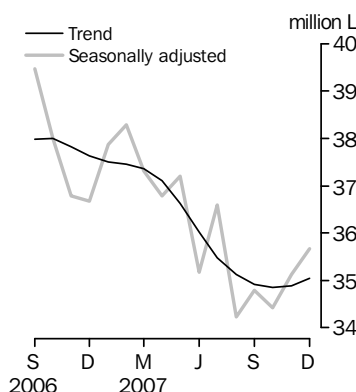


SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

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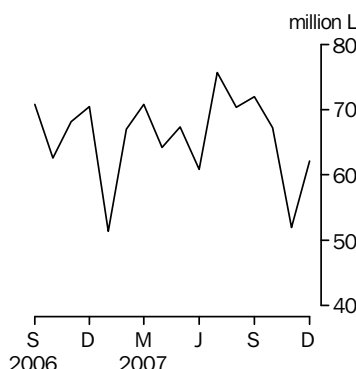
Australian produced wine

Domestic sales



Australian produced wine

Exports
Original



INQUIRIES

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KEY FIGURES

	Dec 2007	Nov 2007 to Dec 2007	Dec 2006 to Dec 2007
	'000 L	% change	% change

TREND ESTIMATES

Australian produced wine

Domestic wine sales	35 041	0.5	-6.9
White table wine sales	17 205	0.5	-5.8
Red and rosé table wine sales	12 067	—	-11.6

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Australian produced wine

Domestic wine sales	35 667	1.6	-2.7
White table wine sales	17 283	0.9	-6.6
Red and rosé table wine sales	12 681	2.8	-0.5

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KEY POINTS

AUSTRALIAN WINE DOMESTIC SALES

DOMESTIC WINE SALES

- The trend estimate for domestic sales of Australian produced wine was 35.0 million litres in December 2007, an increase of 0.5% from November 2007.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for domestic sales of Australian produced wine was 35.7 million litres in December 2007, an increase of 1.6% on November 2007.

WHITE TABLE WINE

- The trend estimate for domestic sales of Australian produced white wine was 17.2 million litres in December 2007 and was 5.8% lower than the same time last year.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for domestic sales of Australian produced white wine was 17.3 million litres in December 2007, an increase of 0.9% on November 2007.

RED/ROSÉ TABLE WINE

- The trend estimate for domestic sales of Australian produced red and rosé wine was steady in December 2007 and was 11.6% lower than the same time last year.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for domestic sales of Australian produced red and rosé wine was 12.7 million litres in December 2007, an increase of 2.8% on November 2007.

AUSTRALIAN WINE EXPORTS

- Exports of Australian produced wine increased by 19.6% this month to 62.2 million litres. The value of the exported wine in December 2007 was \$245.1 million. Australia exported 781.1 million litres, with a total value of \$3.0 billion in the twelve months ending December 2007. This was an increase of 2.8% in volume and 7.6% in value over the corresponding period to December 2006.

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DATA NOTES

There are no notes about the data.

ROUNDING

Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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ABBREVIATIONS

\$m million dollars

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

AWBC Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation

f.o.b. free on board

HS Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System)

L litre

L al litres of alcohol

Brian Pink

Australian Statistician

DOMESTIC AUSTRALIAN TABLE WINE SALES TREND

TOTAL WHITE AND RED/ROSÉ TABLE WINE

The trend estimate for white table wine sales increased by 0.5% compared with last month at 17.2 million litres. The trend estimate for red and rosé wine sales was 12.1 million litres which was steady when compared with November 2007.

TOTAL WHITE AND RED/ROSÉ TABLE WINE: Trend

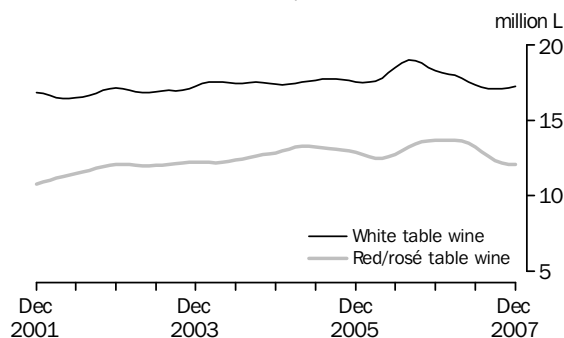


TABLE WINE, GLASS CONTAINER LESS THAN 2 LITRES

The trend estimate for sales of white table wine in glass containers of less than 2 litres increased by 0.6% from last month, the third consecutive month of increase following six months of decrease. The trend estimate for red and rosé wine sales in glass containers of less than 2 litres decreased 0.9% on November 2007, the ninth consecutive month of decrease.

TABLE WINE, Glass container less than 2 litres: Trend

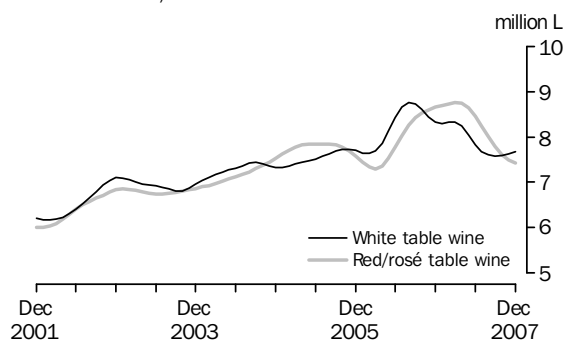
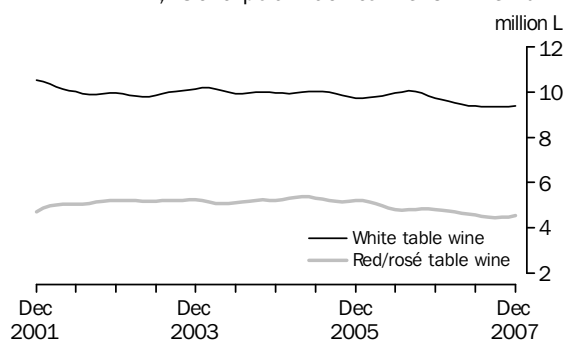


TABLE WINE, SOFT PACK CONTAINERS

The trend estimate for domestic sales of white table wine in soft packs rose this month, showing an increase of 0.3% from last month. The trend estimate for red and rosé wine sales in soft packs rose by 1.1% this month, the third consecutive month of increase.

