# Overview on the Spanish Wine Sector from an Economic Perspective

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# Framework: The Wine in the World



Globalization

Evolution of world trade

Top exporters

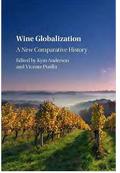
Top markets

Conclusions



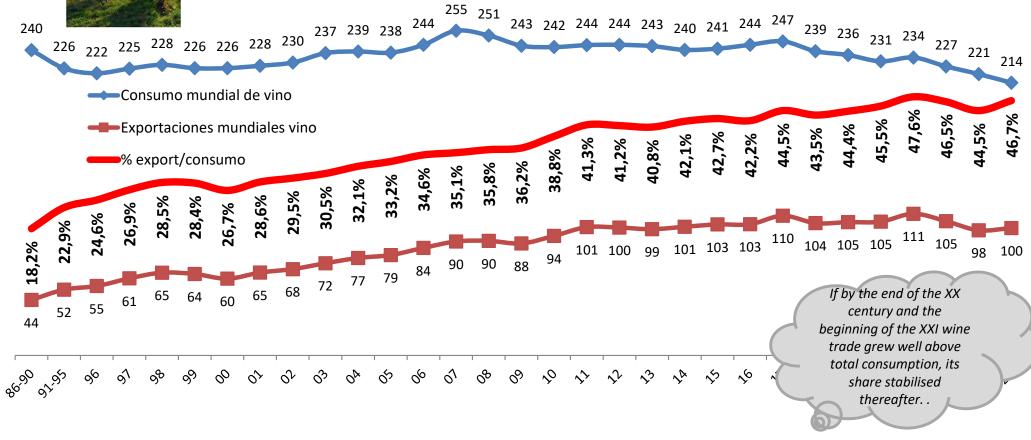
# Given a trend of increasing globalization...





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THE CONTEXT: Considering Algeria in the XIX century as part of France, "the share of global wine production that was exported was no higher at the end of the first globalization wave [WWI] – nor indeed <u>in 1960</u> – than it was in 1860, at <u>around 5 percent</u>. By contrast, exports as a share of global wine production grew <u>from 5 percent to 15</u> percent between 1960 and 1990, and then to 40 percent by 2012"



Share of exports on total consumption declined slightly in 2022 and 2023 but remains

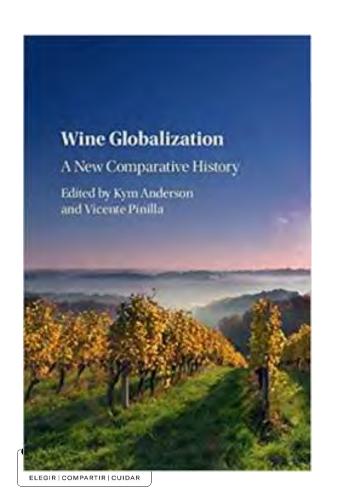
above 44% and jumped to 46.7% in 2024.

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Increasing globalization

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In historic perspective globalization is something relatively new.



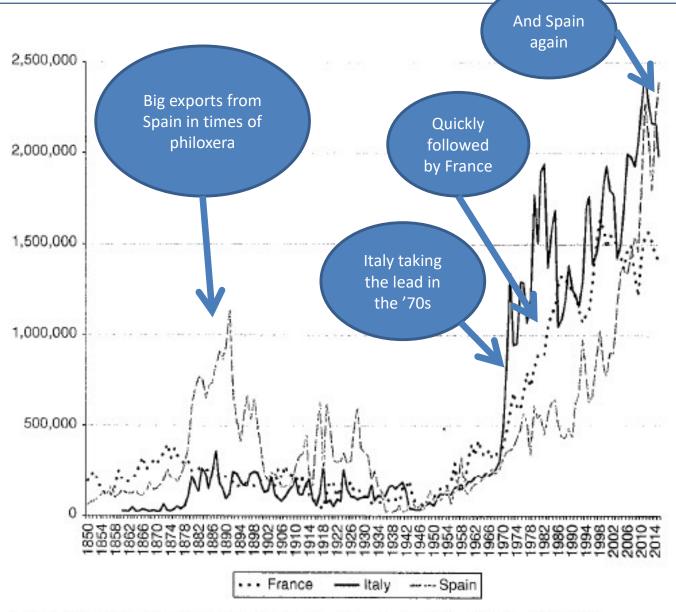
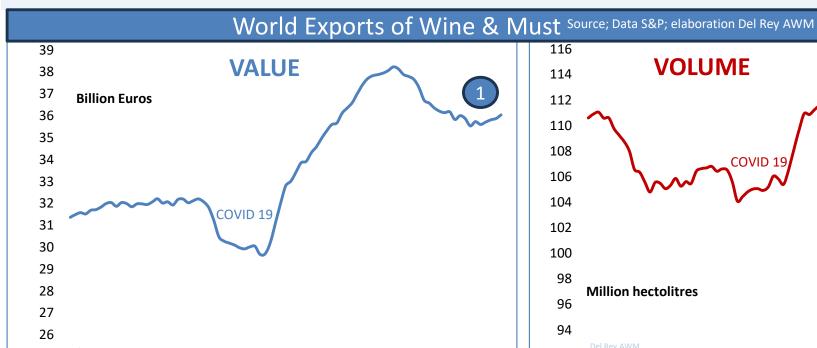


Figure 8.7 Volume of wine exports, Spain, France, and Italy, 1850 to 2015 (KL). Source: Anderson and Pinilla (2017).

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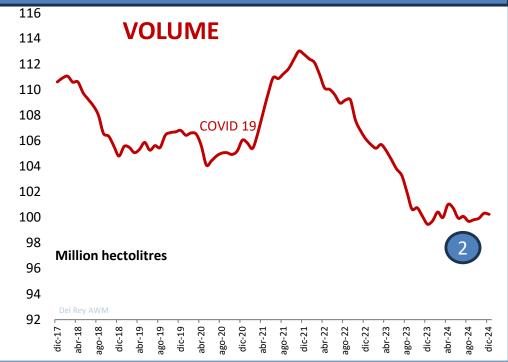
### Recent evolution of international wine markets

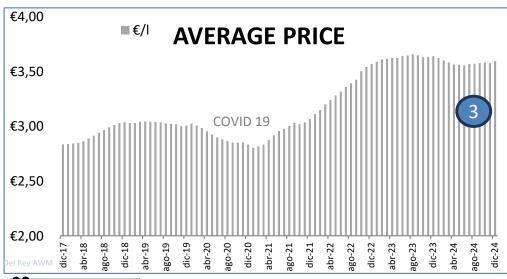




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- Wine trade in 2024 slightly decreased to €36 billion from €36.2 the previous year...
- 2. ...despite a 0.8% growth in volume to 100.2 million hectolitres...
- ... pushed by a 1.2% decline in average unite prices to €3.60 per litre

This remarkable stability contrasts to sharp downfalls in 2023, when worries pointed at potential structural factors → RECOVERY?

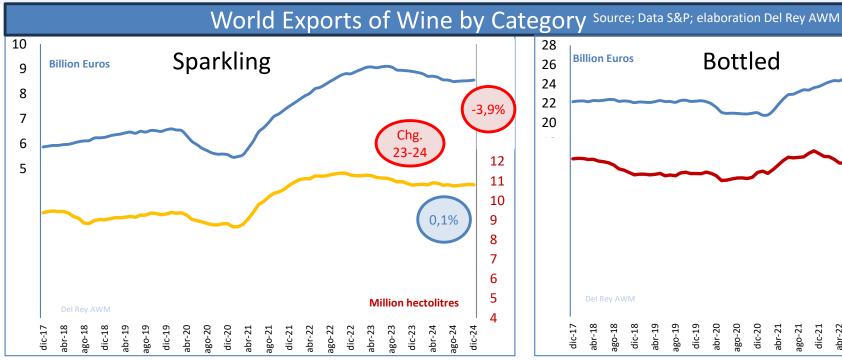
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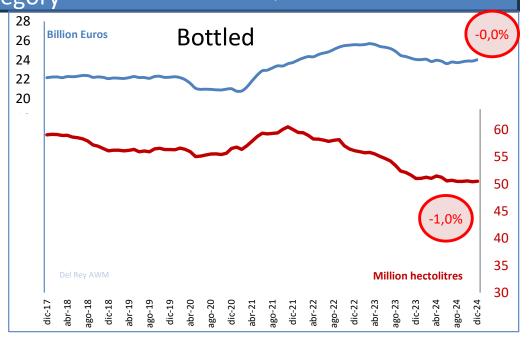
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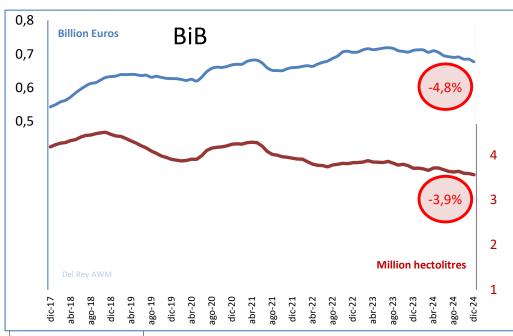
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### Trends by wine categories

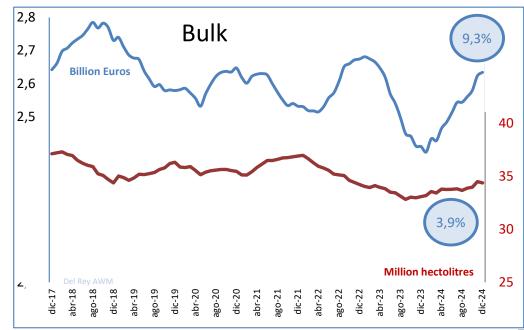






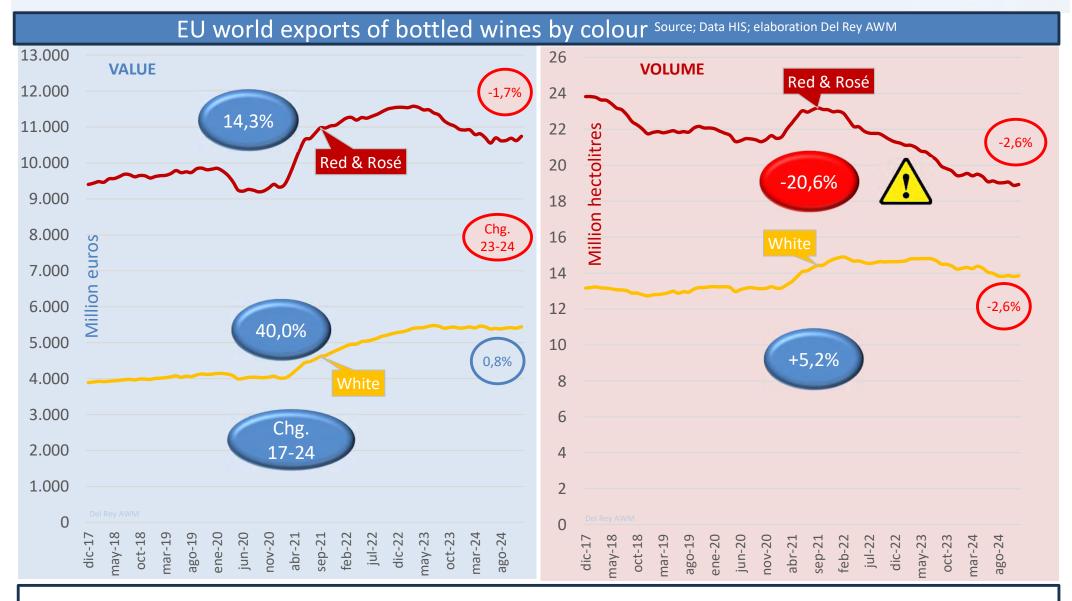


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### Trends by colours





By colour, the difference between whites and reds & rosés grew in 2024 among EU exports of bottled wines in value.

Stability of whites around €5.5 billion (+0.8%) opposes to a new 1.7% decline of R&R bottled wines to €10.7 bl.

In volume, both colours show a 2.6% negative rate, continuing the crisis of R&R that results in a -20.6% fall in eight years.



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### Top wine exporters



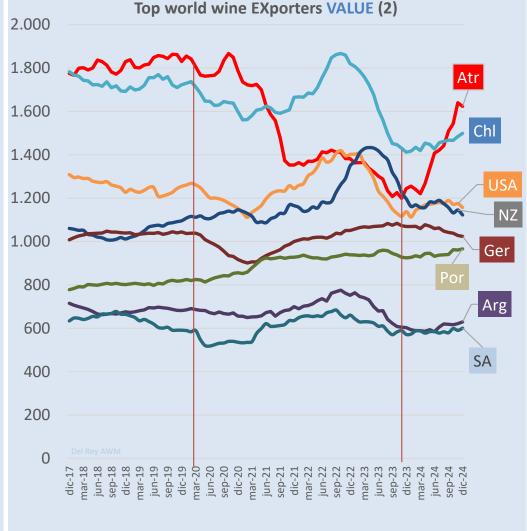


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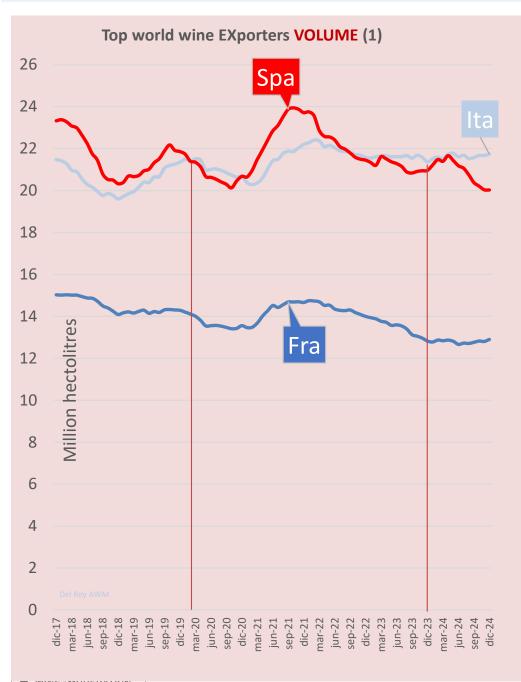
Among top world wine exporters, decline of French exports by 2.4% in euros contrasts with healthy growth of Italy's (4.7%) and small increase of Spanish shipments (1.6%).

Among smaller exporters, the recovery of Australian wine exports after Chinese lifting of deterrent tariffs and the growth of Chile contrast with decline of US and NZ's sales.

