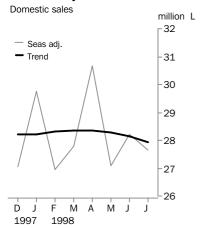
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SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

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Australian produced wine



JULY KEY FIGU	RES		
TREND ESTIMATES	Jul 98 '000 L	% change Jun 98 to Jul 98	% change Jul 97 to Jul 98
Australian produced wine			
Domestic wine sales	27 926	-0.8	-0.4
White table wine sales	15 517	-1.0	-0.3
Red and rosé table wine sales	7 155	-2.1	-1.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	Jul 98 '000 L	% change Jun 98 to Jul 98	% change Jul 97 to Jul 98
Australian produced wine			
Domestic wine sales	27 655	-1.9	-2.2
White table wine sales	15 269	-4.5	-3.0
Red and rosé table wine sales	6 789	-10.3	-4.8

JULY KEY POINTS

TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend series for total domestic sales of Australian produced wine fell by 0.8% in July. This is the lowest estimate since October 1996. Trend estimates for 18 of the past 21 months have been the highest ever recorded for this series.
- The trend estimate for white table wine fell by 1.0% in July while the estimate for red/rosé table wine fell by 2.1%.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- The seasonally adjusted estimate for the total domestic sales of Australian produced wine for July was 27.7 million litres, down 1.9% on June and down 2.2% on July 1997.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for white table wine fell by 4.5% in July while the estimate for red/rosé table wine fell by 10.3%.

ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

 In original terms, 31.8 million litres of Australian produced wine was sold domestically by winemakers during July, up 16.0% on June but down 0.9% on July 1997.

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NOTES

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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

This issue contains some further changes to the presentation of the domestic sales data in Tables 1 and 2. These changes are a result of a Review of Wine Statistics conducted by the ABS Wine Statistics Unit and input received from wine industry representatives. Specific changes to these two tables are:

TABLE 1

Glass containers previously collected as '1 litre and under' are now collected as 'under 2 litres'. This has a consequential effect on the 'Other containers' category which now contains 'glass 2 litres and over' instead of 'glass over 1 litre'. This change applies to both white table wine and red and rosé table wine. A break in series is not shown - see explanatory note 3 for more information. Due to space constraints, the number of months shown for each of the series has been reduced from 15 to 13.

TABLE 2

The only change to this table is the collapsing of 'Fortified sherry', 'Fortified port' and the 'Other fortified' columns into one, 'Fortified'. The collection of fortified wine data in July 1998 has changed from these old categories to categories based on container type this data will be available as a special data service.

T. J. Skinner Acting Australian Statistician TABLE WINE, GLASS
CONTAINER < 2 LITRES

The July trend estimate for white table wine in glass containers less than 2 litres was up 11.2% on July 1997 and 24.3% on July 1995. Similar growth (12.8%) was recorded for red/rosé estimate since July 1997 but with a 43.4% increase since July 1995.

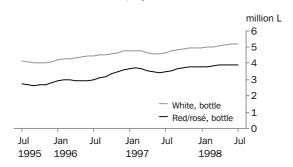
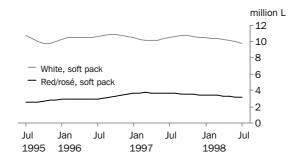
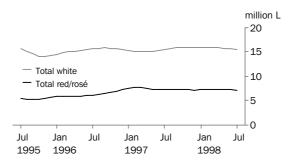


TABLE WINE, SOFT PACK CONTAINERS

The trend estimates in July for white table wine in soft packs fell by 7.0% since July 1997, while red/rosé soft packs fell by 13.9%. The July estimate for red/rosé is 15.6% lower than the record level of March 1997 and is the lowest since August 1996. This fall has a similar pattern to the fall in 1994-95 which appeared to result from a combination of seasonal conditions and import replacement (not collected in these statistics).