TABLE WINE, Soft pack containers: Trend

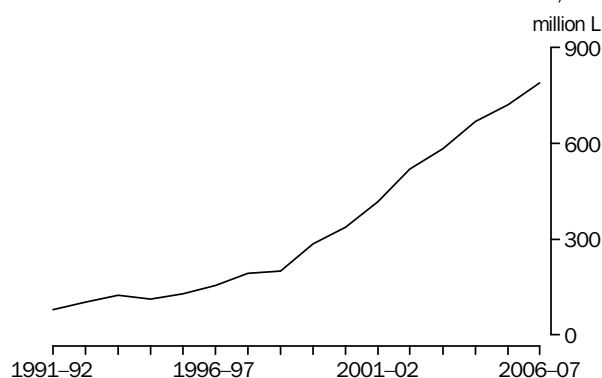


EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE

ANNUAL EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE

The graph below shows that there continues to be strong growth in the quantity of exports of Australian produced wine. Apart from a fall in 1994-95, the 1990s saw a steady increase in Australian wine exported. The 1992-93 period saw Australia export more than 100 million litres for the first time. Six years later, in the 1998-99 period, wine exports exceeded 200 million litres for the first time. From this period wine exports grew rapidly, with more than 300 million litres of wine sold to overseas markets during 2000-01, reaching a total export volume of 787.0 million litres in 2006-07. The volume of Australian made wine exported in 2006-07 was 9.0% more than the volume in 2005-06. Further, this export volume for 2006-07 was more than double the volume in 2000-01 and ten times the amount exported in 1991-92.

EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE, Annual totals: **Original**



EXPORTS OF WHITE AND RED/ROSÉ TABLE WINE

In original terms, 62.2 million litres of Australian produced wine were exported in December 2007, an increase of 19.6% on November 2007 and a fall of 11.8% on December 2006. In December 2007, 19.8 million litres of Australian produced white table wine were exported, an increase of 15.5% on last month and a fall of 11.2% on December 2006. Australian producers exported 40.6 million litres of red and rosé table wine in December 2007, an increase of 22.2% from last month and a 13.5% decrease on December 2006.

EXPORTS OF TABLE WINE BY TYPE: **Original**

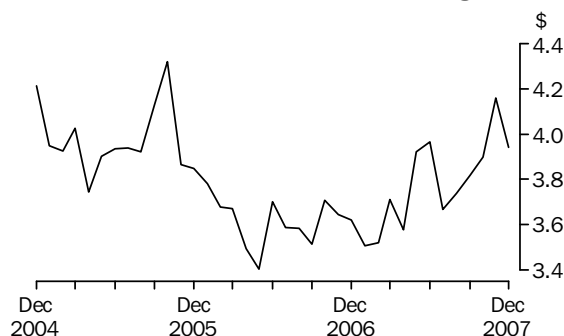


EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE *continued*

UNIT VALUE OF WINE EXPORTS

In original terms, the value of the wine exported this month (62.2 million litres) was \$245.1m, an increase of 13.4% in value from November 2007. The average value of Australian wine exported in December 2007 was \$3.94 per litre, down from \$4.16 per litre last month and up from \$3.62 per litre in December 2006.

UNIT VALUE OF WINE EXPORTS: **Original**



DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ABS AND AWBC WINE EXPORT FIGURES

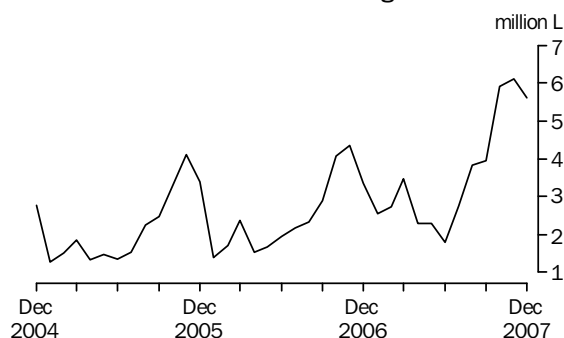
The value of wine exports reported in this publication is derived by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) from customs export records and the ABS converts the value on the day of shipment, at the daily conversion rate (see paragraph 10 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail). The Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation (AWBC) also report the value of exports and the exporter makes the conversion when submitting wine for export approval. With the AWBC method, it is expected that some of the conversions will occur at hedged rates. This does not occur with the ABS method. For December, the value reported by the ABS was \$245.1m, while the AWBC value was \$244.6m. When the Australian exchange rate is moving significantly the alternative methods will result in diverging valuations.

IMPORTS AND DISPOSALS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE

WINE IMPORTS CLEARED FOR HOME CONSUMPTION

In original terms, 5.6 million litres of wine, valued at \$42.0 million were imported in December 2007, a fall of 8.1% in quantity and a decrease of 21.8% in value on November 2007. The average value of wine imports cleared for home consumption in December 2007 was \$7.48 per litre, down from \$8.79 per litre in November 2007.

WINE IMPORTS CLEARED: Original



DISPOSALS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE AND WINE AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION IN AUSTRALIA

The original data for the December quarter 2007 shows that wine available for consumption in Australia decreased 1.1% on the same quarter in 2006. Domestic sales of Australian wine decreased 5.7%, and wine imports increased 50.0%. Total disposals of Australian produced wine decreased by 8.2% on the same quarter in 2006 with exports falling by 9.9%.

