







Onions







Garlic



Butternuts Cabbage Gem Squash

Potatoes

Pumpkins

HORTICULTURE: VEGETABLE PRODUCTION FORECAST

REPORT NO. 1

FORECASTED PERIOD:

01 DECEMBER 2021 TO 30 APRIL 2022

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1. INTRODUCTION

Report no. 1, covers the local production forecast for the six (6) special controlled crops i.e. Butternuts, Cabbage, Gem Squash, Onions, Potatoes and Pumpkins. This report also cover *garlic* as a monitored crop. The production of the special controlled products is monitored by NAB and involves close border period whenever sufficient local production is expected, and it is implemented in line with the market share promotion scheme. The production forecast covers a period of five (5) months and it is updated on a monthly basis, while field verifications are carried out on a quarterly basis. The special controlled products in this report are divided into the following categories: Inclusion and Exclusions: Inclusion involves all the specific sub- product types of special controlled products and can only be imported through the Special Import Permit during open border periods (see table 1). Exclusion involves sub-product type of special controlled products that does not form part of the special controlled product scheme and can be imported using the mixed fruits and vegetable import permit. The objective of the special controlled product scheme is to stimulate local production of horticultural products in Namibia, as a growth at home strategy implemented by the NAB. Thus, this report discusses the production forecast per production area (table 2), availability of the expected crops per producer (table 3), tabulation (table 4) and graphical (figure 1 to 6) analysis for the expected production versus local demand for this reporting period.

Table 1: Show the inclusions and exclusions of the special controlled products.

Special Controlled Product	INCLUSIONS (Not allowed to be imported, only during open border period). Only imported through the special import permit during open border period.	EXCLUSIONS (Allowed to be imported with no restriction). Imported through mixed fruits and vegetable import permit.
1. Butternuts	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Zebra Butternut and Baby Butternut. All frozen, dried, cooked and preserved Butternuts (Whole or Cut).
	Cut Green Cabbage, except the "Exclusions".	dried, cooked and preserved Cabbage (Whole or Cut).
3. Gem Squash	All types, size groups and container size of fresh, chilled, Whole or Cut Gem Squash, except the "Exclusions".	All frozen, dried, cooked and preserved Gem Squash (Whole or Cut).
4. Onions	Cut Onion, except the "Exclusions".	White Salad Onions and Red Onions. All frozen, dried, cooked and preserved Onions (Whole or Cut).
5. Potatoes	Cut Potato Irish, except the "Exclusions".	Washed white "loose sell" and / or "pre-pack" types of potato; Washed baby potato. Red fleshed potatoes. All frozen, dried, cooked and preserved Irish Potato (Whole or Cut).
6. Pumpkins		All frozen, dried, cooked and preserved pumpkin. All decorative types of pumpkin.

Source: NAB, 2021

Whole: any fresh fruit or vegetable that have not been altered from its original form.

Cut: any fresh fruit or vegetable that has been physically altered from its original form, but remains in a fresh state.

Dried: any Fresh fruit or vegetable that have been dried or dehydrated, either whole or in pieces/cuts.

Frozen: any fresh fruits or vegetables that have had their temperature reduced and maintained to below their freezing point.

Chilled: any fresh fruit or vegetable with the temperature reduced to around ^oC without the products being frozen.

Cooked: Refers to fruit and vegetables that are cooked by steaming or boiling in water, either whole or in pieces/cuts.

Preserved: Refers to fresh fruit and vegetables soaked in brine or vinegar, or other liquids, either whole or in pieces/cuts.

2. PRODUCTION FORECAST PER AREA

Tables 2 below shows the total expected tonnage, yield and hectares of crops to be harvested during this reporting period.

