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IN BROOME WILL  
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The value of agricultural produce in 2014 in the Shire was \$32.9M over a total area of 1,873 ha (1,340 ha irrigated).

### DID YOU **KNOW?**

The West Kimberley is ideally placed to deliver a range of new agricultural products to meet the demands of increased Asian consumption driven by higher disposable incomes, changing tastes and ongoing population growth. These areas will be developed through strong partnerships between Government, local land holders and private industry.

Producers in Broome grow high quality watermelons, sweet corn, beans, mangoes, vegetables and fodder. There is also wild harvest of gubinge and other indigenous plants.

There is renewed focus on agricultural opportunities within the Shire of Broome. State Government agencies including the Department of Agriculture and Food, Water and Regional Development are working with the Shire of Broome, the Traditional Owners and private industry to realise investment opportunities and develop new agricultural projects. Key programs include:

The La Grange Agriculture project: The Department of Agriculture and Food is investigating the La Grange water allocation area, south of Broome. It extends south from the town of Broome towards Port Hedland. The project is conducting a prefeasibility of the area including soils, groundwater modelling; approval pathways; and conducting innovative market, economic and investment research with local landholders. This information will provide a solid foundation to support

future agricultural developments and foster local and third party opportunities.

The Water for Food program is a \$40 million dollar State funded project to realise additional agricultural and horticultural opportunities across WA. One new project in Broome is the potential expansion of the area known as Skuthorpe just 30 km from Broome, ideally placed with access to post farm gate infrastructure such as sealed roads, the airport and the Broome Port.

The Department of Lands is developing a Cabinet approved process and information products to assist potential investors understand the land tenure requirements, responsibilities and options to realise new agricultural ventures in the State.

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