



Pistachio Growers' Association

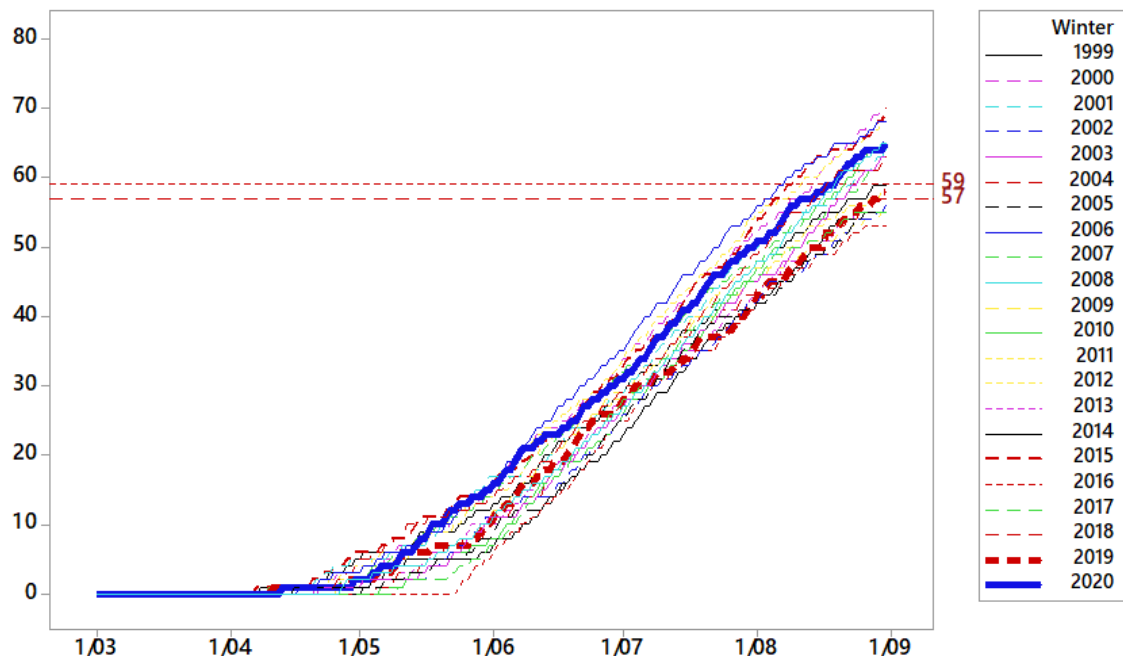
PGA Chill Newsletter Number 4 - 2020-21 Season

31st August 2020

Usually, the PGA only issues 3 chill reports each winter, the last on 15th August. This winter produced amongst the highest levels of chill since the PGA commenced collecting and analysing this data. This is a special report so all growers will have a record of such high chill.

This season, most growers have reported taking the usual mitigating action between 15th August and 1st September. With such high levels of chill, it would be interesting to learn of any untreated trees and how they perform during budbreak. If any growers have untreated trees, even if only a few, can they please report budbreak to Dr Subha Abeysinghe, subhashini@pgai.com.au. The matters to look for are the evenness of bud break and the percentage of fruit buds that open.