	Table 2: FIV	E MONTHS	EXPECTE	D PRODUC	TION PER	R CROP, I	PER ARE	A FOR TH	HE PERIO	DD: 01 D e	cember	2021 to 3	0 April 2022	
Numbers in the ta	able below repr	esents toni	nage										Last updated:	19 November 2021
PRODUCTION	Special controlled and		Dec-21		Jar	1-22	Feb)-22	Ma	r-22	Арі	r-22	Total (for th	ne 5 months period)
AREAS	monitored crops	01-15 Dec 21 Local	16-31 Dec 21 Local	01-31 Dec 21 Export	Local	Export	Local	Export	Local	Export	Local	Export	Yield	Ha to be harvested
	Butternuts	7.14	6.93	0.00	1.53	0.00	1.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.13	0.82
	Cabbage	0.00	0.51	0.00	20.83	0.00	15.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37.06	0.81
ZAMBEZI REGION	Gem squash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
_	Onions	1.44	1.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.87	0.07
	Pumpkins	0.53	6.38	0.00	8.50	0.00	14.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.28	0.52
-	Butternuts	27.75	9.29	0.00	2.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.25	3.16
1441/41100	Cabbage	2.98	27.63	0.00	7.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38.25	1.50
KAVANGO	Gem squash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
REGIONS	Onions	17.68	21.45	0.00	7.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46.91	1.60
<u> </u>	Potatoes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Pumpkins	45.48	45.48	0.00	85.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	175.95	5.14
_	Butternuts	45.05	50.50	0.00	98.64	0.00	38.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	232.44	15.54
NODTHOENTON	Cabbage	87.04	85.77	0.00	122.40	0.00	88.40	0.00	3.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	387.01	11.62
NORTH CENTRAL	Gem squash	0.00	4.25	0.00	5.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.35	0.50
-	Onions	24.23	19.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	43.78 23.80	2.04
	Pumpkins	1.28	1.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		1.10 32.97
-	Butternuts	106.68 225.25	114.33 231.20	0.00	178.46 332.35	0.00	66.30	0.00	73.95	0.00	56.95 153.85	0.00	596.66 1267.35	
-	Cabbage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	162.35 0.00	0.00	162.35 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26.85 0.00
KARSTLAND	Gem squash Onions	365.50	352.75	0.00	250.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	969.00	28.25
-	Potatoes	680.00	1062.50	0.00	340.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2082.50	60.00
-	Pumpkins	23.38	31.03	0.00	56.95	0.00	76.50	0.00	46.75	0.00	21.25	0.00	255.85	8.25
	Butternuts	4.25	34.00	0.00	47.60	0.00	12.75	0.00	29.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	128.35	5.30
-	Cabbage	141.95	141.95	0.00	136.00	0.00	102.00	0.00	85.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	606.90	15.37
-	Gem squash	0.00	12.75	0.00	12.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.50	1.00
CENTRAL	Onions	309.40	320.45	255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	884.85	19.92
-	Potatoes	425.00	425.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	850.00	25.00
	Pumpkins	0.00	0.00	0.00	51.00	0.00	17.00	0.00	17.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	85.00	2.50
	Butternuts	11.90	13.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.50	1.00
COLUMNIC	Cabbage	21.25	21.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.50	1.00
SOUTH AND	Gem squash	11.05	13.60	0.00	10.20	0.00	10.20	0.00	10.20	0.00	10.20	0.00	65.45	2.00
ORANGE RIVER	Onions	98.60	101.15	0.00	125.80	0.00	109.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	435.20	12.45
ļ	Pumpkins	40.38	40.38	0.00	38.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	119.00	3.25
	Butternuts	203	229	0	328	0	119	0	104	0	57	0	1039	59
	Cabbage	478	508	0	619	0	368	0	251	0	154	0	2379	57
Total expected	Gem Squash	11	31	0	28	0	10	0	10	0	10	0	100	4
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per month	Potatoes	1105	1488	0	340	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2933	85
	Pumpkins	111	125	0	240	0	130	0	64	0	21	0	690	21
	Garlic	25 .	.32	0	4.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.92	4.34

3. AVAILABILITY OF THE EXPECTED CROPS PER PRODUCERS

Table 3A shows availability of the expected special controlled crops per area, per producer. This table further shows that during the forecasted period, butternuts, cabbage and onions are expected to be available in all production areas. Traders are thus advised to contact producers listed in a table below to place their orders.

Table 3A: THE FIVE MON	NTHS	EXPE	СТЕ	D AV	/AILA	BILI	TY C	CALE	ND/	AR F	OR	THE	E SP	ECI	IAL (CON	NTR	OLL	ED (CRO	PS	(But	tern	uts, (Cabl	bage	e, Ge	em s	qua	sh, C	Onio	ns, I	Pota	toes	and	l Pur	npki	ns)	
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Kindly note that, producers who wash potatoes in Namibia includes: Lourens Le Grange in Kavango; Cobus Coetzee, Hannes Arangies, Hansie van der Merwe, Jan Keyser and Loui Smit in the Karst while in central

Note: Producers not listed herein, it is either because they will not harvest any of the six (6) special controlled products or they did not provide their production data for this reporting period.

