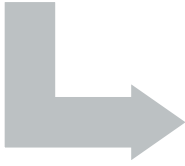


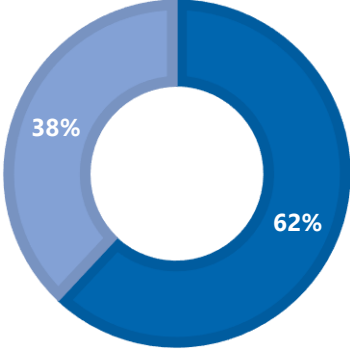
2020-21 Annual Water Use Surveys – Mallee PWA

Reporting annual water use by each licensee is a requirement of the Water Allocation Plan for the Mallee Prescribed Wells Area (PWA). This survey gathers information about how people used their allocation over the water use year, and how this may change in the future. This information is important for managing water resources in the region, based on changing needs of the community & climate.

In 2020-21 water year there were **189** water licences in the Mallee PWA

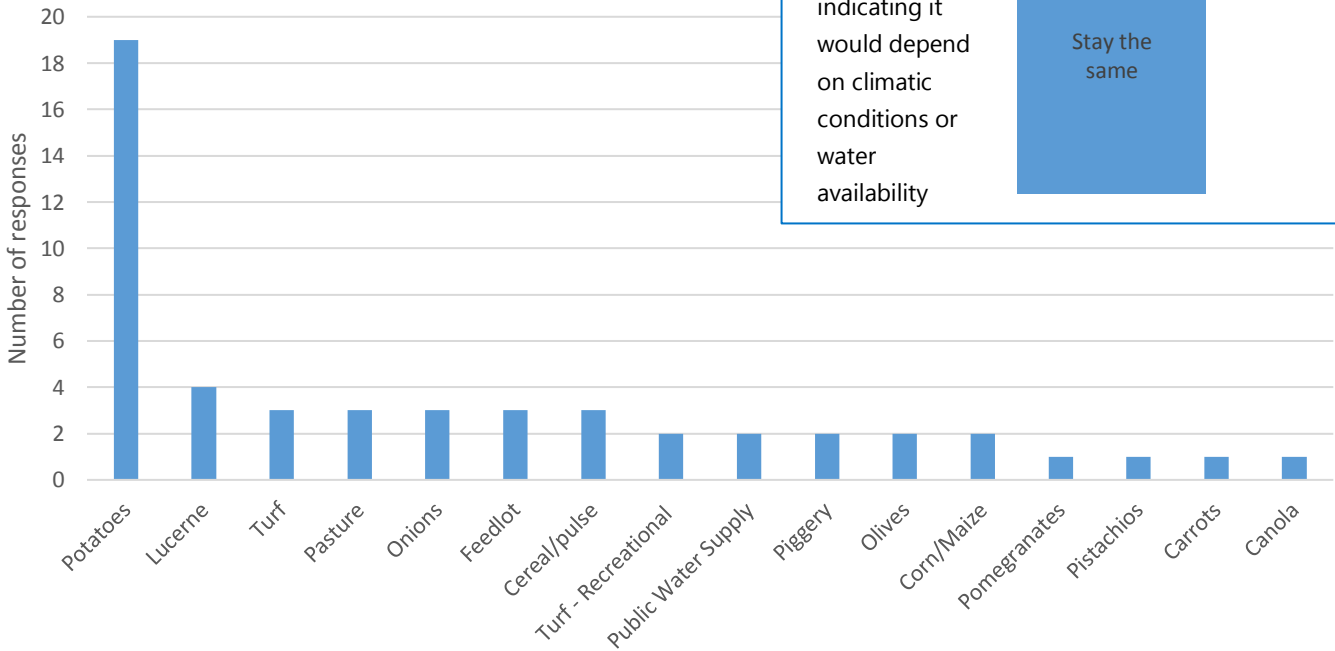


72 surveys were filled out, giving a **39%** response rate



- Licensed use e.g. irrigation, intensive farming, public water supply etc.
- Did not use licensed water

Number of responses indicating how (licensed) water was used in 2020-21



43 responses indicated that their water use would stay the same, while **6** indicated a likely increase, with **11** indicating it would depend on climatic conditions or water availability

