

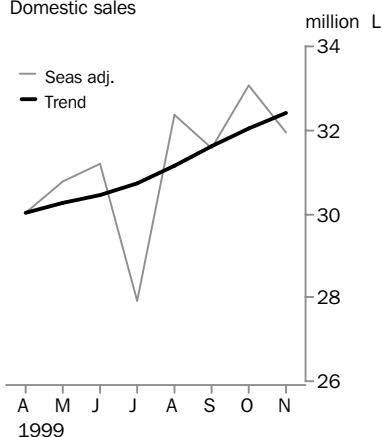


## SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

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### Australian produced wine

Domestic sales



## NOVEMBER KEY FIGURES

### TREND ESTIMATES

	Nov 1999 '000 L	% change Oct 1999 to Nov 1999	% change Nov 1998 to Nov 1999
Australian produced wine			
Domestic wine sales	32 408	1.1	13.0
White table wine sales	16 609	0.4	5.3
Red and rosé table wine sales	9 688	1.2	20.0

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Nov 1999 '000 L	% change Oct 1999 to Nov 1999	% change Nov 1998 to Nov 1999
Australian produced wine			
Domestic wine sales	31 960	-3.4	10.8
White table wine sales	16 074	-5.4	0.9
Red and rosé table wine sales	9 781	-0.5	23.8

## NOVEMBER KEY POINTS

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend series for total domestic sales of Australian produced wine has recorded growth for the sixteenth consecutive month with sales of 32.4 million litres. This is an increase of 1.1% on October 1999 and 13.0% on November 1998.
- The trend estimate for white table wine rose 0.4% in November and was 5.3% higher than November 1998.
- The trend estimate for red and rosé table wine increased by 1.2% on October and by 20.0% on November 1998.

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total sales of Australian produced wine fell by 3.4% in November to 32.0 million litres but was up 10.8% on November 1998.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for white table fell by 5.4% in November but has risen 0.9% since November 1998.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for red and rosé table fell by 0.5% in November but has risen 23.8% since November 1996.

### ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- In original terms, 38.5 million litres of Australian produced wine was sold domestically by winemakers during November, up 8.2% on October and 11.3% on November 1998, aided by a 24.1% increase in sparkling wine sales on November 1998.

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact William Hynd on Adelaide 08 8237 7626 or Client Service in any ABS office as shown on the back cover of this publication.

# NOTES

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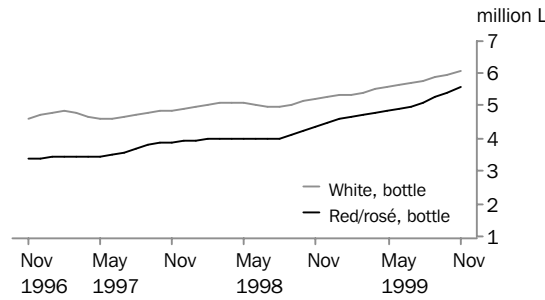


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# DOMESTIC AUSTRALIAN TABLE WINE SALES: Trend

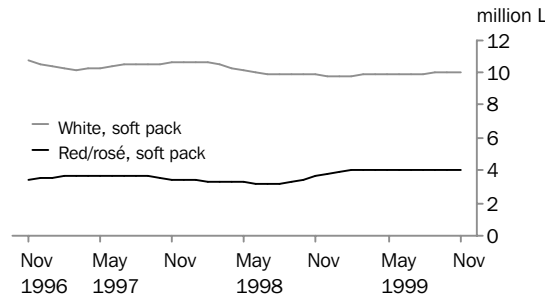
## TABLE WINE, GLASS CONTAINER < 2 LITRES

The November trend estimates for both red/rosé and white table wine in glass containers less than 2 litres have increased for the sixteenth consecutive month. For white table wine the estimate now stands at 6.1 million litres up 16.1% on November 1998 and 30.9% on November 1996. Red/rosé table wine has increased 27.0% on November 1998 and 65.4% on November 1996 to now stand at 5.6 million litres.



