Mount Lofty zone (other)

MOUNT LOFTY (OTHER) VINTAGE OVERVIEW

Vintage report

No vintage report has been provided for this region.

Overview of vintage statistics

Mount Lofty Ranges (other) primarily comprises the Adelaide Plains area, and used to be reported as the Adelaide Plains.

This year the region crushed just under 6,000 tonnes, of which about 1,000 tonnes was surplus to the wineries' requirements. Riesling was an exception, supplying less than half of the demand. The crush was only around 30% higher than last year's total – a modest increase compared with most regions.

The weighted average weighbridge prices were very similar to last year's. Most varieties were slightly higher, with Semillon an exception.

The major variety in the region is Shiraz, with twice the production of its nearest rival, Chardonnay. However, supply of Shiraz is set to decline substantially by 2006, falling to near the level of Chardonnay.

The forecast is for production of reds to decline in the region by around 25%, to a level where demand and supply are in balance. White varieties are projected to remain approximately stable at current production levels, with demand matching supply. These projections have been substantially revised downward since last year's survey. For example, the forecast for Cabernet Sauvignon in 2005 is 582 tonnes, whereas last year the forecast supply for 2005 was for 1034 tonnes. Similarly, in 2000 the preferred tonnage in 2005 for Shiraz was 2582, and this year the corresponding figure is 1509 - a drop of nearly 50%.

On the other hand, the new plantings in the region were relatively high in 2000, with a further 10% of hectares of red varieties being added, and 6% of white varieties. It is estimated that there are already more than enough vines planted to meet the projected demand from the region in 2006 (see page 19 of this report).

MOUNT LOFTY (OTHER) TONNES CRUSHED BY VARIETY - VINTAGE 2001

able 12.1	Total winery grown	Total other growers	total crushed	Total preferred	tonnes from other growers as % of total	% of demand supplied	number of wine	eries reporting to	nnages (> 0) for
Variety							Own	Purchased	Preferred
RED									
Barbera	5	0	5	5	0%	100%	1	0	1
Cabernet Franc	25	2	27	27	7%	102%	2	1	2
Cabernet Sauvignon	97	617	715	524	86%	136%	3	6	7
Grenache	4	253	257	334	98%	77%	1	5	6
Malbec	0	70	70	77	100%	91%	0	4	4
Mataro (Mouvedre)	0	59	59	0	100%		0	1	0
Merlot	32	285	318	199	90%	160%	2	4	6
Nebbiolo	4	17	20	4	82%	548%	1	1	1
Pinot Noir	76	338	414	368	82%	112%	2	5	5
Sangiovese	0	63	63	8	100%	841%	0	2	1
Shiraz	248	1786	2034	1342	88%	152%	4	10	11
Tempranillo	0	1	1	0	100%		0	1	0
Total RED	492	3491	3983	2887	88%	138%			
WHITE									
Chardonnay	214	784	997	1082	79%	92%	3	7	9
Chenin Blanc	89	90	179	93	50%	193%	1	3	2
Colombard	94	23	117	101	20%	116%	1	2	1
Muscat Blanc (Frontignac)	0	18	18	0	100%		0	1	0
Muscat Gordo Blanco	0	22	22	22	100%	100%	0	1	1
Riesling	50	28	78	160	36%	49%	1	1	3
Sauvignon Blanc	41	261	303	365	86%	83%	2	6	6
Semillon	0	266	266	130	100%	204%	0	3	2
Total WHITE	489	1492	1980	1954	75%	101%			
Grand Total	980	4983	5963	4841					

MOUNT LOFTY (OTHER) PRICE AND BAUME DATA - VINTAGE 2001

Table 12.2

weighted average weighbridge					lowest	highest	estimated total value		
Variety	price*		weighted a	verage baumé	price**	price**	purchased grapes	total grapes	
RED									
Cabernet Franc	\$1,700	100%	13.9	100%			\$3,400	\$46,682	
Cabernet Sauvignon	\$1,447	88%	13.8	87%	\$1,050	\$2,761	\$893,545	\$1,034,393	
Grenache	\$1,073	79%	13.4	70%	\$1,000	\$1,300	\$271,926	\$276,220	
Malbec	\$1,014	100%	13.6	76%	\$1,000	\$1,700	\$70,754	\$70,754	
Mataro (Mouvedre)	\$955	100%	13.7	100%			\$56,441	\$56,441	
Merlot	\$1,381	100%	13.7	100%	\$1,090	\$1,500	\$394,270	\$438,772	
Nebbiolo	\$1,274	100%	13.1	100%			\$21,250	\$25,989	
Pinot Noir	\$948	93%	11.6	93%	\$925	\$1,700	\$319,936	\$392,281	
Sangiovese	\$1,233	100%	12.1	88%			\$78,149	\$78,149	
Shiraz	\$1,392	87%	13.9	86%	\$1,050	\$2,842	\$2,485,243	\$2,830,868	
Tempranillo	\$1,500	100%	14.0	100%			\$750	\$750	
Total RED							\$4,595,664	\$5,251,299	
WHITE									
Chardonnay	\$993	80%	13.2	78%	\$900	\$1,250	\$778,310	\$990,449	
Chenin Blanc	\$510	100%	11.3	100%	\$500	\$525	\$45,874	\$91,437	
Colombard	\$597	100%	12.7	68%			\$13,788	\$69,835	
Muscat Blanc (Frontigi	nac) \$400	100%	13.2	100%			\$7,360	\$7,360	
Muscat Gordo Blanco	\$500	100%					\$11,080	\$11,080	
Riesling	\$550	100%	11.9	100%			\$15,290	\$42,961	
Sauvignon Blanc	\$850	82%	10.9	73%	\$800	\$985	\$222,061	\$257,299	
Semillon	\$861	67%	12.1	67%			\$228,746	\$228,746	
Total WHITE							\$1,322,509	\$1,699,166	

^{*} Note: this price does not include end use or other bonuses not paid at the weighbridge

^{**} The absence of lowest and highest prices means that fewer than three wineries supplied pricing data for each variety.

