

Key statistics of the Australian avocado industry Data current at September 2023



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Export values are calculated using Free on Board (FOB) price.

Gross Value of Production (GVP) for annual Australian avocado production is estimated by combining: local wholesale value of fresh volume; local wholesale value of processing volume; and export value (FOB) of exported volume.

Consumer market value is estimated using average retail prices (Coles and Woolworths online price data) multiplied by Australian avocado volumes (fresh and processed) that are supplied to the Australian consumer market. The consumer market is broadly defined as both retail and foodservice channels.

Farmgate value is estimated by multiplying the Australian avocado production volume by the local wholesale price minus estimated marketing/supply chain costs.

Australian consumption is estimated using total volume supplied to the Australian market divided by Australian population (based on ABS data).

Data source is Infocado unless otherwise stated. Infocado is the data collection platform from which avocado supply and forecast volumes are reported. The production of these reports is currently funded through AV20000. See http://www.avocado.org.au/our-programs/supply-chain-data/infocado/ for more information.

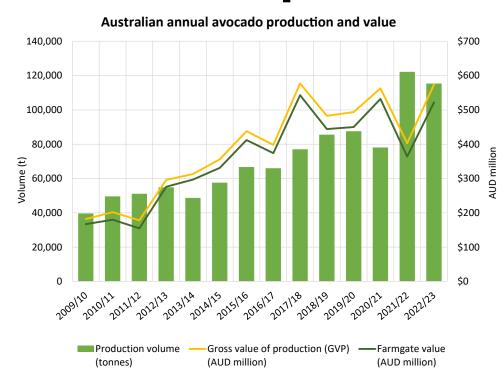


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Avocado production and value



Australia produced just over 115,385 tonnes of avocados in 2022/23, which was 5.57% less than the previous year. However the gross value of production (GVP) for Australian avocados was estimated at \$574 million, 42.43% more than the previous year.

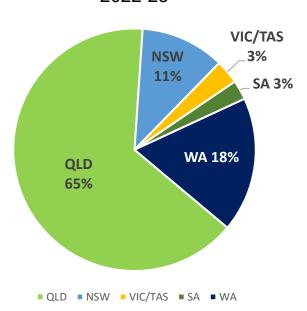
	Australian avocado production										
Year	Production volume (tonnes)	Number of 5.5kg trays	Gross value of production (GVP) (AUD million)	Farmgate value (AUD million)	Consumer market value of Australian fruit sold domestically (AUD million)	Export value (AUD million)					
2013/14	48,715	8,857,217	\$ 313	\$ 297	\$ 668	\$ 5.6					
2014/15	57,595	10,471,887	\$ 356	\$ 331	\$ 750	\$ 6.4					
2015/16	66,716	12,130,207	\$ 438	\$ 412	\$ 899	\$ 9.2					
2016/17	65,992	11,998,467	\$ 398	\$ 374	\$ 755	\$ 12.5					
2017/18	77,032	14,005,754	\$ 557	\$ 543	\$ 958	\$ 11.6					
2018/19	85,546	15,553,808	\$ 483	\$ 444	\$ 898	\$19.6					
2019/20	87,546	15,917,477	\$ 493	\$ 450	\$ 845	\$25.0					
2020/21	78,085	14,197,276	\$ 563	\$ 532	\$ 861	\$22.0					
2021/22	122,197	22,217,709	\$403	\$364	\$666	\$52.00					
2022/23	115,385	20,979,061	\$574	\$522	\$969	\$58.75					

Sources: Infocado, Global Trade Atlas, and Avocados Australia analysis using Ausmarket Consultants data and Freshlogic assumptions



Avocado production by state

Avocado production by state 2022-23



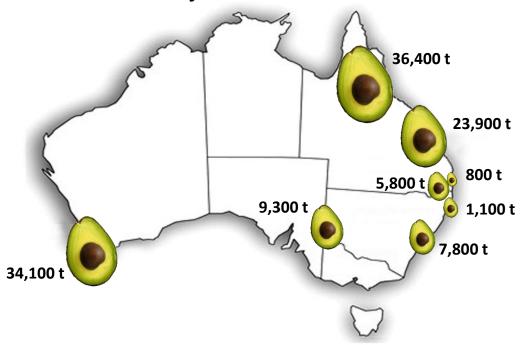
Queensland continues to produce the majority of Australian avocados, with 65% of production. Western Australia produced the next largest share at 18%.

