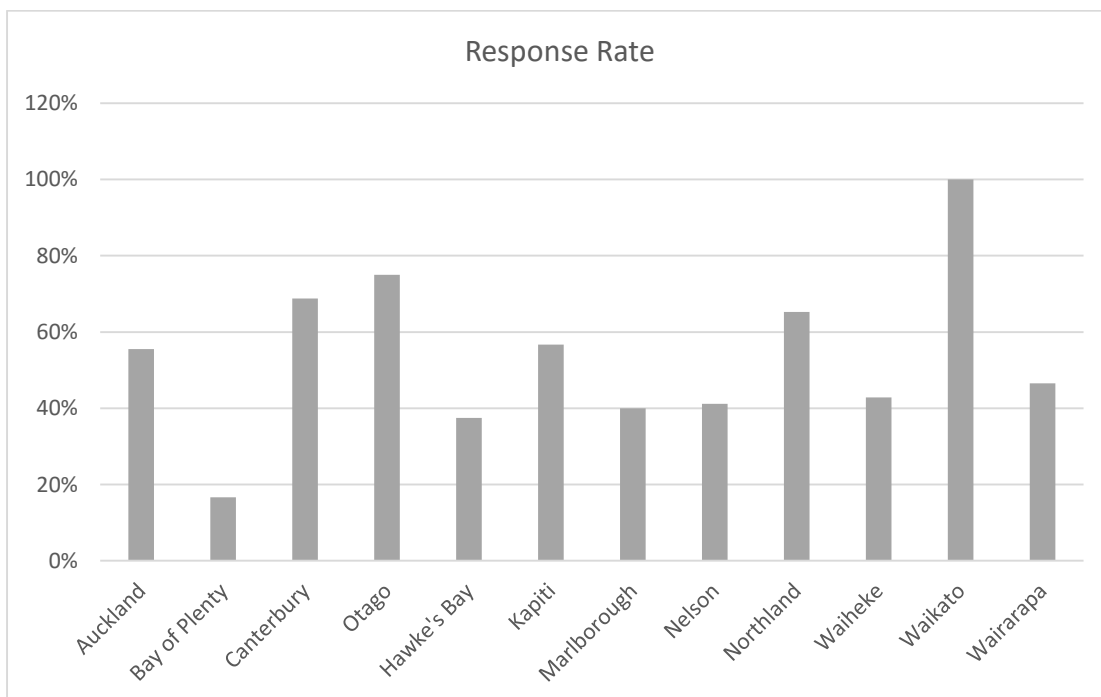
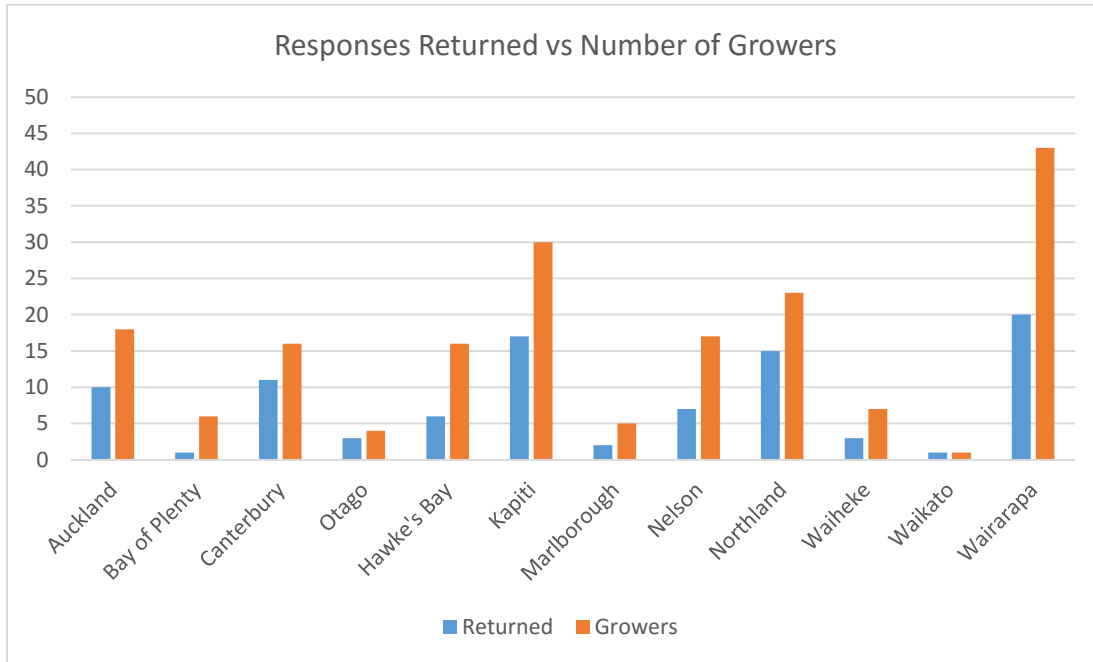


## 2015 Grove Census Harvest Data

The 2015 harvest year was challenging in most regions with many groves reporting no harvest. Other groves had to harvest a 'grove blend' for economies of scale. These factors have impacted on the data able to be reported on a regional and tree varietal basis.