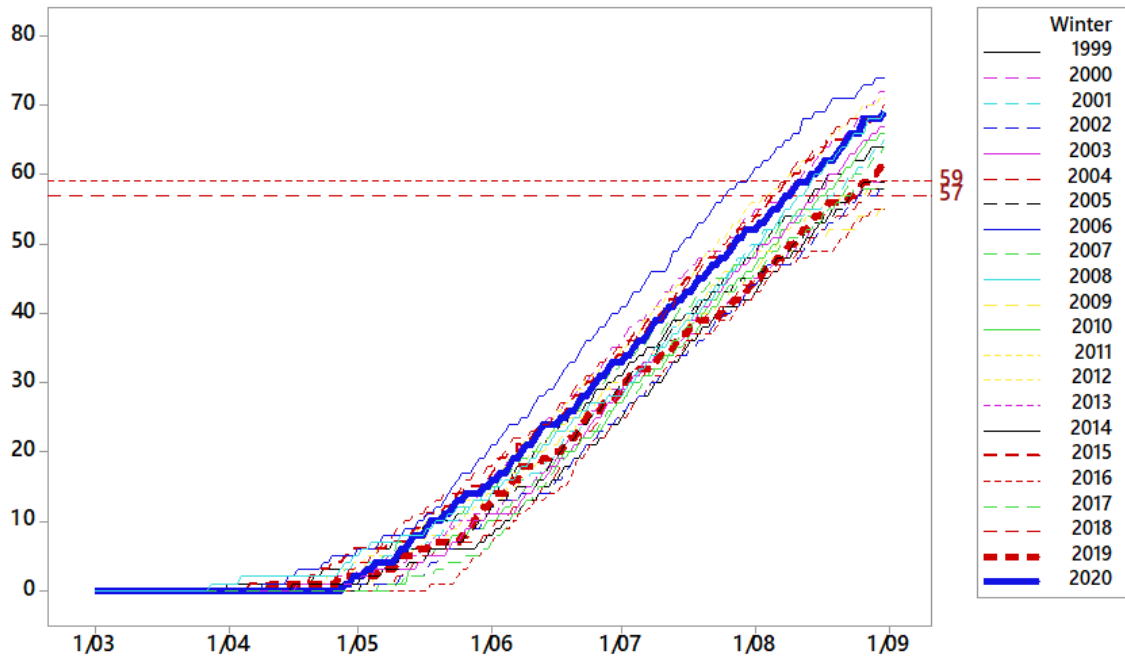
Renmark



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RENMARK: 65 portions on 31st August; less than 5 portions to the highest which was in 2015.

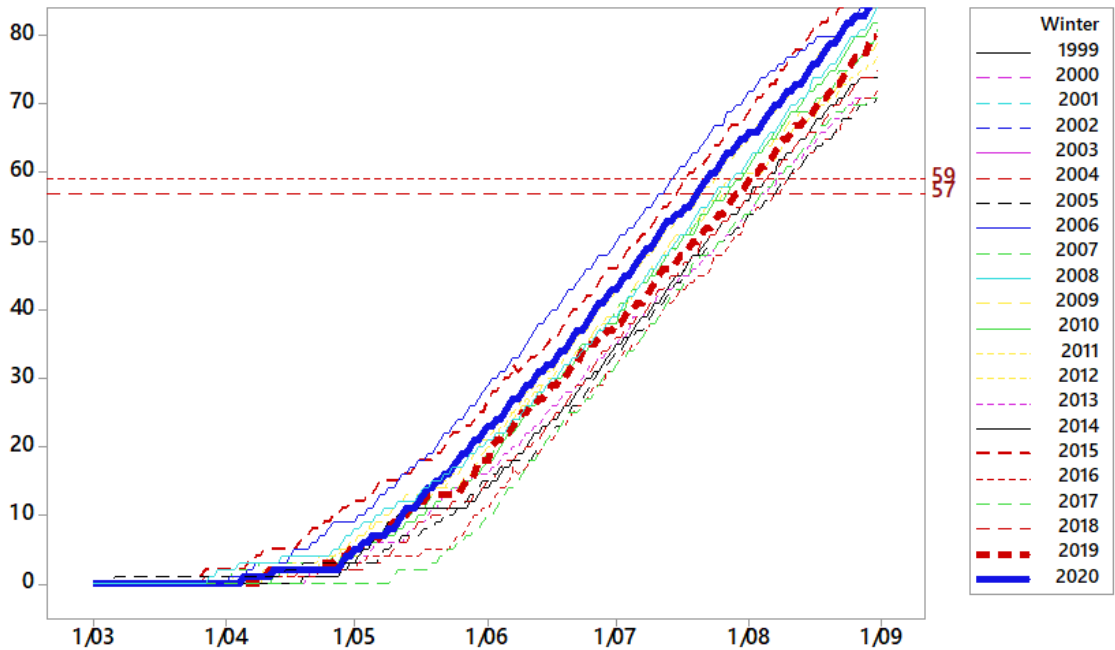
Loxton



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LOXTON: 69 portions on 31st August; less than 5 portions to the highest which was in 2006.