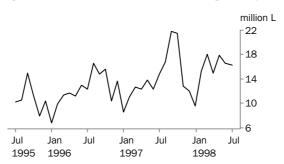


TOTAL WHITE AND RED/ROSÉ TABLE WINE The trend estimate for the domestic sales of total white table wine has remained relatively flat over the past three years, with the current July estimate 1.7% lower than July 1995. However, the July trend estimates for total red/rosé table wine is up 30.5% since July 1995, although it has remained flat for the past 18 months.



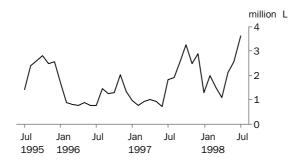
EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE

Original data for July shows that 16.3 million litres of Australian produced wine was exported, 2.6% down on June but 10.0% up on July 1997.



WINE IMPORTS CLEARED FOR HOME CONSUMPTION

Original data for wine imports cleared for home consumption in July created a new monthly record of 3.6 million litres.



DISPOSALS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE AND WINE AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION IN AUSTRALIA Original data for the June quarter 1998 show that the wine available for consumption in Australia increased by 8.1% on the same quarter in 1997. Both imports and domestic sales of Australian produced wine contributed to this increase. Total disposals of Australian wine a 12.4% increase over the same period, largely driven by a 28.6% increase in wine exports.

	A Domestic sales of Australian produced wine	B Wine imports cleared for home consumption	A + B Wine available for consumption	C Exports of Australian produced wine	A+ C Total disposals of Australian produced wine
Period	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
1995–96	309 463	20 256	329 718	129 671	439 133
1996–97	333 591	13 589	347 180	154 351	487 941
1997–98	338 814	25 631	364 445	192 390	531 205
June Qtr 1997	79 059	2 704	81 763	38 534	117 593
June Qtr 1998	82 616	5 805	88 421	49 540	132 156



DOMESTIC SALES OF TOTAL AUSTRALIAN WINE & TABLE WINE BY CONTAINER TYPE

	TABLE-WHITE WINE				TABLE-RED AND ROSÉ WINE				
	Total wine	Glass less than 2 litres(a)	Soft packs(b)	Other containers(c)	Total	Glass less than 2 litres(a)	Soft packs(b)	Other containers(c)	Total
Period	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
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1995-96	309 463	50 588	124 357	3 769	178 707	33 711	34 020	839	68 56
1996-97	333 591	55 212	126 492	3 324	185 032	41 144	41 574	1 016	83 73
1997-98	338 814	59 352	125 269	4 888	189 512	45 220	41 295	868	87 38
1997-98									
July	32 097	4 975	11 058	310	16 343	4 971	4 919	133	10 02
August	28 553	4 779	10 462	270	15 511	4 124	4 198	102	8 42
September	28 043	4 588	10 235	239	15 064	3 667	3 944	62	7 6
October	29 086	5 387	10 107	395	15 888	3 831	3 537	73	7 44
November	34 559	5 911	12 576	465	18 953	4 098	3 807	66	7 97
December	34 917	6 521	12 638	478	19 638	3 668	3 156	92	6 9:
January	18 719	3 652	7 495	444	11 591	2 001	1 910	42	3 95
February	22 942	4 388	9 529	525	14 442	2 758	2 414	44	5 2:
March	27 282	5 041	10 741	681	16 461	3 681	2 937	54	6 6
April	28 634	5 120	10 558	418	16 096	4 211	3 494	59	7 70
May	26 568	4 552	9 833	278	14 664	4 034	3 263	73	7.3
June	27 414	4 438	10 037	385	14 861	4 176	3 716	68	7 9
998-99									
July	31 795	5 213	10 238	627	16 078	5 481	4 385	61	9 9
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September	27 737	4 903	10 426	n.a.	15 670	3 790	3 843	n.a.	7 5
October	28 253	5 010	10 463	n.a.	16 063	3 854	3 533	n.a.	7 4
November	28 759	4 686	10 833	n.a.	15 765	3 835	3 347	n.a.	7 4
December	27 062	4 720	10 080	n.a.	15 236	3 631	3 212	n.a.	6 2
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⁽a) Prior to July 1998, data was collected for glass containers 1 litre and under. See Explanatory Note 3.