Avocado production by state (tonnes)										
Year	Qld	NSW	Vic/Tas	/ic/Tas SA WA/NT						
2012/13	30,195	3,373	303	2,431	18,575	54,877				
2013/14	33,925	5,801	1,348	1,479	6,163	48,715				
2014/15	28,010	4,666	1,699	1,396	21,824	57,595				
2015/16	32,875	6,693	1,524	1,853	23,771	66,716				
2016/17	42,039	6,980	1,881	1,608	13,483	65,992				
2017/18	45,170	7,791	2,579	1,312	20,180	77,032				
2018/19	47,999	9,773	538	1,618	25,617	85,546				
2019/20	43,067	6,589	2,209	2,442	33,239	87,546				
2020/21	53,987	8,185	1,028	1,338	13,547	78,085				
2021/22	58,640	9,694	2,866	3,683	47,316	122,197				
2022/23	74,957	12,966	3,685	2,994	20,782	115,385				



Avocado regions in Australia

Annual tonnes produced in each region averaged over two years*: 2021/22 and 2022/23



^{*} A two-year average is used to compare production by region, because some regions have irregular bearing years, meaning crop load may vary significantly from year to year.

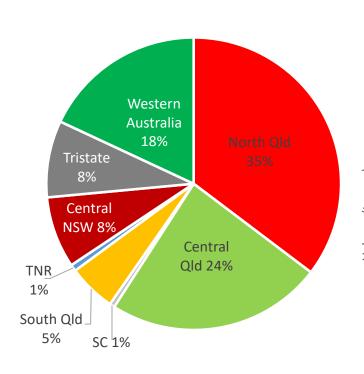
State/s	Region			
	North Queensland (NQ)			
Over a mala mal	Central Queensland (CQ)			
Queensland	Sunshine Coast (SC)			
	South Queensland (SQ)			
Queensland & New South Wales	Tamborine / Northern Rivers (TNR)			
New South Wales	Central New South Wales (CNSW)			
New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia & Tasmania	Tristate (Tri)			
Western Australia & Northern Territory	Western Australia & Northern Territory (WA/NT)			

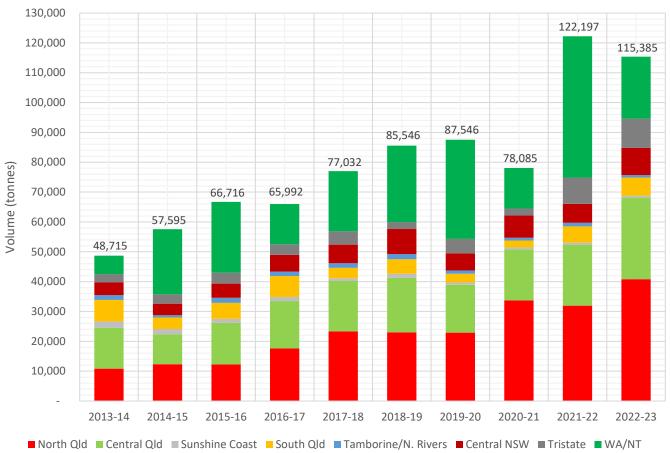
Australia's avocado production is divided into regions which have similar growing conditions and seasons. Some regions cross state boundaries. On average across 2021/22 and 2022/23, production has mostly come from the Queensland regions (57%) and Western Australia (29%).



Avocado production by region

Avocado production by region 2022/2023







Avocado production by region

Respective to the previous year, North and Central Queensland volume increased by 28% and 35%, however Western Australia decreased by 56%. In total production diminished 6%.