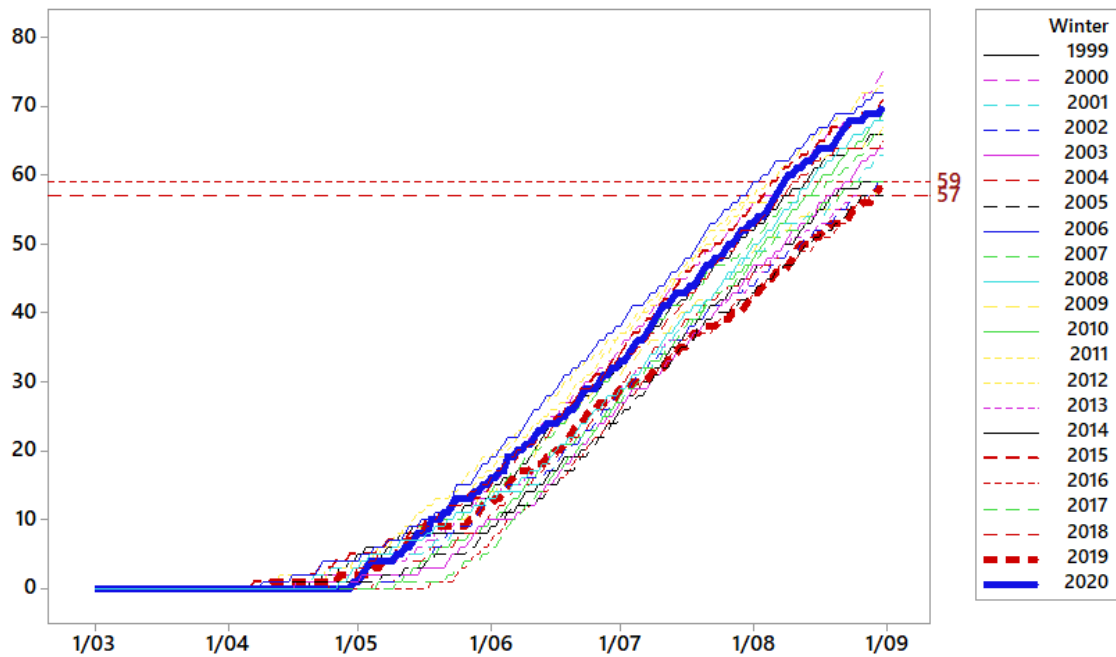
Lameroo



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LAMEROO: 85 portions on 31st August; less than 6 portions to the highest which was in 2015

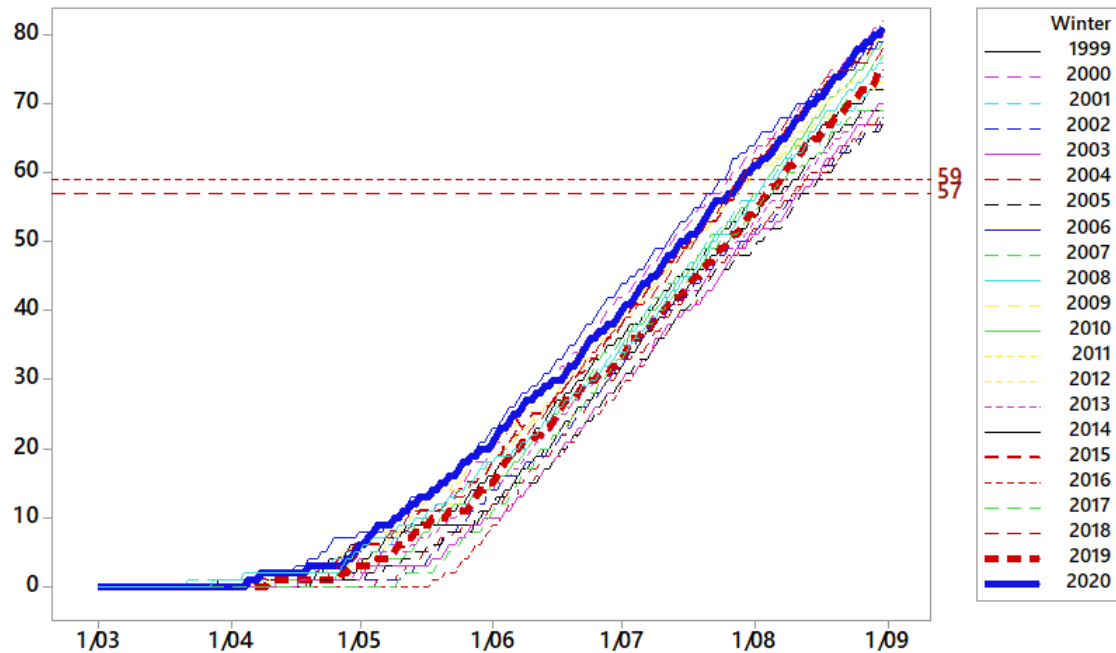
Mildura



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MILDURA: 70 portions on 31st August; less than 5 portions to the highest which was in 2000.