<i>Period</i>	<i>Domestic sales of Australian produced wine (A)</i> '000 L	<i>Wine imports cleared for home consumption (B)</i> '000 L	<i>Wine available for consumption (A + B)</i> '000 L	<i>Exports of Australian produced wine (C)</i> '000 L	<i>Total disposals of Australian produced wine (A + C)</i> '000 L
2004-05	430 131	22 139	452 270	669 720	1 099 851
2005-06	432 372	24 369	456 741	721 771	1 154 143
2006-07	449 166	34 275	483 441	r786 926	r1 236 092
Dec qtr 2006	128 495	11 761	140 256	r201 244	r329 739
Dec qtr 2007	121 159	17 619	138 778	181 397	302 556

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DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE, By container type

	WHITE TABLE WINE			RED AND ROSÉ TABLE WINE					
	Glass less than 2 litres	Soft packs(a)	Total(b)	Glass less than 2 litres	Soft packs(a)	Total(b)	Total table wine	Total other wine	Total wine
Period	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
ORIGINAL									
2004-05	89 477	118 803	209 348	91 146	63 032	155 491	364 836	65 293	430 131
2005-06	92 951	118 220	212 558	91 821	61 116	154 237	366 796	65 575	432 372
2006-07	100 609	116 198	218 786	102 927	57 278	162 910	381 695	67 472	449 166
2006									
December	10 085	10 168	20 651	8 596	4 237	13 020	33 671	8 096	41 767
2007									
January	5 976	6 850	13 036	5 070	2 679	7 943	20 979	3 446	24 425
February	7 829	9 938	17 845	6 746	4 001	10 879	28 724	3 954	32 678
March	8 510	9 976	18 566	8 337	4 352	12 802	31 368	5 344	36 711
April	7 556	9 317	16 985	7 612	4 453	12 211	29 196	5 157	34 353
May	7 813	10 943	18 909	9 204	5 416	14 929	33 838	5 217	39 055
June	6 651	7 721	14 475	8 932	4 564	13 834	28 308	4 314	32 623
July	7 100	9 724	16 920	10 163	5 873	16 132	33 052	5 048	38 100
August	7 105	9 237	16 433	9 278	5 210	14 519	30 952	4 817	35 770
September	7 431	9 876	17 466	7 715	4 612	12 373	29 839	5 751	35 590
October	8 825	9 353	18 268	7 887	4 608	12 515	30 783	7 806	38 589
November	10 674	9 962	20 893	9 318	4 769	14 318	35 211	8 457	43 668
December	9 032	9 429	18 604	7 841	4 262	12 271	30 875	8 027	38 902
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2006									
December	8 198	10 079	18 501	7 916	4 673	12 745	31 246	5 429	36 675
2007									
January	8 639	8 957	17 816	9 339	4 693	14 300	32 116	5 755	37 871
February	8 650	9 974	18 709	8 722	4 967	13 852	32 561	5 725	38 286
March	8 326	9 333	17 734	8 886	4 548	13 567	31 301	6 020	37 321
April	8 044	9 641	17 804	8 598	4 535	13 228	31 032	5 761	36 793
May	8 116	9 729	17 994	8 456	4 734	13 587	31 581	5 616	37 197
June	8 014	8 590	16 707	8 330	4 581	13 264	29 971	5 198	35 169
July	7 497	9 675	17 311	8 916	4 701	13 724	31 035	5 553	36 588
August	7 462	9 220	16 800	8 040	4 321	12 393	29 193	5 035	34 228
September	7 433	9 789	17 386	7 388	4 403	11 840	29 226	5 569	34 795
October	7 682	9 164	16 951	7 155	4 385	11 563	28 514	5 908	34 422
November	7 836	9 074	17 126	7 692	4 483	12 331	29 457	5 660	35 117
December	7 669	9 519	17 283	7 771	4 769	12 681	29 964	5 703	35 667
TREND									
2006									
December	8 331	9 717	18 258	8 652	4 824	13 657	31 915	5 720	37 635
2007									
January	8 298	9 634	18 109	8 691	4 785	13 655	31 764	5 738	37 502
February	8 324	9 571	18 038	8 726	4 743	13 659	31 697	5 756	37 453
March	8 326	9 511	17 954	8 756	4 699	13 664	31 618	5 750	37 368
April	8 242	9 442	17 793	8 744	4 657	13 627	31 420	5 689	37 109
May	8 041	9 399	17 551	8 647	4 620	13 495	31 046	5 574	36 620
June	7 821	9 371	17 311	8 463	4 575	13 244	30 555	5 458	36 013
July	7 674	9 351	17 155	8 234	4 519	12 920	30 075	5 402	35 477
August	7 602	9 345	17 084	8 003	4 481	12 606	29 690	5 428	35 118
September	7 583	9 351	17 074	7 784	4 461	12 332	29 406	5 510	34 916
October	7 598	9 352	17 093	7 612	4 468	12 152	29 245	5 604	34 849
November	7 631	9 349	17 124	7 497	4 497	12 066	29 190	5 689	34 879
December	7 679	9 380	17 205	7 432	4 547	12 067	29 272	5 769	35 041

(a) Soft pack containers include all collapsible packs, plastic or otherwise.

(b) Components do not add to total. The difference between the components and total is 'wine in other containers' (see Glossary).

DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE: Percentage change from previous period

	WHITE TABLE WINE			RED AND ROSÉ TABLE WINE					
	Glass less than 2 litres	Soft packs(a)	Total	Glass less than 2 litres	Soft packs(a)	Total	Total table wine	Total other wine	Total wine
Period	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ORIGINAL									
2004-05	6.2	-1.8	0.7	10.0	0.4	5.7	2.8	4.7	3.1
2005-06	3.9	-0.5	1.5	0.7	-3.0	-0.8	0.5	0.4	0.5
2006-07	8.2	-1.7	2.9	12.1	-6.3	5.6	4.1	2.9	3.9
2006									
December	1.6	-9.2	-3.1	-11.9	-25.6	-17.3	-9.1	-0.5	-7.6
2007									
January	-40.7	-32.6	-36.9	-41.0	-36.8	-39.0	-37.7	-57.4	-41.5
February	31.0	45.1	36.9	33.1	49.3	37.0	36.9	14.7	33.8
March	8.7	0.4	4.0	23.6	8.8	17.7	9.2	35.2	12.3
April	-11.2	-6.6	-8.5	-8.7	2.3	-4.6	-6.9	-3.5	-6.4
May	3.4	17.5	11.3	20.9	21.6	22.3	15.9	1.2	13.7
June	-14.9	-29.4	-23.4	-3.0	-15.7	-7.3	-16.3	-17.3	-16.5
July	6.8	25.9	16.9	13.8	28.7	16.6	16.8	17.0	16.8
August	0.1	-5.0	-2.9	-8.7	-11.3	-10.0	-6.4	-4.6	-6.1
September	4.6	6.9	6.3	-16.8	-11.5	-14.8	-3.6	19.4	-0.5
October	18.8	-5.3	4.6	2.2	-0.1	1.1	3.2	35.7	8.4
November	21.0	6.5	14.4	18.1	3.5	14.4	14.4	8.3	13.2
December	-15.4	-5.4	-11.0	-15.9	-10.6	-14.3	-12.3	-5.1	-10.9
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
2006									
December	12.1	2.6	6.9	-6.2	-11.2	-8.3	0.1	-2.6	-0.3
2007									
January	5.4	-11.1	-3.7	18.0	0.4	12.2	2.8	6.0	3.3
February	0.1	11.3	5.0	-6.6	5.8	-3.1	1.4	-0.5	1.1
March	-3.7	-6.4	-5.2	1.9	-8.4	-2.1	-3.9	5.2	-2.5
April	-3.4	3.3	0.4	-3.2	-0.3	-2.5	-0.9	-4.3	-1.4
May	0.9	0.9	1.1	-1.6	4.4	2.7	1.8	-2.5	1.1
June	-1.3	-11.7	-7.2	-1.5	-3.3	-2.4	-5.1	-7.4	-5.5
July	-6.5	12.6	3.6	7.0	2.6	3.5	3.6	6.8	4.0
August	-0.5	-4.7	-3.0	-9.8	-8.1	-9.7	-5.9	-9.3	-6.5
September	-0.4	6.2	3.5	-8.1	1.9	-4.5	0.1	10.6	1.7
October	3.4	-6.4	-2.5	-3.1	-0.4	-2.3	-2.4	6.1	-1.1
November	2.0	-1.0	1.0	7.5	2.2	6.6	3.3	-4.2	2.0
December	-2.1	4.9	0.9	1.0	6.4	2.8	1.7	0.8	1.6
TREND									
2006									
December	-1.4	-1.0	-1.3	0.6	-0.5	0.2	-0.7	0.3	-0.5
2007									
January	-0.4	-0.9	-0.8	0.5	-0.8	—	-0.5	0.3	-0.4
February	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	0.4	-0.9	—	-0.2	0.3	-0.1
March	—	-0.6	-0.5	0.3	-0.9	—	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
April	-1.0	-0.7	-0.9	-0.1	-0.9	-0.3	-0.6	-1.1	-0.7
May	-2.4	-0.5	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-1.0	-1.2	-2.0	-1.3
June	-2.7	-0.3	-1.4	-2.1	-1.0	-1.9	-1.6	-2.1	-1.7
July	-1.9	-0.2	-0.9	-2.7	-1.2	-2.4	-1.6	-1.0	-1.5
August	-0.9	-0.1	-0.4	-2.8	-0.8	-2.4	-1.3	0.5	-1.0
September	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	-2.7	-0.4	-2.2	-1.0	1.5	-0.6
October	0.2	—	0.1	-2.2	0.2	-1.5	-0.5	1.7	-0.2
November	0.4	—	0.2	-1.5	0.6	-0.7	-0.2	1.5	0.1
December	0.6	0.3	0.5	-0.9	1.1	—	0.3	1.4	0.5

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Soft pack containers include all collapsible packs, plastic or otherwise.

DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

	<i>Table</i>	<i>Fortified</i>	<i>Sparkling bottle fermentation (a)</i>	<i>Sparkling bulk fermentation (a)</i>	<i>Carbonated</i>	<i>Other wine products (b)</i>	<i>Vermouth</i>	<i>Brandy (c)</i>
<i>Period</i>	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L al
2004-05	364 836	19 934	22 988	15 410	4 206	2 547	208	576
2005-06	366 796	18 510	23 128	16 659	4 248	2 833	197	535
2006-07	381 695	17 387	23 266	19 494	4 208	2 947	172	510
2006								
December	33 671	1 410	3 171	2 777	402	312	25	44
2007								
January	20 979	964	1 121	799	305	246	11	53
February	28 724	1 143	1 273	1 075	283	168	12	26
March	31 368	1 301	1 717	1 741	371	199	15	31
April	29 196	1 401	1 525	1 648	355	217	11	37
May	33 838	1 755	1 454	1 326	440	226	15	34
June	28 308	1 581	1 179	1 144	163	237	11	36
July	33 052	1 927	1 528	1 015	269	296	13	52
August	30 952	1 553	1 490	1 148	318	296	12	46
September	29 839	1 446	1 935	1 859	281	217	14	29
October	30 783	1 332	3 133	2 599	440	289	12	55
November	35 211	1 990	2 979	2 687	469	315	18	55
December	30 875	1 396	3 204	2 720	361	331	15	78

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

(c) Quantities on which excise duty was paid.

(b) See paragraph 4 of the Explanatory Notes and Glossary.

DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN FORTIFIED WINE BY WINEMAKERS

	<i>Sherry in glass less than 2 litres</i>	<i>Port in glass less than 2 litres</i>	<i>Other in glass less than 2 litres (a)</i>	<i>Soft packs</i>	<i>All other containers (b)</i>	<i>Total fortified</i>
	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
2004-05	1 879	3 932	368	8 931	4 825	19 934
2005-06	1 751	3 785	366	8 279	4 325	18 510
2006-07	1 662	3 452	440	7 865	3 973	17 387
2006						
December	152	336	46	576	300	1 410
2007						
January	133	181	23	421	206	964
February	107	193	23	526	294	1 143
March	142	236	27	616	281	1 301
April	96	266	31	654	355	1 401
May	159	335	54	796	412	1 755
June	146	329	36	787	283	1 581
July	222	396	51	898	361	1 927
August	165	323	39	667	359	1 553
September	147	279	41	658	322	1 446
October	np	256	np	502	388	1 332
November	np	386	np	617	643	1 990
December	np	349	np	506	320	1 396

np not available for publication but included in totals where applicable,
unless otherwise indicated

(a) Includes muscat, madiera, tokay and white port.

(b) Includes tankers, cans and rigid containers including glass 2 litres and
over.

EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE(a), By wine type

	WINE TYPE						
	White table	Red/rosé table(b)	Total table	Fortified wine	Sparkling wine	Other	Total wine
Period							
QUANTITY ('000 L)							
2004-05	233 898	420 615	654 513	2 069	12 445	693	669 720
2005-06	258 794	445 319	704 113	2 587	14 338	733	721 771
2006-07	276 565	r491 589	r768 154	2 781	15 366	625	r786 926
2006							
October	23 252	36 951	60 204	202	2 091	75	62 571
November	23 212	43 086	66 298	238	1 586	78	68 200
December	22 346	46 936	69 282	202	950	39	70 473
2007							
January	17 275	33 009	50 284	126	908	20	51 338
February	22 855	43 059	65 914	208	808	30	66 960
March	25 511	43 457	68 968	204	1 503	110	70 786
April	22 850	40 520	63 369	264	534	30	64 197
May	24 083	41 954	66 038	204	1 121	40	67 402
June	21 246	r38 535	r59 780	166	971	19	r60 936
July	26 454	47 588	74 042	244	1 344	55	75 686
August	24 065	43 855	67 920	305	2 069	128	70 422
September	24 403	45 159	69 563	253	2 158	51	72 024
October	r21 229	43 490	r64 720	180	2 244	106	r67 249
November	r17 181	r33 215	r50 396	r217	r1 296	r82	r51 991
December	19 848	40 592	60 440	173	1 436	109	62 157
VALUE(c) (\$'000)							
2004-05	843 033	1 787 050	2 630 083	12 653	67 502	4 910	2 715 149
2005-06	862 756	1 791 760	2 654 516	15 229	81 138	4 366	2 755 249
2006-07	845 501	r1 930 310	r2 775 810	14 707	83 213	3 154	r2 876 885
2006							
October	64 867	153 350	218 217	1 540	12 002	224	231 983
November	69 816	168 226	238 042	1 717	8 314	430	248 503
December	68 489	179 805	248 294	1 168	5 615	203	255 280
2007							
January	51 097	123 003	174 100	845	5 020	130	180 095
February	67 552	162 299	229 851	1 112	4 584	185	235 732
March	74 428	178 556	252 984	1 211	8 107	492	262 794
April	70 532	155 287	225 819	924	2 777	189	229 708
May	79 049	179 061	258 110	1 098	4 943	218	264 369
June	71 194	r164 613	r235 807	977	4 786	143	r241 714
July	82 531	186 798	269 329	1 612	6 361	384	277 686
August	82 607	169 197	251 805	1 639	9 268	563	263 275
September	80 361	182 227	262 588	1 391	10 560	495	275 033
October	r75 481	r175 715	r251 195	1 360	9 006	623	r262 184
November	r60 154	r146 699	r206 853	r1 526	r7 031	r770	r216 181
December	67 963	168 385	236 348	1 103	6 611	995	245 057

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(a) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than winemakers.

(b) Includes 'Other table wine'.

(c) See paragraph 8 of the Explanatory Notes.

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF BRANDY

Period	EXPORTS (a)		IMPORTS (b)	
	Quantity	Value(c)	Quantity	Value(c)
	'000 L al	\$'000	'000 L al	\$'000
2004-05	18	913	519	9 054
2005-06	38	2 037	457	7 796
2006-07	8	216	447	8 968
2006				
October	—	4	41	953
November	2	19	51	1 018
December	—	1	55	1 320
2007				
January	—	—	32	690
February	—	1	23	616
March	—	5	32	470
April	2	23	28	564
May	—	1	49	650
June	—	—	29	680
July	—	1	38	722
August	—	—	39	1 002
September	—	—	32	690
October	—	—	42	1 167
November	3	31	49	1 354
December	—	7	62	1 530

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(a) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than winemakers. From March 2004 to July 2006 the Brandy exports included some re-exports due to confidentiality restrictions. From August 2006 the Brandy export figure does not include re-exports.

(b) Imports cleared for home consumption. See paragraph 6 of the Explanatory Notes.

(c) See paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Explanatory Notes.