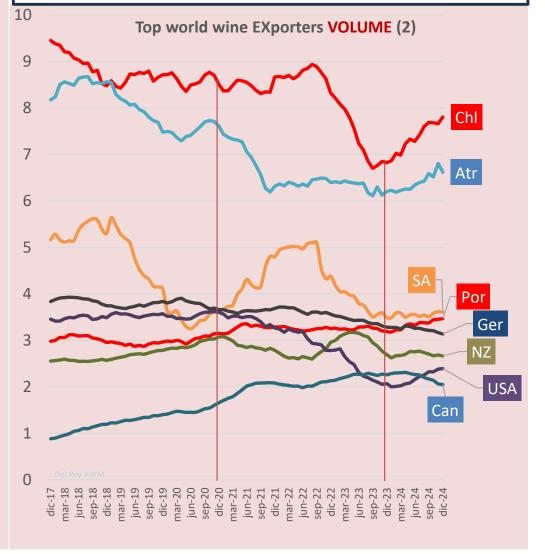


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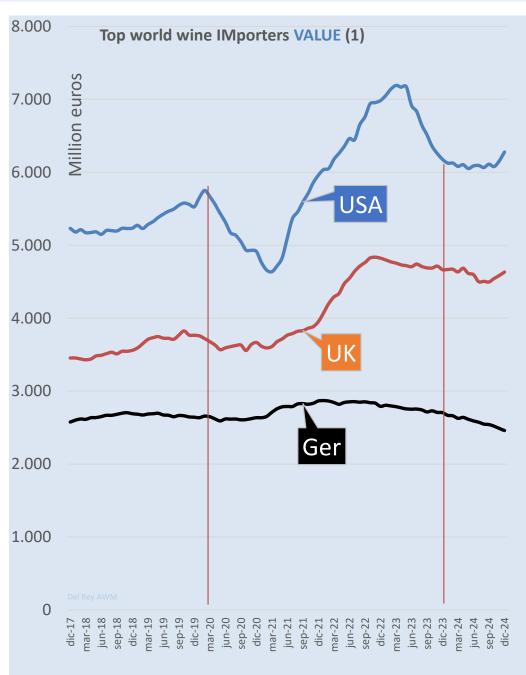


In volume, Italy maintains the lead as opposed to Spanish downturn due to falls in more expensive bulk (-80 M I) and sparkling (-16 MI). Chile and Australia also grow in litters after decline in 2023.



### Trends by key markets



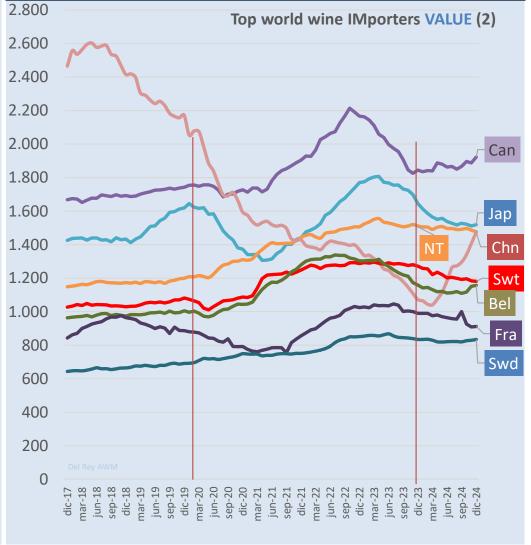


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Among top three wine markets, the US recovered imports (+1.6%) after a very negative 2023, UK remains stable around €4.6 bl (-0.7%) and Germany falls to €2.5 bl (-9.1%).

China's 37.6% growth and Canada's +4.2% oppose to declines in other major markets such as Japan, Netherlands and Switzerland.

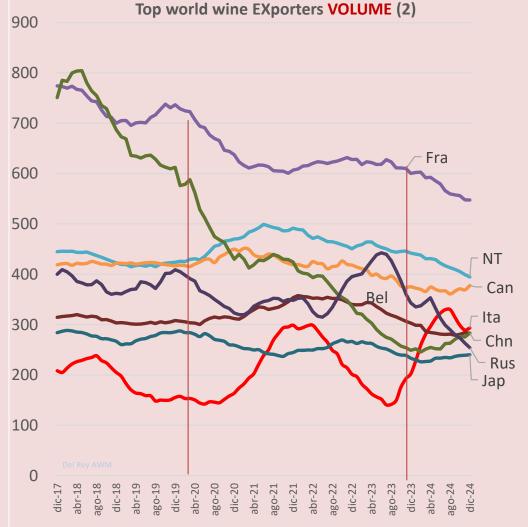


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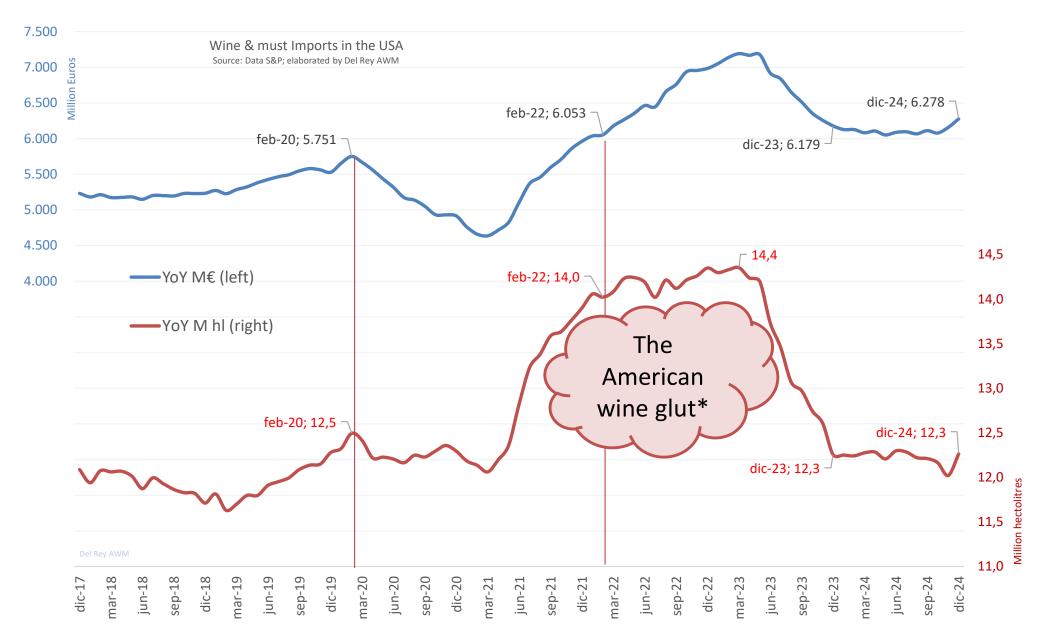
In volume, top three markets import around 12.5 million hectolitres each, with fall in Germany (-7.1%) not compensated last year by stability in the US (+0.1%) and growth in UK (+2.4%). Negative figures in France and the Netherlands oppose to sharp increase in Italy, led by Spanish bulk exports, and in China.

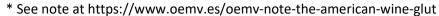


### Threats and opportunities USA









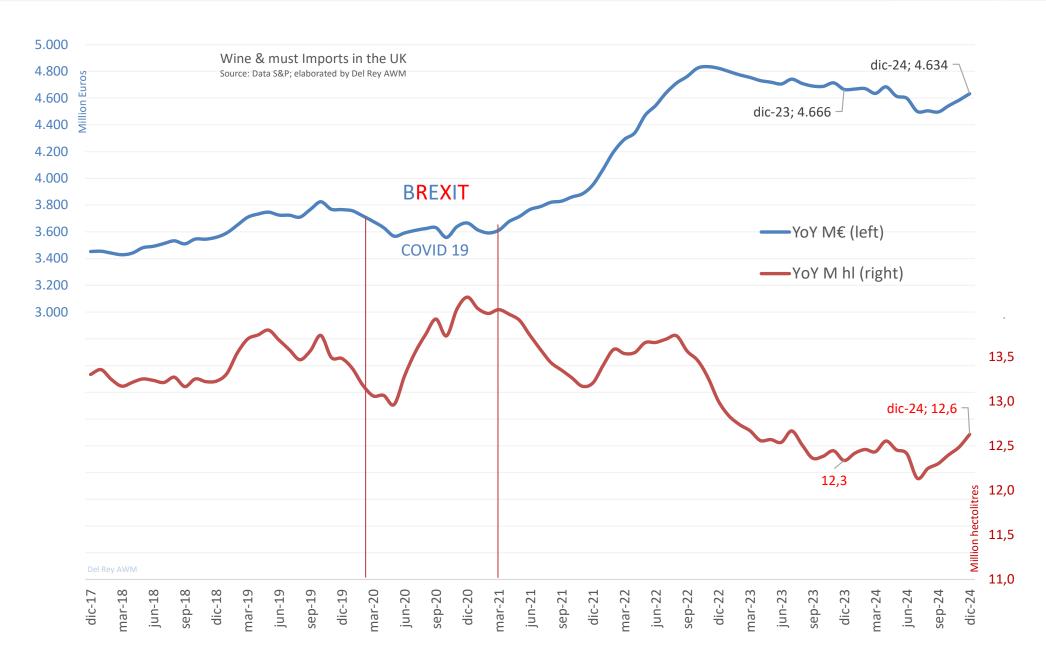


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# Threats and opportunities **UK**