Source: NAB, 2021

there is Ludie Kolver and Etienne Jooste. All other producers supplies unwashed or brushed potatoes

Table 3B shows availability of the expected *Garlic* as *monitored controlled crop* per area, per producer. This table further shows that garlic is only expected to be available in central area. Traders are thus advised to contact producers listed in a table below to place their orders.

	Table 3B: THE FIVE M	ONTHS EXPEC	TED AVAILABILI	TY OF THE	GARLIC AS	MONITORED	CROP
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PE	ERIOD: 01 December 202	1 to 30 April 20	22		Last updat	ed: 19 Nove	mber 2021
	NAME OF PRODUCER	01-15 Dec 21	16-31 Dec 21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22
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2	Corne Kuhn	<u> </u>					
3	Gerhar Gehardus	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
4	Henk Peters	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
5	Jaco Thomas	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
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4. EXPECTED PRODUCTION VS DEMAND ANALYSIS

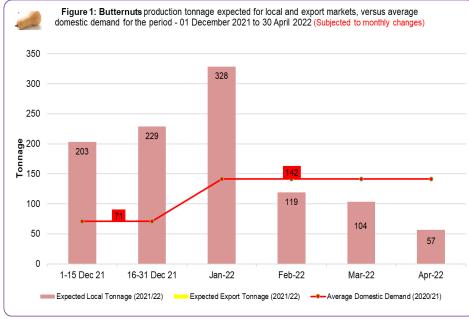
4.1 TABULATION ANALYSIS

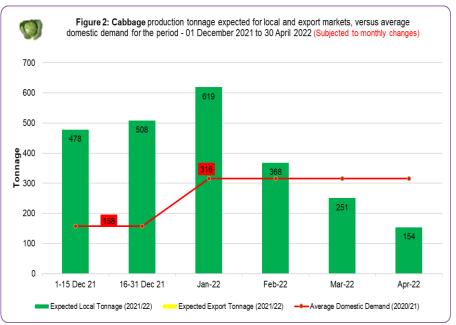
Table 4 below shows that, the total tonnage expected for butternuts, cabbage, onions and pumpkins will be sufficient to satisfy the domestic market in December 2021. **Table 4** further shows that; Gem squash and potatoes are forecasted to be insufficient for the domestic demand in December 2021.

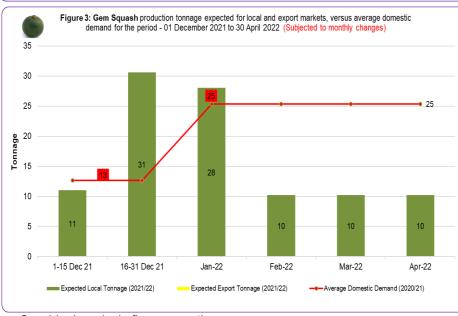
Table 4: ANA	LYSIS OF THE EXPECTED TONNA	GE FOR DO	MESTIC MA	RKET VER	SUS AVER	AGE DOME	STIC DEMA	ND
Numbers in th	is table represents tonnage				Las	t updated: 1	9 November	2021
Special Controlled Crops	Expected Surplus or Shortage	01-15 Dec 2021	16-31 Dec 2021	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	Total
	Expected for domestic market	203	229	328	119	104	57	837
Butternuts	Average domestic demand	71	71	142	142	142	142	638
	Surplus / shortage	132	158	187	-23	-38	-85	199
	Expected for domestic market	478	508	619	368	251	154	1901
Cabbage	Average domestic demand	158	158	316	316	316	316	1422
	Surplus / shortage	320	350	303	52	-65	-162	478
	Expected for domestic market	11	31	28	10	10	10	89
Gem Squash	Average domestic demand	13	13	25	25	25	25	114
	Surplus / shortage	-2	18	3	-15	-15	-15	-25
	Expected for domestic market	718	716	259	0	0	0	974
Onions	Average domestic demand	400	400	800	800	800	800	3602
	Surplus / shortage	318	315	-542	-800	-800	-800	-2628
	Expected for domestic market	1105	1488	340	0	0	0	1828
Potatoes	Average domestic demand	1,919	1919	3838	3838	3838	3838	17272
	Surplus / shortage	-814	-432	-3498	-3838	-3838	-3838	-15444
	Expected for domestic market	111	125	240	130	64	21	690
Pumpkins	Average domestic demand	35	35	70	70	70	70	351
	Surplus / shortage	76	89	169	59	-7	-49	338