⁽b) Soft pack containers include all collapsible packs, plastic or

⁽c) Other containers include tankers, cans and rigid containers, including glass 2 litres and over. Prior to July 1998, data was collected for glass containers over 1 litre. See Explanatory Note 3.



DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

WINE TYPE....

	Table	Fortified	Sparkling Bottle fermentation(a)	Sparkling Bulk fermentation(a)	Carbonated	Flavoured(b)	Vermouth	Brandy(c)
Period	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L al
1995-96	247 271	25 863	22 923	7 226	3 087	2 086	999	1 113
1995-96	247 271 268 766	25 603 25 629	23 370	9 182	3 431	2 183	1 026	987
1997-98	276 894	24 574	22 310	8 759	3 166	2 145	963	974
1996-97								
May	22 923	2 538	1 334	683	261	210	120	71
June	21 644	2 350	912	611	280	175	32	69
1997-98								
July	26 365	2 976	1 545	556	263	259	134	103
August	23 935	2 130	1 365	573	268	199	83	87
September	22 737	2 149	1 918	745	242	165	87	88
October	23 329	1 752	2 745	660	345	173	82	75
November	26 923	2 233	3 422	1 230	437	207	106	97
December	26 552	2 090	3 899	1 634	446	197	99	121
January	15 545	1 253	1 157	379	217	125	43	55
February	19 659	1 330	1 130	401	167	130	123	58
March	23 134	1 743	1 417	590	219	148	30	71
April	23 861	2 193	1 485	696	188	167	44	66
May	22 034	2 214	1 170	721	195	204	31	68
June	22 820	2 511	1 057	574	179	171	101	85
1998-99								
July	26 004	2 902	1 569	792	196	265	67	78

⁽a) Spritzig table wines are included with table wine.

⁽c) Quantities on which excise duty was paid. Data before July 1997 contained brandy made from fruit other than grape.

⁽b) Includes wine cocktails, marsala, apertif and tonic wines.



IMPORTS CLEARED & EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE & BRANDY

	WINE TYPE			TOTAL WINE		BRANDY		
	Table	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Period	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	\$'000	'000 L al	\$'000
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	IMPORT	(a)(b)	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • •
			IMPORI	3(a)(b)				
1995-96	16 649	105	2 673	830	20 256	60 478	583	7 462
1996-97	10 105	105	2 387	993	13 589	66 503	628	7 889
1997-98	21 456	135	2 996	r1 044	r25 631	r92 924	661	7 861
1996-97								
May	744	4	132	47	927	4 513	46	547
June	583	3	124	34	745	3 910	46	495
1997-98								
July	1 359	6	412	61	1 838	7 972	61	685
August	1 617	21	219	72	1 928	5 932	57	638
September	2 161	18	186	192	2 557	7 921	54	653
October	2 562	7	580	135	3 284	12 610	56	649
November	1 983	19	370	135	2 507	10 961	70	903
December	2 515	19	282	86	2 903	11 173	90	1 232
January	1 005	4	197	88	1 294	5 485	31	442
February	1 742	9	218	40	2 010	6 032	40	431
March	1 324	7	100	73	1 504	5 465	44	468
April	1 026	3	57	24	1 111	3 936	46	562
May	1 865	11	168	84	2 128	6 811	48	555
June	2 297	11	205	r54	r2 566	r8 625	65	641
1998-99								
July	3 445	17	114	63	3 639	8 555	46	551
• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	EXPOR	RTS(c)	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • •
1995-96	121 037	2 506	5 489	639	129 671	471 576	24	732
1996-97	r 144 850	2 490	6 046	966	r 154 351	r 603 124	17	526
1997-98	r 183 013	r2 505	r6 107	r 764	r 192 390	r 873 690	26	385
1996-97								
May	12 986	217	492	89	13 784	56 956	1	20
June	r11 816	184	213	112	r12 325	r51 929	1	27
1997-98								
July	14 156	99	481	54	14 790	63 435	1	38
August	15 968	239	540	73	16 820	69 176	2	20
September	20 635	304	785	134	21 859	91 214	4	102
October	19 849	415	1 099	131	21 493	92 162	2	14
November	12 198	207	422	60	12 887	58 073	3	50
December	11 447	169	336	43	11 996	56 540	4	33
January	9 177	191	159	15	9 543	44 260	2	21
February	r14 569	200	559	43	r15 371	r73 679	5	25
March	17 452	111	450	77	18 090	80 949	2	12
April	r14 161	190	569	27	r14 947	r71 556	_	1
May	17 354	164	322	64	17 904	92 932	_	1
June	16 047	r 216	r 384	r42	r16 689	r79 715	2	66
1998-99								
July	15 502	196	488	77	16 262	75 906	2	10
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⁽a) Due to change in the Customs Tariff codes implemented in July 1996, the wine type categories are not necessarily comparable with earlier data.