### Responses by Region

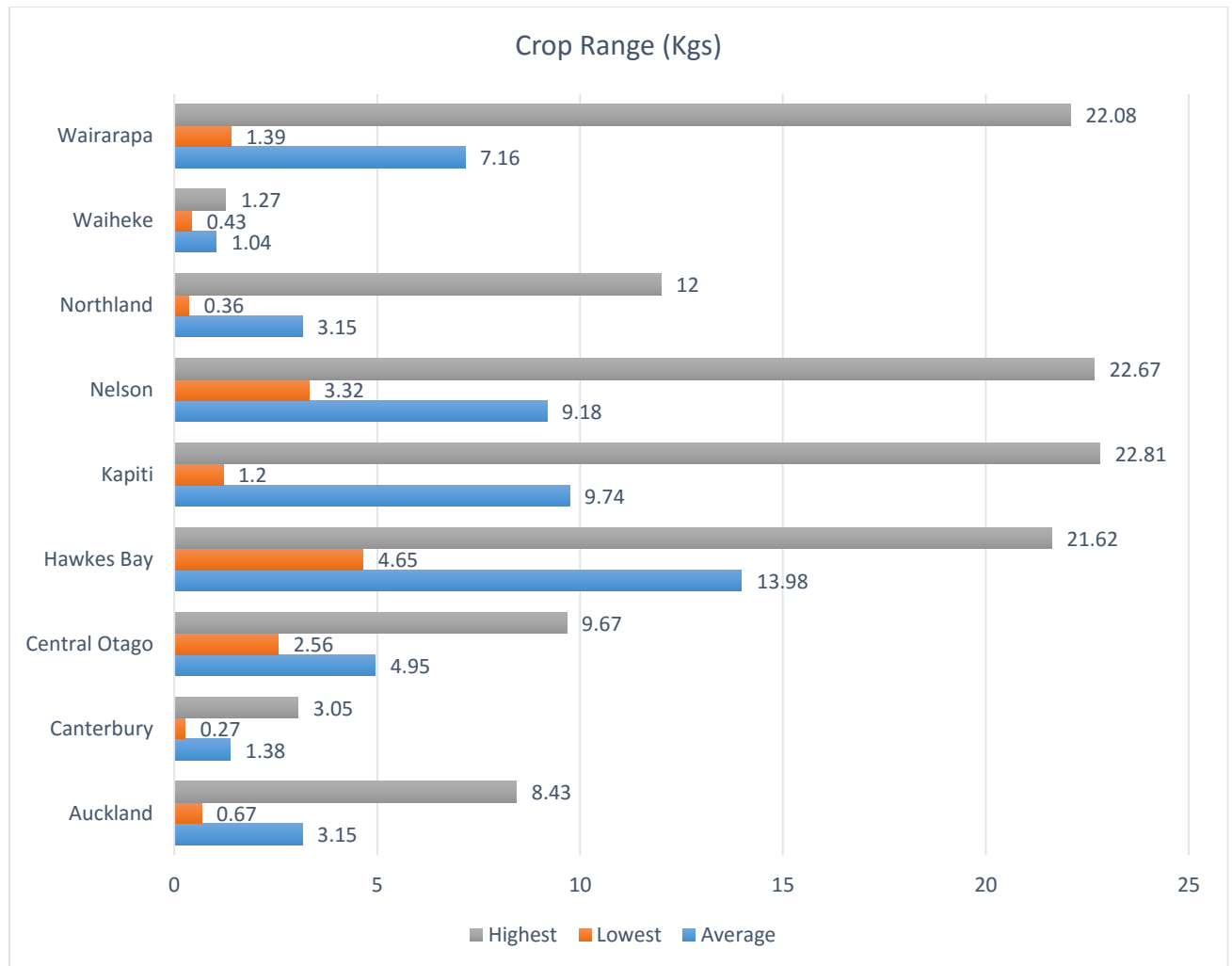
The 2015 harvest census had a response rate of 52% (96 out of 186 groves) compared with 56% in 2014. As in 2014, only one of the five super groves responded. This is disappointing as collectively the five super groves represent 30% of the trees in the database and therefore could impact significantly on the reports produced.