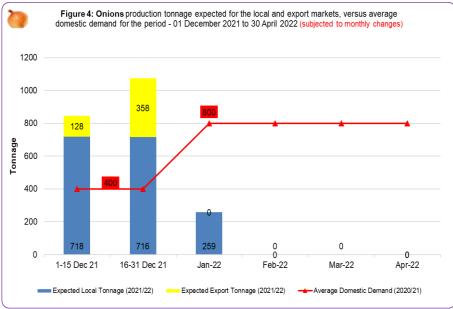
4.2 GRAPHICAL ANALYSIS

Graphical analysis shows the domestic production tonnage expected for the local and export markets as well as the average domestic demand. **Figure 1, 2, 4 and 6** below shows that the projected production tonnage for butternuts, cabbage, onions and pumpkins reserved for local market are expected to be sufficient in December 2021. Whereas, **figure 3** shows that gem squash is expected to be insufficient in the first two weeks of December 2021.

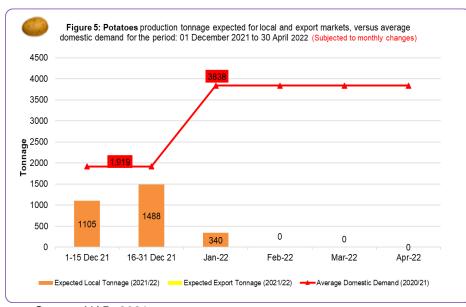


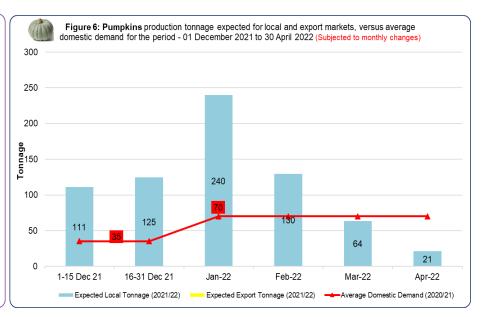






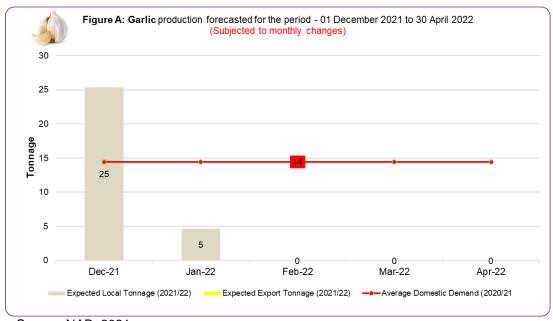
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Source: NAB, 2021

Figure A below shows that the projected production tonnage for garlic (as a monitored crop) is expected to be sufficient in December 2021.



5. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The report concludes that, there will be **sufficient local supply** of **butternuts**, **cabbage**, **onions** and **pumpkins** in December 2021. Therefore, it is recommended that the **borders be closed** to restrict the importation of these four (4) crops as from **01 to 31 December 2021**.

Gem squash is reported to be insufficient for the first two weeks of December 2021. It is therefore recommended that the borders be open to allow importation gem squash as from 01 to 15 December 2021 only; however, 47% MSP rules shall apply.

It is further reported that there will be **insufficient local supply** of **potatoes in December 2021.** Thus, it is recommended that the **borders be open** to allow importation of washed potatoes without restrictions; however, 47% MSP rules shall apply.

Additionally, the report concluded that local production of *garlic* is expected to be sufficient in December 2021. It is crucial to note that, open / close border does not apply to *garlic* as it is still a monitored crop. **Traders** are however encouraged to source garlic locally and continue to support local producers as usual.

Moreover, registered traders are encouraged to buy more of local produced vegetables and ensure compliance to the minimum Market Share Promotion requirements. Traders are therefore advised to contact registered Producers who are expected to harvest these products as per **the availability calendar (table 3)** in this report, to make necessary arrangements for their local purchases.

Conclusively, all vegetable Producers are advised to provide / send their production data to the Horticulture Market Development sub-division within NAB every month in order to ensure that all local vegetable production data are recorded. These data are very crucial as it helps NAB to make informed and sound decisions with regards to the opening and closing of borders to either allow or restrict importation of vegetables whenever there is a local supply shortage or surplus respectively. Producers are further advised to immediately notify NAB in case of deviations from their planting program or in the event of crop failure due to factors beyond their control.