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database

	WINE TYPE						TOTAL WINE	
	White	Red/rosé	Total	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value(c)
	table	table(b)	table					
	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	\$'000
EXPORTS (d)								
United Kingdom	6 868	11 084	17 952	25	730	7	18 714	61 844
United States of America	6 956	14 165	21 121	54	147	12	21 334	93 206
Canada	980	2 333	3 313	18	32	—	3 363	18 532
Germany, Federal Republic of	567	1 571	2 137	—	3	2	2 143	4 664
New Zealand	272	484	756	17	152	11	936	3 759
Netherlands	877	2 165	3 043	—	31	—	3 074	9 379
Denmark	355	1 680	2 034	—	9	—	2 044	4 621
Belgium	503	845	1 349	—	17	—	1 366	3 172
China (excluding Taiwan Province)	127	1 326	1 453	7	45	13	1 519	8 842
Ireland	430	572	1 002	—	28	13	1 042	4 857
Sweden	170	397	568	—	8	3	579	3 032
Japan	216	534	750	1	113	1	865	4 425
France	272	494	766	—	—	—	766	1 293
Singapore	129	448	576	2	12	18	608	4 604
Hong Kong	123	390	513	4	7	8	532	3 872
Norway	22	152	175	—	11	—	185	711
Finland	108	249	357	—	8	—	365	1 388
United Arab Emirates	142	168	309	2	28	—	339	1 641
Malaysia	245	156	402	—	—	—	402	1 349
Taiwan (Province of China)	23	157	179	1	3	2	185	1 233
Total other countries(e)	465	1 222	1 687	41	51	18	1 797	8 634
Total all countries	19 848	40 592	60 440	173	1 436	109	62 157	245 057
IMPORTS (f)								
New Zealand	1 491	125	1 616	—	26	—	1 643	15 227
Italy	214	209	423	10	595	47	1 075	5 091
France	176	177	352	—	454	11	818	17 136
Portugal	6	77	83	1	—	35	120	403
Spain	2	35	37	5	30	8	79	383
Chile	92	962	1 054	—	—	16	1 070	1 666
Germany, Federal Republic of	2	—	2	—	1	28	30	154
South Africa	25	73	98	—	2	3	102	341
Total other countries(e)	291	48	339	3	—	332	673	1 551
Total All Countries	2 299	1 704	4 004	19	1 108	480	5 610	41 951

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(a) For details on the selection of countries see paragraph 7 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Includes 'Other table wine'.

(c) See paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Explanatory notes.

(d) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than winemakers.

(e) Includes other countries as detailed in *Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC)* (cat. no. 1269.0).

(f) Imports cleared for home consumption. See paragraph 6 of the Explanatory Notes.

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database

EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN WINE(a), By region

Period	Oceania and Antarctica	Europe and the Former USSR	Southeast Asia	Northeast Asia	Northern America	Other(b)	Total All Regions	European Union(c)
QUANTITY ('000 L)								
2004-05	26 615	374 626	13 230	17 279	233 171	4 798	669 720	368 011
2005-06	28 563	393 895	10 819	27 655	253 851	6 987	721 771	387 913
2006-07	38 318	r423 032	14 876	40 769	262 120	7 811	r786 926	r415 516
2006								
October	3 341	34 217	1 089	2 299	20 952	673	62 571	33 367
November	4 190	31 678	1 094	4 180	26 430	628	68 200	31 268
December	2 757	27 601	1 359	5 219	32 878	659	70 473	26 843
2007								
January	1 163	27 838	865	3 507	17 449	517	51 338	27 445
February	3 260	36 009	988	5 113	20 918	672	66 960	35 552
March	3 777	40 392	1 133	3 517	21 365	602	70 786	39 569
April	4 083	40 325	1 093	2 150	15 930	616	64 197	39 704
May	3 183	39 694	1 127	2 697	20 091	610	67 402	39 088
June	2 428	r33 261	1 012	2 592	21 121	520	r60 936	r33 013
July	3 353	42 108	751	3 268	25 302	904	75 686	41 597
August	2 673	43 424	1 057	2 852	19 629	787	70 422	42 990
September	2 899	39 840	971	1 896	25 682	736	72 024	39 415
October	2 592	r40 699	1 385	2 384	19 508	680	r67 249	r40 102
November	r2 277	r25 673	r1 264	r2 717	r19 635	r425	r51 991	r25 343
December	1 141	30 837	1 418	3 380	24 697	683	62 157	30 431
VALUE(d) (\$'000)								
2004-05	104 390	1 316 533	74 717	93 667	1 106 231	19 611	2 715 149	1 287 727
2005-06	104 745	1 328 880	76 232	109 242	1 109 856	26 294	2 755 249	1 301 499
2006-07	111 967	r1 385 398	88 665	r148 823	1 111 964	30 067	r2 876 885	r1 356 059
2006								
October	11 249	112 800	6 121	10 802	88 281	2 729	231 983	109 313
November	12 428	107 183	7 076	13 997	105 526	2 292	248 503	105 388
December	8 079	86 418	9 434	15 394	133 495	2 461	255 280	83 193
2007								
January	4 625	90 925	6 421	10 664	65 305	2 154	180 095	89 174
February	9 090	116 769	6 840	11 188	89 453	2 392	235 732	115 118
March	11 517	135 740	7 869	13 594	91 282	2 792	262 794	132 518
April	9 606	121 369	8 697	11 278	76 567	2 191	229 708	119 102
May	8 536	129 310	8 402	14 580	100 863	2 680	264 369	126 960
June	7 138	r101 402	9 572	r13 354	107 853	2 396	r241 714	r100 514
July	9 892	131 804	5 382	13 841	113 604	3 163	277 686	129 549
August	9 076	143 245	7 306	15 131	85 412	3 105	263 275	141 257
September	11 500	133 836	5 874	11 244	109 410	3 171	275 033	131 883
October	10 843	r135 338	8 658	13 877	r90 800	2 669	r262 184	r132 525
November	r8 800	r82 602	r7 343	r14 721	r100 454	r2 261	r216 181	r81 281
December	4 746	96 968	8 446	19 923	111 738	3 236	245 057	95 248

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(a) Exports may include sales made by exporters other than winemakers.

(b) Includes ships' stores and other countries as detailed in Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC) (cat. no. 1269.0).

(c) The 'European Union' is not additional to the total and is a component of the 'Europe and the former USSR' region. Includes all 25 current members of the European Union.

(d) See paragraph 8 of the Explanatory Notes.