Future use, next 1-2yrs

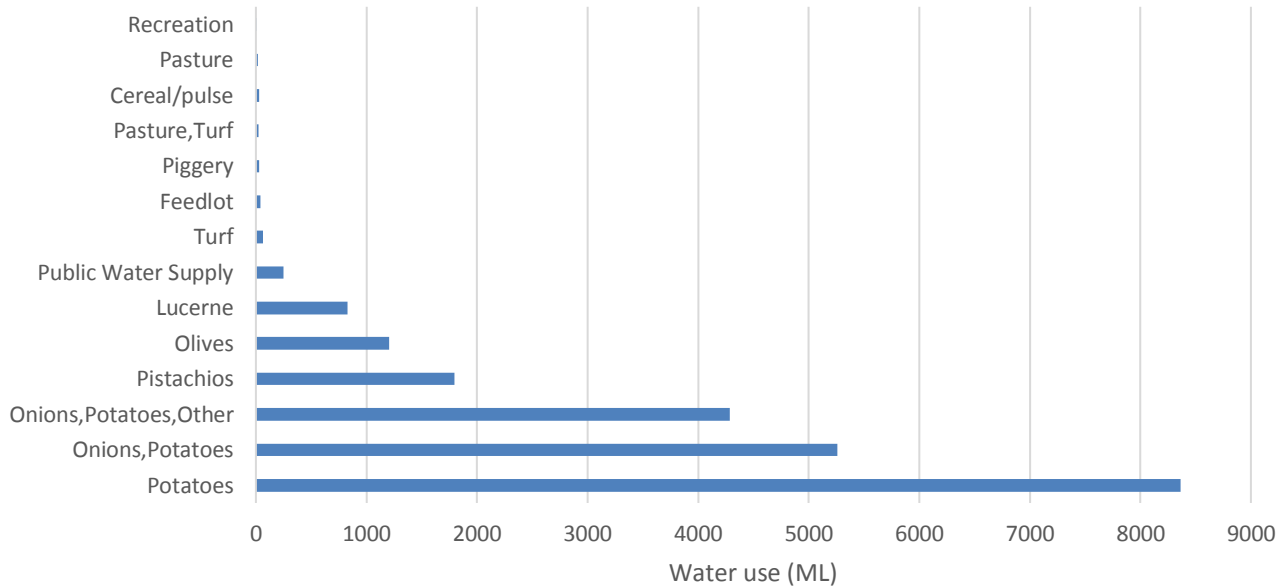
Future Use Category	Number of Responses
Stay the same	11
Increase	6
It depends on climatic conditions or on water availability	11
Other - Paddock rotations for	1
Unsure	1
Other - Selling licence &/or	1



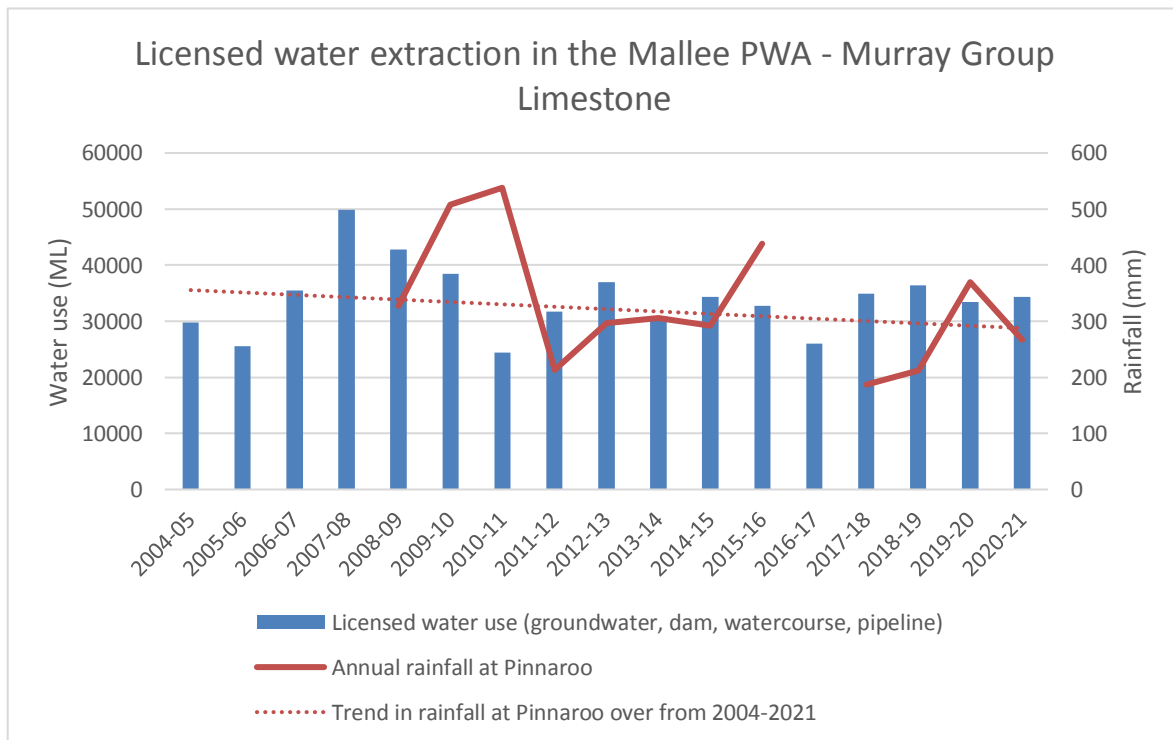
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LICENSED WATER USE IN MEGALITRES - REPRESENTING 39% OF LICENSEES



Years with good rainfall often see less water extracted



Note: total rainfall is shown per calendar year e.g. total rainfall for 2012 at Pinnaroo was 213 mm showing in the 2011-2012 water year



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Water Allocation Planning Update

A 10 year review of the Water Allocation Plan for the Mallee was undertaken in 2021-22.

A summary of the findings of the 10 year review will soon be available on our website:

<https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/mr/water/water-allocation-plans/mallee>

The Landscape Board is in the process of putting together a community committee to inform the drafting to the water allocation plan – if you would like to be involved please contact:

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Find Out More

The latest water resources assessment report and summary fact sheet for the Mallee and Peake, Roby and Sherlock Prescribed Wells Areas can be found here:

2019-20 Water Resources Assessment Report:

https://www.waterconnect.sa.gov.au/Content/Publications/DEW/Peake_Mallee_2021_WRA_Technical_Note.pdf

2019-20 Groundwater level and salinity status fact sheet:

https://www.waterconnect.sa.gov.au/Content/Publications/DEW/Mallee_Peake_2019-20_WRA_Factsheet.pdf

The upcoming 2020-21 status reports will be available here:

<https://www.waterconnect.sa.gov.au/Systems/GSR/Pages/Default.aspx>



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