

enviroed4all® - Family Farm Snapshots-

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2014 International Year of Family Farming "Feeding the world; Caring for the Earth"

Wimmera food plants grown at homes

- Dimboola Probus Club survey 2014

I received 19 written survey replies at the meeting.

'Thank you' to each one of you, fantastic part-time family farmers, for your information. Of these 19, everyone grew some food plant at home - so all are part-time family farming, but only 5 had heard of the IYFF already.

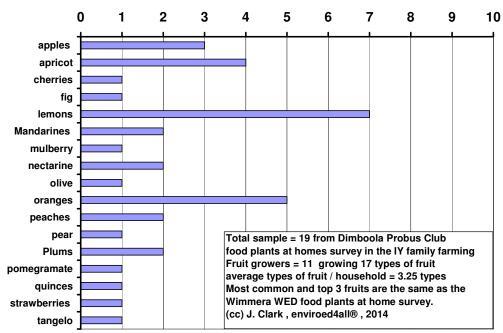
They reported:

- 11 growing fruits with 9 lists given, 9 was the max for one home and 3 ¼ the av.
- 16 growing vegetables with 8 lists given, 11 was the max for one home and 4 the av.
- 19 growing herbs with 11 lists given, 6 was the max for one home and 3 the av.
- 1 growing nut trees.

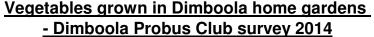
What is most commonly grown? What would you expect? From the lists received, they are:

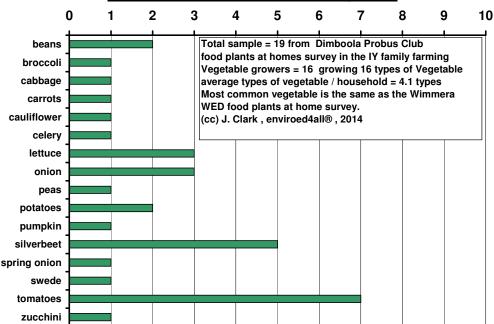
Lemon, with orange next, and 17 fruit types listed

<u>Fruits grown in Dimboola home gardens - Dimboola Probus Club survey 2014</u>

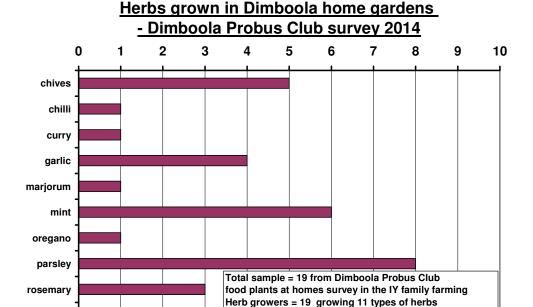


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parsley, with mint and chives next, and 11 herb types listed.



Follow up -

sage

thyme

Value what you do as part-time family farmers growing food in your home gardens, not only producing fresh, healthy food,

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average types of vegetable / household = 3.1 types

Top 3 herbs are the same as the Wimmera WED survey.

but acting as local as you can get with global benefits, caring for the Earth through minimum food miles, greenhouse gas contributions, and carbon footprints.

Well done! Keep it up, and encourage others to do like you do!

