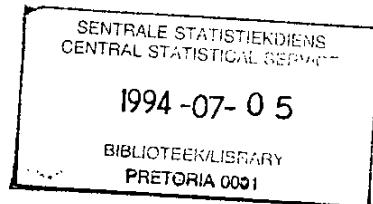


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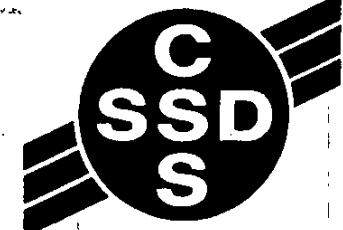
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**MINDER SKULDSAKE IN VERKIESINGSAAND**

Daar is steeds 'n dalende tendens in die totale getal sake aangeteken en die getal dagvaardings en vonnisse vir skuld (kyk grafieke). Werkbare afnames is aangeteken in April 1994 vergeleke met Maart 1994. Hierdie afnames kan hoofsaaklik toegeskryf word aan landdroskantore wat gesluit was gedurende die openbare vakansiedae en werksonderbrekings.

Seisoensaangepaste syfers toon vir die drie maande tot einde April 1994 afnames van 2,7% in die getal dagvaardings en 12,3% in die getal vonnisse vergeleke met die voorafgaande drie maande. (Gebruikers moet daarop bedag wees dat die aantal werksdae in die verkiesingmaand die seisoenaanpassings beïnvloed het.)

By vonnisse by verstek en toestemming het 'n toename van R54,2 miljoen in vonnisse ten opsigte van geld geleent gedurende April 1994 voorgestel, vergeleke met Maart 1994. Hierdie toename was die gevolg van onbetaalde huisleningpaaiemente aan die Oos-Rand (kyk Tabel 2, item 1.5).

**FEWER DEBT CASES IN ELECTION MONTH**

There is still a declining trend in the total number of cases recorded and the number of summonses and judgements for debt (see graphs). Noticeable decreases were recorded in April 1994 compared with March 1994. These decreases can mainly be attributed to magistrates' offices which were closed during the public holidays and work stoppages.

Seasonally adjusted figures for the three months up to the end of April 1994 show decreases of 2,7% in the number of summonses and 12,3% in the number of judgements compared with the previous three months. (Users must be mindful that the number of work days in the election month influenced the seasonal adjustments.)

In respect of default and consent judgements an increase of R54,2 million occurred for judgements regarding money lent during April 1994, compared with March 1994. This increase was the result of unpaid mortgage bond instalments in the East Rand (see Table 2, item 1.5).

Tydperk Period	Getal Number		Percentasieverandering Percentage change	
	Dagvaardings vir skuld Summonses for debt	Siviele von- nisse vir skuld Civil judge- ments for debt	Dagvaardings vir skuld Summonses for debt	Siviele vonnis- se vir skuld Civil judge- ments for debt
<b>Werklike syfers: Actual figures:</b>				
Feb. 1994-Apr. 1994	272 868	123 989	-4,2	-13,1
Feb. 1993-Apr. 1993	284 828	142 703		
<b>Seisoensaangepaste syfers: Seasonally adjusted figures:</b>				
Feb. 1994-Apr. 1994	265 412	122 190	-2,7	-12,3
Nov. 1993-Jan. 1994	272 676	139 365		

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**OPMERKINGS**

Die gegewens het betrekking op alle siviele sake vir skuld deur Landdrostsantore aangeteken.

Behalwe in geval van sake aangeteken, het alle ander inligting betrekking op skuldsake; m.a.w. eise vir skadevergoeding, uitettingsbevelle en ander nie-skuldsake is uitgesluit.

Vonnisse by verstek en toestemming het slegs betrekking op onverdedigde skuldsake.

**NOTES**

The particulars refer to all civil cases for debt recorded by Magistrate's Offices.

Except for cases recorded, all other information relates to debt cases only; i.e. claims for damages, ejectment orders and other non-debt cases are excluded.

Default and consent judgements relate to judgements given in respect of undefended debt cases only.