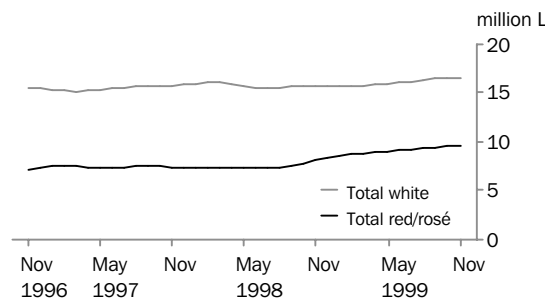
## TABLE WINE, SOFT PACK CONTAINERS

The trend estimate for white table wine in soft packs rose by 1.2% since November 1998 but has fallen 6.9% since November 1996. The trend estimate for red/rosé in soft pack is 12.7% higher than November 1998 and 17.9% higher than November 1996.



## TOTAL WHITE AND RED/ROSÉ TABLE WINE

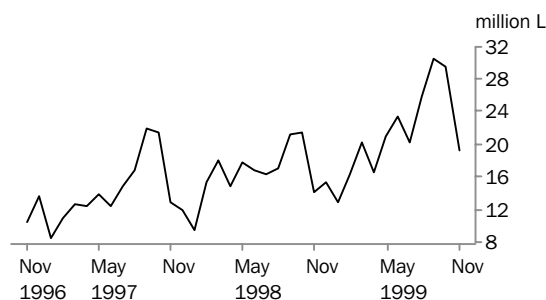
The November trend estimate for the domestic sales of total white table wine is 5.3% higher than the estimate for November 1998 and 6.5% higher than the estimate for November 1996. The November trend estimate for total red/rosé table wine was 20.0% up on November 1998 and 37.6% up on November 1996.



# EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE AND IMPORTS

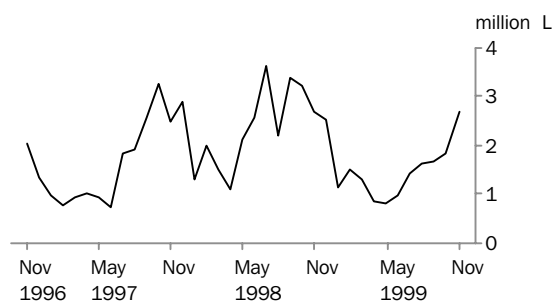
## EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE

Original data for November shows that 19.2 million litres of Australian produced wine was exported. This volume is 34.9% higher than the same time last year but down 35.2% on October 1999. The average value of wine exported in November fell 2.3% over the same period in 1998 from \$4.74 per litre to \$4.63 per litre.



## WINE IMPORTS CLEARED FOR HOME CONSUMPTION

Original import data for November shows that 2.7 million litres of wine with a monthly record value of \$16.4 million was cleared for home consumption. This volume is up 46.3% on the previous month aided by a 72.6% rise in sparkling wine imports this month.



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

Original data for the September quarter 1999 shows that wine available for consumption in Australia increased by 5.1% on the same quarter in 1998. An increase of 11.0% in domestic sales of Australian produced wine was partly offset by a 48.9% fall in the volume of imported wine. Total disposals of Australian produced wine increased by 22.8% over the same period following a 41.2% increase in exports.

Period	A Domestic sales of Australian produced wine '000 L	B Wine imports cleared for home consumption '000 L	A + B Wine available for consumption '000 L	C Exports of Australian produced wine '000 L	A + C Total disposals of Australian produced wine '000 L
<b>1996-1997</b>	333 591	13 589	347 180	154 393	487 984
<b>1997-1998</b>	338 814	25 622	364 436	192 404	531 218
<b>1998-1999</b>	348 349	24 255	372 604	215 501	563 850
Sept Qtr 1998	85 109	9 224	94 333	54 474	139 583
Sept Qtr 1999	94 472	4 715	99 187	76 924	171 396

