



## FLEURIEU ZONE (OTHER) VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The Fleurieu zone (other) includes the GI regions Southern Fleurieu, Currency Creek and Kangaroo Island, as well as any other plantings in the zone that are outside the major regions of McLaren Vale and Langhorne Creek. Because of the small size of the GI regions, they are not reported separately. However, tonnage and forecast data are available for these regions on request from the Board.

The growing season for Currency Creek commenced with good soil moisture levels due to above average September rainfall, and irrigation did not commence until early December. Bud burst was even across all varieties - Chardonnay being a little earlier than average. Bunch numbers were above average per shoot and early bunch counts indicated higher yields on some varieties.

Cool December and January temperatures slowed shoot growth somewhat with an even flowering occurring. There was little disease pressure during the initial growing season.

February brought a heat wave, which had an impact on Chardonnay, Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc. Temperatures rose to 45 degrees on Valentine's Day! This really did affect those whites that had not been harvested at this point. From then on there were near perfect ripening conditions through March, April and May. The reds began to be harvested in early April and were completed mid May. There was little disease pressure at the finishing end of the season.

The yields were above average across most varieties; particularly Cabernet Sauvignon and Sauvignon Blanc. The quality of the whites that were not picked before the heat wave was no doubt affected by the heat; however the reds are looking sensational, with fantastic colour, strong varietal flavours and great depth.

In summary, it was a great vintage.

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### Overview of vintage statistics

The Fleurieu zone (other) is a rapidly growing area. It produced 10,426 tonnes in 2004 – nearly 50% more than in 2003, which in turn was 75% more than in 2002. This year there was a 24% surplus of red varieties, which was reflected in big decreases in the average purchase value of the major red varieties Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz (both down by \$500 per tonne). The increased tonnages meant that income to growers from red varieties remained about the same, while income from whites more than doubled.

Intake of red varieties is forecast to remain at around the 2004 level, while intake of white varieties is expected to increase quite substantially, from 1,400 tonnes in 2004 to 5,300 tonnes in 2009.

Consistent with this forecast growth, there were 45 hectares of white varieties planted in 2003 (a 16% increase), and only 10 hectares (1%) of red varieties.

## KANGAROO ISLAND GI REGION



## FLEURIEU ZONE (OTHER) TONNES CRUSHED BY VARIETY - VINTAGE 2004

Table 8.1

Variety	Total winery grown	Total other growers	Total crushed	Total preferred	Tonnes from other growers as % of total	% of demand supplied	Number of wineries reporting tonnages (> 0) for		
							Own	Other	Preferred
<b>RED</b>									
Cabernet Franc	0	24	24	0	100%		0	2	0
Cabernet Sauvignon	1824	2008	3832	2511	52%	153%	5	19	19
Grenache	10	75	85	85	88%	100%	1	1	2
Malbec	0	0	0	0	0%	100%	1	0	1
Merlot	182	391	573	531	68%	108%	4	6	9
Muscat Brown (Red Front)	2	0	2	4	0%	38%	1	0	1
Other red	0	10	10	0	100%		0	1	0
Petit Verdot	7	7	14	40	50%	35%	1	1	1
Pinot Noir	30	119	149	141	80%	106%	2	3	5
Sangiovese	0	43	43	35	100%	124%	0	1	1
Shiraz	846	3437	4283	3925	80%	109%	6	18	22
Tempranillo	0	19	19	12	100%	161%	0	1	1
<b>Total RED</b>	<b>2900</b>	<b>6134</b>	<b>9034</b>	<b>7284</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>124%</b>			
<b>WHITE</b>									
Chardonnay	108	341	449	530	76%	85%	1	11	11
Pinot Gris	0	34	34	26	100%	134%	0	4	2
Riesling	28	9	37	52	24%	71%	2	1	4
Sauvignon Blanc	228	269	497	400	54%	124%	2	10	10
Semillon	77	196	273	248	72%	110%	3	6	7
Traminer	0	15	15	15	100%	100%	0	1	1
Verdelho	0	47	47	0	100%		0	2	0
Viognier	20	20	40	45	49%	89%	1	1	2
<b>Total WHITE</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>1392</b>	<b>1316</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>106%</b>			
<b>Total for region</b>	<b>3361</b>	<b>7065</b>	<b>10426</b>	<b>8599</b>					