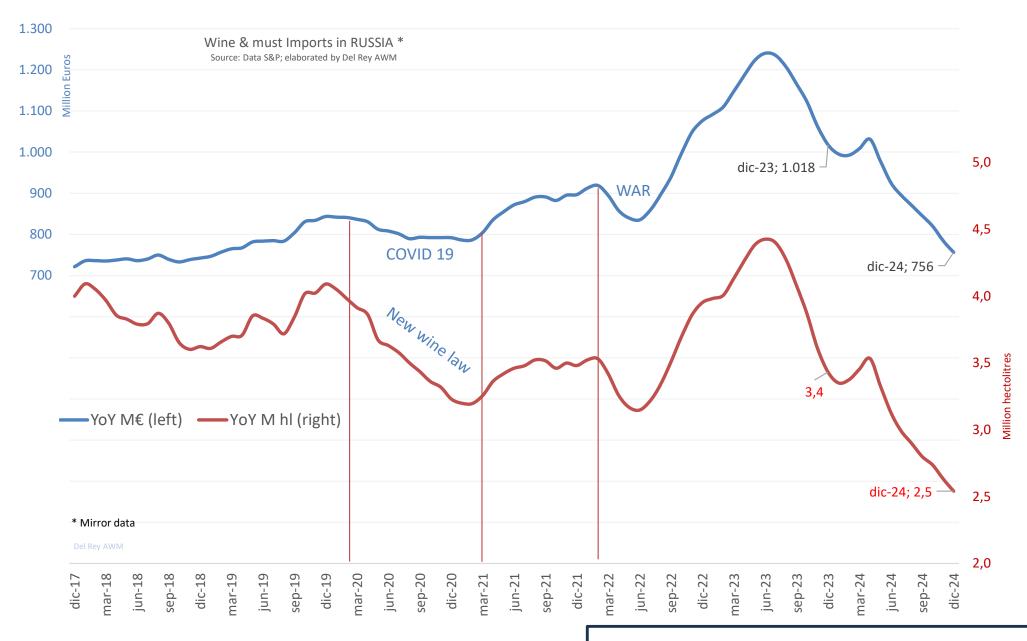




# Threats and opportunities RUSSIA







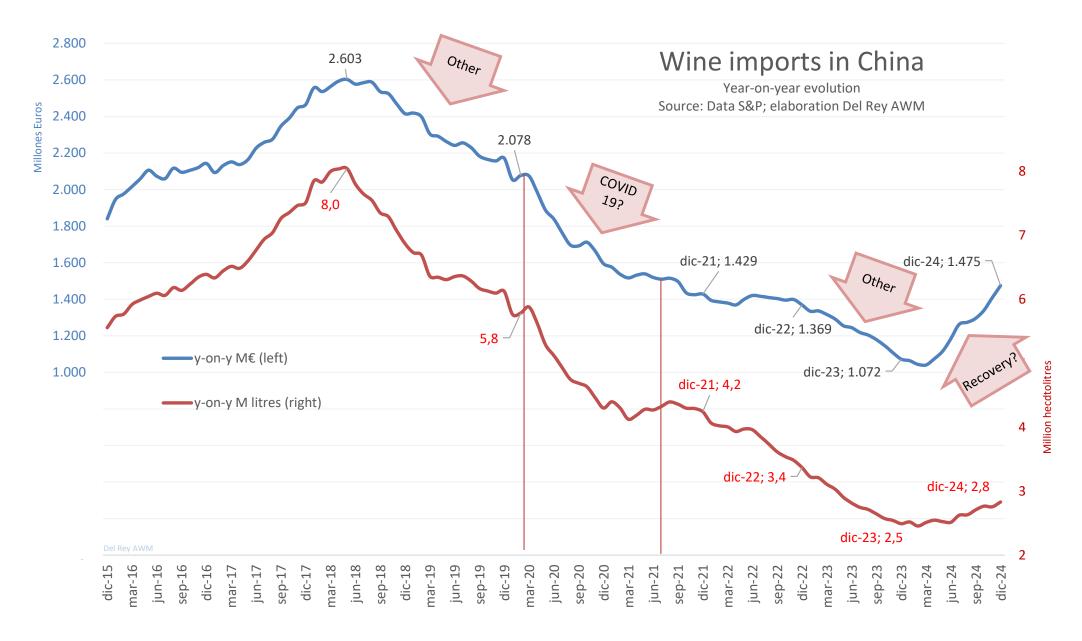


Much worse if combined with sales to Latvia and Lithuania

# Threats and opportunities CHINA





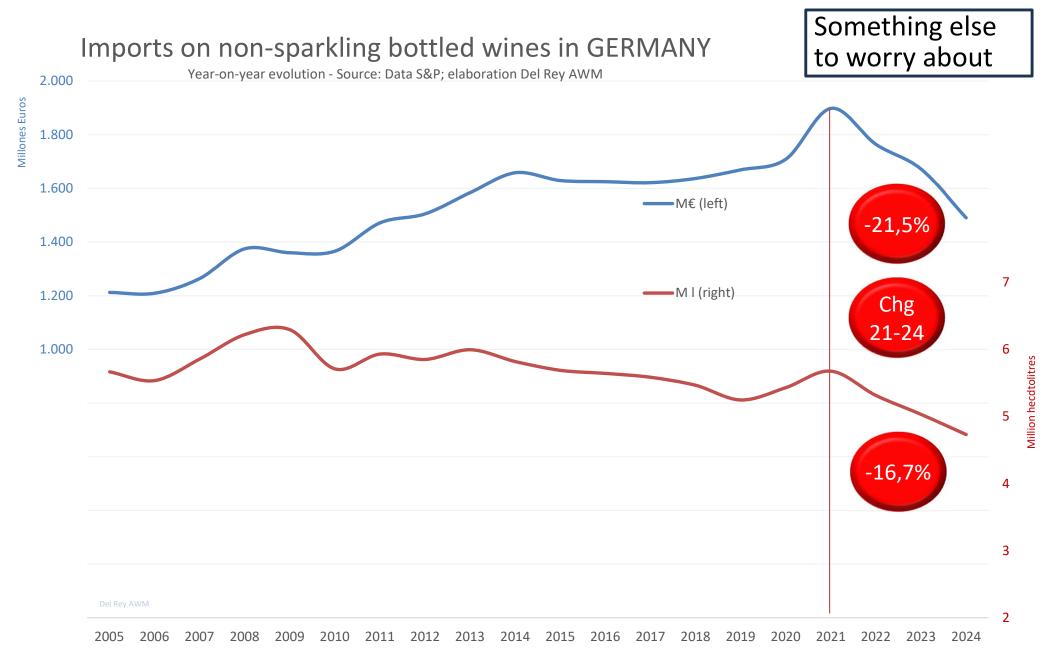




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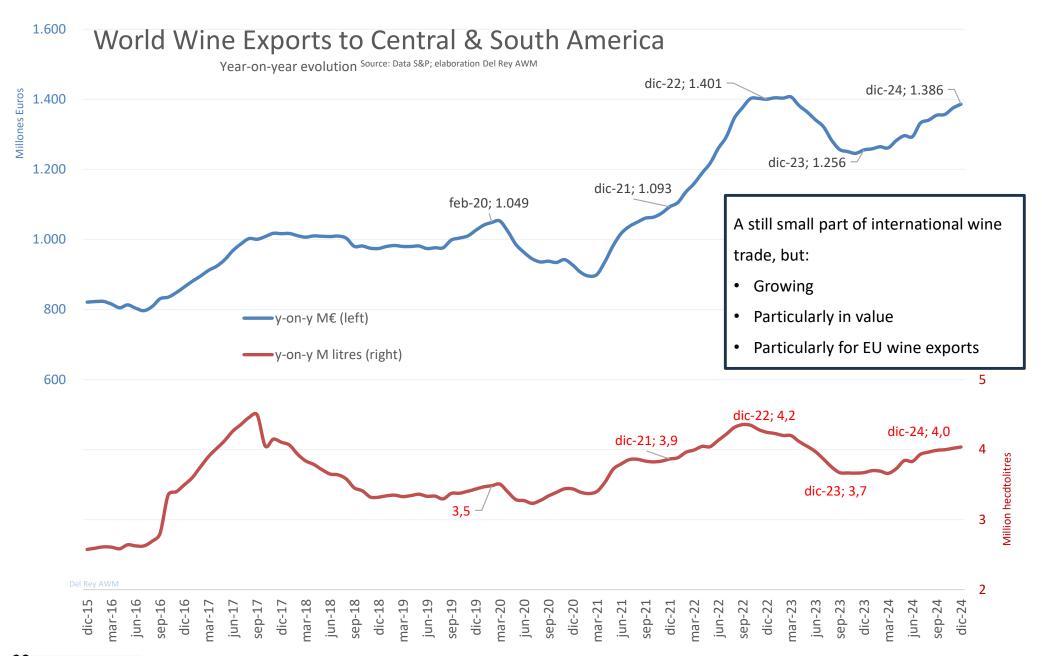






# Threats and opportunities Central & South America







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# Threats & Opportunities



### **THREATS**

US tariffs

### The facts:

- 20% increase in tariffs to all EU products, announced on April 2 (finally 10% general)
- Affecting all EU countries (as opposed to 2019's)
- With no differences by type of product (no bulk alternative)
- Less than the 30% increase for imports from South Africa...
- ... but more than not announced hikes for Australia, New Zealand, Chile or Argentina
- Much less than the 200% increase announced in March

### Impact in the USA:

- Total imports (around 12 M hl) account for close to 40% of wine consumption in the USA
- 72.3% of total wine imports in the USA come from EU countries, which cannot be easily replaced...
- ... leaving the US consumer facing the alternative of either spend more for the wines he/she likes, move to other suppliers or reduce consumption.

### Potential strategies for EU producers:

- Share the impact among (i) the company's profitability, (ii) the importer /distributor and (iii) the final consumer, by price increase (depending on the estimated elasticity) → Repositioning?
- Look for alternative destinations
- Increasing domestic consumption in EU countries
- Compete in the new environment.



# Threats & Opportunities



### **THRFATS**

- US tariffs
- ➤ World wine consumption → Alcohol concern?
- Russian war
- Chinese recession
- UK's taxes and lower economic growth
- Germany's change of priorities
- Continuous EU decline in wine consumption

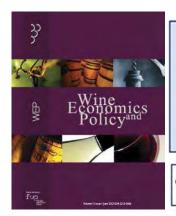
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### **OPPORTUNITIES**

- ➤ US recovery
- > British stability
- Chinese recovery
- > EU stability
- New products / new flavours to reach new consumers
- > Fresh products
- High-end segment for traditional wines
- ➤ Cocktails → New image?
- New markets (LA, Africa?)
- **>** ...









Wine Economics State of the International Wine Market in 2022: New market trends for wines require new strategies





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"... a stronger polarization might be expected in the future":

"The small niche of premium and super premium wines... have so far been minimally affected by the crisis..., were able to increase their prices because of a price-inelastic demand by their consumers..." and "... for some wines, even a positive price elasticity was observed": the more they rise their prices, the more there are demanded.

On the other hand, "... there is a large segment of highly price-sensitive consumers who favour more popular and easy-to-drink wines (lighter, fresher, sweeter, white, rosé, sparkling, etc.) at very competitive prices."

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State of the International Wine Markets in 2023. The wine market at a crossroads: Temporary or structural challenges? Simone Mueller Loose, Rafael del Rey

And also...





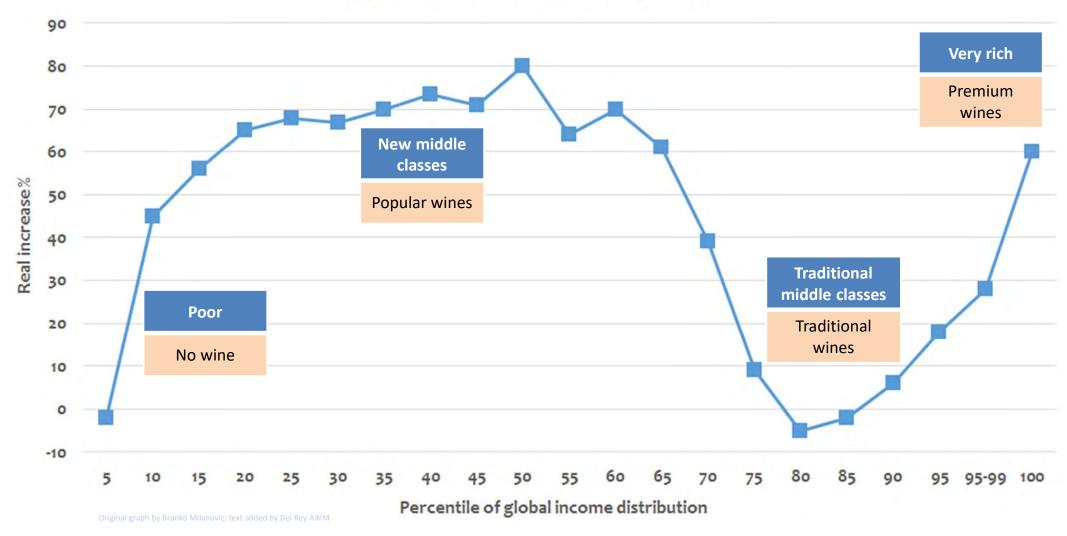


The Milanovic curve?





### Change in Real Income from 1988 to 2008



The Milanovic curve?



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Different segments of consumers require different strategies



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# Strategies



As a result of the evolution of wine markets, three complementary strategies can be followed

Foster traditional consumption of more traditional wines

Promote fresher more popular wines

Re-invent some wines

Probably more based on environmental, rural and social connections of wine, than on health aspects

Closer to other "easy drinks"

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# **Policies**



As a result of the evolution of wine markets, three

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traditional wines

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well as EU countries; alone or together with other products;

all wines; with enough

flexibility to allow for small

companies to use the

measures)

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regulation to adapt portfolios to changing market conditions

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(3) Promoting a flexible regulatory framework for innovation in new wines and wine-based products, adapted to new consumption trends

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# Conclusions



- > The entire world has become more unstable and unpredictable
- Geopolitical threats, including deglobalization and new priorities on security and energy, affect all economic sectors, particularly in Europe
- But wine has demonstrated to be extraordinarily resilient in previous crisis
- The deep crisis in 2023 was more temporary than structural, despite showing some structural factors particularly affecting
  - New consumers' trends
  - ➤ Alcohol related threats coming from institutions
- Actual figures of international wine trade in 2024 show great stability in both value and volume
- > Sparkling and white wines fresher wines softened their previous increasing trend while traditional bottled reds maintain their crisis. Wine-based cocktails are increasingly popular.
- For some reasons, Italy performs better than Spain and Spain better than France.
- ➤ Good news came in 2024 from the USA and China where imports recovered, to particularly benefit Australia and Chile.
- Increasing intra EU trade, together with new markets for probably new products in other regions of the world show up as opportunities.



### Points for the debate:



- ➤ Giving globalization of wine consumption, should we understand new consumers or should we "teach" them?
- > Is wine consumption decreasing worldwide?
- All wines in a similar way?
- What, then, the best strategies
  should be? (by price segment)





# Spain in the World of Wine



Positioning

Economic structure

Supply

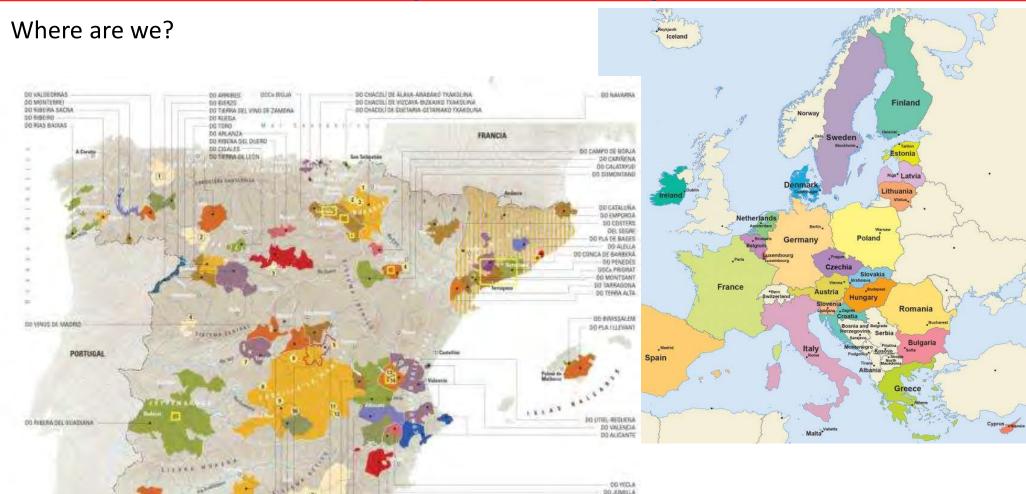
Domestic demand

**Exports** 



# Given that world global framework... What is the position of Spain in it?





A very much "wine country" in the South West of Europe



DO CONDADO DE HISLAN

DO JUNEZ KÉRÉS SHORRY

DO SIONALS DE MALASA

DO MONTHLA MONLES

DO MANZANILIA SANCÜCAR DE BIARRAMEDA

DO ROBERA DEL

DO MANCHUELA

DO ALMANDA

DO MONDEJAR

DO VALDEPEÑAS DO LA MANCHA

DO MENTRUSA

JUCAN.

# Given that world global framework... What is the position of Spain in it?



One of the largest world wine producers and top exporter



- ❖ Back to international markets on a massive way only recently
- Surprising the world (consumers, distributors gate-keepers et al.) with a great and large diversity of wines, from traditional to modern
- Rich in its geography and therefore variety
- Learning quickly about markets, trade, commercial relations and new consumers
- Ready to combine wine with gastronomy and tourism
- ... a wine producer to follow closely and carefully.





... and a great place to visit.





# Large surface

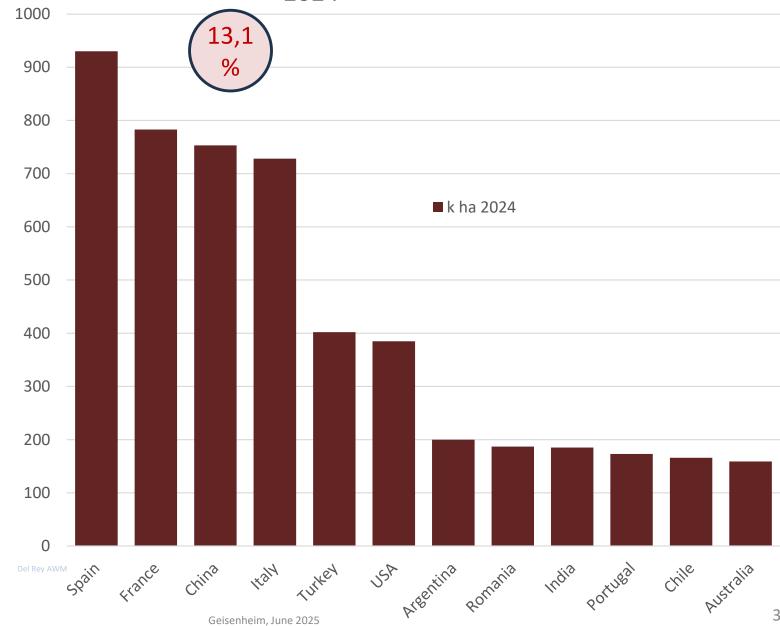


Vinyard surface area of major vine-growing countries 2024 Source Data OIV; elaborated by Del Rey AWM

Spain is the world's top vineyard, with more than 900.000 hectares, representing 13.1% of total... despite decreasing in recent years

### **QUESTION:**

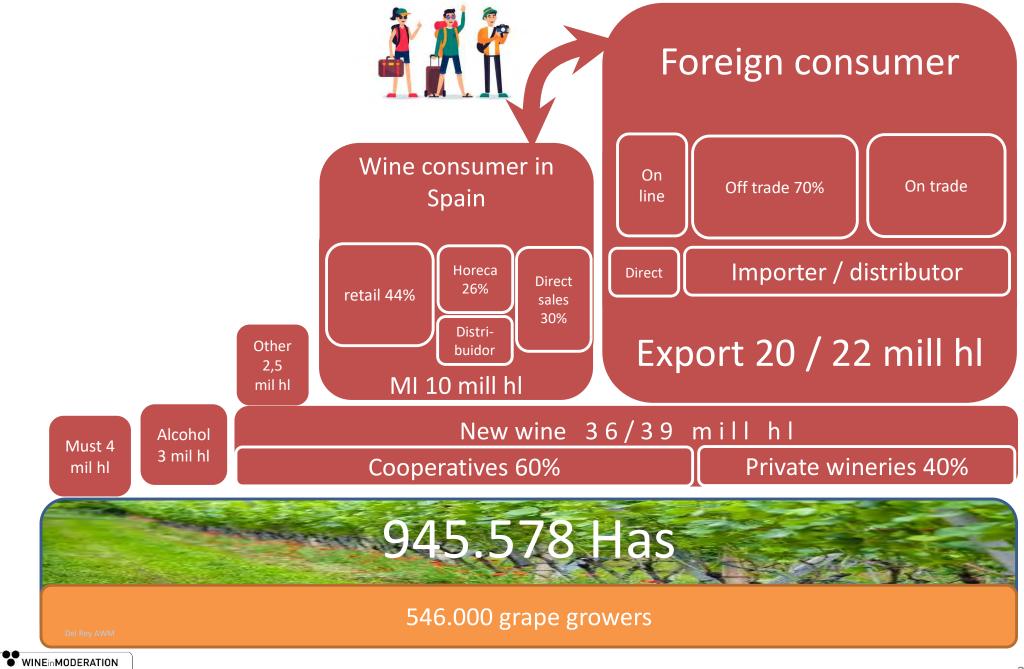
Why, being Spain the largest surface, it is only third as wine producer?





