,745	958	317
Thaba Tseka	9,475	1,458	1,661	2,010	291
Lesotho	**111,640**	**17,346**	**8,409**	**22,488**	**1,250**

5.2 Area Fallow

Area Fallow refers to land not cultivated during the entire agricultural year. Table 8 illustrates Fallow Area for 2010/2011 to 2014/2015 Agricultural Years. From 2010/2011 to 2011/2012, an increase of 98.1 percent was observed. Fallow area decreased from 2011/2012 to 2012/2013 by 46.3 percent and further decreased by 7.2 percent from 2012/2013 to 2013/2014. In 2014/2015, it decreased by 31.8 percent.

Table 8: Area Fallow (ha) by District, 2010/2011 to 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

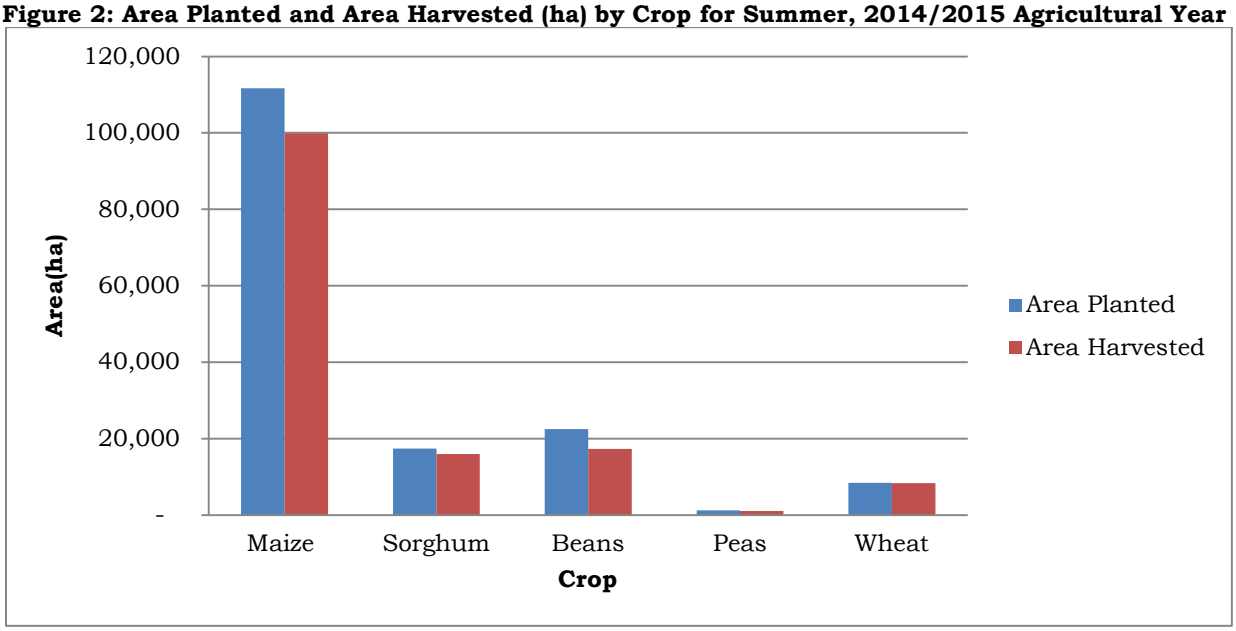
District	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015
Botha-Bothe	959	2,588	1,208	602	1,121
Leribe	7,351	27,682	16,671	9,724	6,038
Berea	15,396	19,063	12,052	11,352	8,060
Maseru	10,863	20,172	7,564	8,766	7,924
Mafeteng	17,156	29,444	19,486	18,060	12,638
Mohale's Hoek	9,105	19,793	7,191	8,154	4,321
Quthing	2,314	8,128	3,927	2,883	1,484
Qacha's Nek	1,805	4,452	1,921	1,947	1,627
Mokhotlong	2,261	3,634	2,800	3,614	1,511
Thaba-Tseka	2,014	2,187	813	3,229	1,881
Lesotho	**69,224**	**137,143**	**73,632**	**68,329**	**46,605**

5.3 Area Harvested

Crops are harvested after reaching their maturity stage. Area Harvested can be defined as the difference between Area Planted and Area Failed for each crop.

Figure 2 portrays Area Planted and Area Harvested (ha) by Crop for Summer, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Out of area planted to maize (111 640ha), 89.5 percent was harvested. Area planted to sorghum was 17 346ha while 92.1 percent of it was harvested. On the other hand, area planted to Wheat was 8 409ha and about 98.9 percent was harvested.

Figure 2: Area Planted and Area Harvested (ha) by Crop for Summer, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year



5.4 Production

Production is defined as the overall crop-output obtained from the harvested fields. Table 9 presents Production (mt) for Five Major Crops by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Maize production for 2014/2015 agricultural year was 65 636mt. The highest maize production was in Leribe with 18 849mt. Qacha's Nek was lowest with 396 mt.

Sorghum production was estimated at 9 529mt. Maseru had the highest production with 2 025mt followed by Mohale's Hoek with 1 998mt while Qach's Nek recorded the least (55mt).

Wheat production was 6 652mt in 2014/2015 agricultural year. Mokhotlong recorded the highest production with 2 511mt and the lowest was observed in Mafeteng (26mt).

Table 9: Production (mt) for Five Major Crops by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha-Bothe	3,343	223	227	142	1
Leribe	18,849	1,894	664	673	12
Berea	6,476	846	0	603	0
Maseru	14,873	2,025	442	1,083	27
Mafeteng	3,001	1,193	26	162	1
Mohale's Hoek	4,068	1,998	294	539	6
Quthing	1,911	841	914	114	2
Qacha's Nek	396	55	192	96	80
Mokhotlong	8,197	273	2,511	809	159
Thaba-Tseka	4,523	180	1,403	162	41
Lesotho	**65,636**	**9,529**	**6,652**	**4,382**	**330**

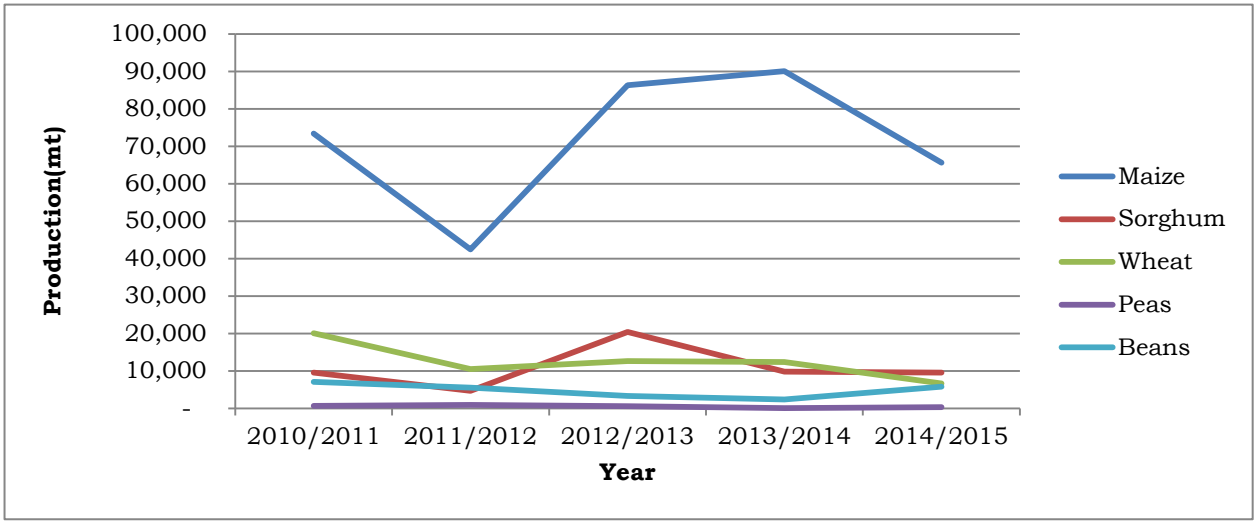
Figure 3 depicts Production (mt) of Five Major Crops, 2010/2011 to 2014/2015 Agricultural Years. Maize production had decreased by 42.1 percent from 2010/2011 to 2011/2012 agricultural years. An increase of 103.2 percent was observed from 2011/2012 to 2012/2013. In 2013/2014 maize production increased by 4.3 percent from 2012/2013 agricultural year. It then decreased by 27.1percent in 2014/2015 agricultural year.