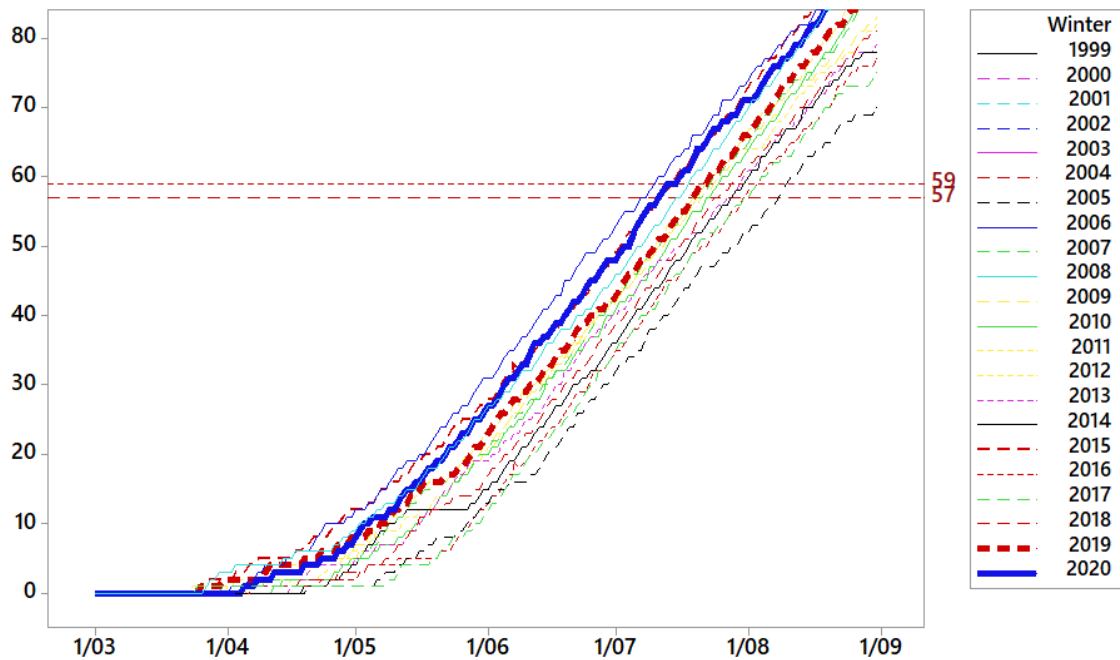
Swan Hill



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SWAN HILL: 81 portions on 31st August; less than 1 portion to the highest which was in 2000.