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database

IMPORTS CLEARED (a), Selected Countries(b)

	New Zealand	Italy	France	Portugal	Spain	Chile	Germany, Federal Republic of	South Africa	Total other countries	Total All Countries
QUANTITY ('000 L)										
2004-05	9 479	4 937	3 492	418	684	387	448	179	2 115	22 139
2005-06	11 853	4 821	4 136	854	786	339	350	299	929	24 369
2006-07	18 142	5 544	5 354	482	947	586	901	517	1 802	34 275
2006										
October	2 143	626	742	45	67	125	134	93	89	4 065
November	2 007	884	835	67	113	52	48	83	253	4 343
December	1 831	469	556	38	86	97	41	38	197	3 353
January	1 375	390	391	31	73	38	52	108	86	2 544
February	1 446	263	271	30	80	54	15	60	509	2 728
March	1 932	537	412	22	66	54	334	50	71	3 479
April	1 381	368	257	46	30	47	41	—	126	2 296
May	1 382	407	287	36	40	15	40	—	87	2 294
2007										
June	951	241	282	33	95	1	21	7	158	1 788
July	1 368	378	377	26	53	2	40	20	481	2 746
August	2 045	696	689	33	73	36	44	93	122	3 832
September	2 083	855	461	84	156	9	59	52	191	3 950
October	2 715	820	1 011	39	107	640	47	171	356	5 906
November	r3 159	731	1 032	126	207	163	46	135	504	r6 103
December	1 643	1 075	818	120	79	1 070	30	102	673	5 610
VALUE (c) (\$'000)										
2004-05	80 088	25 105	66 958	1 535	3 868	1 314	1 964	779	6 629	188 240
2005-06	98 220	24 703	72 547	2 392	3 894	1 382	1 885	1 174	5 067	211 263
2006-07	155 913	32 081	97 134	2 050	4 900	2 439	3 347	1 389	7 769	307 023
2006										
October	18 481	3 172	12 878	156	360	497	213	294	584	36 635
November	17 708	5 474	13 773	276	591	187	258	66	761	39 094
December	14 123	2 342	9 081	144	494	469	305	109	667	27 734
January	10 664	2 321	6 865	127	421	171	275	321	450	21 614
February	13 713	1 369	5 696	106	409	260	71	168	1 630	23 422
March	15 643	2 786	7 614	137	393	193	931	122	372	28 192
April	11 490	2 160	6 028	186	208	191	190	7	1 051	21 511
May	12 110	2 692	6 639	142	197	42	172	3	475	22 472
2007										
June	7 987	1 500	7 880	200	253	18	160	36	571	18 604
July	11 736	2 391	6 642	91	295	7	226	58	1 078	22 524
August	17 990	4 560	13 993	148	494	129	230	224	886	38 655
September	18 706	4 958	8 465	282	977	52	380	163	814	34 796
October	23 811	4 883	19 688	177	610	1 278	243	448	1 030	52 169
November	r25 301	r3 778	20 532	524	981	399	220	547	1 372	r53 654
December	15 227	5 091	17 136	403	383	1 666	154	341	1 551	41 951

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(a) Imports cleared for home consumption. See paragraph 6 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) For details on the selection of countries see paragraph 7 of the explanatory Notes.

(c) See paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database

IMPORTS CLEARED BY WINE TYPE(a)

	WINE TYPE						
	White table	Red/Rosé table(b)	Table wine	Fortified wine	Sparkling wine	Other wine	Total wine
Period							
QUANTITY ('000 L)							
2004-05	10 502	4 280	14 782	253	5 187	1 918	22 139
2005-06	11 819	6 176	17 995	124	4 936	1 313	24 369
2006-07	19 003	6 487	25 490	123	7 000	1 662	34 275
2006							
October	2 406	766	3 171	7	768	118	4 065
November	2 088	869	2 957	4	1 265	118	4 343
December	1 871	492	2 363	17	695	278	3 353
2007							
January	1 432	417	1 849	8	492	195	2 544
February	1 410	489	1 899	4	494	331	2 728
March	1 880	918	2 798	6	612	63	3 479
April	1 421	369	1 790	9	403	94	2 296
May	1 412	471	1 883	22	327	62	2 294
June	971	303	1 274	10	342	162	1 788
July	1 476	722	2 199	20	322	205	2 746
August	2 196	569	2 765	4	988	75	3 832
September	2 213	724	2 937	23	799	192	3 950
October	3 459	831	4 290	12	1 211	393	5 906
November	r3 551	1 322	r4 873	14	1 084	132	r6 103
December	2 299	1 704	4 004	19	1 108	480	5 610
VALUE(c) (\$'000)							
2004-05	78 428	30 510	108 937	1 728	68 063	9 512	188 240
2005-06	97 196	36 781	133 977	917	70 311	6 058	211 263
2006-07	155 180	46 720	201 900	1 154	97 533	6 437	307 023
2006							
October	19 005	4 733	23 738	52	12 379	465	36 635
November	17 752	5 082	22 835	43	15 713	503	39 094
December	14 264	3 502	17 766	181	8 896	891	27 734
2007							
January	10 763	2 937	13 700	70	6 961	883	21 614
February	12 327	3 232	15 560	45	6 776	1 042	23 422
March	15 308	4 918	20 225	89	7 538	339	28 192
April	11 117	3 232	14 349	70	6 723	369	21 511
May	11 991	3 986	15 977	85	6 164	246	22 472
June	7 450	3 205	10 655	146	7 273	531	18 604
July	12 541	3 828	16 368	73	5 297	786	22 524
August	18 242	5 729	23 971	57	14 318	308	38 655
September	19 331	5 616	24 947	160	8 827	862	34 796
October	23 984	6 190	30 174	100	20 577	1 317	52 169
November	r26 453	r7 218	r33 671	193	19 099	691	r53 654
December	16 953	5 785	22 739	131	17 290	1 791	41 951

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(a) Imports cleared for home consumption. See paragraph 5 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) Includes 'Other table wine'.