From 2010/2011 to 2011/2012, sorghum production decreased by 51.4 percent; however, there was an increase of 33.6 percent in 2012/2013, followed by a decline of 51.8 percent from 2012/2013 to 2013/2014. In 2014/2015 agricultural year, production decreased by 3.2 percent.

A decrease in wheat production was observed from 2010/2011 to 2011/2012. It increased by 21.5 percent from 2011/2012 to 2012/2013 and decreased by 2.9 percent in 2013/2014. A further decrease of 46.4 percent was observed in 2014/2015 agricultural year.

Beans production has been decreasing since 2010/2011 to 2014/2015. With peas, there was an increase in production of 37.0 percent from 2010/2011 to 2011/2012. From 2011/2012 to 2012/2013, production in peas decreased by 40.0 percent and further decreased by 84.4 percent in 2013/2014. An increase of 279.3 percent was observed in 2014/2015 agricultural year.

Figure 3: Production (mt) of Five Major Crops, 2010/2011 to 2014/2015 Agricultural Years



5.5 Yield

Yield is production per area harvested. Yield is poor when it is below 0.50mt/ha, and good at 0.50mt/ha and above.

Table 10 illustrates Yield (mt/ha) by Crop and District for Summer, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Maize yield was 0.66mt in 2014/2015 agricultural year. The highest yield was observed in Mokhotlong with 1.20mt/ha followed by Leribe with 1.02mt/ha. The least maize yield was observed in Mafeteng with 0.16mt/ha.

Sorghum yield in the country was 0.60mt/ha. The highest sorghum yield was recorded in Leribe with 0.90mt/ha followed by Maseru and Mokhotlong with 0.86mt. The least yield was in Thaba Tseka with 0.14mt/ha.

Wheat yield in 2014/2015 agricultural year was 0.80mt/ha. Wheat performed well in Quthing with 1.06mt/ha followed by Mokhotlong with 0.91mt/ha. The least yield was observed in Qacha's Nek with 0.31mt/ha.

Table 10: Yield (mt/ha) by Crop and District for Summer, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

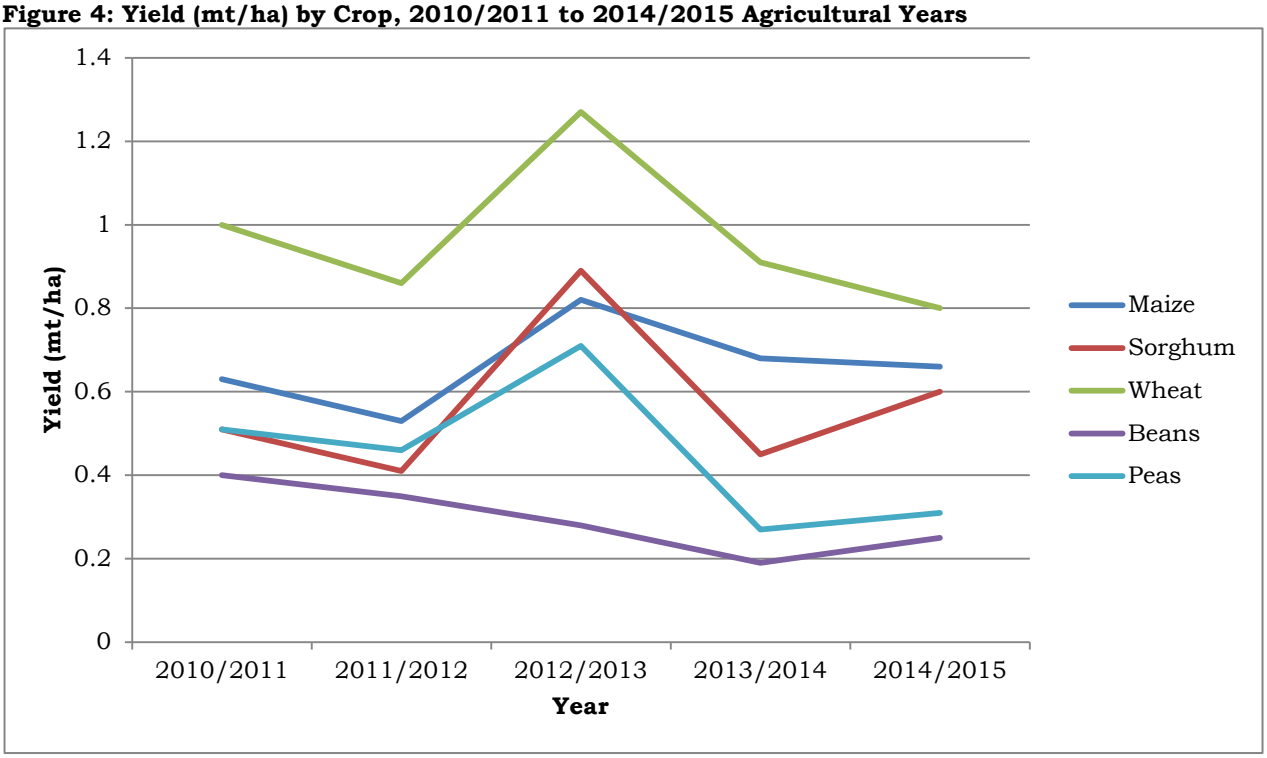
District	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha-Bothe	0.81	0.33	0.70	0.17	0.02
Leribe	1.02	0.90	0.87	1.02	0.12
Berea	0.57	0.42	0.00	0.15	0.00
Maseru	0.75	0.86	0.58	0.38	0.14
Mafeteng	0.16	0.52	0.00	0.09	0.02
Mohale's Hoek	0.50	0.65	0.50	0.46	0.16
Quthing	0.21	0.54	1.06	0.10	0.04
Qacha's Nek	0.18	0.21	0.31	0.10	0.78
Mokhotlong	1.20	0.86	0.91	0.84	0.50
Thaba-Tseka	0.49	0.14	0.84	0.17	0.15
Lesotho	**0.66**	**0.60**	**0.80**	**0.34**	**0.31**

Figure 4 illustrates Yield (mt/ha) by Crop, 2010/2011 to 2014/2015 Agricultural Years. Maize yield decreased from 0.63mt/ha in 2010/2011 to 0.53mt/ha in 2011/2012. An increase was observed from 0.53mt/ha in 2011/2012 to 0.82mt/ha in 2012/2013. From 2012/2013 to 2013/2014 a decrease of 17.1 percent was observed and a further decline of 2.9 percent was observed in 2014/2015.

Sorghum yield showed a decrease from 0.51mt/ha in 2010/2011 to 0.41mt/ha in 2011/2012. An increase was observed from 0.41mt/ha in 2011/2012 to 0.89mt/ha in 2012/2013. From 2012/2013 to 2013/2014, sorghum yield decreased from 0.89mt/ha to 0.45mt/ha and again declined by 25.0 percent in 2014/2015.

Wheat yield decreased from 1.00mt/ha in 2010/2011 to 0.86mt/ha in 2011/2012 and increased from 0.86mt/ha in 2011/2012 to 1.27mt/ha in 2012/2013. From 2012/2013 to 2013/2014, wheat yield decreased from 1.27mt/ha to 0.91mt/ha. A further decline of 12.1 percent was recorded in 2014/2015.