**HOWE VIR KLEIN EISE**

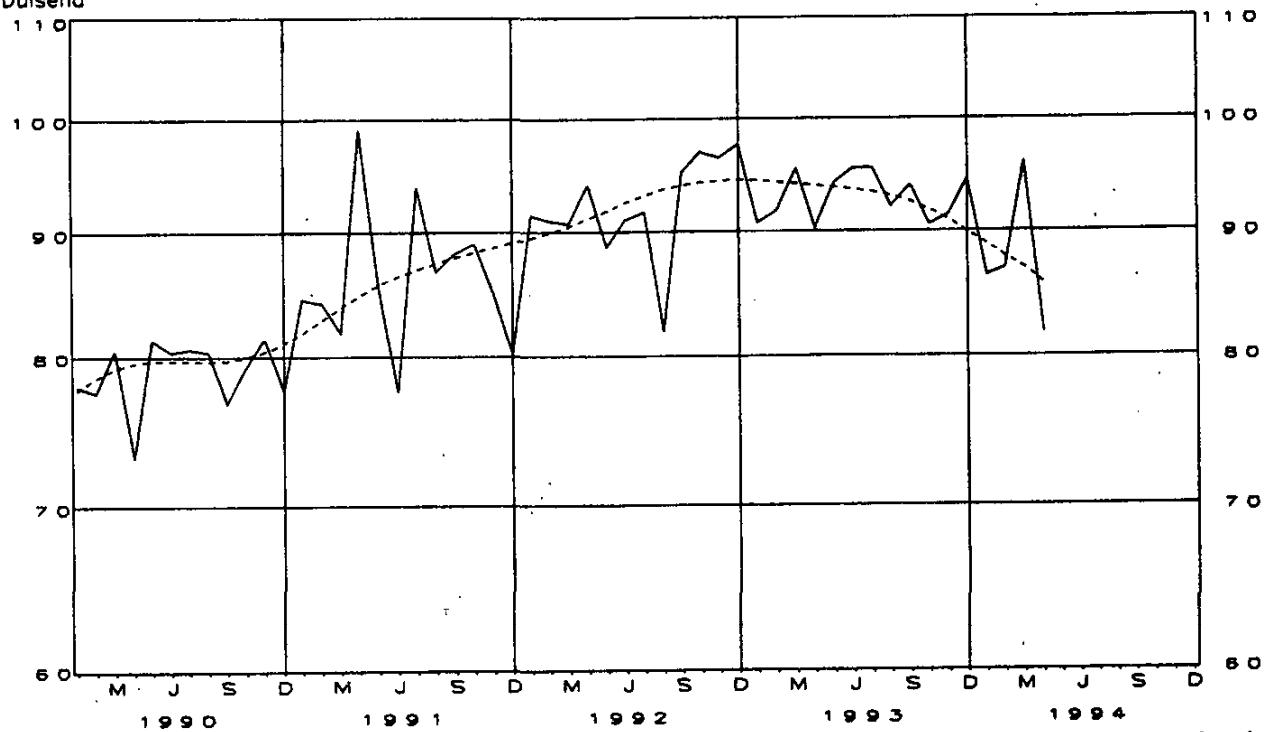
Statistieke ten opsigte van Howe vir klein eise word in die aangehegte bylae verstrekk.

**SMALL CLAIMS COURTS**

Statistics in respect of small claims courts are furnished in the attached annexure.

SIVIELE DAGVAARDINGS UITGEREIK – GETAL  
Duisend

CIVIL SUMMONSES ISSUED – NUMBER  
Thousand



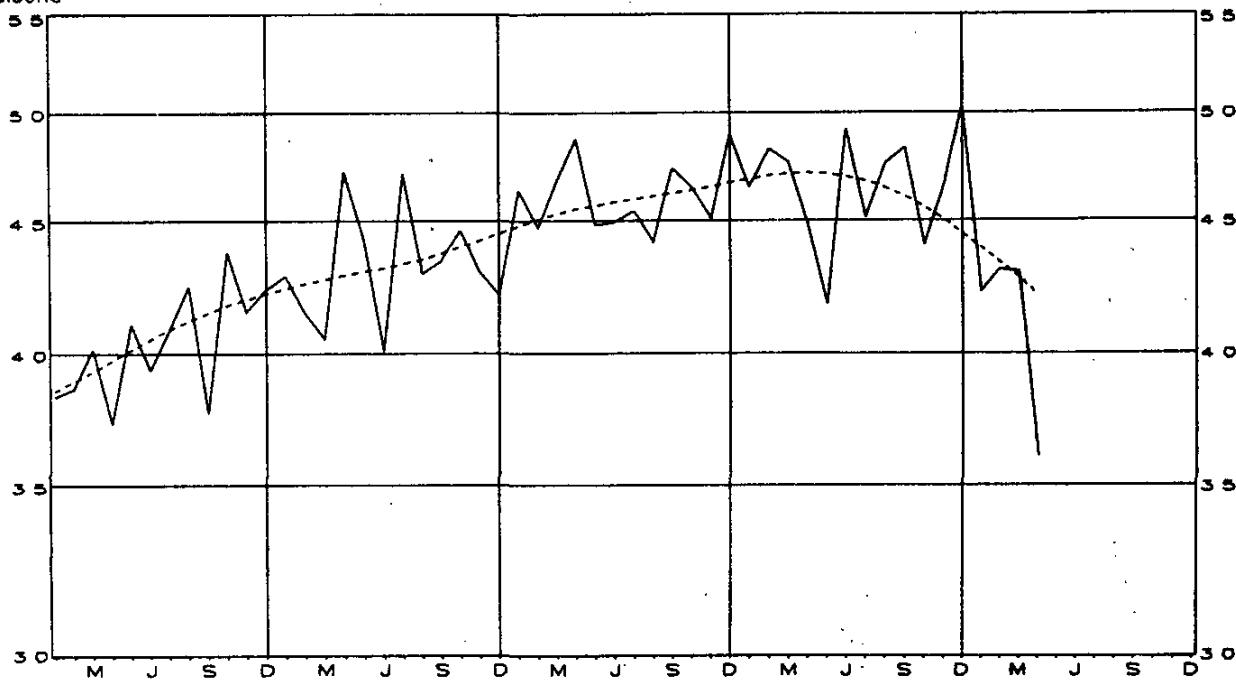
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SIVIELE VONNISSE VIR SKULD – GETAL  
Duisend