### Economic Structure of the Wine Sector in Spain





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Geisenheim, June 2025

# Economic Structure of the Wine Sector in Spain Regional Diversity



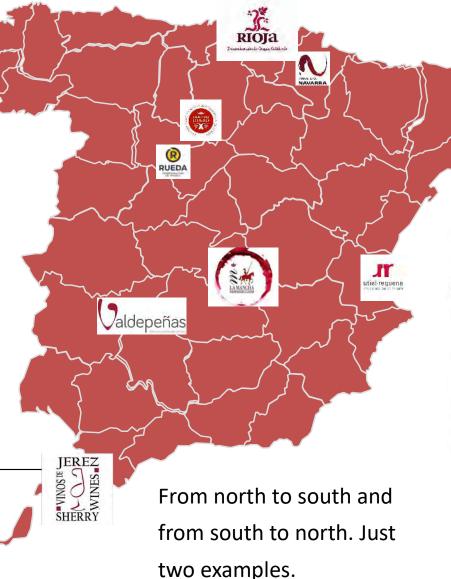
RIOJa Wine is produced in all Large quality 17 regions and producers provinces in Spain. The big volume – with plots of excellence – **CAVA** placed in the large central region. More premium oriented in the northern half and the islands. Average wine production 18-20 Large centre: Big producers & +12 M hl plots of excellence 4-6 Mhl 2-4 Mhl 1-2 Mhl 0.5-1 Mhl 0.1-0.5 Mhl WINFIDMODERATION 36 0-0.1 Mhl Geisenheim, June 2025 ELEGIR | COMPARTIR | CUIDAR

# Economic Structure of the Wine Sector in Spain Regional Diversity... but many playing with large portfolios.



Since the late '90s,
most wineries decided
to expand their wine
base and their
portfolios, to attend
different markets and
segments of the market

Rias Baixas





PENEDÈS

CAVA





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# Economic Structure of the Wine Sector in Spain



# Which are the most extended grape varieties in Spain?

Tempranillo has only recently overpassed Airen.

**Total** 

Why?

# Grape varieties for vinification (ha 2023)



# Airen 199.085 Macabeo 56.764 Verdejo 25.309

RED	
Tempranillo	199.090
Garnacha	59.530
Bobal	53.452
Garnacha tintorera	42.121
Monastrell	34.501
Total	475.361

928.108

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Why is Airen so much planted?

422.288

What is it mostly used for?



# 2024: slight recovery

# Challenges

# RESULTS 2024

Better wine consumption in spain

+2,5% (INFOVI 2024)

Increasing value in exports

+ 3,9% (€/I export wines Bttl 2024)

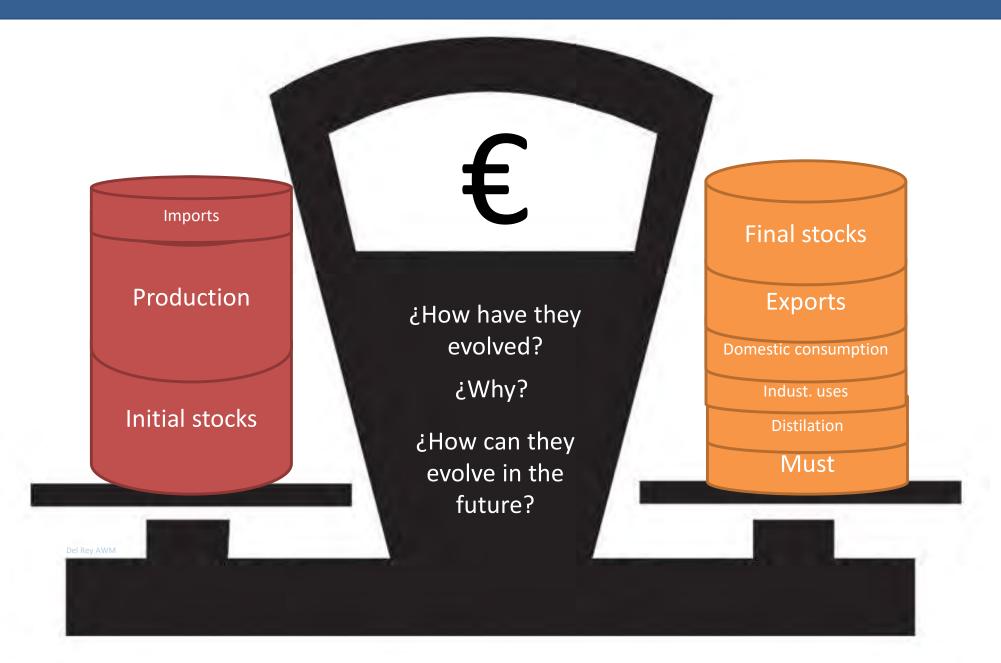
+ 9,3% (€/I export wines Blk 2024)

Profitability of wineries Profitability in the whole value chain





# As usual, value is a matter of equilibrium



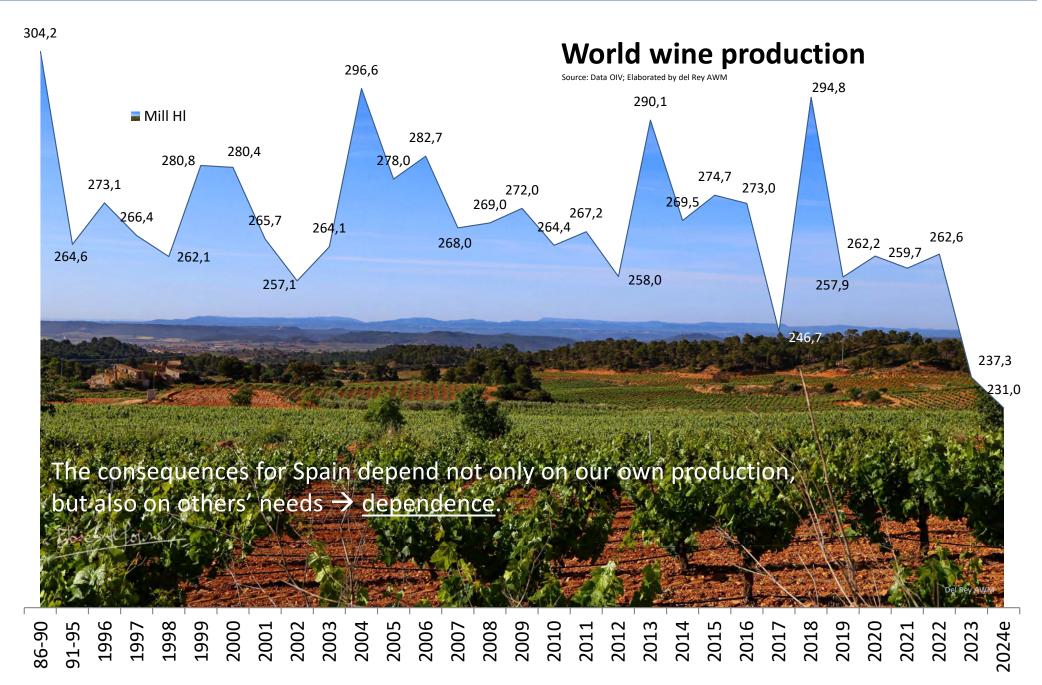


# A concern...

#### Production is erratic and surprises the whole sector, with large ups and downs



# ... and other:



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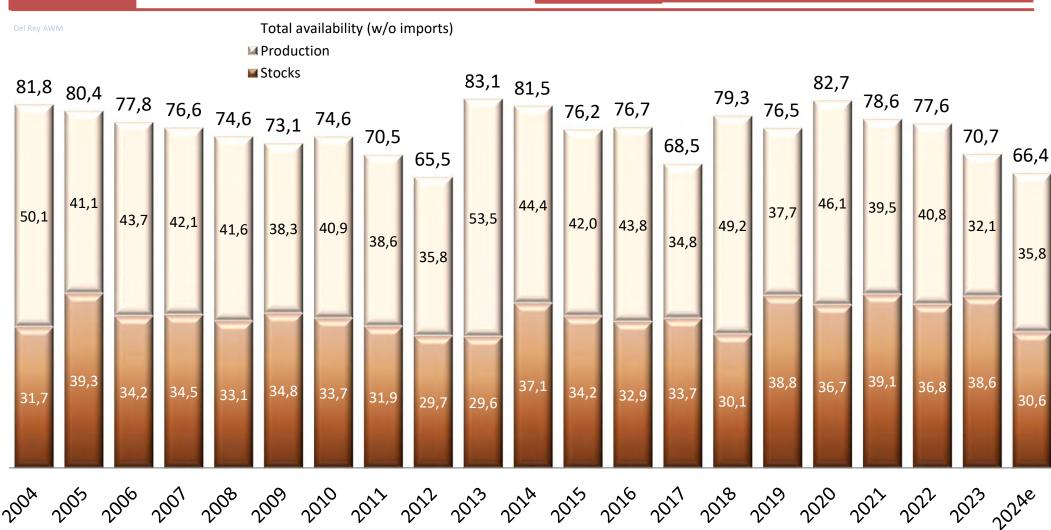
# Availability of wine in Spain

75,8 M hl

75,3 M hl

75,2 M hl

Source: Data MAPA/INFOVI; Elaborated by del Rey AWM

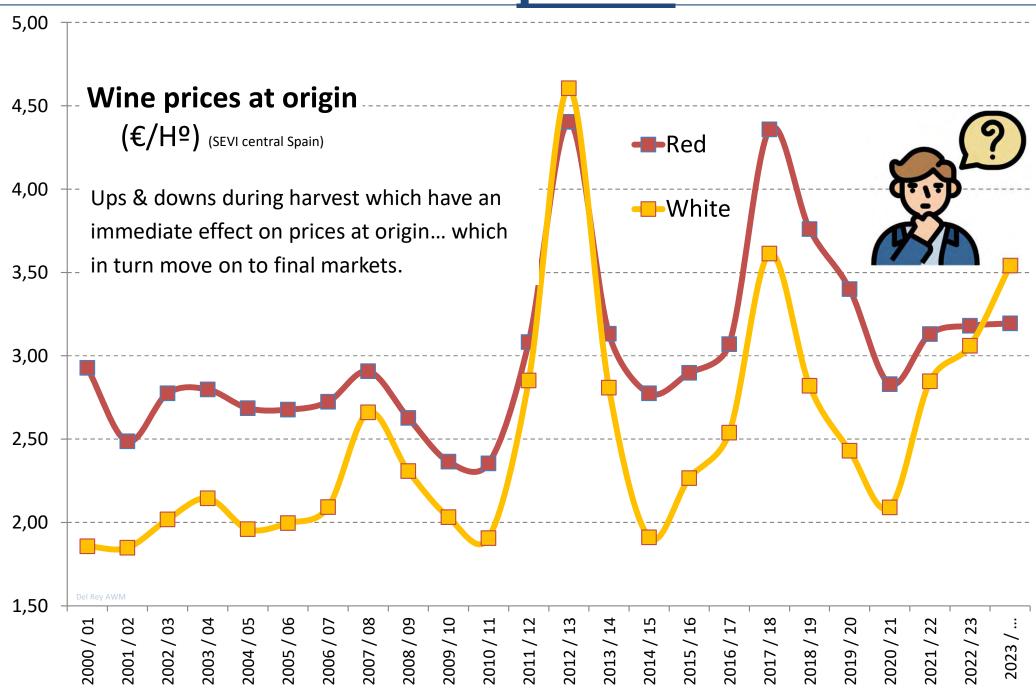


However, if we add (i) initial stocks with (ii) production in the coming year, we get an idea of total wine available (without imports). In this case, we see relatively small total wine for sale, leading to a certain equilibrium.