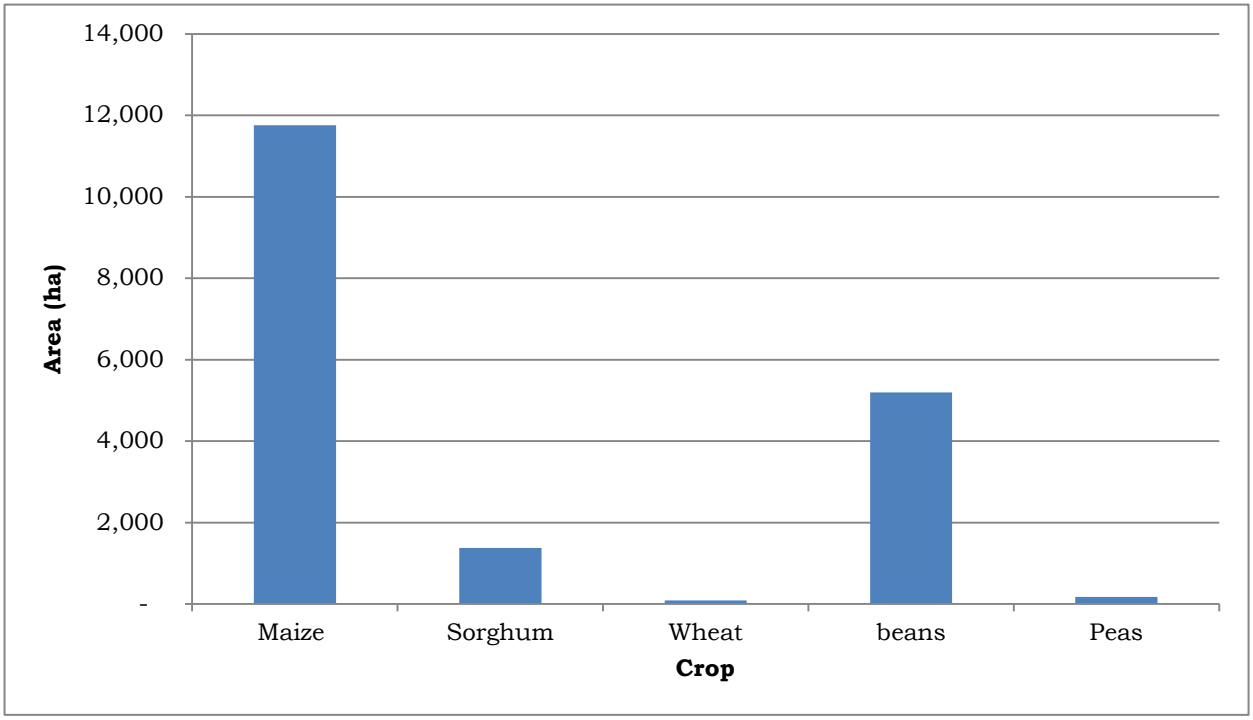
Figure 4: Yield (mt/ha) by Crop, 2010/2011 to 2014/2015 Agricultural Years



5.6 Crop Failure

Crop failure is a situation whereby a crop does not reach its maturity stage, or gets destroyed prior to the harvest period. It is measured by area that failed per crop. Figure 5 shows Area Failed by Crop,2014/2015 Agricultural Year. From the graph, it is observed that maize had the largest area failed of 11 756ha followed by beans with 5 193ha. Furthermore, about 89ha of area planted to wheat failed.

Figure 5 : Area Failed by Crop, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year



5.6.1 Reasons for Crop Failure

The main reasons for crop failure are early frost, hail, flood, drought, pests, weeds, animals, late planting and other. The category "other" comprises reasons such as leaching, poor planting methods and pre harvest losses amongst other things .

Table 11 shows Area Failed (ha) by District and Cause of Crop Failure in Summer, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. It can be observed from the table that the largest area that failed was due to Drought (11 739 ha) and the most affected district was Mafeteng with 3 739ha. The least area that failed was due to Floods with 47ha.

Table 11: Area Failed(ha) by District and Cause of Crop Failure in Summer, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Early Frost	Hail	Flood	Drought	Pests	Weeds	Animals	Late Planting	Other
Botha-Bothe	25	12.6	0	616	0	32	9	387	0
Leribe	0	0.0	0	249	20	144	82	874	153
Berea	18	0.0	0	1,926	12	194	289	1,190	231
Maseru	0	0.0	0	3,397	0	0	0	530	78
Mafeteng	0	136	0	3,739	0	251	17	121	0
Mohale's Hoek	810	131	0	549	76	279	61	1,361	87
Quthing	76	0.0	0	891	0	0	43	98	0
Qacha's Nek	0	0.0	0	155	22	0	47	4	13
Mokhotlong	0	0.0	0	71	0	0	0	0	0
Thaba-Tseka	861	0.0	47	146	0	168	13	427	63
Lesotho	**1,791**	**280**	**47**	**11,739**	**130**	**1,068**	**560**	**4,993**	**625**

6.0 Winter Crops

Winter season crops are crops that are planted between 1st February and 31st July of the following year. This section covers information on area planted, area harvested, production as well as yield to wheat and peas.

6.1 Area Planted and Area Harvested

Table 12 portrays Area Planted (ha) and Area Harvested to Wheat and Peas, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Area planted to wheat was 583ha, showing an increase of 1.6 percent from the previous year which was 574ha. Area harvested to wheat also increased by 122.5 percent from 262ha of the previous year to 583ha of the current year. Area planted to peas was 421ha; it decreased by 55.9 percent from 955ha in 2013/2014. Area harvested to peas decreased by 47.8 percent from 502ha in 2013/2014 to 262ha in 2014/2015.

Table 12: Area Planted (ha) and Area Harvested to Wheat and Peas, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Wheat		Peas	
District	**Area Planted**	**Area Harvested**	**Area Planted**	**Area Harvested**
Botha- Bothe	0	0	18	18
Leribe	293	293	18	18
Berea	0	0	47	47
Maseru	0	0	91	91
Mafeteng	290	290	136	71
Mohale's Hoek	0	0	111	17
Quthing	0	0	0	0
Qacha's Nek	0	0	0	0
Mokhotlong	0	0	0	0
Thaba-Tseka	0	0	0	0
Lesotho	**583**	**583**	**421**	**262**

6.2 Production

Table 13 illustrates Wheat and Peas Production by District in Winter, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Wheat production was 417mt and had increased by 129.1 percent compared to 2013/2014 production (182mt). Wheat production for Mafeteng and Leribe was estimated at 226mt and 191mt respectively.

Production of Peas was 146mt, showing a decrease of 23.6 percent in 2013/2014 (191mt). The highest production was recorded in Maseru (57mt), while Mohale's Hoek was lowest with 5mt.

Table 13: Wheat and Peas Production in Winter, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	0	8
Leribe	191	9
Berea	0	31
Maseru	0	57
Mafeteng	226	36
Mohale's Hoek	0	5
Quthing	0	0
Qacha's Nek	0	0
Mokhotlong	0	0
Thaba-Tseka	0	0
Lesotho	**417**	**146**

6. 3 Yield

Table 14 presents Yield (mt/ha) by Crop and District in Winter, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Wheat yield in 2014/2015 agricultural year was 0.71mt/ha, it had increased by 2.9 percent from 2013/2014 (0.69mt/ha). Wheat yield was 0.78mt/ha and 0.65mt/ha for Mafeteng and Leribe respectively.

The yield for peas was 0.56 mt/ha, showing an increase of 47.4 percent as compared to 0.38mt/ha of 2013/2014. Berea recorded the highest yield with 0.67 mt/ha while Mohale's Hoek was the least with 0.33 mt/ha.

Table 14: Yield (mt/ha) by Crop and District in Winter, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	0	0.43
Leribe	0.65	0.50
Berea	0	0.67
Maseru	0	0.63
Mafeteng	0.78	0.50
Mohale's Hoek	0	0.33
Quthing	0	0
Qacha's Nek	0	0
Mokhotlong	0	0
Thaba-Tseka	0	0
Lesotho	**0.71**	**0.56**

6.4 Crop Failure

Table 15 illustrates Area Failed by Crop and District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. There was no crop failure for Wheat in Leribe and Mafeteng for the 2014/2015 agricultural year.