CIVIL JUDGEMENTS FOR DEBT – NUMBER  
Thousand



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TABEL 1 - GETAL SIVIELE SAKE AANGETEKEN EN DAG-  
VAARDINGS VIR SKULD UITGEREIK

Item	Sake-ondernemings en private persone Business enterprises and private persons		Private persone Private persons	
	1993	1994	1993	1994
Getal - Number				
1. Sake aangeteken/Cases recorded				
1.1 Werklike syfers/Actual figures	1 176 803	75 220	114 828	83 242
1.2 Seisoenssaangepas/Seasonally adjusted	84 610	100 793	93 322	93 322
2. Siviele daagvaardings vir skuld/ Civil summonses for debt				
2.1 Totale /Total				
2.1.1 Werklike syfers/Actual figures	1 118 233	72 600	109 852	80 119
2.1.2 Seisoenssaangepas/Seasonally adjusted	82 130	96 150	90 399	90 399
2.2 Goedere verkoop/Goods sold				
2.2.1 Ope rekening/Open account	289 806	18 962	27 931	21 560
2.2.2 Afbetaalingsverkooptransaksies/ Installment sale transactions	31 090	1 520	2 654	2 122
2.3 Dienste/Services				
2.3.1 Professionele/professional	210 085	11 120	19 682	16 243
2.3.2 Ander/Other	229 731	17 009	22 156	14 709
2.4 Huur/Rent				
2.5 Geld geleen/Money lent	43 843	2 719	3 471	3 098
2.6 Promesses, wissels, V/T-tjeks, kredietkaarte en ander skuldbewyse/promissory notes, bills, R/D cheques, credit cards and other acknowledgements of debt	113 764	7 513	12 365	7 889
2.7 Ander/Other	66 138	5 388	8 333	4 845
	133 776	8 369	13 260	9 653
				114 299
				7 443
				11 684
				8 269

TABEL 2 - SIVIELE VONNISSE VIR SKULD BY VERSTEK EN TOESTEMMING

TABLE 2 - CIVIL DEFAULT AND CONSENT JUDGEMENTS FOR DEBT

Item	Sake-ondernehmings en private persone Business enterprises and private persons		Private persone Private persons	
	1994   1993		1994   1993	
	Apr.	Mrt./Mar.	Apr.	Mrt./Mar.
			Getal - Number	
1. Vonnisse/Judgements				
1.1 Totaal/Total	561	177	34	364
1.1.1 Werklike syfers/Actual figures	36	81	47	524
1.1.2 Seisoen/aangepas/Seasonally adjusted	43	027	42	812
1.2 Goedere verkoop/Goods sold	155	401	9	524
1.2.1 Ope rekening/Open account	10	809	477	12
1.2.2 Afbetaalingsverkooptransaksies/ Instalment sale transactions			701	968
1.3 Dienste/Services	101	547	5	756
1.3.1 Professionele/Professional	88	835	5	755
1.3.2 Ander/Other			7	704
1.4 Huur/Rent	22	773	1	502
1.5 Geld geleen/Money lent	56	775	4	501
1.6 Promesses, wissels, V/T-tjeks, kredietkaarte/Promissory notes, skuldbewyse/Credit cards, bills, R/D cheques, credit cards and other acknowledgements of debt	51	958	3	093
1.7 Ander/Other	73	079	4	206
			R1 000	
1. Vonnisse/Judgements				
1.1 Totaal/Total	3 000	765	235	089
1.2 Goedere verkoop/Goods sold	284	952	15	892
1.2.1 Ope rekening/Open account	187	006	5	880
1.2.2 Afbetaalingsverkooptransaksies/ Instalment sale transactions			11	415
1.3 Dienste/Services	79	406	5	009
1.3.1 Professionele/Professional	163	881	10	008
1.3.2 Ander/Other			13	824
1.4 Huur/Rent	99	682	7	008
1.5 Geld geleen/Money lent	1 135	589	131	395
1.6 Promesses, wissels, V/T-tjeks, kredietkaarte en ander skuldbewyse/Promissory notes, bills, R/D cheques, credit cards and other acknowledgements of debt	392	347	24	002
1.7 Ander/Other	657	902	35	895