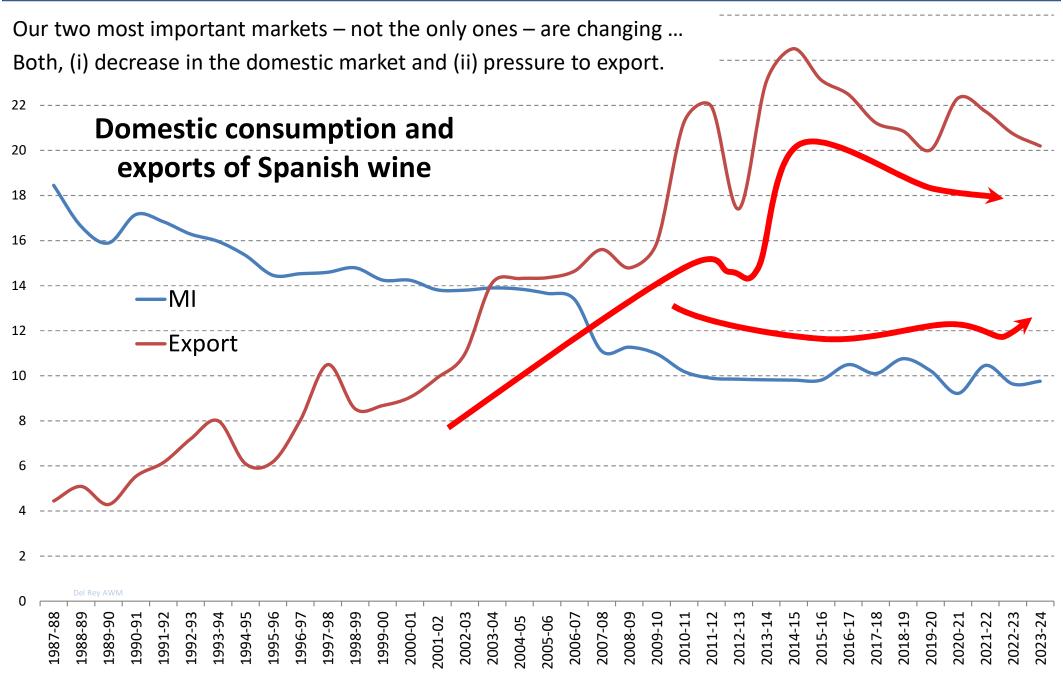


# Efect on **prices**

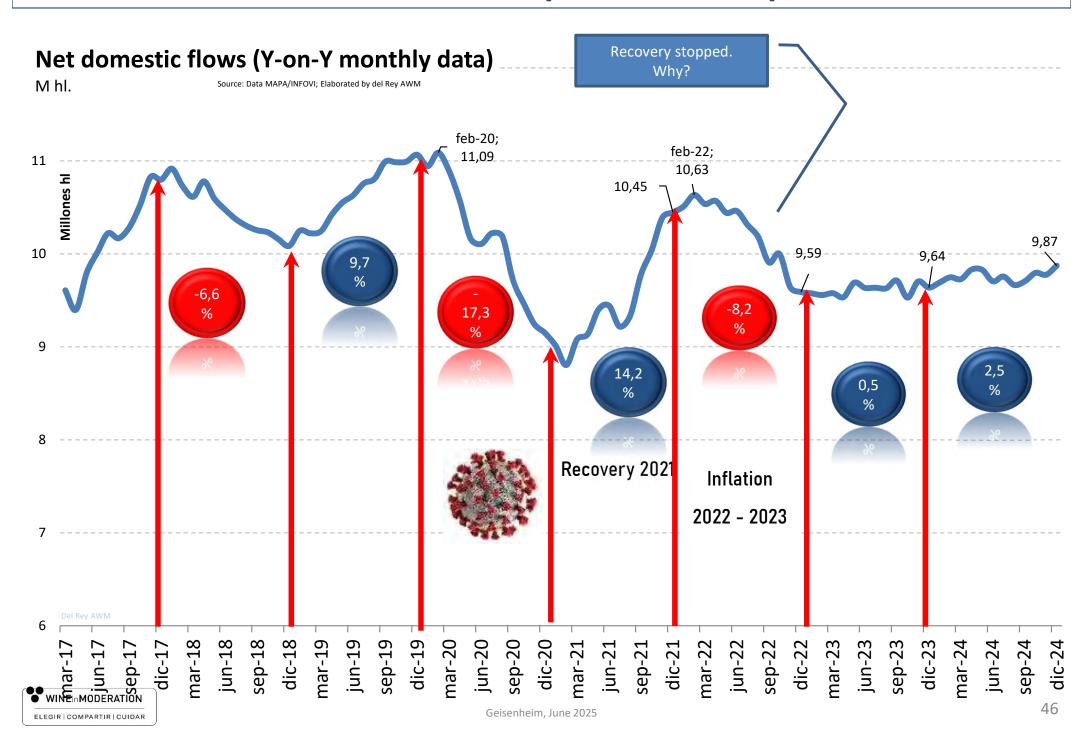




# **Demand – top markets**

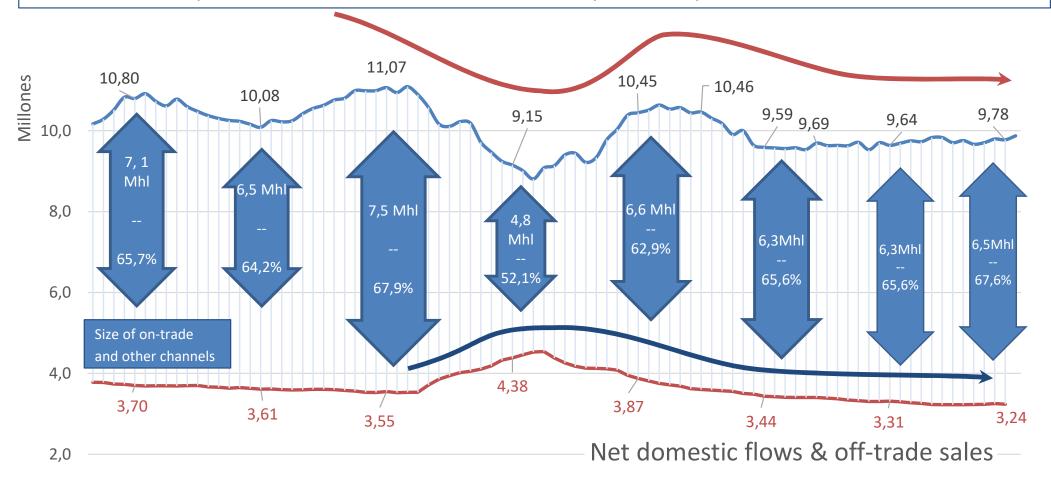








Out of total estimated consumption, off trade is just part of it. Despite its large increase during the pandemic, the great decrease of consumption on trade led to a net fall in 2020... not fully recovered yet.

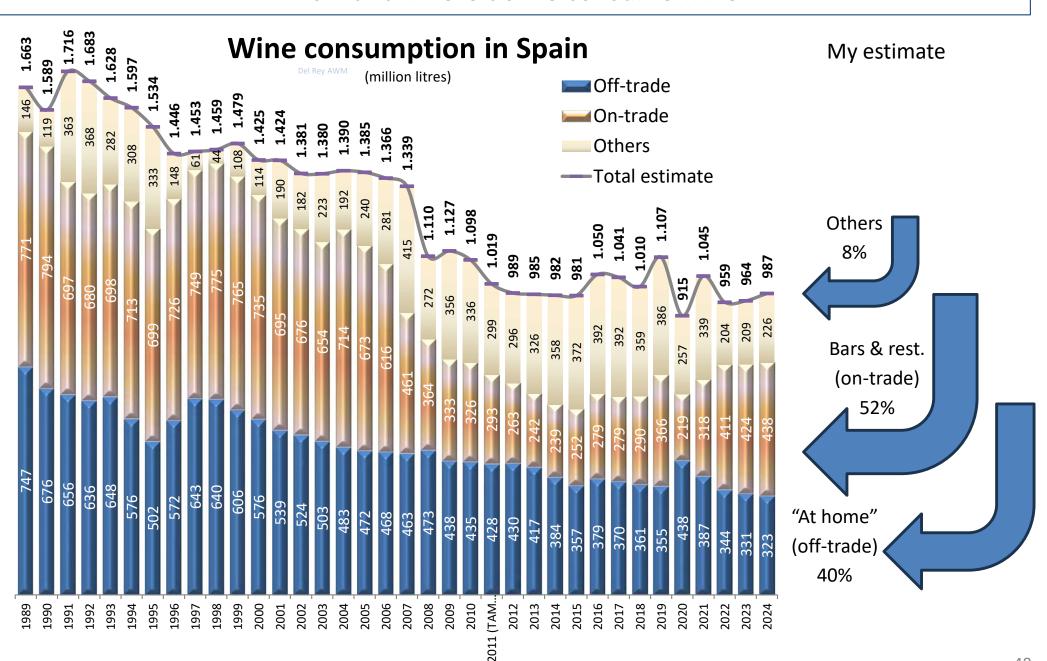








#### How and where do we consume wine





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Family / friends at home

#### CONSUMPTION "AT HOME" - Key factors:

- ✓ Traditional consideration as "food"
- ✓ In the past, even better than water (and more nutritional)
- ✓ ... particularly in rural areas
- ✓ Very much linked to celebrations
- ✓ ... decreasing?







#### How and where do we consume wine

Calle Laurel (Logroño) → SOCIABILITY



Wine & tapas → SMALL QUALITY DISHES

Wine & celebration



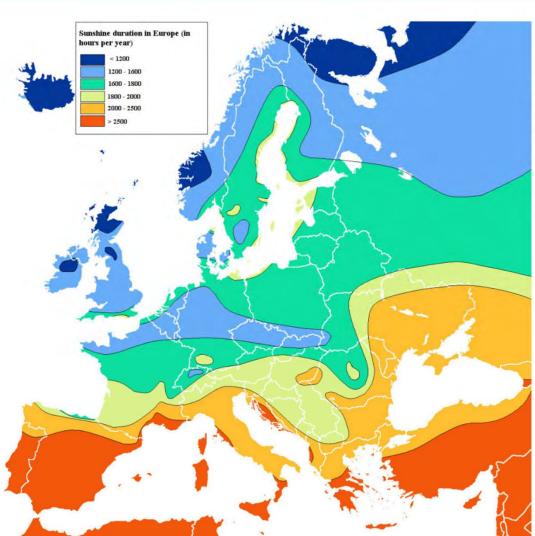
Pintxos → SMALL QUALITY DISHES



Bars & rest. (on-trade) 52%



#### How and where do we consume wine





https://schengenvisainfo.com/news/these-eu-cities-have-the-most-sunny-days-a-year/

Spain and Italy dominate the list of <u>sunniest cities in Europe</u>, with a significant number of cities boasting high average monthly sun hours.

Spain's Alicante tops the list with 349 sun hours per month, followed by Catania in Italy with 347 sun hours.



Bars & rest. (on-trade)

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CONSUMPTION "OUT-DOORS" - Key factors:

✓ Traditional

- ✓ Celebrations
- ✓ Good weather
- ✓ Connected to

✓ Sociability

Geisenheim, June 2025

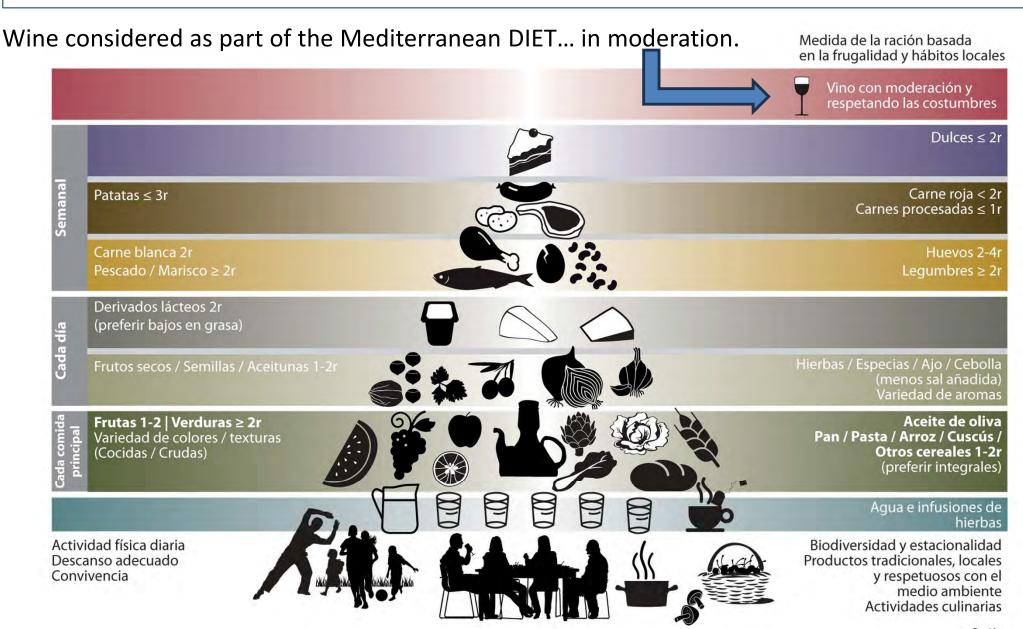
great food



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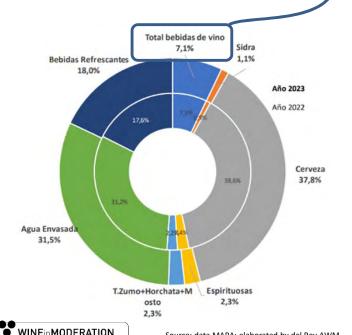
# Domestic consumption – On-trade (MAPA)

The information given by the Ministry of Agriculture for the on-trade is scarce and misleading

From the report on food and drinks of the Ministry, we get total consumption of "cold beverages" in the on trade...

.. and some percentages of how they are segmented.

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Consumo extradoméstico de bebias % Variación 2023 % Variación 2023 frías en 2023 vs. 2022 vs. 2019 **VOLUMEN** (miles consumiciones) 4.356.134,00 -3,8% -29,0 % VOLUMEN (miles kg ó litros) 1.954.786,82 -3,6% -30,8 % VALOR (miles euros) 8.219.553,00 0.0 % -18.5 % PENETRACION (%) 91.66 -0.6-6.1FRECUENCIA COMPRA (actos) 54,25 -2,5% -24,8 % COMPRA MEDIA (consumiciones) 136,27 -4,5% -26.4 % **VOLUMEN POR ACTO (consumiciones)** -2,0% -2,1% 2,51 CONSUMO PER CAPITA (kg ó litros por individuo) -4,9 % -32,7% 56,05 GASTO PER CAPITA (€ por individuo) 235,67 -1,3 % -20,8 % PRECIO MEDIO (kg ó litros) 4.20 3,8% 17.7%

From where we can infer that, in the most optimistic case, wine in 2023 in the on trade would be 7.1%

of 1,954,8 M I

138,8

ΜI

... which is not belivable.

X 7,1%

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Source: data MAPA; elaborated by del Rey AWM

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# Domestic consumption — off-trade

#### WINE CONSUMPTION IN THE SPANISH OFF-TRADE

Source: data MAPA/INFOVI; elaborated by del Rey AWM									
	Mill. €uros Mill Ltrs			s	<b>  €/I</b>				
Datos tasa anual movil hasta	nov23	nov24	Dif.	nov23	nov24	Dif.	nov23	nov24	Dif.
Sparkling	140,9	144,2	2,3%	23,7	22,9	-3,4%	5,94	6,29	5,9%
Semi-sparkling	5,3	5,5	4,6%	1,5	1,5	0,4%	3,50	3,64	4,1%
Fortified	44,4	49,1	10,7%	9,8	10,2	4,3%	4,53	4,80	6,1%
Still wine	921,7	958,0	3,9%	295,4	289,0	-2,2%	3,12	3,31	6,2%
* PDO	635,2	667,8	5,1%	131,9	132,6	0,6%	4,82	5,03	4,5%
* PGI	64,1	61,8	-3,6%	25,5	21,5	-15,8%	2,51	2,88	14,4%
* w/o QI	222,4	228,4	2,7%	138,1	134,9	-2,3%	1,61	1,69	5,1%
TOTAL WINES	1.112,3	1.156,8	4,0%	330,5	323,7	-2,1%	3,37	3,57	6,2%
	457.0	45.45	4.00/			0.40/		2.10	5.00/
Vermuth and other drinks with wine	157,0	154,5	-1,6%	75,6	70,7	-6,4%	2,08	2,18	5,2%
TOTAL WINE & DRINKS WITH WINE	1.269,3	1.311,3	3,3%	406,1	394,4	-2,9%	3,13	3,32	6,4%

<sup>(1)</sup> Other wines: since March 2015 they include semi-sparkling, fortified and PGI wines. Before, they included vermouth.