## Crop by Region

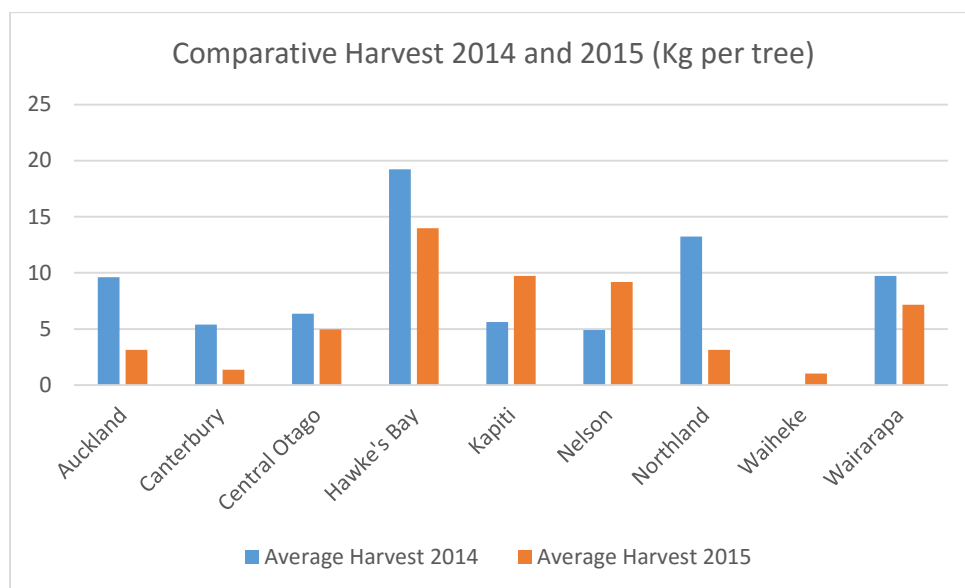
There was significant variation in the crops harvested within all regions when looking at the lowest and highest crop loads. This has resulted in low average harvests across many regions with only Kapiti, Nelson and Hawke's Bay being near an average of 10Kgs per tree. Hawke's Bay produced the best average harvest at 13.98Kgs per tree harvested.

In relation to the highest producing crops reported, Hawke's Bay, Kapiti, Nelson and Wairarapa all had individual figures greater than 20Kgs per tree.



## Average Crop 2014 vs 2015

Only two regions showed an increase in average crop harvested in 2015, Kapiti and Nelson.