(c) See paragraph 9 of the Explanatory Notes

Source: ABS data available on request, International Trade database

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

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.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

2 The information on domestic sales of Australian produced wine is obtained from winemaking enterprises with sales of 250,000 litres or more in either of the previous two financial years. These account for approximately 96% 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, 3 & 4 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 From July 2000, the category 'Flavoured wine' has been changed to 'Other wine products'. This change reflects the inclusion of de-alcoholised, low and reduced alcohol wines in the category. These wine types were previously included in 'Table wine'. While it is expected that the effect on the 'Table wine' series resulting from this change will be insignificant, care should be taken in comparing 'Flavoured wine' with 'Other wine products'.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

5 Figures relating to international trade in wine and brandy are presented in tables 5–10 to provide a basis for assessing the overall wine market. ABS procedures are designed to ensure that sufficient editing is undertaken to guarantee the quality and integrity of trade statistics to at least the six-digit Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS) level. After the release of monthly trade statistics, the ABS may receive a number of client requests to investigate cases of possible misreporting. Most relate to potential errors at the more detailed levels of the commodity classification. Client requests for data investigations of this type will be undertaken free of charge if data at the six-digit level of the HS are affected. Otherwise investigations will only be considered if the value of the aggregate data queried exceeds \$250,000 in each month queried, and the cost of the investigation is met by the client.

6 Imports cleared for home consumption (including re-imports, that is, goods originating in Australia that have been exported but then returned to source) 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. Due to a change in the Customs Tariff codes implemented in July 1999 and July 2000, the wine type categories are not necessarily comparable with earlier data.

7 In order to retain stability in the time-series of data, the selection of countries for which exports and imports data has been presented has been based upon the level of annual imports or exports from the previous financial year.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

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8 The value of exports is the free on board (f.o.b.) transactions value of the goods expressed in Australian dollars. The ABS converts foreign currency f.o.b. values to Australian dollars using the exchange rate prevailing on the date of departure shown on the export manifest.

9 The value of imports is the Australian customs value. Goods are valued at the point of containerisation (in most cases) or the port of shipment, or at the customs frontier of the exporting country, whichever comes first.

10 For details of currency conversion procedures for wine export values, please refer to 2.34 and 2.35 of *International Merchandise Trade, Australia; Concepts, Sources and Methods, 2001* (cat. no. 5489.0). Goods invoiced in one of six major foreign currencies are converted to Australian dollars by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Sales in other foreign currencies are converted by the exporter to Australian dollars.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES

11 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).

12 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.

13 The revision properties of the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates have been improved by the use of autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) modelling. ARIMA modelling relies on the characteristics of the series being analysed to project future period data. The ARIMA model is assessed as part of the annual reanalysis. For more information on the details of ARIMA modelling see feature article: Use of ARIMA modelling to reduce revisions in the October 2004 issue of *Australian Economic Indicators* (cat. no. 1350.0).

14 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.

15 For further information, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series — Monitoring Trends* (cat. no. 1349.0) or contact the Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra (02) 6252 6354 or via e-mail at time.series.analysis@abs.gov.au.

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RELATED PUBLICATIONS

17 Another ABS publication which may be of interest is the *Australian Wine and Grape Industry* (cat. no. 1329.0). This is a statistical compendium of Australia's wine and grape industries containing information on: area of vines and production of grapes by region; wine production and grapes crushed by region; structure of the wine manufacturing industries; stocks of wine held by winemakers at 30 June; domestic wine sales; exports and imports of wine; price indexes of grapes and wine; consumption of wine and world comparisons.

18 Current publications and other products by the ABS are listed on the ABS web site. The ABS also issues a daily Release Advice on the web site which details products to be released in the week ahead.

GLOSSARY

Carbonated wine	Wine which has dissolved carbon dioxide and the carbon dioxide is added artificially to the wine.
Domestic sales	All sales of Australian produced wine by winemakers within the scope of the survey whether they be wholesale or retail sales, or bulk sales to other wineries outside of the scope of the survey. Excluded are inter-winery sales, sales to ships' stores and the volume of imported wine blended with Australian wine and sold domestically.
Exports	Exports of wine to overseas ports including sales made by exporters and wine producers.
Fortified wine	Wine to which grape spirit, brandy or both has been added, thereby adding alcoholic strength and precluding further fermentation. Fortified wine must contain at least 150 millilitres/litre and not more than 200 millilitres/litre of ethanol at 20° Centigrade.
Grape spirit	Spirit obtained from the distillation of wine or by-products of winemaking or the fermented liquor of a mash of dried grapes and contains methanol in a proportion not exceeding 3 grams per litre at 20° Centigrade of the ethanol content.
Imports cleared for home consumption	Imported goods brought into the country for consumption or further processing, but excluding goods imported with the reasonable expectation of re-export within a limited time.
Other containers	All other wine packaging except glass bottles containing less than 2 litres and soft packs. Included in this category are glass containers greater than 2 litres, cans and bulk wine in tankers or other such containers.
Other wine products	Products such as flavoured wine, cocktails, marsala, aperitif and tonic wines. De-alcoholised, low and reduced alcohol wines are also included.
Soft packs	A container type including all collapsible packs whether plastic or of other material.
Sparkling	A product consisting of wine that by complete or partial fermentation of contained sugars has become surcharged with carbon dioxide.
Table wine	A product of the complete or partial fermentation of fresh grapes or products derived solely from fresh grapes.
Total other wine	Includes fortified wines such as sherry, port, muscat, madiera, tokay and white port etc., sparkling wines both bottle and bulk fermentated, carbonated wine, vermouth and other wine products such as flavoured wine, cocktails, marsala, aperitif and tonic wines, de-alcoholised and low or reduced alcohol wines.

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