During this season, 159ha of area planted to peas had failed, showing an increase of 278.6 percent from 42ha in 2013/2014. Area that failed in Mohale's Hoek was 94ha and Mafeteng 65ha.

Table 15: Area Failed by Crop and District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	-	0
Leribe	0	0
Berea	-	0
Maseru	-	0
Mafeteng	0	65
Mohale's Hoek	-	94
Quthing	-	0
Qacha's Nek	-	0
Mokhotlong	-	0
Thaba-Tseka	-	0
Lesotho	**0**	**159**

7.0 Operations and Inputs

This section covers information on operation of fields, types of input used and the cost incurred during crop production being the actual cost and market cost. The area where operations were performed and inputs used together with their quantities are also covered. Generally, information gives a summary of all the expenses incurred from ploughing to where the farmer harvests and stores the production.

Table 16 presents Area Ploughed, Disked, Planted and Weeded by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Out of 182 967ha ploughed, 74 571ha was disked and 166 626 ha planted while 131 415ha was weeded.

Leribe and Maseru had the largest area ploughed, 33 994ha and 33 063ha respectively followed by Mafeteng with 25 462 ha. Maseru dominated in area disked (23 238ha) followed by Berea with 15 369ha.

Table 16: Total Area (ha) Ploughed, Disked, Planted, Weeded and Harvested by District for Agricultural Year 2014/2015

District	Ploughed	Disked	Planted	Weeded
Botha-Bothe	7,087	2,558	6,861	6,904
Leribe	33,994	8,134	25,461	22,423
Berea	20,860	15,369	21,105	15,111
Maseru	33,063	23,238	30,776	20,790
Mafeteng	25,462	395	24,348	21,330
Mohale's Hoek	17,422	7,763	16,557	14,620
Quthing	9,351	276	8,695	7,564
Qachas' Nek	5,668	985	4,462	3,465
Mokhotlong	13,536	5,481	12,523	8,776
Thaba-Tseka	16,525	10,373	15,839	10,431
Lesotho	**182,967**	**74,571**	**166,626**	**131,415**

7.1 Actual and Market Amount on Operations and Storage

The actual costs are the amounts that are spent by farmers but market costs are the amount that should have been paid if every farmer hired Agricultural equipment and/or bought agricultural inputs. In this subsection the actual and market costs are discussed.

7.1.1 Actual and market Amount spent on planting and weeding

Table 17 presents Total Actual and Market Amount spent on Planting and Weeding, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. The total actual amount spent on planting was M14 975 310 while the Market price was M47 060 093. Leribe spent the M5 921 822 followed by Maseru and Mohale's Hoek with M1 899 692 and M1 749 881 respectively.

The total amount that should have been spent on weeding was M68 415 133, but only M33 904 812 was spent. Leribe had the highest actual amount of M9 710 136 followed by Berea with M8 295 245 while the minimum expenses were observed in Mokhotlong with 910 600.

Table 17: Total Actual and Market Amount Spent (Maloti) on Planting and Weeding by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Planting		Weeding	
District	**Actual**	**Market**	**Actual**	**Market**
Botha-Bothe	1,134,654	1,648,521	911,385	2,146,056
Leribe	5,921,822	8,406,590	9,710,136	8,946,040
Berea	1,456,654	4,579,498	8,295,245	11,438,919
Maseru	1,899,692	9,474,291	7,496,872	16,155,506
Mafeteng	932,300	4,374,253	1,410,197	6,306,904
Mohale's Hoek	1,749,881	5,828,342	1,375,364	7,021,105
Quthing	115,612	2,042,098	1,601,253	4,353,963
Qachas' Nek	0	206,222	421,796	1,398,395
Mokhotlong	453,675	3,710,092	910,600	5,078,245
Thaba-Tseka	1,311,020	6,790,187	1,771,964	5,569,999
Lesotho	**14,975,310**	**47,060,093**	**33,904,812**	**68,415,133**

7.1.2 Actual and Market amount on Harvesting and Storage

Table 18 shows the Total Actual and Market Amount Spent on Harvesting and Storage, 2013/2014 Agricultural Year. The total actual amount spent on harvesting was M18 428 482 and the market amount was M49 274 230. It can also be observed from the table that the actual amount spent on Storage was M1 734 798 while M6 276 216 the cost of storing the 2013/2014 Agricultural Year produce.

Table18: Total Actual and Market Amount of Harvesting and Storage by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Harvesting		Storage	
District	**Actual**	**Market**	**Actual**	**Market**
Botha-Bothe	2,015,164	1,888,882	99,444	258,357
Leribe	7,035,851	7,969,857	827,234	769,397
Berea	2,420,523	5,150,131	120,450	0
Maseru	1,716,841	11,154,713	300,030	3,198,217
Mafeteng	268,463	2,960,142	30,771	430,463
Mohale's Hoek	1,074,530	3,675,846	51,775	418,964
Quthing	1,771,905	1,597,131	226,670	197,413
Qachas' nek	247,950	859,090	0	0
Mokhotlong	1,424,692	9,646,044	1,314	319,234
Thaba Tseka	452,564	4,372,393	77,110	684,170
Lesotho	**18,428,482**	**49,274,230**	**1,734,798**	**6,276,216**

7.2 Inputs

There are two types of fertilizers, namely organic fertilizers which are composed of enriched organic matter (plant or animal) and inorganic fertilizers which are composed of synthetic chemicals or minerals.

Table 19 shows Inorganic Fertilizers Used by Quantity, Amount Spent (Maloti) and Area (ha) for the 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. The category "Other" comprises inorganic fertilizers such as lime,urea,6:2:1(31). The most commonly used inorganic fertilizer was 3:2:1(32) with 1 510 133 followed by 3:2:1(25) with1, 458 755. Lan (15 547kg) seems not to be a common type of fertilizer used for it was applied to an area of 3 873ha of the fields countrywide.

Table 19: Inorganic Fertilizers Used by Quantity (kg/ml), Amount (Maloti) and Area (ha), 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

Inorganic Fertilizer	**Quantity**	**Actual Amount**	**Area**
Double Super	83,680	332,574	1,519
Single Supers	468,397	171,247	2,276
3;2;1(35)	412,665	1,345,322	3,430
3;2;1(25)	1,458,755	2,388,303	7,558
LAN	15,547	134,248	574
2;3;2(22)	637,618	1,260,371	4,988
3;2;1(32)	1,510,113	4,817,303	13,761
3;2;1(30)	502,995	1,400,715	3,873
Other	6,802,699	11,583,579	34,910
Total	**11,892,469**	**23,433,662**	**72,889**

Farmers in Lesotho also use organic fertilizers, namely; Ash, Kraal Manure, Poultry Manure, Pig Manure and combination of different manure. Table 20 shows Types of Organic Fertilizers Used, by Quantity, Amount and Area. The total actual amount spent on organic fertilizers was M1 403 293 to purchase 18 611 768kg which was applied on 60 313ha. The most common type of organic fertilizer used was kraal manure (17 130 923kg) which was applied to 57 589ha, amounting to M1 052 320. Pig manure was the least used fertilizer with 6 271kg, amounting to M119 252 and was applied on 182 ha.

Table 20: Type of Organic Fertilizers Used by Quantity (kg), Amount (Maloti) and Area (ha), 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

Organic Fertilizer	Quantity	Actual Amount	Market Amount	Area
Ash	104,949	41,521	301,752	1,240
Kraal Manure	17,130,923	1,052,320	6,791,852	57,589
Poultry Manure	158,712	5,055	7,192	248
Pig Manure	6,271	119,252	0	182
Combination	1,210,914	185,145	135,703	1,055

7.2.1 Pesticides

Pesticides are used to control pests. Table 21 presents Total Area Applied Pesticides by District and Type for the 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. Avalanche was the most used pesticides (18 128ha) and followed by Karate which was used on 11 371ha. Moreover, Ripcort was only applied in Botha-Bothe on an area of 59ha.