## DOMESTIC SALES OF TOTAL AUSTRALIAN WINE &amp; TABLE WINE BY CONTAINER TYPE

Period	TABLE-WHITE WINE.....				TABLE-RED AND ROSÉ WINE.....				
	Total wine '000 L	Glass less than 2 litres(a) '000 L	Soft packs(b) '000 L	Other containers(c) '000 L	Total '000 L	Glass less than 2 litres(a) '000 L	Soft packs(b) '000 L	Other containers(c) '000 L	Total '000 L
ORIGINAL									
<b>1996-1997</b>	333 591	55 212	126 492	3 324	185 032	41 144	41 574	1 016	83 733
<b>1997-1998</b>	338 814	59 352	125 269	4 888	189 512	46 746	41 295	868	88 909
<b>1998-1999</b>	348 349	63 354	117 954	7 000	188 310	53 713	44 564	811	99 088
<b>1998-1999</b>									
November	34 587	6 358	11 647	885	18 890	4 824	3 722	205	8 751
December	36 615	7 111	11 140	889	19 140	5 016	3 973	79	9 067
January	18 100	3 691	6 484	653	10 828	2 290	2 087	46	4 423
February	24 291	4 627	9 423	726	14 775	3 217	3 146	58	6 422
March	29 201	5 588	10 350	449	16 388	4 609	3 684	47	8 340
April	30 274	5 625	10 456	526	16 608	5 024	4 065	56	9 144
May	28 408	4 906	8 971	384	14 261	5 103	4 178	32	9 314
June	29 789	4 812	9 787	340	14 939	5 285	4 874	22	10 182
<b>1999-2000</b>									
July	32 459	5 660	9 871	370	15 900	6 521	5 094	37	11 652
August	30 285	5 454	9 637	409	15 500	5 507	4 557	48	10 112
September	31 728	5 801	9 973	562	16 337	5 477	4 170	41	9 689
October	35 588	6 635	10 897	528	18 060	5 667	4 201	71	9 939
November	38 501	7 549	10 838	783	19 170	6 306	4 330	194	10 831
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
<b>1998-1999</b>									
November	28 834	5 184	10 005	n.a.	15 929	4 402	3 446	n.a.	7 901
December	28 521	5 227	9 484	n.a.	15 401	4 673	3 969	n.a.	8 676
January	28 668	5 321	9 638	n.a.	15 615	4 505	3 932	n.a.	8 321
February	28 809	5 204	10 010	n.a.	15 685	4 572	4 110	n.a.	8 700
March	30 524	5 517	9 961	n.a.	15 947	4 791	4 017	n.a.	8 796
April	30 031	5 566	10 135	n.a.	16 088	4 798	4 088	n.a.	8 787
May	30 781	5 558	9 581	n.a.	15 842	5 029	4 053	n.a.	9 293
June	31 210	5 886	10 064	n.a.	16 412	5 070	4 122	n.a.	9 283
<b>1999-2000</b>									
July	27 932	5 457	9 235	n.a.	14 999	4 594	3 814	n.a.	8 625
August	32 352	5 774	10 367	n.a.	16 897	5 097	4 261	n.a.	9 501
September	31 551	5 879	10 058	n.a.	16 595	5 325	3 892	n.a.	9 214
October	33 086	5 994	10 522	n.a.	16 982	5 541	4 212	n.a.	9 834
November	31 960	6 197	9 356	n.a.	16 074	5 724	4 061	n.a.	9 781
TREND ESTIMATES									
<b>1998-1999</b>									
November	28 685	5 226	9 879	n.a.	15 780	4 391	3 629	n.a.	8 071
December	28 849	5 290	9 845	n.a.	15 776	4 508	3 788	n.a.	8 303
January	29 121	5 338	9 839	n.a.	15 779	4 608	3 931	n.a.	8 515
February	29 411	5 376	9 842	n.a.	15 774	4 689	4 024	n.a.	8 682
March	29 723	5 432	9 858	n.a.	15 800	4 753	4 072	n.a.	8 819
April	30 009	5 517	9 859	n.a.	15 860	4 811	4 079	n.a.	8 926
May	30 242	5 592	9 860	n.a.	15 941	4 858	4 062	n.a.	9 005
June	30 463	5 651	9 875	n.a.	16 039	4 917	4 045	n.a.	9 082
<b>1999-2000</b>									
July	30 747	5 713	9 907	n.a.	16 160	5 004	4 043	n.a.	9 175
August	31 138	5 788	9 959	n.a.	16 302	5 125	4 050	n.a.	9 290
September	31 604	5 878	9 997	n.a.	16 436	5 276	4 063	n.a.	9 428
October	32 058	5 975	10 001	n.a.	16 538	5 435	4 077	n.a.	9 572
November	32 408	6 065	9 997	n.a.	16 609	5 576	4 091	n.a.	9 688