#### At home (off-trade, MAPA Y-o-Y up to Nov '24):

- Volume falls but not value, due to the increase in average prices
- Semi-sparkling and fortified wines keep ion growing, improving their prices
- But sparkling and still wines decline in volume, particularly PGI, although at higher prices

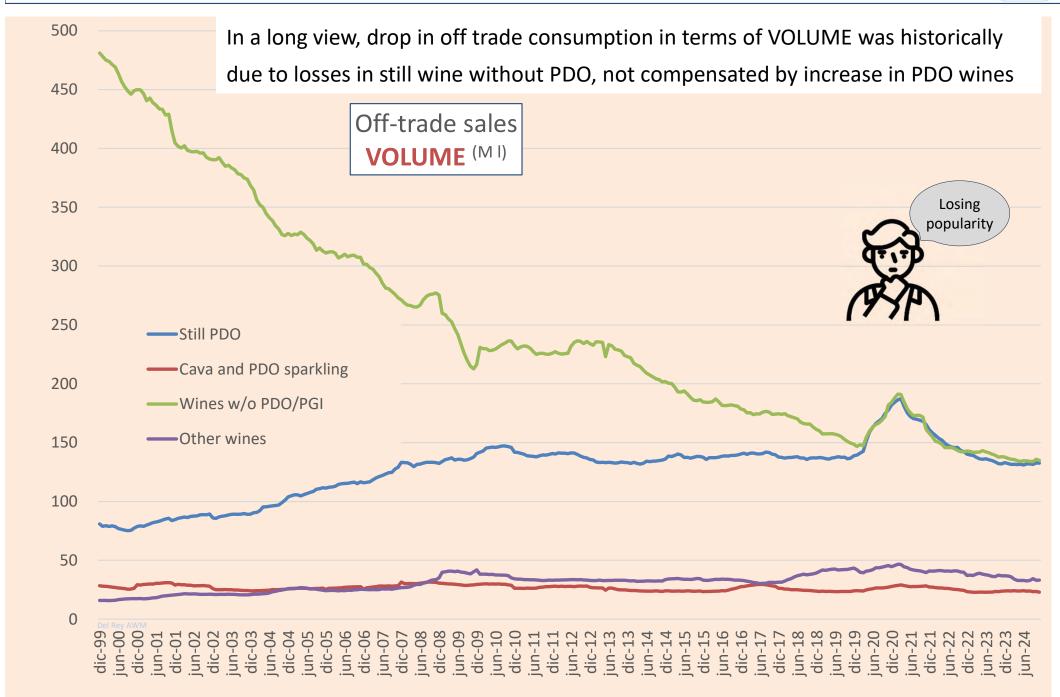
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<sup>(2)</sup> Drinks with wine: include sangria, "summer reds", other wine-based drinks and de-alcoholized wines

# Off trade





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# Off trade



However, such fall was compensated in terms of VALUE, where an increase of 500 M€ in PDO wines along 20 years, is well above the decrease of 200 M€ for wines without PDO...



# Domestic consumption – off-trade by container

#### Domestic wine in Spain (off-trade) by container

	Mill. €uros			
	nov-23 nov-24 Va			
Less than 75 cl.	16,46	19,48	18,3%	
75 cl.	925,19	974,87	5,4%	
1 litre	75,33	69,16	-8,2%	
Bottle	19,27	18,05	-6,4%	
Tetra	48,44	47,49	-2,0%	
Otehrs 1 litre	7,62	3,63	-52,4%	
Above 1 litre	95,35	93,31	-2,1%	
Bottle	35,51	40,33	13,5%	
Tetra	1,45	1,03	-29,0%	
Bag-In-Box	10,47	12,00	14,7%	
Other > 1 litre	47,92	39,94	-16,6%	
TOTAL CONTAINERS	1.112,33	1.156,82	4,0%	

M	Mill Ltrs						
nov-23	nov-24	Var. %					
4,66	5,04	8,2%					
194,91	197,97	1,6%					
59,75	56,39	-5,6%					
8,67	7,97	-8,0%					
47,79	46,97	-1,7%					
3,29	1,45	-56,1%					
71,17	64,28	-9,7%					
24,38	27,00	10,8%					
0,95	0,59	-37,4%					
6,86	6,99	1,8%					
38,98	29,70	-23,8%					
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	€/I						
nov	-23	nov-24	Var. %				
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4	,75	4,92	3,7%				
1	,26	1,23	-2,7%				
2	2,22	2,26	1,8%				
	1,01	1,01	-0,3%				
2	2,31	2,51	8,4%				
1	,34	1,45	8,3%				
	1,46	1,49	2,5%				
	1,53	1,74	13,4%				
•	1,53	1,72	12,6%				
•	1,23	1,35	9,4%				
3	,37	3,57	6,2%				

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Source: data MAPA; elaborated by del Rey AWM

#### By container, up to Nov 2024 (panel MAPA):

- Consumption of wine in large bottles declines: 1 litre and more than 1 litre
- But sales of traditional bottles recover, more in value than in volume
- …and small containers increase strongly
- To, finally, sell more in value although less in volume.

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# Domestic consumption – off-trade by age

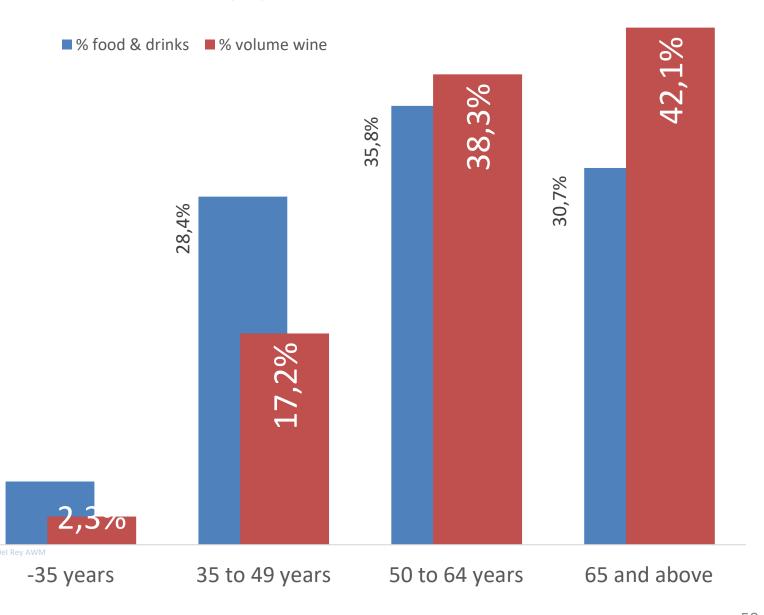
What type of buyers are they?

**Age** of the person buying the wine at home 2023

Source: data MAPA/INFOVI; elaborated by Del Rey AWM

By age, purchase of wine is clearly more frequent among persons above 50 years old, much less in younger people and below the average in the segment of people between 35 to 49 years old.

1%





# Domestic consumption – off-trade by social class

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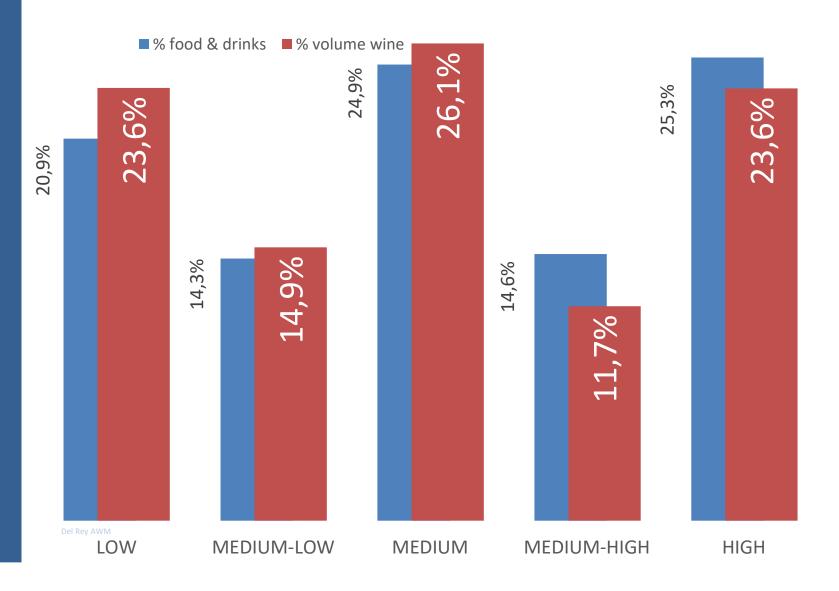
Off trade wine consumption in 2023 by social class

Curiously, compared with consumption of total foods & drinks, wine consumers are in this case better represented in relatively lower segments.

And less frequent in

higher or medium-

hight segments.

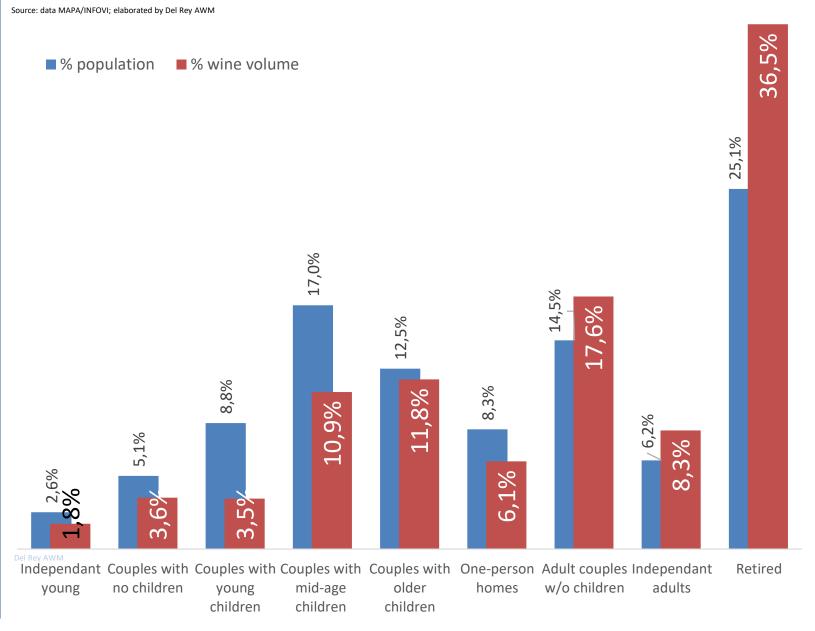




# Domestic consumption – off-trade by family situation

By family characteristics, wine is better among retired persons, adults with no children and homes with "independent adults". As compared to consumption of total F&D, wine is less present in homes with younger people or with young children.

#### Off-trade wine consumption 2023 by family situation

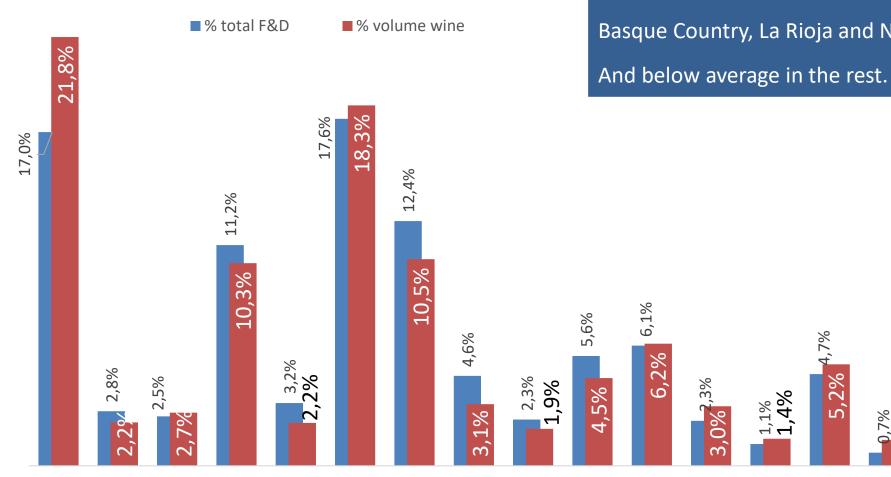




# Domestic consumption – off trade by region

#### Off-trade wine consumption 2023 by **AACC**

Source: data MAPA/INFOVI; elaborated by Del Rey AWM



By region, off-trade wine consumption in Spain is above average F&D in Catalonia, Balearic Islands, Andalusia, Galicia, Asturias, Cantabria, Basque Country, La Rioja and Navarra.

3,0%

1,1%

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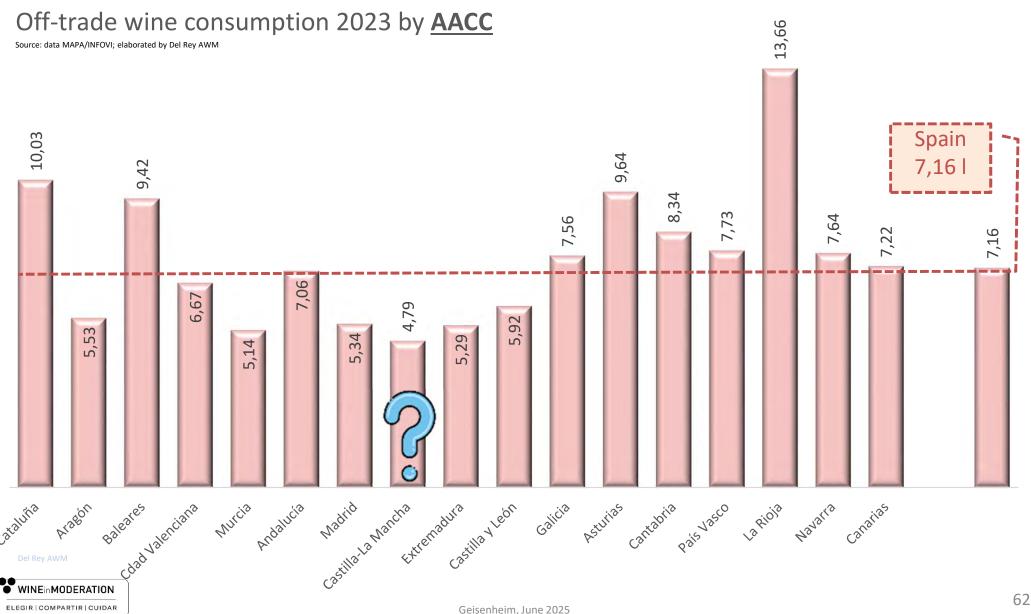
1,3%

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# Domestic consumption – off-trade by person

... what makes per capita consumption – in the off- trade – clearly higher in regions which are not or very limited wine producers (Asturias & Cantabria), although also in other regions close to wine like Balearic Is, Catalonia, Galicia, Basque Country, La Rioja and Navarra.

