

## Certification 2012

The bulk of oils for 2012 certification have been processed with a few continuing to arrive. Fortunately with using the New South Wales Department of Primary Industries testing service there are no constraints on when oils can be submitted for certifications so please continue to send these in to Olives New Zealand.

Details of oils submitted for certification by region for 2012 and 2011 are shown on the following table. The reduction in oils submitted in 2012 is largely attributed to a number of growers not having harvested because of weather damaged crops. Some 10 oils did not meet EVOO classification, the same number as in 2011.

Number of Oils Submitted for Certification by Region		
Region	2012	2011 Total
Northland	8	14
Auckland	21	7
Waiheke Island	8	15
Bay of Plenty	4	5
Hawke's Bay	10	26
Kapiti	3	5
Wairarapa	23	31
Marlborough	1	9
Nelson	10	8
Canterbury	2	11
Central Otago	1	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>134</b>
Total Litres Certified EVOO	40,120	150,000

Cost of Certification for 2012 was able to be kept the same to members as in 2011. In 2011 members paid \$42.20 to AsureQuality for chemical analysis and \$200 to Olives New Zealand for the sensory analysis carried out under contract at Plant and Food Research, making a total of \$242.20. In 2012 members paid \$242 to Olives New Zealand. Members also only needed to make one submission on a single form to Olives New Zealand in 2012 rather than three submissions as in 2011.

The 2012 budget was drafted on a 'cost recovery' basis and included an allowance for tasting panel/judges maintenance as per previous years. The following is the Summary of Income/Expenditure as at early September and is based on 85 samples because the DPI charges for the other 6 samples have not been processed as yet.

<u>Income</u>	Budget	Actual
Quantity	100	85
Certification Fees	24,220	20,327
<u>Expenses</u>		
DPI Testing	17,590	14,232
Freight	1,150	1,555
Packaging	500	482
Administration	1000	966
Storage	1,144	1,144
Miscellaneous *	3,000	1,948
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,384</b>	<b>20,327</b>
<u>Surplus/Deficit</u>	<b>-\$164</b>	<b>\$0</b>

\* Miscellaneous – an amount of \$30 per oil had been factored in the budget for incidentals such as currency fluctuations, price increases, etc plus to enable ongoing maintenance of tasters/judges. This has resulted in \$1,948 available for the latter, assuming no increase to storage costs.

*Thanks to all of those who took the time to provide feedback on 2012 Certification. Your comments will help in fine tuning the system for 2013.*