(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 otherwise.

(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.

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## DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY BY WINEMAKERS

Period	Table	Fortified	Sparkling bottle fermentation(a)	Sparkling bulk fermentation(a)	Carbonated(b)	Flavoured(c)	Vermouth	Brandy(d)
	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
<b>1996-1997</b>	268 766	25 629	23 370	9 182	3 431	2 183	1 026	987
<b>1997-1998</b>	278 422	24 574	22 310	8 759	1 641	2 145	963	974
<b>1998-1999</b>	287 398	23 920	20 292	12 325	1 447	2 141	824	905
<b>1998-1999</b>								
November	27 641	1 902	3 169	1 410	169	174	121	83
December	28 207	2 155	3 779	2 005	214	203	53	114
January	15 250	963	969	648	77	133	58	55
February	21 197	1 277	984	619	86	94	34	48
March	24 728	1 854	1 293	971	109	156	90	75
April	25 752	2 015	1 236	944	111	185	32	63
May	23 575	2 340	1 157	946	106	203	81	67
June	25 121	2 518	958	889	87	183	32	81
<b>1999-2000</b>								
July	27 552	2 396	1 269	896	n.p.	226	n.p.	69
August	25 612	2 062	1 264	860	n.p.	182	n.p.	73
September	26 025	1 781	1 870	1 559	260	171	62	74
October	27 999	1 755	2 857	2 230	430	204	114	72
November	30 000	2 083	3 169	2 515	460	235	38	40

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

(b) Prior to 1997, data for Carbonated wine includes some spritzig style wine which was mis-reported.

(c) Includes wine cocktails, marsala, aperitif and tonic wines.

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

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## DOMESTIC SALES OF AUSTRALIAN FORTIFIED WINE BY WINEMAKERS

Period	Sherry in glass less than 2 litres	Port in glass less than 2 litres	Other in glass less than 2 litres(a)	Soft packs	All other containers(b)	Total fortified
	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L
<b>1996-1997</b>	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	25 629
<b>1997-1998</b>	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	24 574
<b>1998-1999</b>	2 792	5 226	465	7 906	7 532	23 920
<b>1998-1999</b>						
November	224	501	40	613	524	1 902
December	269	598	41	610	636	2 155
January	140	212	17	326	270	963
February	150	208	16	481	423	1 277
March	200	327	28	622	676	1 854
April	216	430	37	749	582	2 015
May	275	510	44	833	678	2 340
June	270	504	42	857	845	2 518
<b>1999-2000</b>						
July	272	582	44	823	675	2 396
August	195	401	30	693	743	2 062
September	196	404	27	617	536	1 781
October	208	398	30	592	527	1 755
November	232	543	25	652	632	2 083

