



Vegetable Production in the Northern Territory

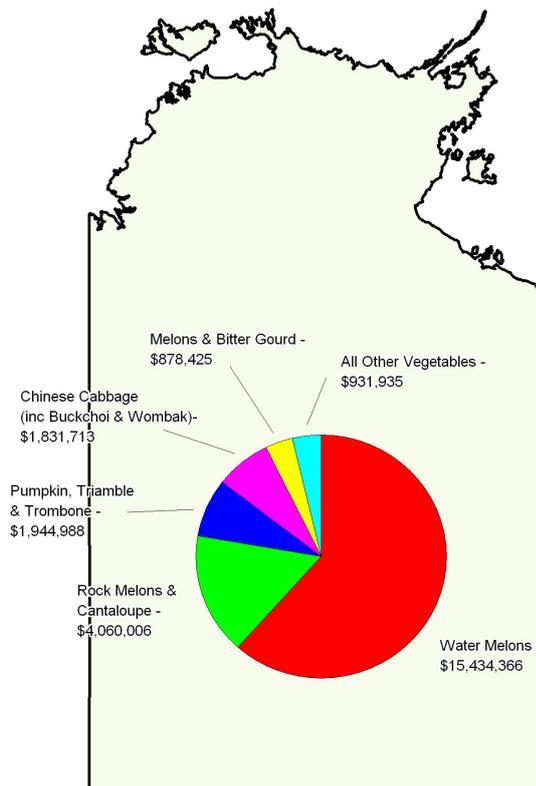
The total value of vegetable production in the Northern Territory is approximately \$25 million (ABS Survey, 2009). This production is obtained from 804 hectares and 44 properties.

The five commodities producing the greatest value in the Northern Territory are:

- water melons
- Chinese cabbage (Buk Choy and Wombok)
- rock melons and cantaloupe
- pumpkin, triamble and trombone, and
- melons and bitter gourd.

Other vegetables provide a minor contribution to the value of production in the NT with detailed data provided overleaf. For national vegetable production figures please go to the resources section of the AUSVEG website at www.ausveg.com.au.

Value Agricultural Crop Production for Vegetable Crops



Listed Crops represent the top five crops in the State, ranked by VACP from ABS Survey 2009. The light blue segment is the aggregation of all other vegetable crops.



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Vegetable Group	Vegetable	Value of Production (\$)	Area of Production (hectare)	Number of Properties	Volume of Production (tonnes)
Brassicas	Cabbages	1,748	<1	1	3
	Chinese Cabbage (Buk Choy And Wombok)	1,831,713	36	13	441
Cucurbits	Cucumbers	509,789	8	10	233
	Honeydew Melon	1,430	<1	1	1
	Melons - Bitter Gourd	878,425	30	11	<1
	Pumpkins, Triamble, Trombone, etc	1,944,988	109	14	2,877
	Rock Melons and Cantaloupe	4,060,006	120	6	3,132
	Water Melons	15,434,366	471	12	18,293
	Zucchini, Marrows and Squashes	239,770	24	8	76
	Eggplant	9,292	1	4	5
	Tomatoes	136,710	2	2	43
Herbs	Herbs - Other (such as Basil and Coriander)	30,131	2	2	4
Other Vegetables	French and Runner Beans	3,065	1	2	5
Total		25,081,433	804	44*	25,113

* Total number of vegetable properties is based on ANZSIC classification and may be lower due to several types of vegetable crops being grown on the same property.

** The variation between state totals as reported by ABS and those presented in this document are the result of pro-rata processing of Survey data. Survey data is collected from less than 20% of growers and is then extrapolated up to National level based on historical data. ABS has altered their Survey sampling structure to accommodate a new geographic reporting structure. This process has created anomalies between the raw data as reported by ABS at their old structure, and the historical production areas for the vegetable crops. As a result we cannot report some of the values with confidence, and these have been excluded.