⁽c) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than wine makers.

⁽b) Imports cleared for home consumption, see Explanatory Note 4.



	WINE TYPE		TOTAL WINE			
	Table	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value
Country/Region	L	L	L	L	L	\$'000
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •
Fiji	45 931	180	14 752	756	61 619	284
New Zealand	1 927 796	44 573	43 284	6 101	2 021 754	4 520
Papua New Guinea	62 984	11 241	2 223	_	76 448	198
Total Oceania and Antarctica(a)	2 089 218	56 183	62 237	6 857	2 214 494	5 188
Denmark	277 169	_	_	_	277 169	937
Germany, Federal Republic of	322 019	99	2 772	90	324 980	1 188
Ireland	184 386	_	1 980	_	186 366	1 196
Netherlands	362 560	_	45	_	362 605	1 780
Sweden	297 259	90	450	_	297 799	960
United Kingdom	7 146 852	69 085	352 624	11 016	7 579 577	36 270
Total European Union	8 798 899	69 364	366 169	11 106	9 245 538	43 276
Norway	141 810	_	2 993	_	144 803	600
Switzerland	136 857	_	23 175	27 888	187 920	1 330
Total Europe and the Former USSR(a)	9 091 296	69 364	392 336	38 994	9 591 990	45 226
Oman	28 429	_	2 205	_	30 634	58
United Arab Emirates	28 510	2 000	2 250	_	32 760	107
Total Middle East and North Africa(a)	84 431	2 000	6 075	_	92 506	259
Malaysia	40 444	612	279	600	41 935	339
Singapore	78 497		3 501	126	82 124	603
Total Southeast Asia(a)	161 060	16 612	3 924	726	182 322	1 269
Hong Kong	127 919	464	1 364	_	129 747	817
Japan	449 708	7 467	1 664	8 928	467 767	1 607
Total Northeast Asia(a)	668 542	7 931	3 199	30 156	709 827	3 418
Canada	919 827	35 501	1 665	_	956 993	4 497
United States of America	2 473 228	8 577	17 819	_	2 499 623	15 946
Total Northern America(a)	3 393 055	44 078	19 484	_	3 456 616	20 443
Total Other Regions(b)	13 959	_	423	_	14 382	104
Total All Countries	15 501 560	196 167	487 677	76 733	16 262 136	75 906

⁽a) Includes other countries as detailed in Australian Standard (b) Includes ships' stores. Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (1269.0).



EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN WINE BY REGION(a)

	Oceania & Antarctica	Europe & the Former USSR	Middle East & North Africa	Southeast Asia	Northeast Asia	Northern America	Other(b)	Total all regions
Period	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •
1995-96	14 659	83 835	946	3 525	4 450	21 999	257	129 671
1996-97	17 918	95 491	974	3 698	r7 026	28 906	338	r 154 351
1997-98	r23 381	r 115 644	1 266	r2 830	r9 244	r39 559	466	r 192 390
1996-97								
May	1 062	8 425	139	302	1 029	2 789	38	13 784
June	1 714	6 663	89	274	r 678	2 860	47	r12 325
1997-98								
July	1 770	9 439	71	148	524	2 765	73	14 790
August	2 342	9 510	58	264	701	3 939	6	16 820
September	2 323	14 401	39	302	696	4 021	76	21 859
October	3 611	13 580	115	271	606	3 252	59	21 493
November	2 259	6 858	125	447	786	2 371	41	12 887
December	1 605	6 446	66	217	674	2 959	27	11 996
January	1 077	5 624	148	124	556	1 996	18	9 543
February	1 526	7 947	95	200	904	r4 671	29	r15 371
March	2 793	9 798	87	209	1 000	4 170	32	18 090
April	1 359	10 067	92	170	910	r2 320	27	r14 947
May	1 281	11 606	293	251	1 088	3 346	39	17 904
June	r1 435	r10 368	74	r 226	r 799	r3 749	38	r16 689
1998-99								
July	2 214	9 592	93	182	710	3 457	14	16 262

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⁽a) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than winemakers. (b) Includes ships' stores.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- **1** The information shown in this publication for the domestic sales of Australian produced wine is obtained directly from winemakers by means of a mail collection. The brandy sales figures shown represent quantities on which excise duty was paid, i.e. the quantity of brandy released for sale. Statistics relating to import clearances and exports are based on information provided to the Australian Customs Service by importers, exporters and their agents.
- **2** The information on domestic sales of Australian produced wine is obtained from winemaking enterprises with sales of 250,000 litres or more in the previous financial year. These account for approximately 95% of total wine sales. All sales data are collected on an Australia-wide basis only and State figures are therefore not available.
- **3** Tables 1-2 include all sales by winemakers (within the scope of the collection) with the exception of exports, sales for ships' stores, sales of imported wine and brandy and inter-winery sales, the last exclusion being necessary to avoid duplication in the published figures. From July 1998 the definition for table wine in the glass container categories changed from '1 litre and under' to 'less than 2 litres'. This series has been retained as the contribution of the over 1 litre but under 2 litres containers (such as table wine in magnum sized bottles) is believed to have been less than 1%. There is an expectation this contribution will increase in the future. This has a consequential effect for the 'other containers' category which includes glass containers 2 litres and over from July 1998 (prior to this it was glass over 1 litre). This series will also be retained.
- **4** Figures relating to international trade in wine and brandy are presented in table 3 to provide a basis for assessing the overall wine market. Imports cleared for home consumption comprise those goods entered for home consumption, together with goods cleared from Customs warehouses. Exports of Australian produce are defined as exports of goods, materials or articles which have been produced, manufactured or partly manufactured in Australia.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES

- **5** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular influences (e.g. abnormal weather and industrial disputes).
- **6** The seasonally adjusted estimates in this publication have been produced using a concurrent methodology whereby the seasonal factors are revised each month to take into account the seasonality exhibited by the latest observation. A more detailed review is conducted annually.
- 7 The overall degree of revision to the seasonally adjusted estimates is expected to be less on average than would be the case with annual reanalysis only. However, the nature of the seasonal adjustment process is such that the magnitude of some revisions resulting from each adjustment may be quite significant, especially towards the end of the series. For this reason additional care should be exercised when interpreting movements in seasonally adjusted data for recent months.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES (CONTINUED)

- **9** For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series Monitoring 'Trends', an Overview* (1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (02) 6252 6345.
- **8** The smoothing of seasonally adjusted series to create trend estimates is a means of reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates of wine sales have been derived by applying a 13–term Henderson weighted moving average to the seasonally adjusted series.

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