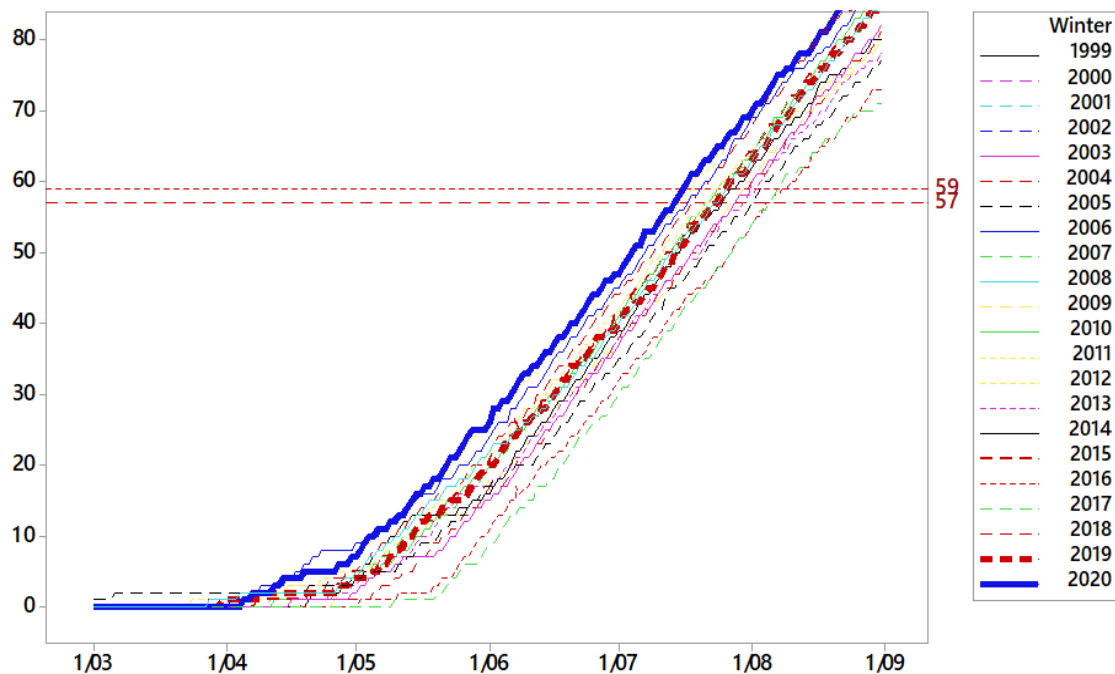
Nhill



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NHILL: 91 portions on 31st August; less than 3 portions to the highest which was in 2015.

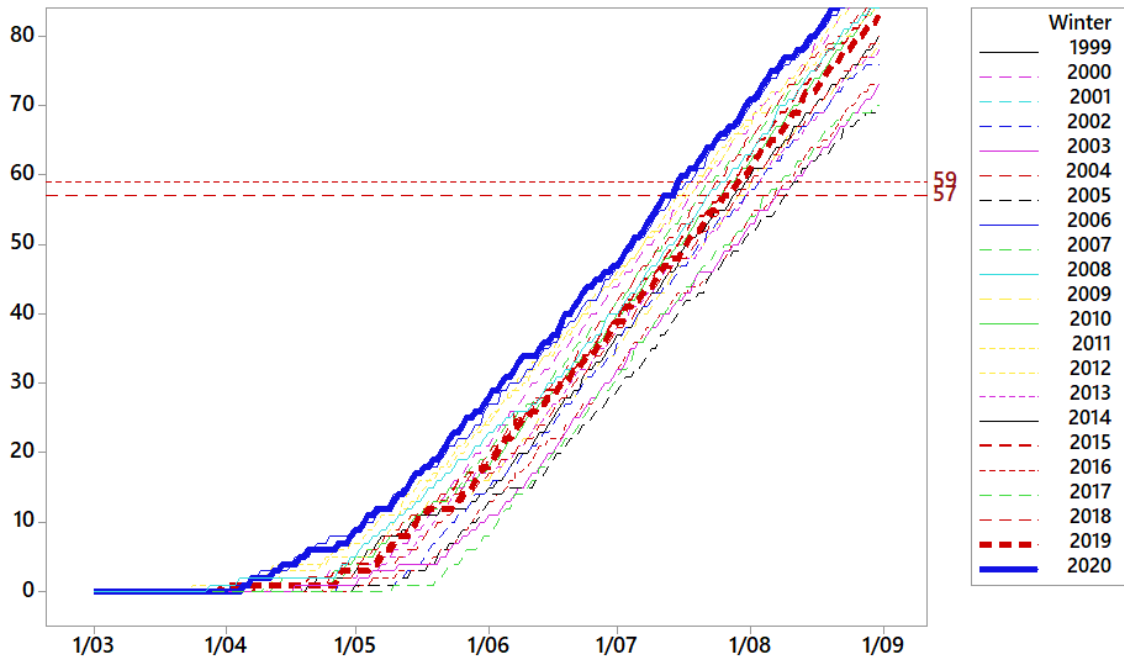
Yarrowonga



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YARRAWONGA: 91 portions on 31st August; less than 1 portion to the highest which was in 2012