Table 21: Total Area (ha) Applied Pesticides by District and Type, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year.

District	Malathion	Ripcort	Karate	Dithane	Cutworm Bait	Fastac	Avalanche	Camprin	Other	Don't Know
Botha-Bothe	0	59	335	0	0	0	0	0	0	268
Leribe	0	0	0	75	0	0	3,104	0	0	0
Berea	0	0	1,712	1,769	734	2,232	3,756	'0	2,436	210
Maseru	3,075	0	3,806	2,354	854	2,523	3,756	54	4,172	3,094
Mafeteng	3,075	0	5,518	4,123	1,587	4,755	7,512	54	6,608	3,305
Mohale's Hoek	315	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quthing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	0
Qacha's Nek	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mokhotlong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thaba Tseka	0	0	0	75	0	0	3,104	0	0	0
Lesotho	**6,465**	**59**	**11,371**	**8,321**	**3,175**	**9,511**	**18,128**	**107**	**13,250**	**6,877**

7.2.2 Seeds

There are two types of seeds, Hybrid and Non-hybrid. Under Non-hybrid seeds there are three categories used; "Own Crop" which are seeds taken from the farmer's previous harvest, "Bought Locally" which are seeds bought from other farmers' previous harvest and "Other" seeds which are seeds such as those given by friends and relatives.

Table 22 Indicates Usage of Seeds by District and Seed Type. In all the districts, usage of maize seed was high with 201 351kg, followed by Beans and Sorghum usage with 69 593kg and 36 759kg respectively. Furthermore, it is observed that maize seeds (37 182kg) was mostly used in Leribe, wheat seeds was mostly used in Mokhotlong (4 415kg), Beans seed was mostly used in Berea (11 357kg), Thaba-Tseka(10 580) and Maseru(10 471). Berea did not use wheat seeds.

Table 22: Usage of Seeds (kg) by District and Seed Type, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Crop				
District	**Maize**	**Wheat**	**Sorghum**	**Beans**	**Peas**
Botha-Bothe	11, 502	1 ,157	1, 551	3, 745	318
Leribe	37, 182	2 ,445	5, 915	8, 857	1, 508
Berea	23, 243	0	4, 708	11, 357	99
Maseru	35, 734	2 ,206	5, 149	10, 471	909
Mafeteng	25, 406	640	3, 414	5, 667	176
Mohale's Hoek	17, 538	516	6, 471	4, 501	298
Quthing	9, 911	2 ,111	2, 659	7, 987	725
Qachas' Nek	4, 229	872	1, 689	3, 491	733
Mokhotlong	11, 955	4 ,415	909	2, 936	1, 256
Thaba-Tseka	24, 651	3 ,929	4, 293	10, 580	4, 289
Lesotho	**201, 351**	**18 ,290**	**36, 759**	**69, 593**	**10, 313**

Table 23 shows the Type of Seeds Used by district. It is observed that the type of seeds that is mostly used in Lesotho is the "Own crop" type (274 068Kg). Thaba-Tseka mostly used their own crop for planting (47 948 kg) while Leribe dominated in bought locally (14 395kg) and hybrid seeds (11 386kg). Berea mostly used imported Non- hybrid (3 309kg).

Table 23:Total Type Seed Used by District, 2014/2015 Agricultural year

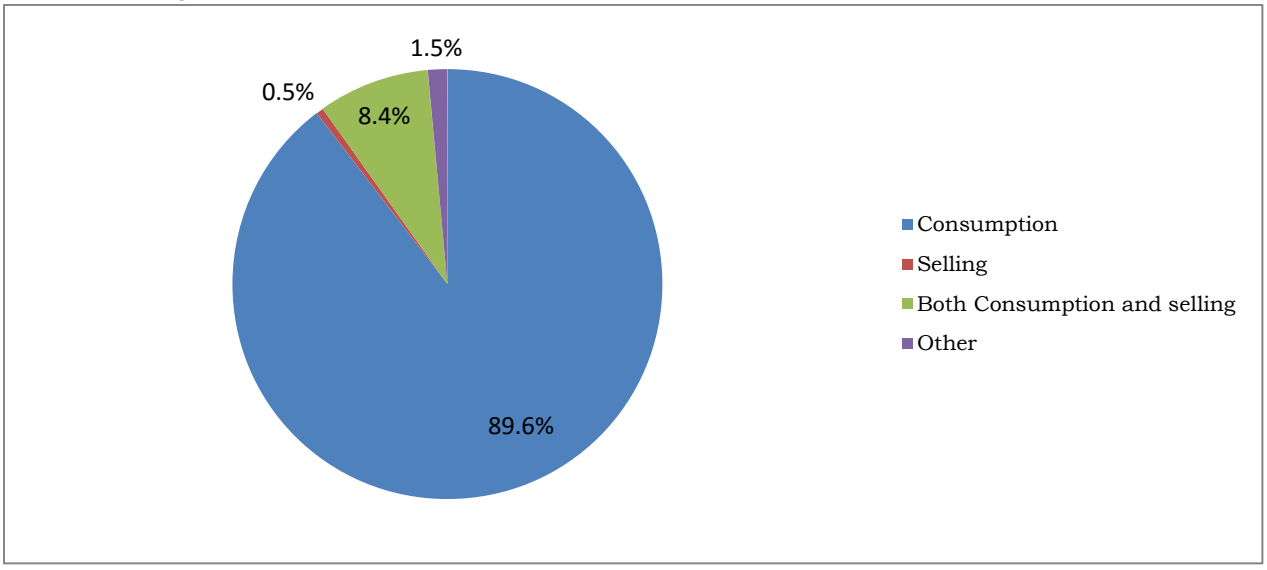
District	Own Crop	Bought Locally	Imported non-hybrid	Hybrid	Combination
Botha-Bothe	14,274	2,278	115	3,774	0
Leribe	38,879	14,395	1,285	11,386	0
Berea	30,619	9,074	3,309	7,323	99
Maseru	43,274	13,451	1,576	8,429	415
Mafeteng	26,923	6,213	93	4,800	170
Mohale's Hoek	28,681	7,652	305	4,750	0
Quthing	17,717	4,595	0	1,023	120
Qachas' Nek	8,931	1,078	212	738	0
Mokhotlong	16,823	6,911	340	170	0
Thaba-Tseka	47,948	11,498	0	2,269	0
Lesotho	**274,068**	**77,145**	**7,234**	**44,663**	**804**

7.3 Main purpose of planting

The main purpose of planting crops is for; "Consumption", "Selling", "Both consumptions and selling" and other purposes such as animal feeds.

Figure 6 portrays Percentage Share of Households by Main Purpose of Crop Production, for the 2014/2015 Agricultural Year. About 89.6 percent of the households planted crops for "consumption" followed by households planting for "consumption and selling" with 8.4 percent, while 0.5 percent of the households planted crops for selling.

