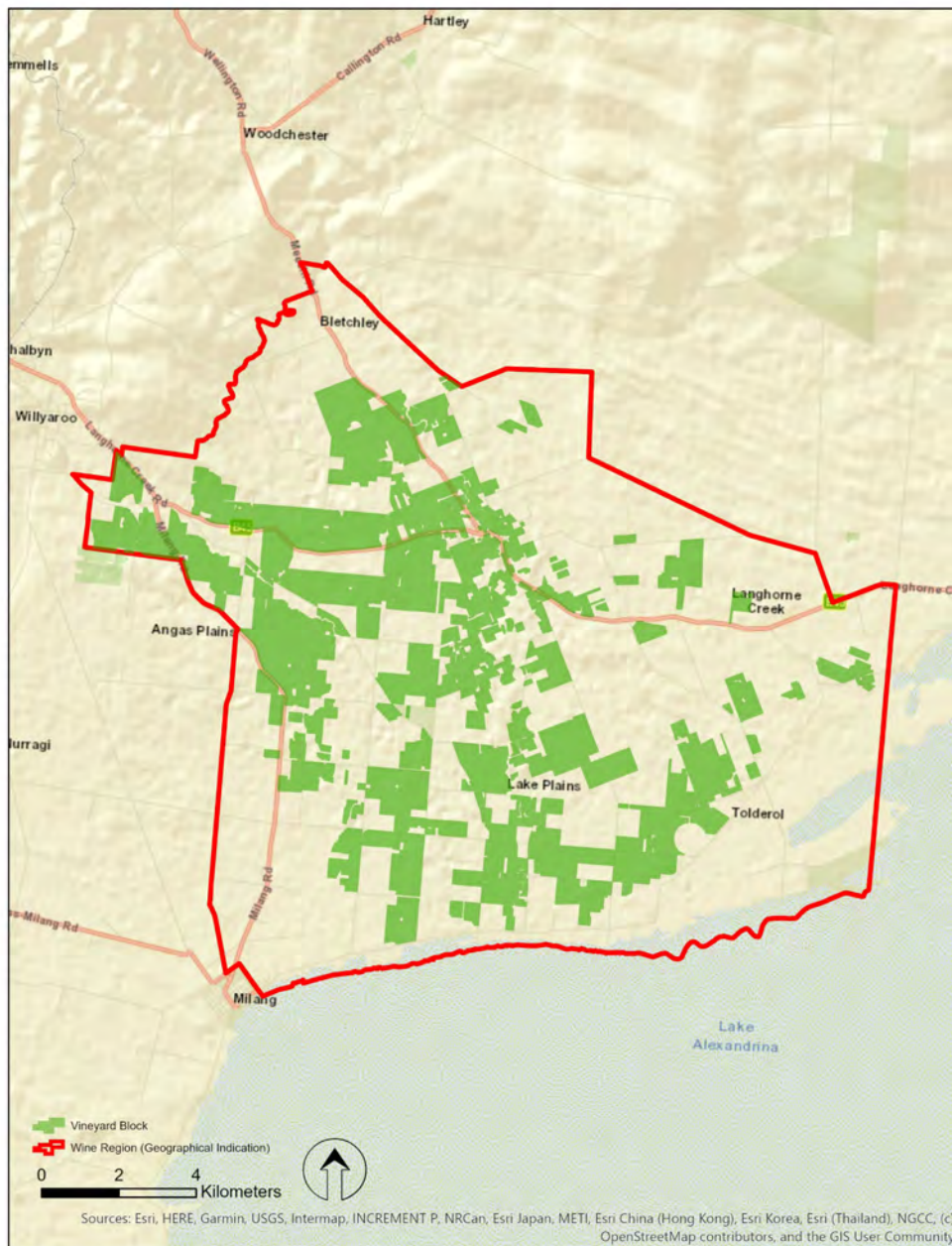


SA Winegrape Crush Survey 2022

Regional Summary Report

Langhorne Creek Wine Region

Wine Australia July 2022



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Vintage overview

VINTAGE REPORT

2022 has been one of the best vintages experienced in Langhorne Creek.

Mid-winter rainfall was above-average and a few riverside vineyards also received a small flood giving the soil a good soak. The rainfall ceased quickly in September, enough for a frost which affected some in the region.