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

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

## IMPORTS CLEARED &amp; EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED WINE &amp; BRANDY

Period	WINE TYPE.....				TOTAL WINE.....		BRANDY.....	
	Table	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value(a)	Quantity	Value
	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	'000 L	\$'000	'000 L al	'000
IMPORTS(b)(c)								
<b>1996-1997</b>	10 105	105	2 387	993	13 589	66 503	628	7 889
<b>1997-1998</b>	21 447	135	2 996	1 044	25 622	92 926	661	7 861
<b>1998-1999</b>	20 136	92	2 915	1 113	24 255	102 498	598	7 528
<b>1998-1999</b>								
September	2 888	9	343	158	3 398	10 575	54	607
October	2 694	3	460	79	3 236	12 779	54	694
November	1 989	10	483	209	2 691	14 068	56	763
December	2 117	4	354	74	2 549	11 752	72	1 070
January	972	5	131	40	1 148	5 790	34	421
February	1 321	6	127	37	1 491	6 902	32	412
March	1 069	2	190	49	1 310	6 337	52	608
April	536	10	187	107	840	6 012	49	553
May	543	10	150	102	805	5 609	50	622
June	647	10	195	110	962	6 499	50	617
<b>1999-2000</b>								
July	1 009	66	248	100	1 423	8 083	47	499
August	1 149	92	229	158	1 628	9 099	58	736
September	918	70	443	233	1 664	11 256	53	r 633
October	1 164	48	482	148	1 841	13 364	47	590
November	1 622	44	832	196	2 694	16 379	42	487
EXPORTS(d)								
<b>1996-1997</b>	144 892	2 490	6 046	966	154 393	603 297	17	526
<b>1997-1998</b>	183 024	2 505	6 110	764	192 404	873 847	26	385
<b>1998-1999</b>	205 639	2 244	6 937	681	215 501	1 067 978	24	246
<b>1998-1999</b>								
September	20 122	208	743	85	21 158	107 674	2	49
October	20 224	206	928	49	21 408	107 181	4	31
November	13 316	211	645	32	14 205	67 323	1	11
December	14 560	151	503	54	15 268	81 157	2	15
January	12 543	88	302	22	12 954	59 886	2	10
February	15 532	142	536	17	16 226	r83 346	3	45
March	19 446	310	393	52	20 201	102 158	—	6
April	r15 903	r 129	r 303	163	r16 498	r84 673	1	14
May	r20 126	208	r 572	16	r20 922	r 103 325	2	17
June	22 133	167	1 031	14	23 345	107 234	3	24
<b>1999-2000</b>								
July	19 189	153	r 930	93	r20 364	r97 916	1	37
August	24 199	190	1 352	176	25 915	123 859	5	22
September	r29 079	247	r1 293	26	r30 645	r 142 873	1	9
October	r27 985	172	r1 379	45	r29 581	r 138 333	2	39
November	18 313	249	564	40	19 167	88 650	—	11

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(a) See Explanatory Notes 5 and 6.

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

(b) Due to change in the Customs tariff codes implemented in July 1996, the wine type categories are not necessarily comparable with earlier data.

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

## EXPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN WINE BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION, November 1999

Country/Region	WINE TYPE.....				TOTAL WINE.....	
	Table	Fortified	Sparkling	Other	Quantity	Value(c)
	L	L	L	L	L	\$'000
Fiji	56 546	1 731	9 657	819	68 753	386
New Zealand	2 280 678	83 782	218 606	591	2 583 656	6 844
Papua New Guinea	76 937	15 051	5 481	—	97 469	308
Total Oceania and Antarctica (a)	2 474 991	101 999	251 218	1 410	2 829 617	7 803
Belgium and Luxembourg	499 802	—	189	—	499 991	1 344
Denmark	283 699	—	—	—	283 699	1 177
Germany, Federal Republic of	817 667	—	3 006	12	820 685	3 930
Ireland	191 937	2 691	1 800	—	196 428	1 265
Sweden	459 619	—	19 818	—	479 437	1 400
United Kingdom	6 090 007	49 085	155 479	1 013	6 295 583	26 180
Total European Union	8 669 356	51 776	182 632	4 280	8 908 043	36 759
Norway	94 828	—	2 592	—	97 420	355
Switzerland	155 920	—	—	—	155 920	1 120
Total Europe and the Former USSR (a)	8 940 894	51 776	185 377	4 280	9 182 326	38 432
Bahrain	15 800	—	450	—	16 250	44
United Arab Emirates	88 025	1 360	8 145	540	98 070	302
Total Middle East and North Africa (a)	103 924	1 360	8 595	540	114 419	349
Singapore	240 580	234	14 301	16 978	272 093	1 837
Thailand	82 792	16 270	5 683	—	104 745	377
Total Southeast Asia (a)	450 099	17 956	24 975	24 875	517 905	3 202
Hong Kong	188 673	126	19 795	8 901	217 495	1 488
Japan	373 970	16 000	28 852	206	419 028	2 658
Total Northeast Asia (a)	685 937	17 067	54 992	9 107	767 103	4 762
Canada	803 877	22 244	1 287	—	827 408	4 493
United States of America	4 748 463	33 313	29 902	85	4 811 763	29 287
Total Northern America (a)	5 552 339	55 557	31 189	85	5 639 170	33 780
Total Other Regions (b)	104 631	3 760	7 882	—	116 273	323
<b>Total All Countries</b>	<b>18 312 814</b>	<b>249 474</b>	<b>564 228</b>	<b>40 297</b>	<b>19 166 813</b>	<b>88 650</b>