Figure 6: Percentage Share of households by Main Purpose of Crop Production, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year



ANNEX TABLES

Table I: Distribution of Household Heads by District and Sex, 2014/2015 Agricultural

District	Sex	
	Male	Female
Botha-Bothe	5,076	2,643
Leribe	19,725	8,939
Berea	17,488	8,293
Maseru	14,886	11,052
Mafeteng	9,360	7,340
Mohale's hoek	17,725	10,703
Quthing	5,131	3,810
Qacha'sNek	2,186	1,894
Mokhotlong	2,004	1,448
Thaba-Tseka	13,813	6,942
Lesotho	**107,394**	**63,064**

Table II: Distribution of Household Heads by Residential Status and Sex, 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Present		Elsewhere in Lesotho		RSA		Not in Lesotho and RSA		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Botha-Bothe	3,818	2,844	313	0	950	0	0	0	**7,925**
Leribe	14,527	8,475	327	202	4,821	575	0	0	**28,927**
Berea	13,920	7,650	439	201	3243	332	0	0	**25,785**
Maseru	11,185	9,928	1,237	473	2,284	551	311	208	**26,177**
Mafeteng	7,823	7,237	94	0	1,443	220	0	0	**16,817**
Mohale's hoek	13,917	11,137	315	518	3,686	105	109	101	**29,888**
Quthing	4,425	3,810	117	235	704	120	0	0	**9,411**
Qacha's Nek	2,035	2,018	123	0	123	0	0	0	**4,299**
Mokhotlong	1,406	1,278	129	0	469	0	0	0	**3,282**
Thaba-Tseka	1,1207	7,509	985	0	1872	359	0	170	**22,102**

Table III: Distribution of Household Heads Contributing to Farming by District and Time

District	0 mth	1-3 mth	4-6 mth	7-9 mth	10-12mth	Those less than 6yrs	Total
Botha-Bothe	0	5524	1713	0	0	22442	**29,679**
Leribe	0	26,895	49,245	0	0	52,843	**128,983**
Berea	0	45,337	34,277	0	0	44,319	**123,933**
Maseru	26,868	19,916	19,013	5,590	17,447	19,626	**108,460**
Mafeteng	10,289	24,607	9,159	219	3,495	26,824	**74,593**
Mohale's hoek	3,770	68,784	27,121	1,047	0	36,502	**137,224**
Quthing	11,437	7,998	7,997	957	2,222	10,701	**41,312**
Qacha's Nek	6,758	5,927	2,243	709	2,954	2,887	**21,478**
Mokhotlong	1,870	2,936	469	340	4,250	4,745	**14,610**
Thaba-Tseka	0	12,979	40,602	0	0	51,499	**105,080**

Table IV: Percentage Distribution of Household Members by Age Groups and Educational level– 2014/2015

	EDUCATION LEVEL					
Age Group	**None**	**Primary**	**Pre-school**	**Secondary & Non-graduate**	**Graduate**	**Non-formal**
0-4	37,803	0	3,721	0	0	0
5-9	28,151	46,475	15,530	0	0	0
10-14	2,402	94,424	114	4,673	0	170
15-19	2,694	51,276	105	38,760	0	0
20-24	3,391	34,657	0	35,920	780	0
25-29	4,594	30,775	374	23,282	2,011	0
30-34	4,077	25,599	114	15,010	513	0
35-39	5,066	22,158	0	11,366	716	100
40-44	3,667	16,772	123	7,649	242	0
45-49	3,860	17,121	0	7,094	0	0
50-54	4,496	18,828	0	6,368	0	213
55-59	5,495	18,645	0	3,163	193	215
60-64	5,274	18,542	0	3,006	101	251
65-69	2,992	13,580	0	1,381	100	289
70-74	4,699	14,566	0	1,170	77	0
75-79	2,913	8,561	0	749	0	176
80-84	3,174	7,627	0	335	0	0
85+	1,962	4,360	0	0	0	111
Lesotho	**126,710**	**443,967**	**20,081**	**159,924**	**4,734**	**1,525**

Table V: Area Planted in Summer by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Maize	Wheat	Sorghum	Beans	Peas	Other Mixtures	Barley	Oats	Other Crops	Potatoes	Total	Fallow
Botha-Bothe	Lowlands	1,383	0	185	498	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,067	437
	Foothills	2,187	0	486	335	0	0	0	69	0	0	3,076	587
	Mountains	1,195	396	0	23	32	0	5	61	4	0	1,718	97
	Total	**4,765**	**396**	**671**	**857**	**32**	**0**	**5**	**130**	**4**	**0**	**6,861**	**1,121**
Leribe	Lowlands	12,530	1	1,826	2,274	0	22	0	0	180	13	16,846	4,272
	Foothills	3,517	0	303	186	0	0	0	0	73	0	4,079	1,663
	Mountains	2,890	761	0	145	103	0	232	329	75	0	4,536	103
	Total	**18,937**	**762**	**2,129**	**2,605**	**103**	**22**	**232**	**329**	**328**	**13**	**25,461**	**6,038**
Berea	Lowlands	11,032	0	1,389	3,423	46	104	0	0	268	4	16,267	6,769
	Foothills	2,673	0	674	1,355	0	1	91	0	0	45	4,839	1,290
	Total	**13,705**	**0**	**2,062**	**4,778**	**46**	**105**	**91**	**0**	**268**	**50**	**21,105**	**8,060**
Maseru	Lowlands	11,777	0	1,549	2,345	3	20	0	0	101	15	15,810	5,604
	Foothills	6,965	48	1,151	1,264	14	123	253	0	120	0	9,938	2,033
	Mountains	3,434	681	87	221	184	0	360	0	61	0	5,028	288
	Total	**22,177**	**729**	**2,787**	**3,829**	**201**	**143**	**613**	**0**	**282**	**15**	**30,776**	**7,924**
Mafeteng	Lowlands	16,383	0	2,090	1,830	0	87	68	0	25	0	20,484	11,620
	Foothills	2,886	30	290	384	44	33	196	0	3	0	3,864	1,019
	Total	**19,269**	**30**	**2,379**	**2,214**	**44**	**121**	**264**	**0**	**28**	**0**	**24,348**	**12,638**
Mohale's Hoek	Lowlands	2,757	0	495	585	0	0	0	0	18	0	3,854	452
	Foothills	1,470	0	804	572	0	0	0	0	6	0	2,853	1,186
	Mountains	3,129	589	1,111	651	52	0	459	0	36	0	6,026	722
	SRV	2,314	0	1,104	405	0	0	0	0	.	0	3,824	1,961
	Total	**9,671**	**589**	**3,513**	**2,214**	**52**	**0**	**459**	**0**	**60**	**0**	**16,557**	**4,321**
Quthing	Mountains	1,666	521	369	546	45	0	0	0	0	0	3,147	392
	SRV	2,771	340	1,394	1,028	15	0	0	0	0	0	5,548	1,091
	Total	**4,438**	**861**	**1,763**	**1,573**	**60**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**8,695**	**1,484**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	1,447	499	0	402	101	0	165	0	3	11	2,629	1,219
	SRV	854	137	265	556	2	12	7	0	0	0	1,833	407
	Total	**2,301**	**637**	**265**	**958**	**103**	**12**	**173**	**0**	**3**	**11**	**4,462**	**1,627**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	6,901	2,745	318	1,449	317	0	462	0	247	83	12,523	1,511
	Total	**6,901**	**2,745**	**318**	**1,449**	**317**	**0**	**462**	**0**	**247**	**83**	**12,523**	**1,511**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	8,662	1,661	1,059	1,589	284	0	712	56	80	75	14,177	1,881
	SRV	813	0	400	421	8	0	16	0	4	0	1,662	0
	Total	**9,475**	**1,661**	**1,458**	**2,010**	**291**	**0**	**727**	**56**	**84**	**75**	**15,839**	**1,881**
Lesotho		**111,640**	**8,409**	**17,346**	**22,488**	**1,250**	**403**	**3,024**	**515**	**1,304**	**247**	**166,626**	**46,605**

Table VI: Area Planted in Winter by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Wheat	Peas	Oats	Barley	Other Crops	Potatoes	Fallow Area
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	0	18	0	0	0	0	3,018
	FootHills	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,819
	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,634
	Total	**0**	**18**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**8,471**
Leribe	LowLands	293	18	0	0	2	0	24,928
	FootHills	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,704
	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,322
	Total	**293**	**18**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0**	**34,955**
Berea	LowLands	0	47	83	0	0	0	57,197
	FootHills	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,302
	Total	**0**	**47**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**65,498**
Maseru	LowLands	0	91	4	1	0	0	23,534
	FootHills	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,068
	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,263
	Total	**0**	**91**	**4**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**39,865**
Mafeteng	LowLands	290	136	496	0	77	0	32,418
	FootHills	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,159
	Total	**290**	**136**	**496**	**0**	**77**	**0**	**37,577**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	0	103	6	0	0	0	4,116
	FootHills	0	7	0	0	0	0	3,530
	Mountains	0	0	33	0	0	0	6,237
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,752
	Total	**0**	**111**	**39**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**19,636**
Quthing	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,307
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	15,249
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**18,557**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,767
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,597
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**6,364**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	16,525
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**16,525**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	17,481
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,634
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**20,116**
Lesotho		**583**	**421**	**539**	**1**	**79**	**0**	**267,562**

