



Surveillance Update

Virginia (and surrounds), SA
7–13 October 2021

Legend:
Light green = Very low incidence
Green = Low incidence
Yellow = Low-moderate incidence
Orange = Moderate incidence
Red = High incidence

Pest or disease				
Botrytis	Green	* Yellow	Green	Orange
Downy mildew	Orange			
Gummy stem blight	Green			
Fusarium	Red			
Aphids			Green	
Mites	** Orange	* Green ***	* Orange ** *****	** Orange
Thrips	* Orange	Green	* Orange	Red
Whitefly	* Orange	* Green	* Yellow	Orange

Crops in order of appearance: Cucumber, Tomato, Capsicum, Eggplant
 * Reported by multiple contributors
 ** Two spotted mite
 *** Russet mites
 **** Broadmite

What's in the crop?

New yellow colour: New yellow colour added to reflect 'low to moderate' reports.

Aphids: Aphids have been reported in capsicum for the first time this month. 

Powdery mildew: Powdery mildew is starting in many crops. 

Botrytis: Botrytis in eggplant has increased (**green** to **orange**).

Mites: While mites have been listed as **moderate**, please note that some farms are only seeing traces of mites currently.

Whitefly: While there has been a slight increase in whitefly in cucumbers (**yellow** to **orange**), there has been a slight decline in tomatoes (**yellow** to **green**).

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Other news:

Beneficials seen this week: Lacewings, hoverflies

Contact PIRSA-SARDI (or Maddy) to send pest/disease samples through the Peri Urban Biosecurity Program, **free of charge**.

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Topics include:

- Viruses: tomato yellow leaf curl virus, alfalfa mosaic virus, cucumber mosaic virus and tomato spotted wilt virus.
- Serpentine leafminer update.
- How consumer habits have changed over the past two years.

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