The September frost and cold windy weather in Spring extended into the flowering period, presenting challenges. While yields (Shiraz in particular) were hampered by the conditions, the quality was not. Fortunately, a mild season overall and moderate crop levels saw fruit set even out through into a long ripening period. It was an unusually humid early Summer, thankfully with relatively mild temperatures. This led to a late burst of downy mildew, but the timing did not adversely affect crops. The generally cool Summer (thanks to La Niña) with minor rain in January and February helped to nurse the vines through to harvest. The region received below average rain but cool conditions from mid-February through to mid-April made life relatively easy.

As usual, cooling breezes across Lake Alexandrina helped to maintain excellent natural acidity. Extended periods of southerly air streams kept conditions cool with excellent flavour and acidity.

The Langhorne Creek vintage 2022 harvest kicked off in February with sparkling base and lively whites, hit its peak late March and into April with reds, and ran into the start of May before harvesters left the vineyards. It was a later start and longer vintage than the region has experienced for some years.

Cabernet is as always, a strong performer for the region but word is that Shiraz this year is giving Cabernet a run for its money. Some exciting quality has come from this vintage.

Lian Jaensch – Langhorne Creek Grape and Wine Incorporated

OVERVIEW OF VINTAGE STATISTICS

The reported crush of winegrapes from Langhorne Creek was 36,394 tonnes in 2022, a reduction of 32 per cent compared with the 2021 vintage. Over the past five years (up to 2021), the average crush for Langhorne Creek has been 44,940 tonnes, making this year's crush 19 per cent below the five-year average.

There were 51 respondents to the survey who reported crushing grapes from Langhorne Creek in 2022, the same as in 2021.

The total estimated value of winegrapes from Langhorne Creek in 2022 was \$30.6 million compared with \$50.7 million in 2021, a decrease of 40 per cent. The smaller production was compounded by an overall decrease in the average purchase value of grapes, which decreased by 12 per cent from \$953 per tonne in 2021 to \$842 per tonne.

There were decreases in average value for the major red varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon was down 18 per cent to \$961 per tonne, Shiraz was down 11 per cent to \$927 per tonne, and Merlot was down 19 per cent to \$626 per tonne. White varieties were mixed: Chardonnay was static at \$671 per tonne, Sauvignon Blanc increased by 4 per cent to \$897 per tonne and Pinot Gris/Grigio decreased by 3 per cent to \$965 per tonne.

The price dispersion data shows a downward shift in prices, with 61 per cent of grapes purchased at less than \$900 per tonne compared with 36 per cent in 2021.

According to Vinehealth Australia data, the total vineyard area in Langhorne Creek as at 30 April 2022 is 5972 hectares, compared with 5996 hectares in 2021. The total area is around 120 hectares more than it was 5 years ago.

There were just 15 hectares of new plantings in Langhorne Creek in the 2021-22 planting season, spread among red varieties (including 4 hectares of Malbec).

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Winegrape intake summary table – red varieties

Varieties	Tonnes purchased	Total value purchased	Average purchase value per tonne	Change in price year on year	Winery grown fruit (tonnes)	Winery grown share of crush	Total crushed (tonnes)	Estimated total value all grapes
Red								
Barbera	5						5	\$6,807
Cabernet Franc	11				32	75%	43	\$47,483
Cabernet Sauvignon	7,341	\$5,778,389	\$787	-18%	5,064	41%	12,404	\$9,761,775
Durif	13				201	94%	214	\$192,366
Graciano					5	100%	5	\$10,109
Grenache	131	\$135,083	\$1,030	4%	853	87%	984	\$1,013,507
Lagrein	26	\$32,834	\$1,252	16%			26	\$32,834
Malbec	612	\$748,482	\$1,224	-5%	170	22%	781	\$956,299
Mataro/Mourvedre	17				3	15%	20	\$15,191
Merlot	1,546	\$968,174	\$626	-19%	1,867	55%	3,413	\$2,137,246
Montepulciano	13				22	63%	35	\$82,184
Nero d'Avola					1	100%	1	\$1,593
Petit Verdot	27				25	48%	51	\$42,203
Pinot Meunier	54						54	\$48,618
Pinot Noir	440	\$477,523	\$1,086	8%	327	43%	767	\$832,700
Sangiovese	139	\$182,224	\$1,310	2%	23	14%	162	\$212,721
Shiraz	7,621	\$7,061,583	\$927	-11%	4,259	36%	11,880	\$11,008,224
Tempranillo	14	\$15,490	\$1,082	-1%			14	\$15,490
Touriga Nacional	16						16	\$29,220
Other red	57	\$53,275	\$932	9%	6	9%	63	\$64,048
Red Total	18,083	\$15,627,010	\$864	-13%	12,857	42%	30,941	\$26,510,617

Note: Where there are fewer than three purchasers of a variety, the average price and total value are not reported to protect confidentiality.

