

# WASHINGTON WINE GRAPE RELEASE

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# 2013 WASHINGTON WINE GRAPE PRODUCTION UP 12 PERCENT CABERNET SAUVIGNON UP 19 PERCENT; CHARDONNAY UP 9 PERCENT

Washington's 2013 wine grape production totaled 210,000 tons, up 12 percent from 2012. Overall, production of red varieties was up 13 percent from last year compared to a 10 percent increase in the production of white varieties. Of the top four producing varieties, Cabernet Sauvignon showed the largest increase, up 19 percent from 2012. Growers received an average of \$1,110 per ton for all varieties in 2013, up \$70 from last year. Of all the published varieties, Grenache received the highest price per ton at \$1,889. White varieties in 2013 accounted for 49 percent of the total production, a slight decrease from 2012. Cabernet Sauvignon was the top producing variety grown in the State at 42,600 tons or 20 percent of the total. Chardonnay was ranked second, at 40,500 tons or 19 percent of the total. In third place was White Riesling with 40,100 tons or 19 percent of the total. Merlot ranked fourth with 36,000 tons or 17 percent of the total. The average Cabernet Sauvignon price increased \$103 per ton from last year to \$1,440 and the average Chardonnay price was up \$12 per ton from 2012 to \$916. Growers received an average of \$796 per ton for White Riesling, \$13 more than 2012. The average Merlot price per ton increased \$82 per ton from last year to \$1,186.

It should be noted that the 2013 production and price for all wine grapes is preliminary and is subject to revision in July 2014.

# Wine Grape Quantity Utilized and Average Price by Variety — Washington: 2009-2013

	Quantity utilized					Average price per ton				
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
White varieties										
Chardonnay	33,400	28,600	28,500	36,900	40,500	857	899	803	904	916
White Riesling	32,100	33,500	31,700	36,700	40,200	781	789	784	783	796
Pinot Gris	6,300	6,100	7,500	6,400	8,000	792	765	765	791	802
Sauvignon Blanc	4,300	4,800	4,300	5,100	5,700	799	843	824	852	884
Gewurztraminer	4,000	3,100	2,900	3,500	3,300	672	688	740	736	757
Viognier	1,300	1,500	1,100	1,900	1,900	989	890	943	1,024	961
Chenin Blanc	1,100	700	800	900	1,300	638	688	746	782	773
Semillon	1,200	800	800	1,000	1,000	839	761	858	951	1,003
Other white varieties	1,300	1,000	700	1,100	1,300	1,018	1,060	989	1,116	1,069
Total white varieties	85,000	80,100	78,300	93,500	103,200	813	830	794	844	852
Red varieities										
Cabernet Sauvignon	27,600	31,900	23,100	35,900	42,600	1,276	1,297	1,312	1,337	1,440
Merlot	24,800	28,300	21,900	34,600	36,000	1,088	1,160	1,117	1,104	1,186
Syrah	10,000	10,900	10,100	11,800	15,300	1,152	1,199	1,133	1,134	1,292
Cabernet Franc	2,600	2,500	2,500	3,400	3,400	1,271	1,325	1,342	1,442	1,485
Malbec	1,000	1,100	1,300	1,800	2,000	1,473	1,540	1,413	1,474	1,570
Sangiovese	900	800	600	1,200	1,300	1,302	1,291	1,350	1,222	1,258
Petit Verdot	(1)	(1)	(1)	1,000	1,200	(1)	(1)	(1)	1,585	1,592
Grenache Noir	(1)	(1)	(1)	1,000	900	(1)	(1)	(1)	1,555	1,889
Pinot Noir	800	900	700	800	900	870	740	868	894	1,000
Mourvedre	(1)	(1)	(1)	800	800	(1)	(1)	(1)	1,409	1,673
Other red varieties	3,300	3,500	3,500	2,200	2,400	1,468	1,476	1,470	1,428	1,492
Total red varieties	71,000	79,900	63,700	94,500	106,800	1,200	1,241	1,224	1,235	1,339
All varieties	156,000	160,000	142,000	188,000	210,000	989	1,040	987	1,040	1,110

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Included in the other red category from 2009-2011.

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