

Braidwood Garlic

Braidwood Garlic Growers Co-op Ltd

July 2020 Grower Survey Summary

Thank you to those members (14) that participated in completing the July 2020 survey.

As in previous years about 90% of garlic being grown by members is either Turban (typically Monaro Purple) or Purple Stripe (Dunganski).

Group	Kg planted	%
Turban	630	76.5
Standard Purple Stripe	112	13.5
Silverskin	41	5.0
Creole	36	4.4
Artichoke	5	0.6
Total	824	

The above excludes the Turban planted in the Co-op's Paddock Plot. Several growers had disappointing germination rates for the seed garlic bought from Victoria.

The estimated harvest weight for the surveyed members crop is 3.7 MT, a yield of 4.5kg/kg planted, which reflects crop failures from the Victorian Turban seed. The acceptable price range for sale through the Co-op was \$18 - \$25/kg.

Survey indications are that about 1.7 MT, double the quantity last year, is available for sale through the Co-op at an average price of \$21.25/kg net to grower or \$23.4/kg gross.

The Sales and Marketing Committee is confident that it can be sold at \$25/kg gross, which is equivalent to last season. The Co op will again charge a 10% commission on brokered sales meaning \$22.50/kg net to members. We will be in contact with those growers that indicated a willingness to sell through the Co-op nearer to harvest time.