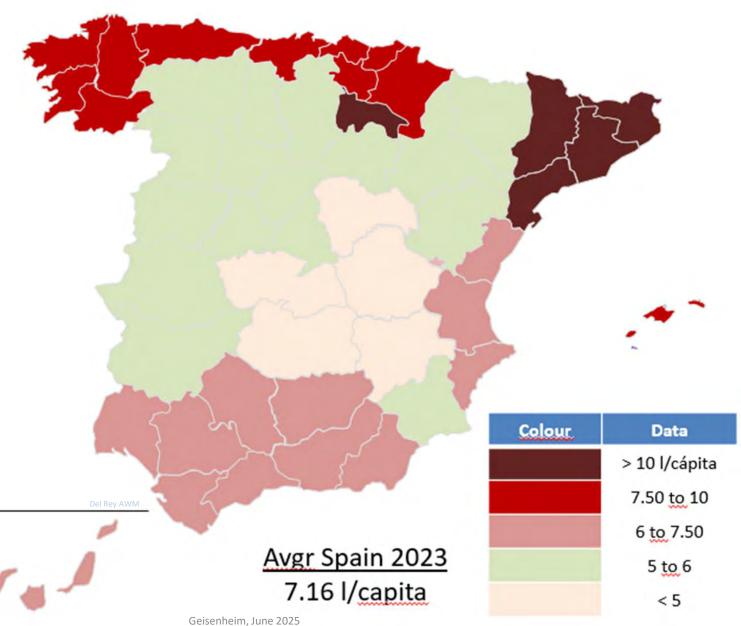


# Domestic consumption – off-trade by person

Graphically, the cold north predominates vis a vis the south

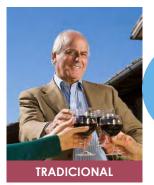
#### Wine consumption in Spain by region - 2023

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# Wine consumers in Spain: 22.454.740



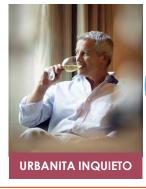
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#### TRADITIONAL:

- ☐ The most similar to growers and producers
- ☐ Drinking on a daily basis, with food (meals & dinners)
- ☐ Affordable and traditional wines
- ☐ Always from the same region (and probably brand)
- ☐ But... a small portion of the population
- ☐ And... getting old.





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#### **RESTLESS URBAN:**

- ☐ Good consumer
- Of better wines
- ☐ But changing & moving to new and fashionable wines
- ☐ Ready to pay more for better wines
- ☐ Enthusiast
- ☐ But... also a small portion of total population.





# Wine consumers in Spain: 22.454.740

#### TRENDY:

- ☐ Self recognised as "interested in wine"
- ☐ Talk, talk, talk ...
- ☐ New wines, fashions, grape varieties, aware of comments...
- ☐ But... drinking much less than previous groups
- ☐ ... and it is a very big group of people.





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#### OTHER LESS INTERESTED GROUPS OF CONSUMERS:

- Relatively interested in wine, just occasionally ... or non at all
- ☐ Drinking, from time to time, just to enjoy it
- Looking for more refreshing and easy-to-drink wines (white, sparkling, low...?)
- ☐ In many cases, just as a social habit
- ... and they are the great majority



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# There is not only one type of consumer Nor just one occasion for consumption



# Getting to know the differences

Satisfy everyone's needs for every occasion



# ... and the non-consumer



# Which are the key factors that hinder wine consumption





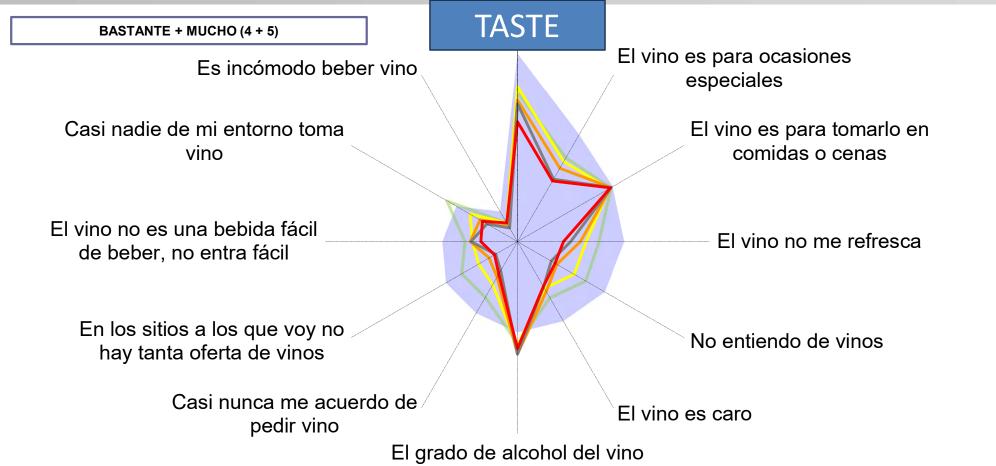
# Key elements affecting non-consumption



Which are the key factors influencing wine consumption / non-consumption?

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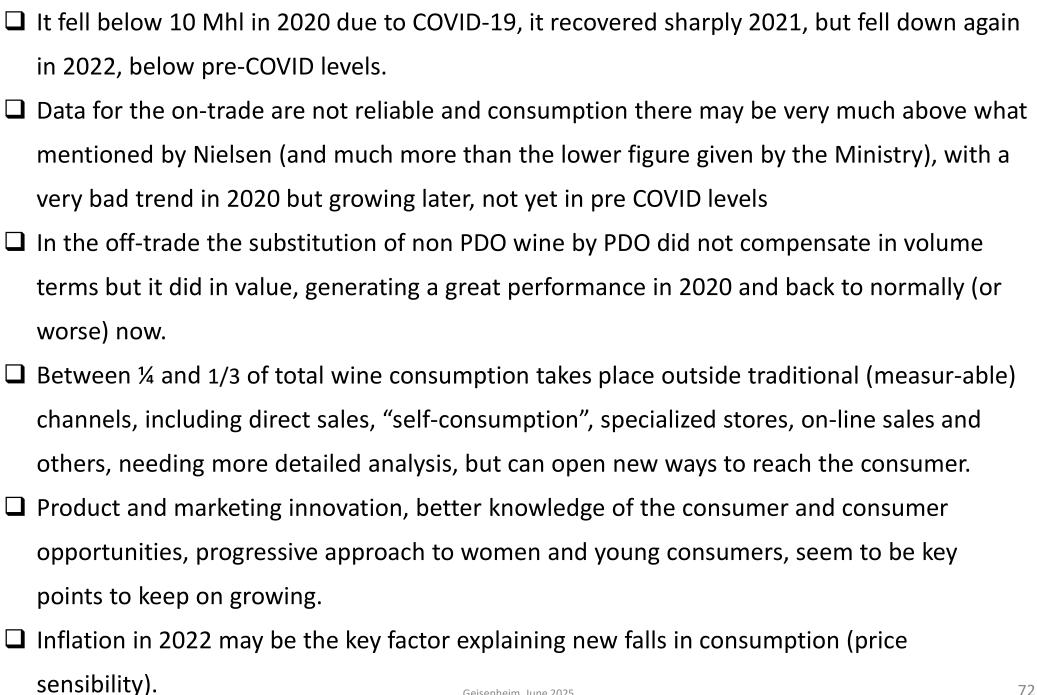




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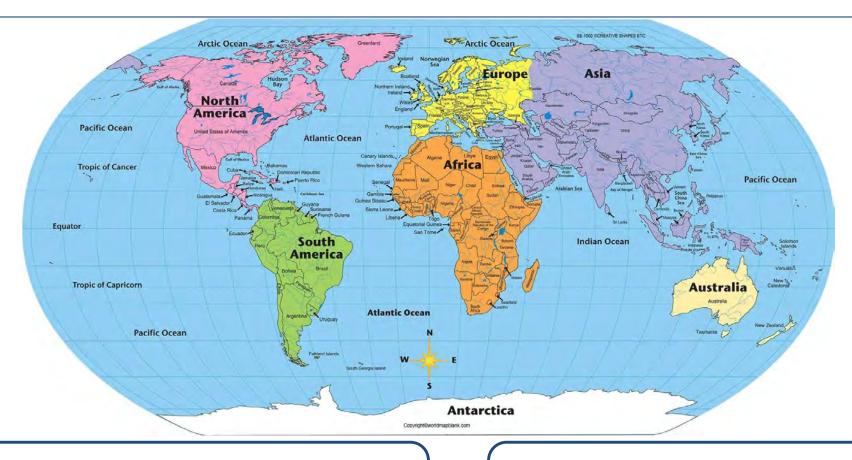
# Therefore, in relation with consumption in Spain





#### Main objectives in international markets





VALUE

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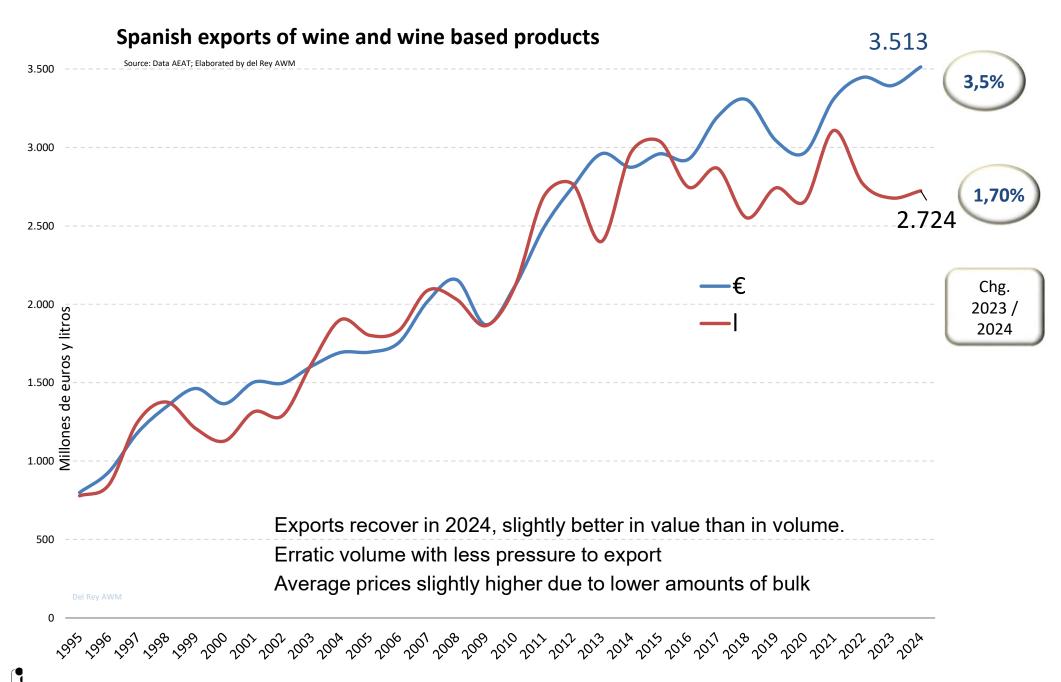
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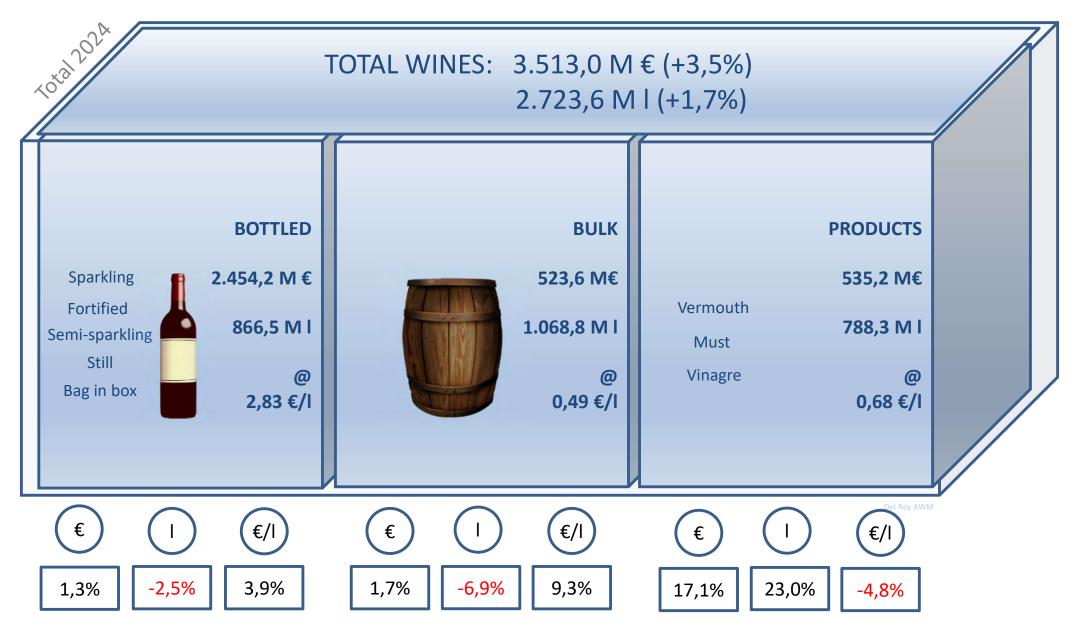
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#### Exports are erratic again









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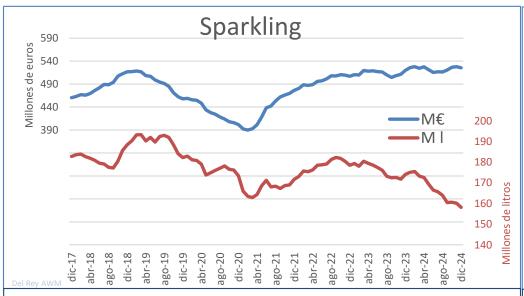


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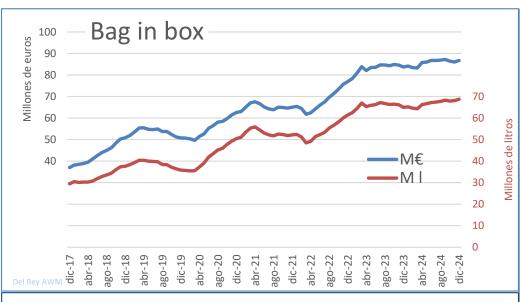


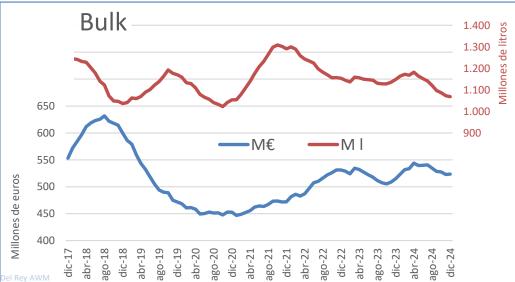




Sparkling wines remain quite stable in value, but decreasing volumes

Still bottled wines are the ones with worst performance, particularly in volume and worse since 2021, but stable in value.