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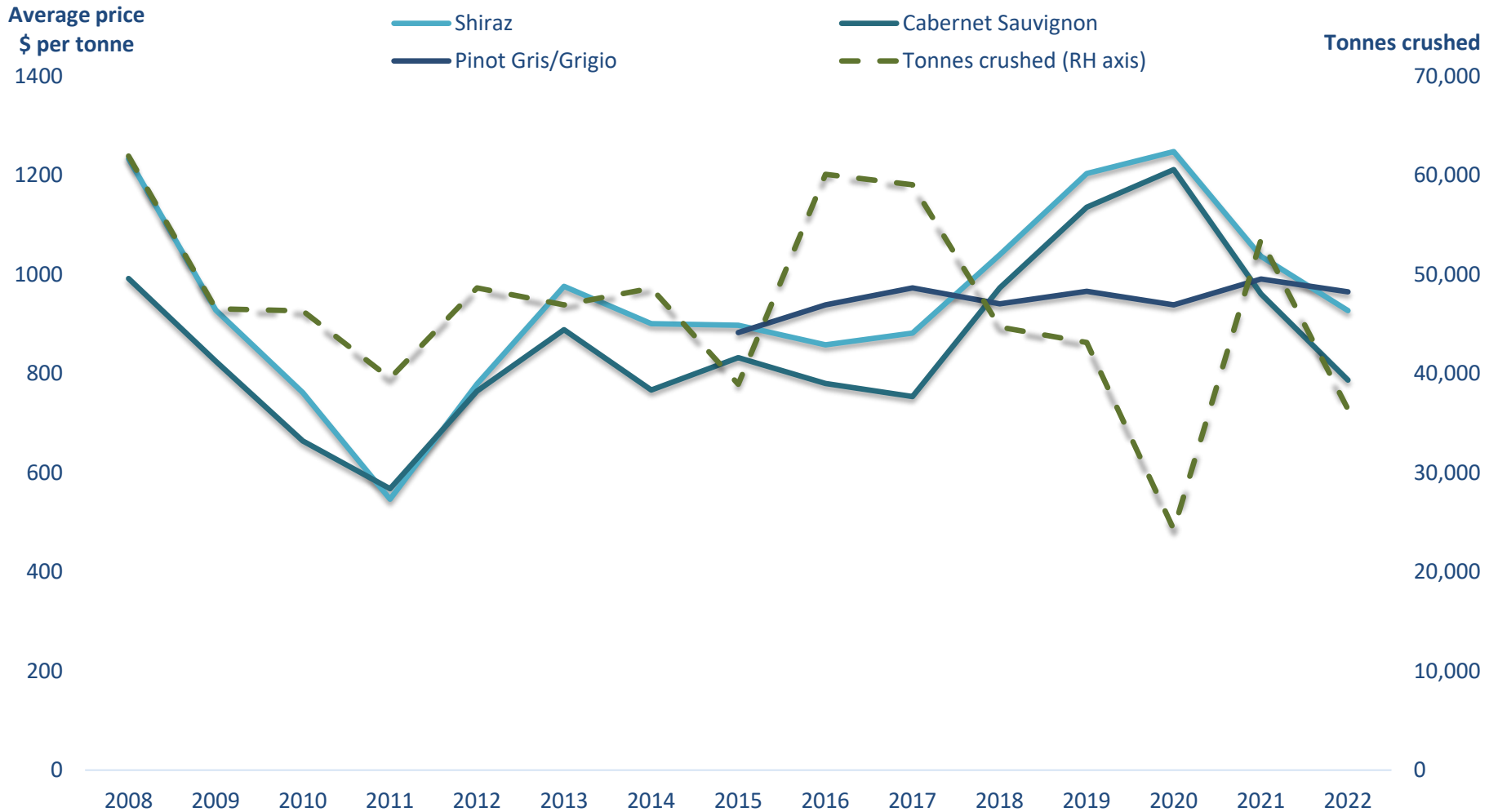
Winegrape intake summary table – white varieties