Table VII: Area Harvested in Summer by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	1,242	185	0	200	0
	FootHills	1,976	486	0	335	0
	Mountains	894	0	323	23	32
	Total	**4,112**	**671**	**323**	**857**	**32**
Leribe	LowLands	12,265	1,811	0	1,780	0
	FootHills	3,326	303	0	175	0
	Mountains	2,890	0	761	145	103
	Total	**18,481**	**2,114**	**761**	**2,099**	**103**
Berea	LowLands	9,320	1,340	0	2,841	0
	FootHills	1,998	668	0	1,112	0
	Total	**11,318**	**2,009**	**0**	**3,952**	**0**
Maseru	LowLands	10,678	1,326	0	1,744	0
	FootHills	5,945	952	48	1,034	14
	Mountains	3,129	87	681	87	184
	Total	**19,752**	**2,365**	**729**	**2,865**	**198**
Mafeteng	LowLands	13,059	2,040	0	1,430	0
	FootHills	2,798	247	30	384	44
	Total	**18,765**	**2,288**	**30**	**1,814**	**44**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	2,411	287	0	245	0
	FootHills	1,189	723	0	352	0
	Mountains	2,689	1,111	589	574	38
	SRV	1,868	947	0	13	0
	Total	**8,157**	**3,067**	**589**	**1,183**	**36**
Quthing	Mountains	1,584	282	521	490	45
	SRV	2,411	1,276	340	680	15
	Total	**9,229**	**1,558**	**861**	**1,170**	**60**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	1,345	0	499	402	101
	SRV	854	264	122	545	2
	Total	**2,199**	**264**	**622**	**947**	**103**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	6,830	318	2,745	1,449	317
	Total	**6,830**	**318**	**2,745**	**958**	**317**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	8,391	1,059	1,661	973	269
	SRV	790	257	0	-16	8
	Total	**9,181**	**1,316**	**1,661**	**957**	**276**
Lesotho		**99,884**	**15,968**	**8,320**	**17,294**	**1,071**

Table VIII: Area Harvested in Winter by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

	Zone	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	0	18
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**18**
Leribe	LowLands	293	18
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**293**	**18**
Berea	LowLands	0	47
	FootHills	0	0
	Total	**0**	**47**
Maseru	LowLands	0	91
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**91**
Mafeteng	LowLands	290	71
	FootHills	0	0
	Total	**290**	**71**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	0	9
	FootHills	0	7
	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**17**
Quthing	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Lesotho		**583**	**262**

Table IX: Summer Production by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	1,080	61	0	65	0
	FootHills	1,631	163	0	68	0
	Mountains	633	0	227	8	1
	Total	**3,343**	**223**	**227**	**142**	**1**
Leribe	LowLands	12,333	1,354	0	511	0
	FootHills	3,876	540	0	87	0
	Mountains	2,640	0	664	75	12
	Total	**18,849**	**1,894**	**664**	**673**	**12**
Berea	LowLands	5,861	570	0	396	0
	FootHills	615	276	0	207	0
	Total	**6,476**	**846**	**0**	**603**	**0**
Maseru	LowLands	8,756	1,127	0	942	0
	FootHills	4,483	889	30	135	0
	Mountains	1,634	9	392	5	27
	Total	**14,873**	**2,025**	**422**	**1,083**	**27**
Mafeteng	LowLands	1,910	1,063	0	118	0
	FootHills	1,091	130	26	43	1
	Total	**3,001**	**1,193**	**26**	**162**	**1**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	546	265	0	327	0
	FootHills	1,011	771	0	68	0
	Mountains	2,112	727	294	143	6
	SRV	398	234	0	1	0
	Total	**4,068**	**1,998**	**294**	**539**	**6**
Quthing	Mountains	914	75	510	53	2
	SRV	996	766	404	60	0
	Total	**1,911**	**841**	**914**	**114**	**2**
Qacha's Nek	Maountains	220	0	111	37	81
	SRV	175	55	81	60	0
	Total	**396**	**55**	**192**	**96**	**81**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	8,197	273	2,511	809	159
	Total	**8,197**	**273**	**2,511**	**809**	**159**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	4,340	112	1,403	164	41
	SRV	183	68	0	-1	0
	Total	**4,523**	**180**	**1,403**	**162**	**41**
Lesotho		**65,636**	**9,529**	**6,652**	**4,382**	**330**

Table X: Winter Production by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	0	8
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**8**
Leribe	LowLands	191	9
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**191**	**9**
Berea	LowLands	0	31
	FootHills	0	0
	Total	**0**	**31**
Maseru	LowLands	0	57
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**57**
Mafeteng	LowLands	226	36
	FootHills	0	0
	Total	**226**	**36**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	0	4
	FootHills	0	1
	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**5**
Quthing	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Qacha's Nek	Maountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Lesotho		**417**	**146**

Table XI: Summer Yield by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	0.87	0.33	0.00	0.33	0.00
	FootHills	0.83	0.34	0.00	0.20	0.00
	Mountains	0.71	0.00	0.70	0.35	0.02
	Total	**0.81**	**0.33**	**0.70**	**0.17**	**0.02**
Leribe	LowLands	1.01	0.75	0.00	0.29	0.00
	FootHills	1.17	1.78	0.00	0.50	0.00
	Mountains	0.91	0.00	0.87	0.52	0.12
	Total	**1.02**	**0.90**	**0.87**	**0.32**	**0.12**
Berea	LowLands	0.63	0.43	0.00	0.14	0.00
	FootHills	0.31	0.41	0.00	0.19	0.00
	Total	**0.57**	**0.42**	**0.00**	**0.15**	**0.00**
Maseru	LowLands	0.82	0.85	0.00	0.54	0.00
	FootHills	0.75	0.93	0.63	0.13	0.02
	Mountains	0.52	0.11	0.58	0.06	0.14
	Total	**0.75**	**0.86**	**0.58**	**0.38**	**0.14**
Mafeteng	LowLands	0.15	0.52	0.00	0.08	0.00
	FootHills	0.39	0.53	0.87	0.11	0.02
	Total	**0.16**	**0.52**	**0.00**	**0.09**	**0.02**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	0.23	0.93	0.00	1.34	0.00
	FootHills	0.85	1.07	0.00	0.19	0.00
	Mountains	0.79	0.66	0.50	0.25	0.15
	SRV	0.21	0.25	0.00	0.06	0.00
	Total	**0.50**	**0.65**	**0.50**	**0.46**	**0.16**
Quthing	Mountains	0.58	0.27	0.98	0.11	0.05
	SRV	0.41	0.60	1.19	0.09	0.01
	Total	**0.21**	**0.54**	**1.06**	**0.10**	**0.04**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	0.16	0.00	0.22	0.09	0.80
	SRV	0.21	0.21	0.67	0.11	0.00
	Total	**0.18**	**0.21**	**0.31**	**0.10**	**0.78**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	1.20	0.86	0.91	0.56	0.50
	Total	**1.20**	**0.86**	**0.91**	**0.84**	**0.50**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	0.52	0.11	0.84	0.17	0.15
	SRV	0.23	0.27	0.00	0.09	0.02
	Total	**0.49**	**0.14**	**0.84**	**0.17**	**0.15**
Lesotho		**0.66**	**0.60**	**0.80**	**0.25**	**0.31**