Australian avocado production by growing region (tonnes)										
Year	North Qld	Central Qld	Sunshine Coast	South Qld	Tamborine Northern Rivers	Central NSW	Tristate	Western Australia	Total	
2012/13	10,399	13,164	2,603	4,027	533	2,843	2,734	18,575	54,877	
2013/14	10,859	13,668	2,131	7,243	1,586	4,208	2,857	6,163	48,715	
2014/15	12,310	10,054	1,782	3,848	781	3,815	3,182	21,824	57,595	
2015/16	12,285	13,857	1,421	5,301	1,737	4,752	3,592	23,771	66,716	
2016/17	17,599	15,882	1,401	6,964	1,500	5,645	3,517	13,483	65,992	
2017/18	23,346	16,851	927	3,470	1,548	6,260	4,450	20,180	77,032	
2018/19	23,023	18,216	1,389	4,877	1,722	8,408	2,294	25,617	85,546	
2019/20	22,902	16,049	778	2,929	1,071	5,748	4,830	33,239	87,546	
2020/21	33,716	17,100	641	2,296	931	7,453	2,399	13,547	78,085	
2021/22	31,933	20,331	804	5,433	1,229	6,347	8,805	47,316	122,197	
2022/23	40,795	27,359	632	6,064	841	9,120	9,792	20,782	115,385	
2022/23 % by region	35%	24%	1%	5%	1%	8%	8%	18%		
Past 2yr average % by region	31%	20%	1%	5%	1%	7%	8%	28%		



Avocado supply periods by region







Shepard Avocado

Australian avocado supply periods by region and variety													
Region	Variety	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
North Queensland	Hass												
North Queensiand	Shepard												
Central Queensland	Hass												
Central Queensianu	Shepard												
Sunshine Coast	Hass												
South Queensland	Hass												
Tamborine/Northern Rivers	Hass												
Central New South Wales	Hass												
Tristate	Hass												
Western Australia	Hass												
New Zealand	Hass												



Avocado production by variety

In Australia, avocados are produced all year round due to the range of climates and conditions in our eight major avocado growing regions.

Hass is the main avocado variety, and is produced almost all year round. In 2022/23 Hass represented 76% of production, 7% less than the previous year, as Shepard and Other varieties have increased their share of the total.

Shepard, which is harvested in Queensland, now makes up 19% of total production (up 5% from last year), and through late Summer and Autumn, is the dominant Australian variety on the market.

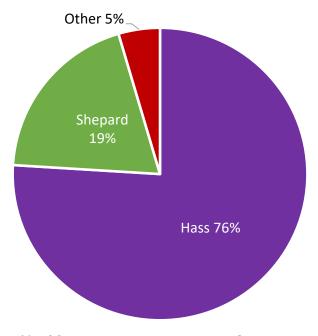
Australian annual avocado production volume (tonnes) by variety





Avocado production by variety

Australia's avocado production by variety in 2022/23



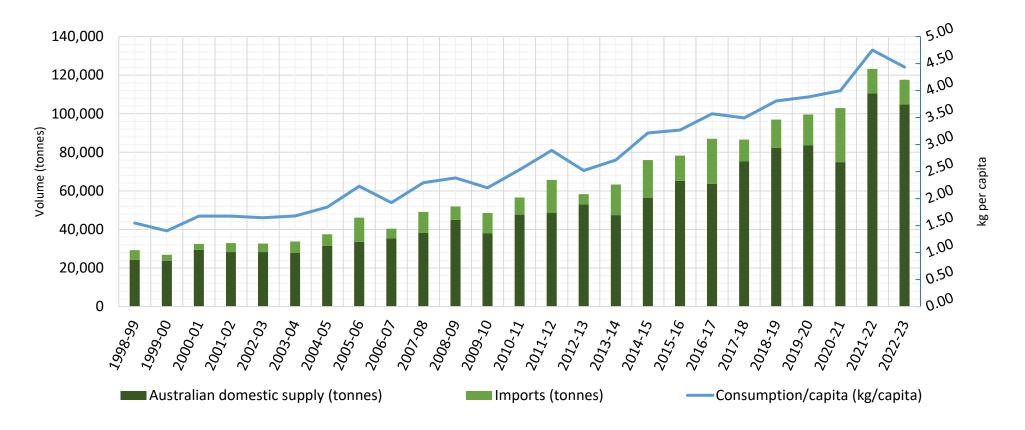
The 5% of fruit which is not Hass or Shepard is made up of varieties including: Maluma, Reed, Carmen, Lamb, Wurtz, Gem, Fuerte, Turner, Sharwil, Gwen, Edrinol, Pinkerton, Zutano, Bacon, Ryan, Ettinger, Sir Prize, Hazzard, Rincon, Llanos, Santana, Linda, Anaheim, Nabal.

