

Supplementary Table 1. A summary of the combined total results from the Edible Gardens project

No. of gardens		34				
No. of garden areas		93				
Method-crop categories		aqua-fivg; bee-hon; bed-orch; other-orch; pot-orch; bed-mixed; pot-mixed; chkn-egg; poult-egg; raised-mixed; bed-vine; wick-mixed				
Water sources		Mains water, rainwater and bore / grey water				
Irrigation methods		Manual (watering can, bucket, sprinkler or hose), drip/spray irrigation lines, automatic irrigation systems or 'other'.				
			Total	Min / Max	Median / Average	
Duration of data collection		days	7565 (equivalent to 252 months!)	23 / 880	176 / 225	
Inputs	Area under production	m ²	3,520.9	4 / 731	49 / 98	Per m2
	Estimated setup costs *survey data	\$AUS	\$70,195	\$0 / \$10,000	\$1,000 / \$2,005	\$19.94
	Ongoing costs	\$AUS	\$6,735.72	\$0 / \$1,787.50	\$98.89 / \$198.11	\$2.13
	Time	hours	144,582	82 / 36,657	1,832 / 4,016	41 hours
	Applied Irrigation	kL	690.8	0.2 / 163.4	5.9 / 19.2	218L
	Recorded Rainfall	kL	1231.4	0.16 / 414.3	9.8 / 37.3	389L
Outputs	Total yield	kg	3,479	2 / 682	32 / 102	1.10kg
	Inherent energy	kJ	5,736,153	1,896 / 1,150,830	69,117 / 168,710	1815 kJ
	Inherent protein	g	77,420	35 / 21,005	986 / 2,895	30 g protein
	Retail value	\$AUS	\$28,075.61	\$38.76 / \$5,433.41	\$341.83 / \$825.75	\$8.88
	WUE _{gross}	kg/kL	-	0.14 / 10.69	2.50 / 3.07	-
	WUE _{nut}	kJ/kL	-	132 / 12,486	4,400 / 4,583	-
	WUE _{fin}	AUS\$/kL	-	1.83 / 77.48	23.84 / 27.37	-
Retail value of shared food		\$AUS	\$4,246.62	\$1.10 / \$1,144.68	\$27.40 / \$157.28	-
Recipients of shared food		Family; friends; community; swap meet; other				