Table XII: Winter Yield by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	0.00	0.43
	FootHills	0.00	0.00
	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.43**
Leribe	LowLands	0.65	0.50
	FootHills	0.00	0.00
	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.65**	**0.50**
Berea	LowLands	0.00	0.67
	FootHills	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.67**
Maseru	LowLands	0.00	0.63
	FootHills	0.00	0.00
	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.63**
Mafeteng	LowLands	0.78	0.50
	FootHills	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.78**	**0.50**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	0.00	0.48
	FootHills	0.00	0.14
	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	SRV	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.33**
Quthing	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	SRV	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.00**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	SRV	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.00**
Mokhotlong	Mountains		0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.91**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	0.00	0.00
	SRV	0.00	0.00
	Total	**0.00**	**0.00**
Lesotho		**0.71**	**0.56**

Table XIII: Area Failed in Summer by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Maize	Sorghum	Wheat	Beans	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	141	0	0	298	0
	FootHills	211	0	0	0	0
	Mountains	301	0	73	0	0
	Total	**653**	**0**	**73**	**0**	**0**
Leribe	LowLands	265	15	1	495	0
	FootHills	191	0	0	11	0
	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	**456**	**15**	**1**	**505**	**0**
Berea	LowLands	1,713	49	0	583	46
	FootHills	675	5	0	243	0
	Total	**2,387**	**54**	**0**	**826**	**46**
Maseru	LowLands	1,100	223	0	601	0
	FootHills	1,021	199	0	230	0
	Mountains	305	0	0	133	0
	Total	**2,425**	**422**	**0**	**964**	**0**
Mafeteng	LowLands	3,324	50	0	400	0
	FootHills	88	42	0	0	0
	Total	**3,412**	**92**	**0**	**400**	**0**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	346	208	0	340	0
	FootHills	281	81	0	220	0
	Mountains	440	0	0	78	13
	SRV	446	157	0	392	0
	Total	**1,514**	**446**	**0**	**1,030**	**16**
Quthing	Mountains	82	87	0	55	0
	SRV	360	118	0	348	0
	Total	**442**	**205**	**0**	**403**	**0**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	101	0	0	0	0
	SRV	0	1	15	12	0
	Total	**101**	**1**	**15**	**12**	**0**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	71	0	0	0	0
	Total	**71**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	271	0	0	616	15
	SRV	24	143	0	437	0
	Total	**295**	**143**	**0**	**1,053**	**15**
Lesotho		**11,756**	**1,378**	**89**	**5,193**	**175**

Table XIV: Area Failed in winter by District, Zone and Crop Type for 2014/2015 Agricultural Year

District	Zone	Wheat	Peas
Botha-Bothe	LowLands	0	0
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Leribe	LowLands	0	0
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Berea	LowLands	0	0
	FootHills	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Maseru	LowLands	0	0
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Mafeteng	LowLands	0	65
	FootHills	0	0
	Total	**0**	**65**
Mohale's Hoek	LowLands	0	94
	FootHills	0	0
	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**94**
Quthing	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Qacha's Nek	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	0	0
	SRV	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**
Lesotho		**0**	**159**

Table XV: Types of Seeds used by Zone and District for Agricultural Year 2014/2015

District	Zone	Own Crop	Bought Locally	Imported non-hybrid	Hybrid	Combination	Others
Botha-Bothe	Lowlands	2,410	0	115	1,450	0	0
	Foothills	7,899	1,614	0	2,324	0	0
	Mountains	3,966	664	0	0	0	0
	Total	**14,274**	**2,278**	**115**	**3,774**	0	0
Leribe	Lowlands	24,495	9,018	1,111	9,900	0	1,212
	Foothills	7,607	1,303	0	1,278	0	428
	Mountains	6,777	4,074	173	208	0	710
	Total	**38,879**	**14,395**	**1,285**	**11,386**	0	**2,351**
Berea	Lowlands	21,556	6,181	3,309	6,614	0	1,009
	Foothills	9,063	2,893	-	709	99	-
	Total	**30,619**	**9,074**	**3,309**	**7,323**	**99**	**1,009**
Maseru	Lowlands	16,326	6,571	859	5,019	0	0
	Foothills	17,490	4,541	717	3,298	415	131
	Mountains	9,458	2,339	0	112	0	112
	Total	**43,274**	**13,451**	**1,576**	**8,429**	**415**	**244**
Mafeteng	Lowlands	20,031	4,549	0	3,386	77	737
	Foothills	6,892	1,664	93	1,414	93	449
	Total	**26,923**	**6,213**	**93**	**4,800**	**170**	**1,186**
Mohale's Hoek	Lowlands	3,569	711	0	2,206	0	0
	Foothills	5,227	1,864	0	2,439	0	0
	Mountains	12,669	2,470	305	0	0	305
	SRV	7,215	2,608	0	105	0	0
	Total	**28,681**	**7,652**	**305**	**4,750**	0	**305**
Quthing	Mountains	4,180	2,567	0	441	0	149
	SRV	13,536	2,028	0	582	120	469
	Total	**17,717**	**4,595**	0	**1,023**	**120**	**618**
Qachas' Nek	Mountains	3,031	0	0	0	0	0
	SRV	5,900	1,078	212	738	0	955
	Total	**8,931**	**1,078**	**212**	**738**	0	**955**
Mokhotlong	Mountains	16,823	6,911	340	170	0	0
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	**16,823**	**6,911**	**340**	**170**	0	0
Thaba-Tseka	Mountains	44,022	10,844	0	2,269	0	472
	SRV	3,926	654	0	0	0	0
	Total	**47,948**	**11,498**	0	**2,269**	0	**472**
Lesotho	_	**243,449**	**68,071**	**3,925**	**37,340**	**705**	**6,130**

Table XVI: Area Applied Pesticides by Zone, District and Type for Agricultural Year 2014/2015

District	Zone	Not Used	Malathion	Matasystox	Ripcort	Karate	Aphicides	Dithane	Cutworm Bait	Fastac	Avalanche	Camprin	Other	Dont Know
Botha-Bothe	Lowlands	640	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	239
	Foothills	665	0	0	59	323	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
	Mountains	149	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	**1,454**	**0**	**0**	**59**	**335**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**268**
Leribe	Lowlands	3,970	137	292	0	703	0	19	1,783	344	0	0	565	346
	Foothills	233	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	925	157
	Mountains	3,648	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	0
	Total	**7,851**	**210**	**292**	**0**	**703**	**0**	**19**	**1,783**	**344**	**0**	**0**	**1,546**	**503**
Berea	Lowlands	7,026	0	0	0	1,712	0	1,186	734	2,232	3,756	0	1,276	77
	Foothills	1,737	0	0	0	0	0	583	0	0	0	0	1,160	134
	Total	**8,763**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1,712**	**0**	**1,769**	**734**	**2,232**	**3,756**	**0**	**2,436**	**210**
Maseru	Lowlands	9,605	2,975	0	0	0	0	0	120	291	0	54	1,350	2,884
	Foothills	2,660	100	0	0	2,095	0	585	0	0	0	0	386	0
	Mountains	388	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	**12,653**	**3,075**	**0**	**0**	**2,095**	**0**	**585**	**120**	**291**	**0**	**54**	**1,736**	**2,884**
Mafeteng	Lowlands	0	443	251	0	225	223	3	0	0	0	0	544	231
	Foothills	0	13	0	0	142	0	0	0	0	0	0	106	227
	Total	**0**	**456**	**251**	**0**	**367**	**223**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**650**	**458**
Mohale's Hoek	Lowlands	0	315	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Foothills	3,215	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mountains	5,188	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SRV	1,252	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
	Total	**9,655**	**315**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**7**
Quthing	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	0
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**34**	**0**
Qacha's Nek	Lowlands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Foothills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Mokhotlong	Lowlands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Foothills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mountains	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SRV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Thaba Tseka	Mountains	7,803	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,402	0	0	0
	SRV	1,799	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	701	0	0	0
	Total	**9,602**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**75**	**0**	**0**	**3,104**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Lesotho		**49,978**	**4,056**	**544**	**59**	**5,211**	**223**	**2,451**	**2,636**	**2,867**	**6,860**	**54**	**6,402**	**4,330**