Production by Variety (tonnes)									
Year	Hass	Shepard	Other	Total					
2012/13	41,398	9,923	3,556	54,877					
2013/14	37,578	8,774	2,363	48,715					
2014/15	46,540	9,090	1,966	57,595					
2015/16	53,965	10,281	2,470	66,716					
2016/17	52,962	10,860	2,169	65,992					
2017/18	59,870	15,085	2,077	77,032					
2018/19	69,612	13,775	2,160	85,546					
2019/20	70,016	14,875	2,655	87,546					
2020/21	55,025	19,540	3,521	78,085					
2021/22	100,904	17,709	3,585	122,197					
2022/23	87,670	22,467	5,247	115,385					



Domestic avocado consumption

Australian annual domestic avocado supply, NZ imports and Australian per capita consumption



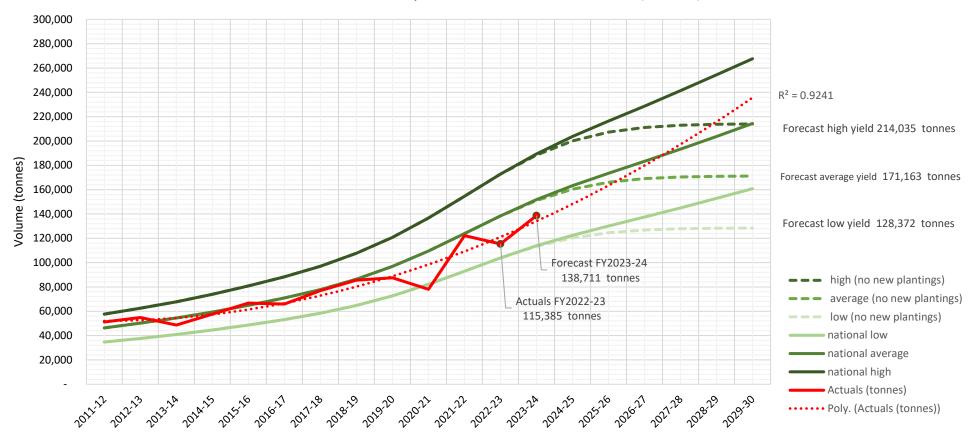
Australia avocado consumption in 2021/23 was 4.43 kg per person. Imported New Zealand fruit supplements Australian supply during their harvest season during Spring and Summer.

Source: Infocado, Global Trade Atlas (S&P Global 2023), and ABS.



Australian avocado production

Australian avocado production model 2012-2030 (tonnes)



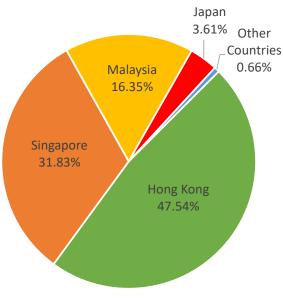
Australian production is forecast to increase strongly over the next few years, to around 170,000 tonnes per annum expected to be produced by 2026. *Source: Infocado, Avocados Australia analysis*.