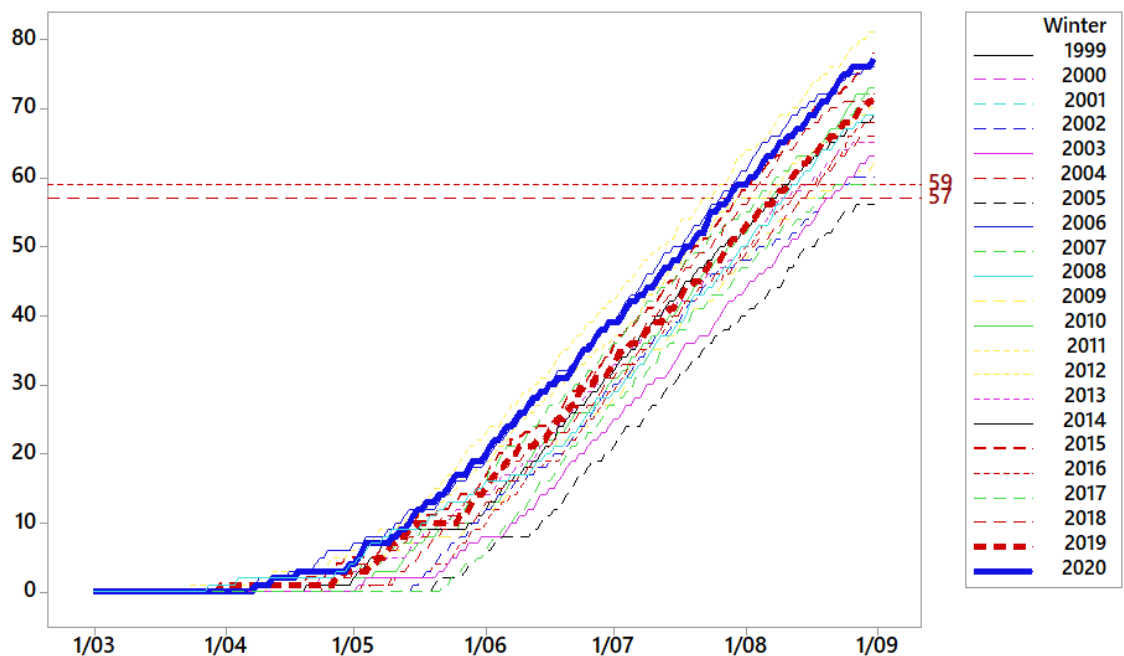
Wagga Wagga



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WAGGA WAGGA: 92 portions on 31st August; the highest chill accumulation from 2000.

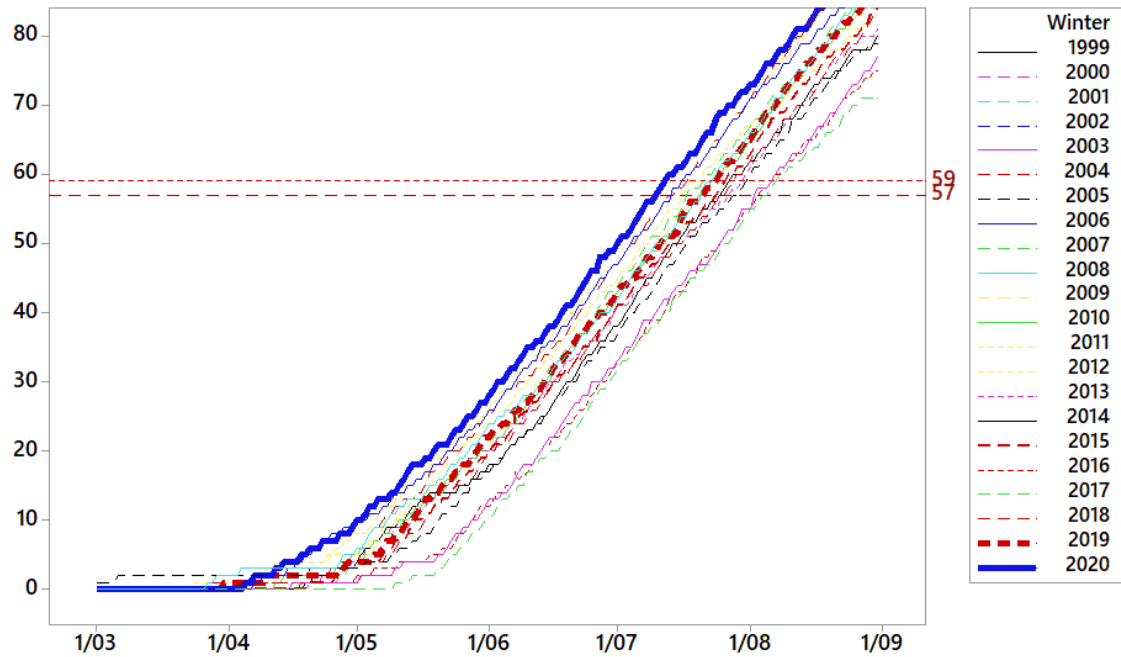
Griffith



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GRIFFITH: 77 portions on 31st August; less than 4 portions to the highest which was in 2012.

Albury



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ALBURY: 94 portions on 31st August; the highest chill accumulation from 2003.