## FLEURIEU ZONE (OTHER) CROP VALUE DATA - VINTAGE 2004

Table 8.2

Variety	Grower grown	Total crushed (1)	estimated total value		lowest	highest	calc average purchase	
			purchased grapes	total grapes	price (2)	price (2)	value per tonne (3)	
<b>RED</b>								
Cabernet Franc	24	24	\$23,448	\$23,448			<b>\$979</b>	100%
Cabernet Sauvignon	2008	3832	\$2,200,208	\$4,198,185	\$250	\$1,695	<b>\$1,096</b>	100%
Grenache	75	85	\$75,380	\$85,380			<b>\$1,000</b>	100%
Merlot	391	573	\$376,406	\$551,215	\$250	\$1,457	<b>\$963</b>	100%
Other red (group together)	10	10	\$4,820	\$4,820			<b>\$482</b>	100%
Petit Verdot	7	14	\$8,556	\$17,112			<b>\$1,222</b>	100%
Pinot Noir	119	149	\$128,054	\$160,121	\$1,050	\$1,100	<b>\$1,078</b>	100%
Sangiovese	43	43	\$51,926	\$51,926			<b>\$1,197</b>	100%
Shiraz	3437	4283	\$4,427,280	\$5,516,985	\$300	\$1,874	<b>\$1,288</b>	100%
Tempranillo	19	19	\$27,048	\$27,048			<b>\$1,400</b>	100%
<b>Total RED</b>	<b>6134</b>	<b>9033</b>	<b>\$7,323,126</b>	<b>\$10,636,241</b>				
<b>WHITE</b>								
Chardonnay	341	449	\$465,758	\$613,220	\$600	\$1,800	<b>\$1,365</b>	100%
Pinot Gris	34	34	\$37,958	\$37,958	\$900	\$1,750	<b>\$1,106</b>	100%
Riesling	9	37	\$7,088	\$29,488			<b>\$800</b>	100%
Sauvignon Blanc	269	497	\$346,537	\$640,540	\$600	\$1,560	<b>\$1,289</b>	100%
Semillon	196	273	\$184,593	\$257,317	\$300	\$1,200	<b>\$942</b>	100%
Traminer	15	15	\$16,852	\$16,852			<b>\$1,100</b>	100%
Verdelho	47	47	\$41,500	\$41,500			<b>\$882</b>	100%
Viognier	20	40	\$25,065	\$50,773			<b>\$1,285</b>	100%
<b>Total WHITE</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>1392</b>	<b>\$1,125,351</b>	<b>\$1,687,647</b>				

(1) Only includes varieties where some fruit was purchased. Varieties where all fruit is winery grown are not shown in this table.

(2) The absence of lowest and highest prices means that fewer than three wineries supplied pricing data for each variety.

(3) This does not include end use bonuses or other adjustments determined post-receival.



## FLEURIEU ZONE (OTHER) ESTIMATED AND PREFERRED FUTURE INTAKE OF GRAPES 2005 TO 2009

Table 8.3

Variety	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	estimated	preferred	estimated	preferred	estimated	preferred	estimated	preferred	estimated	preferred
<b>RED</b>										
Cabernet Franc	8	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	8	0
Cabernet Sauvignon	4976	3572	4042	2763	3654	3105	3160	2361	3193	2443
Grenache	130	135	130	135	130	130	20	20	20	20
Malbec	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merlot	1207	1193	845	780	925	889	968	882	1110	1023
Muscat Brown	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Other red	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petit Verdot	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40
Pinot Noir	159	149	119	119	119	119	95	95	135	135
Sangiovese	40	24	40	24	40	24	40	24	40	24
Shiraz	5041	4826	4290	4010	4825	4845	4401	4441	4606	4776
Tempranillo	30	24	30	24	30	24	30	24	30	24
<b>Total for RED</b>	<b>11634</b>	<b>9967</b>	<b>9547</b>	<b>7899</b>	<b>9774</b>	<b>9180</b>	<b>8765</b>	<b>7891</b>	<b>9185</b>	<b>8489</b>
<b>WHITE</b>										
Chardonnay	1101	1161	1505	1525	2525	2575	3003	3053	3318	3368
Pinot Gris	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Riesling	71	75	90	94	147	156	197	211	237	251
Sauvignon Blanc	603	582	512	471	684	693	843	782	934	873
Semillon	185	185	187	187	389	389	539	539	741	741
Traminer	84	84	84	84	84	84	0	0	0	0
Verdelho	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viognier	62	62	62	62	62	62	48	48	48	48
<b>Total for WHITE</b>	<b>2152</b>	<b>2155</b>	<b>2446</b>	<b>2429</b>	<b>3897</b>	<b>3965</b>	<b>4636</b>	<b>4639</b>	<b>5284</b>	<b>5287</b>
<b>Total for region</b>	<b>13786</b>	<b>12122</b>	<b>11993</b>	<b>10328</b>	<b>13671</b>	<b>13145</b>	<b>13401</b>	<b>12530</b>	<b>14469</b>	<b>13776</b>

## FLEURIEU ZONE (OTHER)\* CURRENT PLANTINGS BY VARIETY AND YEAR PLANTED

Table 8.4

Variety	Current area in hectares by year planted						Total area	% planted in 2003
	Pre-1999	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003		
<b>RED WINEGRAPES</b>								
CABERNET SAUVIGNON	152	80	100	44	5	5	386	1%
GRENACHE	12	0	0	1	0	0	13	0%
MERLOT	43	4	17	29	0	0	93	0%
PETIT VERDOT	2	5	1	0	0	0	8	0%
PINOT NOIR	21	2	5	2	2	0	32	0%
SANGIOVESE	0	3	0	4	0	0	7	0%
SHIRAZ	255	41	31	27	22	6	381	1%
OTHER RED	5	0	0	8	2	0	15	0%
<b>TOTAL RED WINEGRAPES</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>WHITE WINEGRAPES</b>								
CHARDONNAY	41	8	2	20	38	29	137	21%
PINOT GRIS	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0%
RIESLING	6	0	6	1	6	4	23	19%
ROUSSANNE	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0%
SAUVIGNON BLANC	35	3	1	11	7	7	64	11%
SEMILLON	26	0	4	1	0	0	30	0%
TRAMINER	0	0	6	0	0	0	6	0%
VERDELHO	4	0	0	1	0	0	6	0%
VIIGNIER	0	8	2	5	1	4	19	21%
<b>TOTAL WHITE WINEGRAPES</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL VARIETIES</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1221</b>	<b>4%</b>

\*Includes Currency Creek (656ha); Southern Fleurieu (330ha); Kangaroo Island (104ha) and Fleurieu zone - other (131ha).