Varieties	Tonnes purchased	Total value purchased	Average purchase value per tonne	Change in price year on year	Winery grown fruit (tonnes)	Winery grown share of crush	Total crushed (tonnes)	Estimated total value all grapes
White								
Chardonnay	2,782	\$1,867,807	\$671	0%	546	16%	3,328	\$2,234,263
Chenin blanc					3	100%	3	\$2,937
Fiano	16	\$29,585	\$1,816	0%	5	23%	21	\$38,310
Muscat à Petits Grains Blancs					12	100%	12	\$13,260
Pinot Gris/Grigio	295	\$284,412	\$965	-3%	115	28%	409	\$394,998
Riesling	79	\$62,920	\$796	0%	620	89%	699	\$556,392
Sauvignon Blanc	437	\$391,959	\$897	4%	413	49%	850	\$762,570
Verdelho					54	100%	54	\$61,760
Vermentino	27				4	12%	31	\$39,165
Viognier	47						47	\$34,086
White Total	3,683	\$2,705,297	\$734	-1%	1,770	32%	5,453	\$4,137,740
Grand Total	21,767	\$18,332,307	\$842	-12%	14,627	40%	36,394	\$30,648,357

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Historical weighted average price vs tonnes crushed



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Price dispersion – purchased grapes

Varieties	Tonnes purchased in each segment					Total purchased
	<\$600	\$600-<\$900	\$900-<\$1500	\$1500-<\$2000	>\$2000	
Red						
Barbera			5			5
Cabernet Franc			11			11
Cabernet Sauvignon	1,788	2,943	2,497	50	62	7,341
Durif			13			13
Grenache			127		4	131
Lagrein			26			26
Malbec			485	127		612
Mataro/Mourvedre		15	2			17
Merlot	440	1,015	91			1,546
Montepulciano					13	13
Petit Verdot		25	2			27
Pinot Meunier			54			54
Pinot Noir			440			440
Sangiovese			139			139
Shiraz	1,291	2,605	3,398	209	118	7,621
Tempranillo			14			14
Touriga Nacional				16		16
Other red		24	33			57
Red Total	3,519	6,627	7,338	402	197	18,083
White						
Chardonnay	114	2,668				2,782
Fiano				11	6	16
Pinot Gris/Grigio			295			295
Riesling		79				79
Sauvignon Blanc		203	234			437
Vermentino			27			27
Viognier		34	13			47
White Total	114	2,985	568	11	6	3,683
Total purchased	3,633	9,612	7,906	413	203	21,767

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Current plantings by variety and year planted

Variety	Area (hectares)				Total area (Ha)	% planted in 2021
	Pre-2019	2019	2020	2021		
Red winegrapes						
Cabernet Franc	9	0	0	0	9	0%
Cabernet Sauvignon	1,975	23	11	5	2,014	0%
Dolcetto	8	0	0	0	8	0%
Durif (Petite Sirah)	7	0	0	0	7	0%
Grenache	78	0	0	0	78	0%
Lagrein	10	0	0	0	10	0%
Malbec	101	0	0	4	105	4%
Mataro (Mourvedre)	8	0	0	0	8	0%
Merlot	375	0	1	0	376	0%
Nero d'Avola	0	0	0	1	1	100%
Petit Verdot	10	0	0	0	10	0%
Pinot Noir	101	0	0	2	103	2%
Sangiovese	15	0	0	0	15	0%
Shiraz	2,290	13	37	3	2,343	0%
Tempranillo	5	0	0	0	5	0%
Zinfandel	7	0	0	0	7	0%
Other Red	24	0	0	0	24	2%
Total red varieties	5,023	36	49	15	5,123	0%
White winegrapes						
Chardonnay	462	0	0	0	462	0%
Fiano	9	2	0	0	11	0%
Pinot Gris	50	0	0	0	50	0%
Riesling	160	0	0	0	160	0%
Sauvignon Blanc	75	0	0	0	75	0%
Semillon	1	0	0	0	1	0%
Verdelho	8	0	0	0	8	0%
Other White	29	0	0	0	29	0%
Total white varieties	794	2	0	0	796	0%
Rootstock Block	6	0	0	0	6	0%
Unknown variety	47	0	0	0	47	0%
Total all varieties	5,870	38	49	15	5,972	0%

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