veggie stats: PUMPKINS

Pumpkins Production – Key facts and figures

- Pumpkin growers', on average, have been experiencing losses since 2007-08.
- Since 2007-08, average domestic pumpkin prices have fallen by 9%, whilst average costs have fallen by 15%.
- Pumpkin production has been falling on average since 2008-09 and reached its record low level of 92 tonnes in 2011-12.
- Pumpkin, squash and gourd exports totalled more than \$2 million in value in 2012-13. More than half of these exports were sent to Singapore.



Australian Pumpkin Growers' Financial Performance (average per farm)

Source: ABARES vegetable farm survey 2011-12 and 2012-13, page 69 Returns: The difference between price and costs (including imputed labour).

Current Financial Performance

Australian pumpkin growers' averaged a loss of \$235 per tonne in 2011-12, an improvement of 23% on the previous year.

In 2011-12, the average price received per tonne of pumpkin was \$375, whereas the average cost to produce a tonne of pumpkins was \$610.

Long Term Trends

Pumpkin growers' on average, have experienced annual losses since 2007-08.





Australian Pumpkin Growers' Production (average per farm)

Australian Pumpkin Production

Australian pumpkin production averaged 92 tonnes in 2011-12, down 34% on the previous year.

Average farm pumpkin production has fallen by 52% since 2008-09.

Source: ABARES vegetable farm survey 2011-12 and 2012-13, page 69

Area Planted v Yield (average per farm)



Australian Pumpkin Production

The average area planted in 2011-12 fell by 25% from the previous year.

In 2011-12, pumpkin growers' average yields also declined

by 21% at 15 tonnes per hectare.

Area Planted

Yield

Australia's Pumpkin, Squash and Gourd Exports and Export Prices Received

Exports

The majority of Australia's pumpkin, squash and gourd exports were sent to Singapore in 2012-13.

Australia's pumpkin, squash and gourd exports received the highest export price per kg from Malaysia, whilst the lowest export price was Indonesia at \$0.94 per kg.



Source: Global Trade Information Service, sourced from Australian Bureau of Statistics International Trade data, various years

