

AGRICULTURE STATISTICAL OVERVIEW 96/97

SHIRE OF CORRIGIN



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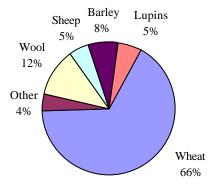
The Shire of Corrigin is part of the Central Agriculture SRD Region¹. It contributes \$50 million to the region's gross value of agricultural production (GVAP). The shire covers 309,500 hectares with a population (1996) of 1,318 - a fall of 132 (-9%) since 1986.

Table 1: Comparitive Statistics 1996/97

Region	GVAP	Farm Area	No of
	(\$M)	('000 Ha)	Farms
Shire of	50	243	134
Corrigin			
Central	1,467	8,070	3,507
Agriculture			
SRD			
Total WA	4,261	112,482	13,872

Wheat is the major commodity produced in Corrigin. It was worth over \$32 million to the shire in 1996/97. The next most important commodity is wool (\$6 million) and barley (\$3.8 million).

Fig 1: Proportion of GVAP (Total \$50M) by commodity: 1996/97



In 1996/97 there was over 113,000ha of land planted to broadscale crops with a combined value of over \$40 million (see table 3).

Since 1982/83 the region's GVAP increased from \$37 million to \$50 million in 1996/97. The shire suffered from a collapse in wool prices and a decline in the value of wheat over the period 1988/89 to 1990/91. Its GVAP dropped from \$59 million to \$33 million over this period.

¹ The Central Agriculture Sustainable Rural Development (SRD) Region contains the shires listed in table 2.

Fig 2: GVAP, 1982/83 to 1996/97: Shire of Corrigin

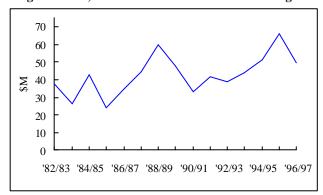


Table 2: Production by major shire, 1996/97

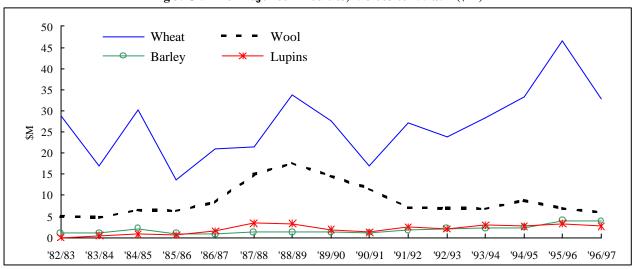
	GVAP (\$M)	No of farms	Area of farms ('000HA)
Lake Grace	132	285	762
Yilgarn	88	124	721
Kulin	87	164	434
Wongan	80	127	353
Narembeen	73	129	383
Kondinin	72	131	364
Kent	70	167	413
Mt Marshall	59	111	636
Bruce Rock	58	112	251
Merredin	51	116	287
Corrigin	50	134	243
Mukinbudin	48	78	285
Cunderdin	46	97	186
Dowerin	44	88	173
Quairading	39	107	196
Kellerberrin	36	78	171
Goomalling	35	107	158
Koorda	35	74	210
Westonia	35	52	219
Wyalkatchem	35	59	149
Williams	34	128	185
Trayning	33	65	151
Tammin	29	50	122
Beverley	27	166	157
Pingelly	26	87	127
York	26	133	136
Northam	24	159	109
Brookton	23	99	126
Nungarin	21	33	102
Cuballing	20	79	82
Toodyay	17	106	91
Wandering	15	62	87

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Table 3: GVAP, area and dollars per hectare for major agricultural activities Shire of Corrigin 1996/97

Agricultural Industry	Value of farm production (\$'000)	Total area of production (Ha)	Dollars per hectare (\$/Ha)
Intensive animal products			
Apiculture	0	0	
Intensive meat	264	6.4	
Eggs	0	0	
Total intensive animal products	264	6.4	41,423
Pasture animal products			
Wool	6,001	50,640	
Milk	0	0	
Grazing meat	2,719	53,742	
Other	0	0	
Total pasture animal products	8,720	104,381	84
Crops - broadscale			
Cereal crops for grain	37,184	98,224	
Grain legumes and oilseeds	3,003	13,701	
Hay/pastures	514	1,274	
Total broadscale crops	40,701	113,199	360
Crops - horticulture			
Nurseries, turf and cut flowers	0	0	
Vegetables	0	0	
Fruit	0.07	40	
Grapes	0	0	
Total horticulture crops	0.07	40	2
Non productive land (ha)		25,332	
Total Shire of Corrigin	49,684	217,627	228

Fig 3: GVAP of major commodities, 1982/83 to 1996/97 (\$M)



Reference – Australian Bureau of Statistics (1997). *Agricultural Statistics*, Australian Bureau of Statistics, Perth, Western Australia.

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