



## Gross return per hectare 2014-16 - Riverland

■ 2014 ■ 2015 ■ 2016



Riverland	Tonnes crushed	% fruit purchased at less than \$300/tonne	% fruit purchased at \$300-\$600/tonne	% fruit purchased at \$600-\$1,500/t	Weighted ave price (\$/tonne)	Bearing area (ha)	Yield (t/ha)	Gross return 2016 (\$ per hectare)	Gross Return 2015	Gross Return 2014
Chardonnay	120,366	84%	16%	0%	\$294	4,573	26.3	\$7,745	\$6,042	\$4,927
Shiraz	111,842	0%	99%	1%	\$336	5,402	20.7	\$6,959	\$6,594	\$7,059
Cabernet Sauvignon	64,216	0%	99%	1%	\$347	3,214	20.0	\$6,926	\$6,256	\$6,797
Muscat Gordo Blanco	26,882	96%	4%	0%	\$212	1,020	26.4	\$5,580	\$5,278	\$7,531
Colombard	26,384	100%	0%	0%	\$203	793	33.3	\$6,767	\$7,682	\$6,507
Merlot	25,437	1%	99%	0%	\$358	1,186	21.4	\$7,689	\$7,503	\$6,955

### Riverland summary - 2016

- ★ The Riverland reported crush was 456,988 tonnes in 2016, very similar to the 2015 reported crush of 454,184 tonnes and slightly above the five year average of 431,056 tonnes.
- ★ The total value of purchased grapes increased by 11% from \$103.2 million to \$114.4 million.
- ★ The average prices for most major varieties increased – particularly the white varieties.
- ★ There were 128 hectares of new plantings in 2015, compared with 105 hectares the previous year. These were primarily replacement plantings; total vineyard area increased by eight hectares to 20,608 hectares.
- ★ Average gross returns per hectare\* for the major varieties ranged from \$5,580 for Muscat Gordo Blanco to \$7,745 for Chardonnay.
- ★ Average gross returns in 2016 were higher than 2015 with the exception of Colombard and higher than 2014 except for Shiraz and Muscat Gordo Blanco.

\*calculated as total tonnes divided by plantings up to 2013, multiplied by weighted average price.

Note: these gross return figures are conservative as only reported tonnes are included in the calculations. There is an estimated non-response rate of 10% across all regions.

Information extracted from the SA Winegrape Crush Survey 2016. The full reports can be downloaded from [vinehealth.com.au](http://vinehealth.com.au).