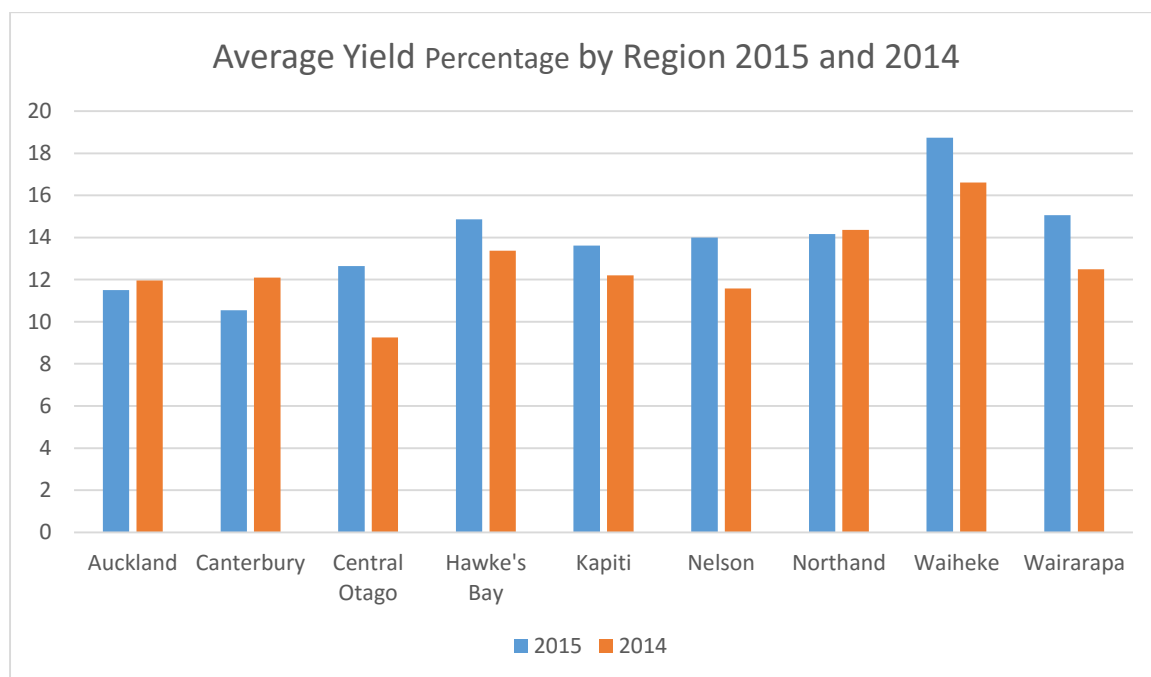
## Top Individual Crop by Region

Leccino has been the best cropping variety across most regions in 2015, followed by Picual. It is also pleasing to see that four regions saw crops harvested of in excess of 20Kgs per tree. Top individual crops have changed in the majority of regions from 2014 and the poor 2015 harvest year is apparent in the crop harvested.

Region	2014		2015	
	Kgs	Variety	Kgs	Variety
<b>Auckland</b>	18.93	Koroneiki	8.43	Leccino
<b>Canterbury</b>	35.33	Koroneiki	3.05	Pendolino
<b>Central Otago</b>	9.35	Leccino	9.67	Leccino
<b>Hawkes Bay</b>	35.54	Frantoio	21.62	Leccino
<b>Kapiti</b>	17.1	Leccino	22.81	Leccino
<b>Nelson</b>	11.57	Leccino	22.67	Picual
<b>Northland</b>	30.65	J5	12	Frantoio
<b>Wairarapa</b>	25	Picholene	22.08	Picual

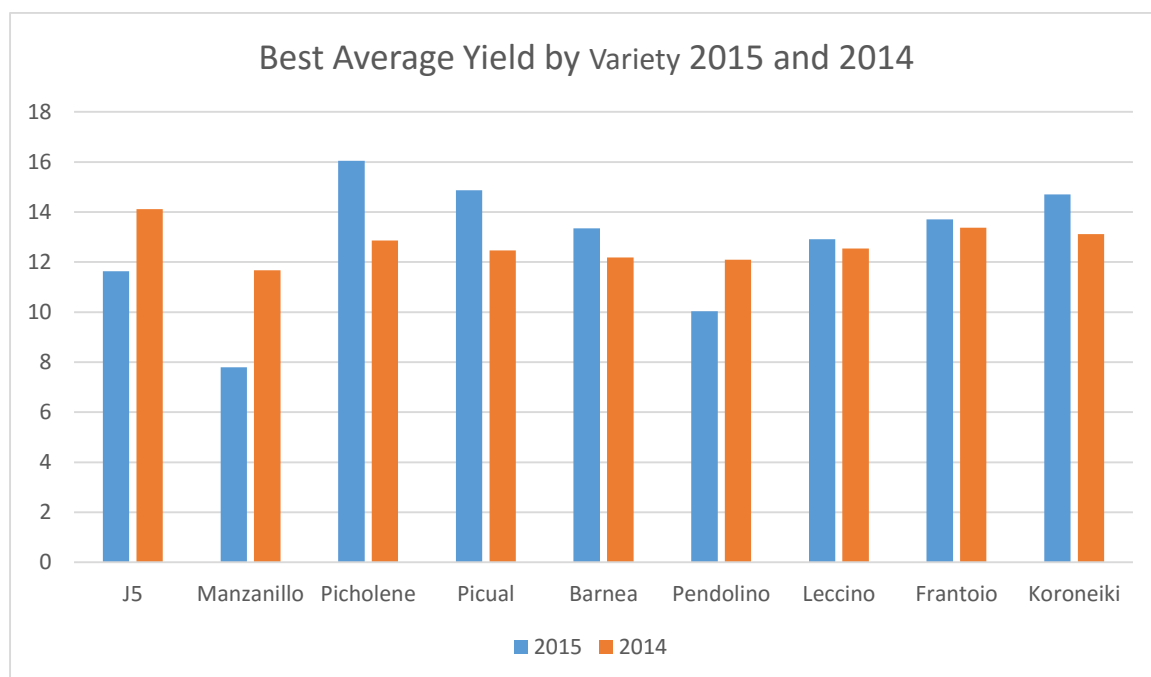
### Average Oil Yield by Region

There has been a slight improvement in oil yield percentage in six out of nine regions able to be measured. The three regions where average yield went down in 2015 were Auckland, Canterbury and Northland (marginally).



### Best Average Yield by Variety

There was an improvement in average oil yield for six out of the nine most reported varieties. These were Picholene, Picual, Barnea, Leccino, Frantoio and Koroneiki. The lowest average yield in 2015 was for Manzanillo (7.8%) and the highest was for Picholene (16.05%).



**Olives New Zealand thanks the growers who returned their 2015 harvest data.**