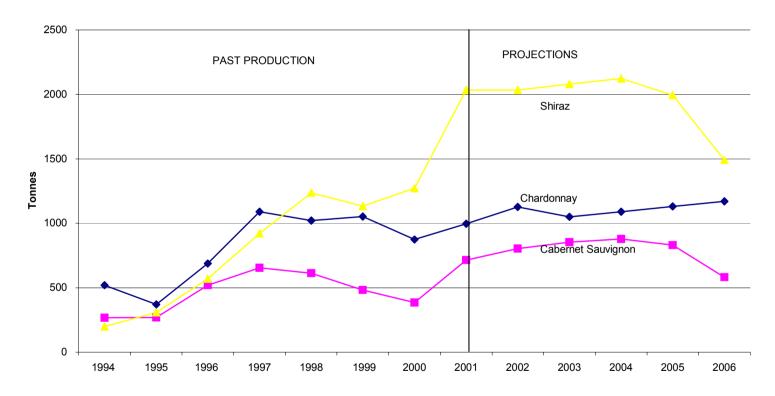
MOUNT LOFTY (OTHER) ESTIMATED AND PREFERRED FUTURE INTAKE OF GRAPES 2002 TO 2006

Table 12.3										
	2002		2003		2004		2005		2006	
Variety	estimated	preferred								
RED										
Barbera	8	15	8	15	8	20	8	20	8	20
Cabernet Franc	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
Cabernet Sauvignon	803	533	853	546	878	571	830	581	582	581
Grenache	335	335	335	335	335	335	335	335	335	335
Malbec	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54
Mataro (Mouvedre)	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merlot	432	259	392	274	422	309	398	326	308	331
Nebbiolo	25	5	30	10	30	10	30	10	5	10
Petit Verdot	5	5	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Pinot Noir	447	388	388	388	388	388	388	388	388	388
Sangiovese	49	8	53	8	53	8	31	8	8	8
Shiraz	2034	1410	2080	1459	2123	1484	1995	1509	1492	1509
Zinfandel	18	18	30	30	35	35	35	35	35	35
Total RED	4317	3059	4261	3156	4364	3251	4142	3303	3253	3308
WHITE										
Chardonnay	1126	1126	1050	1065	1090	1165	1130	1165	1170	1215
Chenin Blanc	125	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93
Colombard	148	160	130	160	130	160	130	160	130	160
Muscat Gordo Blanco	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Riesling	95	160	95	160	95	160	95	160	95	160
Sauvignon Blanc	321	395	285	395	285	450	275	450	275	475
Semillon	236	130	182	135	182	140	128	145	128	150
Viognier	4	4	4	4	8	8	12	12	12	12
Total WHITE	2086	2098	1870	2042	1914	2206	1894	2215	1934	2295

MOUNT LOFTY (OTHER) PAST PRODUCTION AND PROJECTIONS FOR MAJOR VARIETIES 1994 - 2006

Figure 12.1

Past production and projections (major varieties)



MOUNT LOFTY (OTHER) PLANTINGS BY VARIETY

Table 12.4	Year planted - area in hectares						
Variety	Pre-97	1997	1998	1999	2000	Total	% planted in 2000
RED WINEGRAPES							
CABERNET FRANC	5	-	-	-	-	5	0%
CABERNET SAUVIGNON	33	12	22	16	6	90	7%
GRENACHE	22	1	1	0	-	23	0%
MALBEC	4	-	1	-	-	5	0%
MERLOT	18	4	9	5	5	41	12%
NEBBIOLO	0	-	2	2	1	5	20%
PETIT VERDOT	-	-	-	3	4	7	53%
PINOT NOIR	27	-	1	-	1	29	3%
SANGIOVESE	1	1	2	4	5	13	37%
SHIRAZ	91	15	50	22	18	196	9%
OTHER RED	7	0	-	1	2	10	15%
TOTAL RED WINEGRAPES	208	34	88	53	41	425	10%
WHITE WINEGRAPES							
CHARDONNAY	57	-	0	-	-	57	0%
CHENIN BLANC	12	-	-	-	-	12	0%
COLOMBARD	7	-	-	-	-	7	0%
RIESLING	15	-	-	-	-	15	0%
SAUVIGNON BLANC	19	-	0	-	6	26	24%
SEMILLON	20	-	-	-	-	20	0%
VIOGNIER	-	-	-	-	3	3	100%
OTHER WHITE + MULTIPURPOSE	8	-	-	-	-	8	0%
TOTAL WHITE	138	-	1	-	9	147	6%
TOTAL ALL VARIETIES	346	34	89	53	50	572	9%

Includes the hundreds of Adelaide, Kanmantoo, Muddla Wirra, Munno Para, Pt Adelaide and Yatala.