**BYLAE****HOME VIR KLEIN EISE****ALGEMEEN**

Howe vir klein eise dien as 'n forum vir die beregtiging van geldelike eise van nie meer as R2 000 nie teen individue of firms. Dit is slegs vir gebruik deur die algemene publiek en nie vir sake-ondernehemings nie.

Die volgende sake is van die jurisdiksie van die hof vir klein eise uitgesluit:

- Eise ter waarde van meer as R2 000.
- Eise teen die staat.
- Eise wat op 'n sessie of 'n oordrag van regte gebasseer is.
- Eise waarin skadevergoeding aangevra word ten opsigte van laster, kwaadwillige vervolging, onregmatige vryheidsberowing, onregmatige arrestasie, verleiding en verbreking van troubelofte.
- Eise vir die ontbinding van 'n huwelik.
- Eise in verband met die geldigheid van 'n testament.
- Eise in verband met die status van 'n persoon ten opsigte van sy geestesvermoëns.
- Eise waarin die nakoming van 'n kontrak aangevra word, sonder 'n alternatiewe eis om betaling van skadevergoeding, behalwe in die geval van 'n eis om 'n rekening te verstrek of los goed of vaste eiendom ter waarde van nie meer as R2 000 nie, oor te dra.

**VERGELYKBAARHEID**

Die inligting ten opsigte van landdroshewe wat in hierdie statistiese vrystelling getoon word, het slegs op skuldsake betrekking en is derhalwe nie streng vergelykbaar met die inligting wat vir die Howe vir klein eise getoon word nie.

**BEGRIFFE**

"Howe" verwys na die totale getal Howe vir klein eise aan die einde van die maande soos aangedui. "Litigante verwys" het betrekking op die getal persone (eisers) wat deur klerke van die hof vir klein eise na regsassistentes verwys is.

**TABEL 1 - GETAL HOME VIR KLEIN EISE, LITIGANTE VERWYS, DAGVAARDINGS UITGEREIK EN VERHORE**

**ANNEXURE****SMALL CLAIMS COURTS****NOTES**

Small claims courts serve as a forum for the adjudication of money claims of not more than R2 000 against individuals or firms. It is for use by the general public only and not for business enterprises.

The following actions are excluded from the jurisdiction of the small claims court:

- Claims exceeding R2 000 in value.
- Claims against the state.
- Claims based on cession or the transfer of rights.
- Claims for damages in respect of defamation, malicious prosecution, wrongful imprisonment, wrongful arrest, seduction and breach of promise to marry.
- Claims for the dissolution of a marriage.
- Claims concerning the validity of a will.
- Claims concerning the status of a person in respect of his mental capacity.
- Claims in which the performance in accordance with a contract is sought, without an alternative claim for payment of damages, except in the case of a claim for rendering an account or transferring movable or immovable property not exceeding R2 000 in value.

**COMPARABILITY**

The information in respect of magistrates courts shown in this statistical release refers to debt cases only and is therefore not strictly comparable with the information shown for the small claims courts.

**CONCEPTS**

"Courts" relates to the total number of small claims courts at the end of the months as indicated. "Litigants referred" relates to the number of persons (plaintiffs) referred to legal assistants by clerks of the small claims court.

**TABLE 1 - NUMBER OF SMALL CLAIMS COURTS, LITIGANTS REFERRED, SUMMONSES ISSUED AND HEARINGS**

Item	1993	1993		1992	Item
		Des./Dec.	Nov.		
Getal - Number					
1. Howe	109	109	106	106	1. Courts
2. Litigante verwys	19 502	1 729	1 773	1 363	2. Litigants referred
3. Dagvaardings uitgereik	24 929	1 493	2 281	1 560	3. Summons issued
4. Verhore	23 953	823	2 364	932	4. Hearings

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