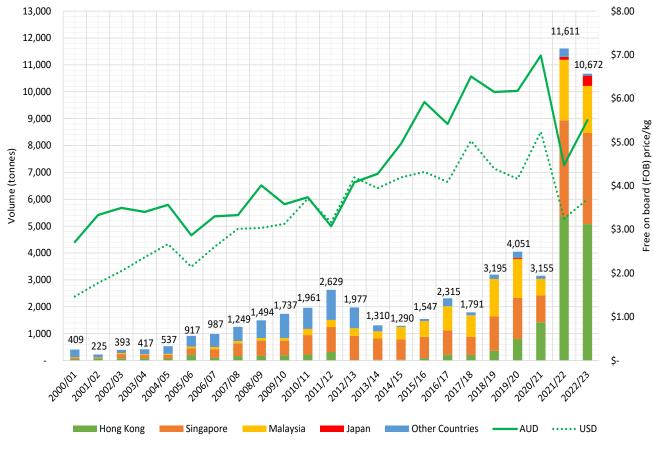
Australian avocado export markets

Australia's export markets in 2022/23

Australian annual avocado export volumes in tonnes by country and AU\$/Kg FOB



In both production and exports, Australia is currently a small player in the world avocado market. Ongoing activity is underway targeting Australia's growth in export markets. In 2022/23 Australia exported 10,672 tonnes, representing an 8% decrease over the previous financial year, and 9.25% of the total 115,385 tonnes produced in Australia.

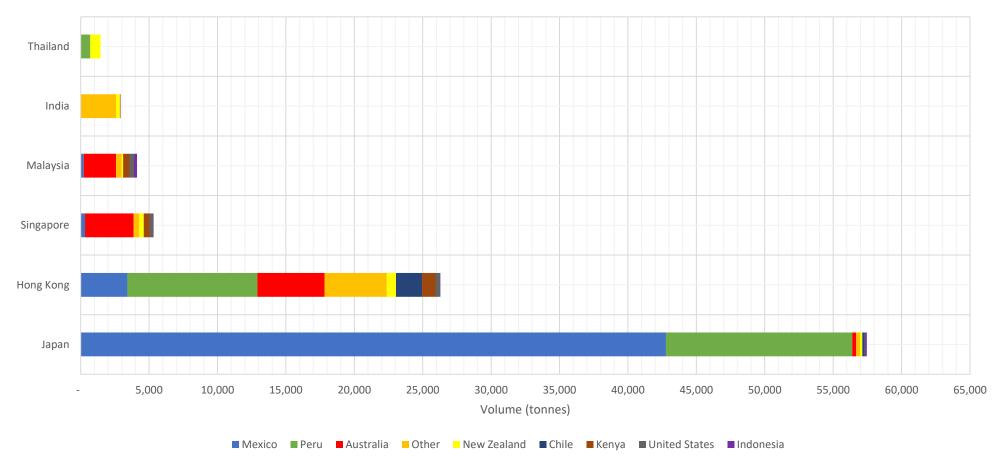


Source: Global Trade Atlas (S&P Global 2023)



Australian avocado export markets

Annual imported volumes by country of origin for the main Australian overseas markets

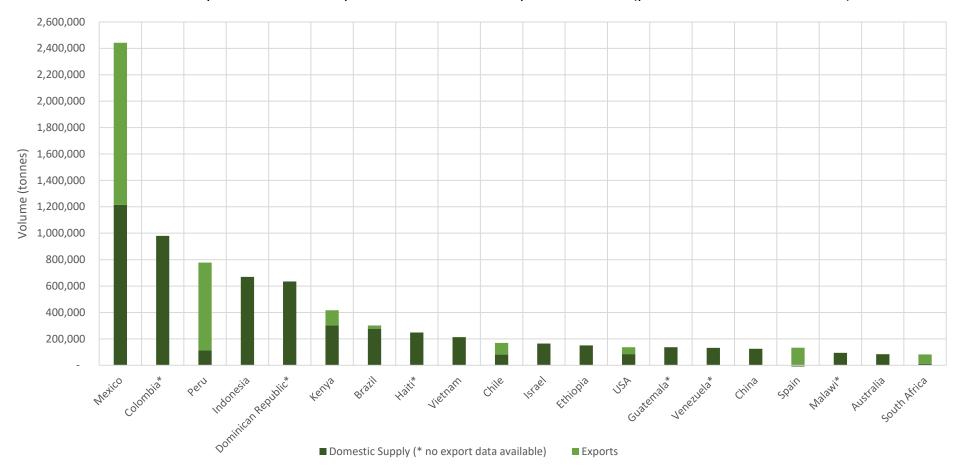


Source: Global Trade Atlas (S&P Global 2023)



Top 20 largest global producers

Avocado production and export volumes for the top 20 countries (production data from 2021)



Source: FAOSTAT (2021) Global Trade Atlas (S&P Global 2023)