(a) Includes other countries as detailed in *Standard Australian Classification of Countries* (Cat. no. 1269.0). (b) Includes ships' stores.

(c) Free on board value, see Explanatory Note 5.



## 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
<b>1996-1997</b>	17 918	95 491	974	3 698	7 067	28 906	338	<b>154 393</b>
<b>1997-1998</b>	23 382	115 654	1 266	2 830	9 245	39 562	466	<b>192 404</b>
<b>1998-1999</b>	23 012	133 143	858	4 298	7 664	45 939	587	<b>215 501</b>
<b>1998-1999</b>								
September	2 271	13 514	6	382	839	4 120	26	<b>21 158</b>
October	2 230	14 021	92	348	681	4 011	24	<b>21 408</b>
November	3 039	6 576	26	522	674	3 292	76	<b>14 205</b>
December	926	9 256	39	355	549	4 114	28	<b>15 268</b>
January	2 131	6 889	81	203	601	2 998	52	<b>12 954</b>
February	1 473	10 272	48	330	551	3 485	65	<b>16 226</b>
March	1 910	12 880	137	493	490	4 267	23	<b>20 201</b>
April	1 107	r9 987	75	322	738	4 208	60	<b>r16 498</b>
May	1 159	r13 686	89	389	691	4 842	66	<b>r20 922</b>
June	2 252	15 193	113	369	565	4 725	129	<b>23 345</b>
<b>1999-2000</b>								
July	2 102	13 657	78	333	r 622	3 538	35	<b>r20 364</b>
August	1 799	18 941	77	390	410	4 256	42	<b>25 915</b>
September	r2 672	r22 289	71	r 352	r 617	r4 585	60	<b>r30 645</b>
October	r2 662	r21 176	r47	r 383	r 573	r4 714	r27	<b>r29 581</b>
November	2 830	9 182	114	518	767	5 639	116	<b>19 167</b>

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

(b) Includes ships' stores.

## 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 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 1–3 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.

### IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

**4** Figures relating to international trade in wine and brandy are presented in tables 4–6 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.

**5** 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.

**6** 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.

**7** For further information on the compilation of Trade Statistics refer to explanatory notes contained in *International Merchandise Trade, Australia* (Cat. no. 5422.0).

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES

**8** 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).

**9** 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.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

- SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES *CONTINUED*
- 10** 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.
- 11** 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.
- 12** For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring 'Trends', an Overview* (Cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (02) 6252 6345.
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- ROUNDING
- 16** Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.
- SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES
- |      |  |
|------|--|
| —    | nil or rounded to zero   |
| L    | litres   |
| L al | litres of alcohol  |
| n.a. | not available  |
| n.p. | not available for separate publication (but included in totals where applicable) |
| r    | figure or series revised since previous issue                                    |

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