BiB slows its very good development during the pandemic and after

Bulk wines show big fluctuations, with an average price below 1 euro per litre, and again declining at the end of 2024 after previous growth.

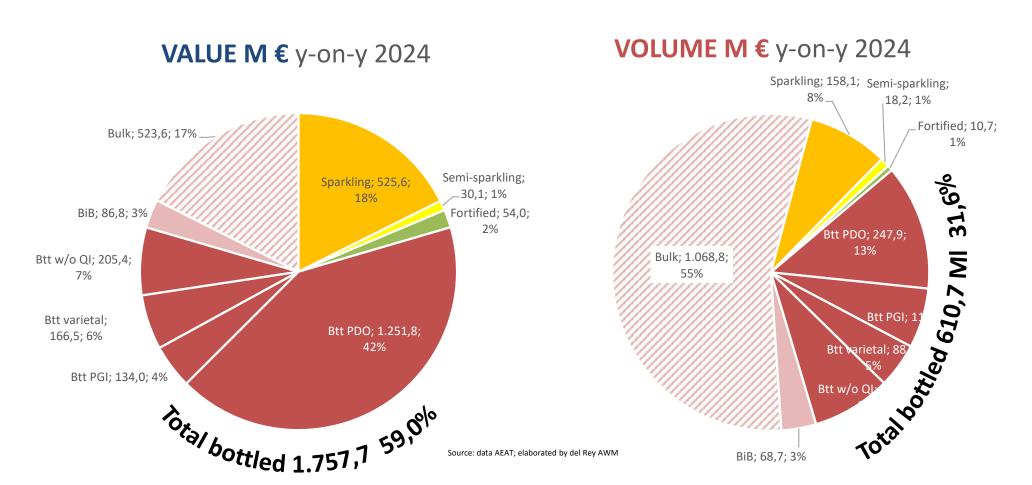


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Among still wines, which account for 59% of total value and 31,6% of volume...

... the evolution si also different  $\rightarrow$ 

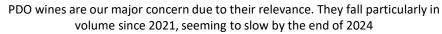


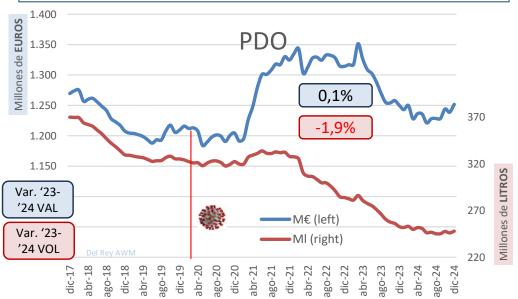


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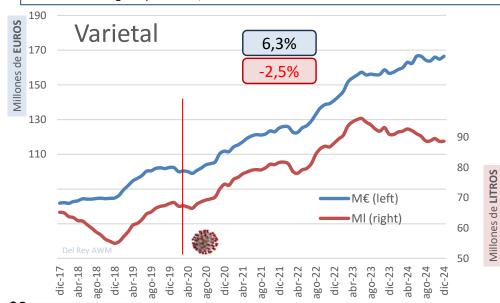
### Spain – exports of still bottled wines



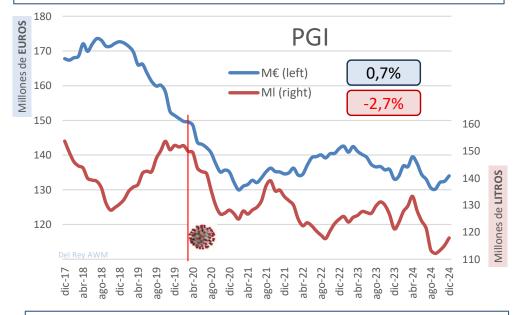




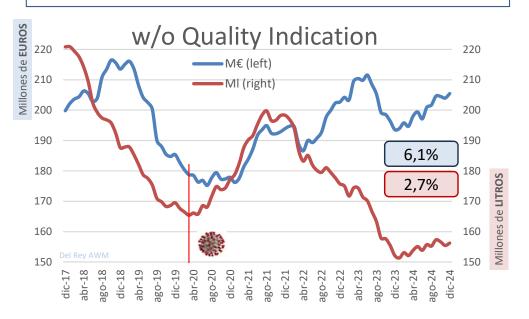
Contrary to other categories, BiB has been growing steadily in recent years, including during the pandemic, but shows certain decline in volume in 2024.



PGI wines account for much less than PDO, are erratic, and keep on falling although less sharply than during 2019-2020.



Wines wine no quality indication recover in 2024, both in value and volume.



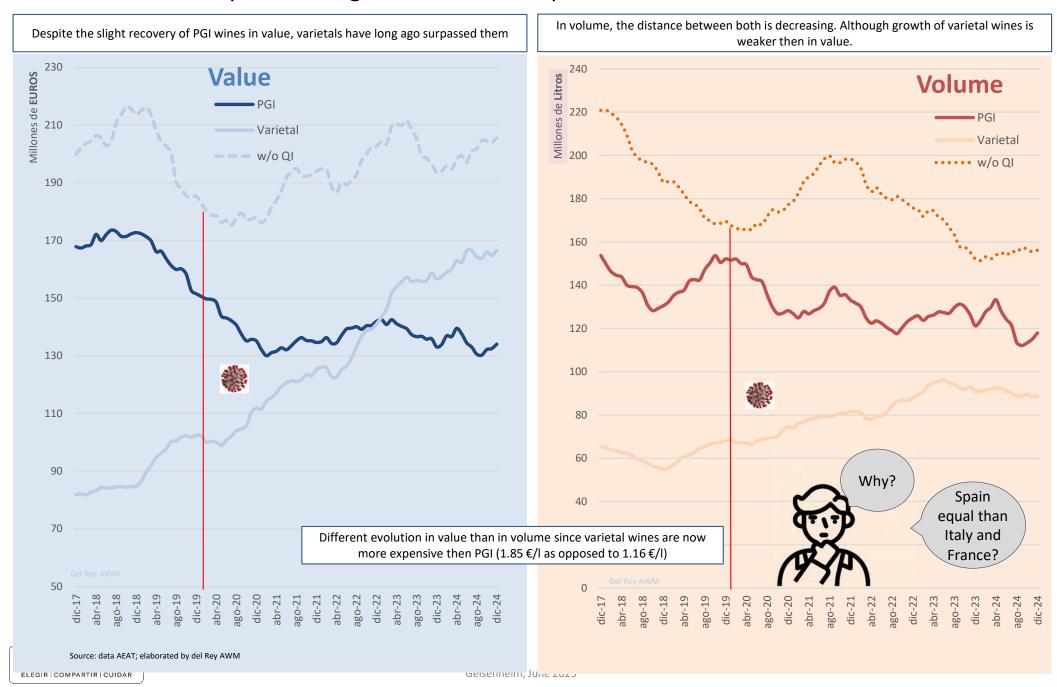
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### Spain – exports of non-PDO wines



#### We keep on looking at the relationship between varietal and PGI wines



#### To whom?

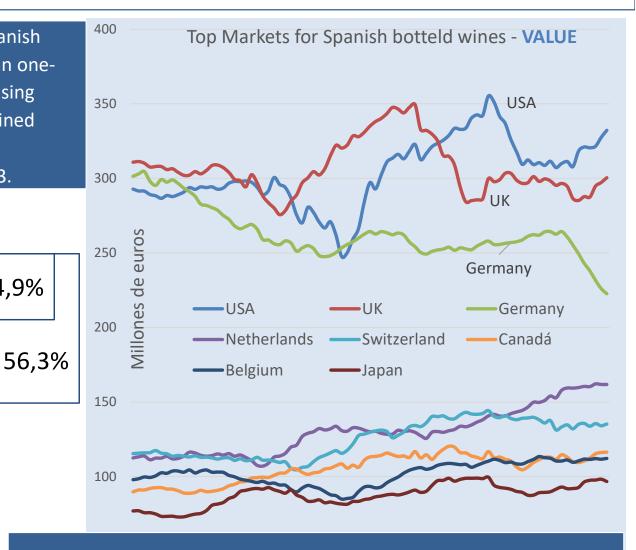
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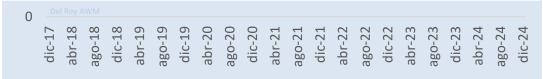
USA, UK and Germany are the top Markets for Spanish exports of bottled wines, accounting for more than onethird of total bottled wines, with Germany decreasing sharply this year (particularly sparkling), UK remained quite strong after declining in 2022 and the USA recovered after its very negative evolution in 2023.

#### **BOTTLED '24 oct**

			Value	Vol. M	
		País	M€	L	€/I
	1	USA	332,2	66,5	5,00
	2	UK	300,5	103,4	2,91
	3	Germany	222,7	99,7	2,23
	4	Netherlands	161,8	55,1	2,94
	5	Switzerland	135,3	15,0	9,04
	6	Canada	116,3	22,4	5,20
	7	Belgium	112,2	37,7	2,97
	8	Japan	96,7	39,7	2,44
	9	France	92,7	59,4	1,56
	10	México	86,9	22,7	3,83
	11	Sweeden	85,7	25,0	3,43
	12	Denmark	50,5	18,1	2,79
	13	China	48,4	12,9	3,75
	14	Portugal	45,6	67,3	0,68
	15	Poland	37,2	20,4	1,82
	16	Ireland	32,9	8,8	3,75
	17	Domenican Rep.	28,5	9,6	2,96
	18	Brasil	24,8	9,5	2,59
	19	Russia	24,7	12,7	1,95
		Others	418,3	158,2	2,64



Among other key Markets, Netherlands shows strong growth, Switzerland slightly falls and others more stable or in slight increase.

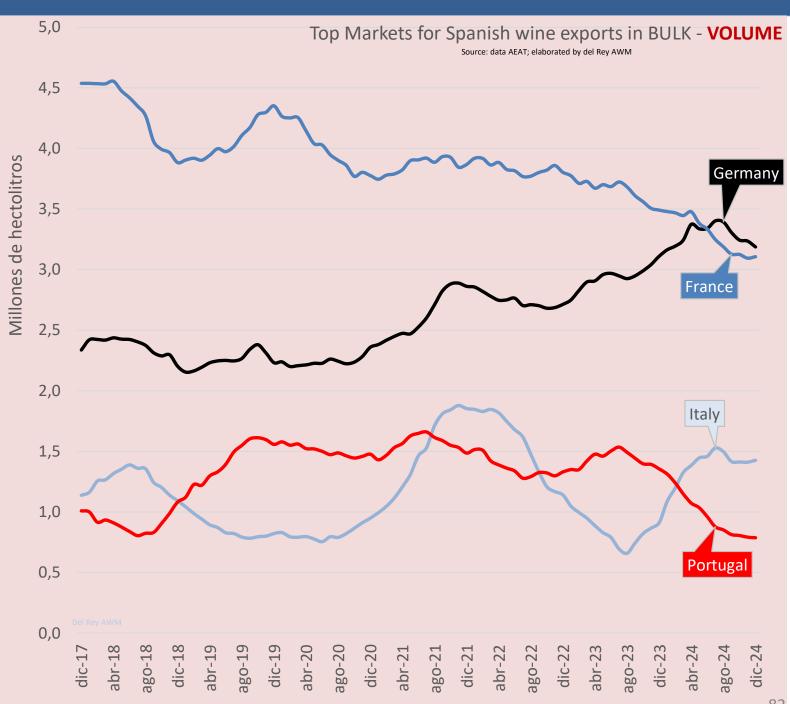




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79,3% of total 10.7 M hl of
Spanish wine exports in
bulk are shipped to only
four markets: Germany,
France, Italy and Portugal,
which have switched
positions in the ranking
this year,

- Germany takes the lead ahead of France
- Italy very variable –
   surpassed Portugal



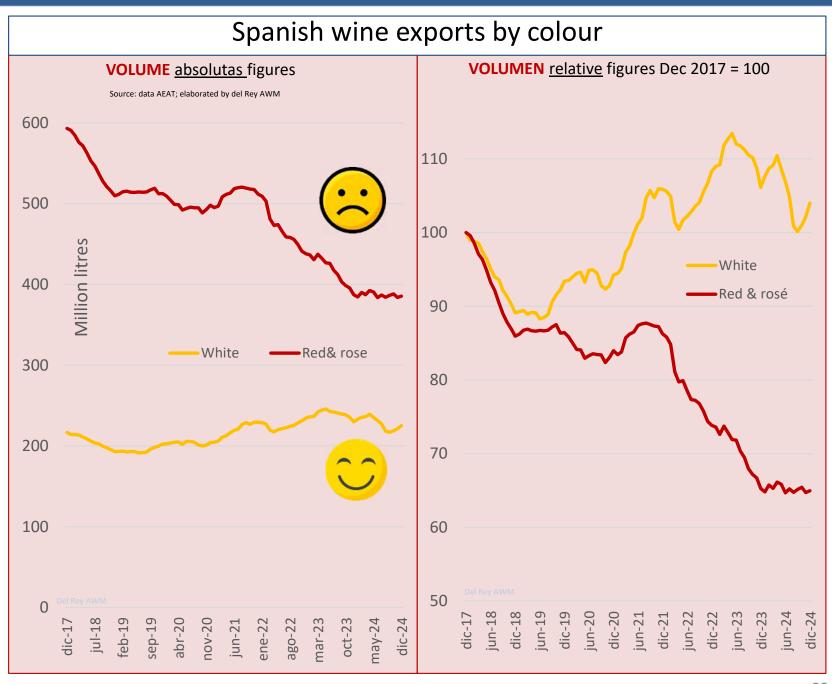


### Exports – by colour

There are also clear differences by colour in Spanish wine exports.

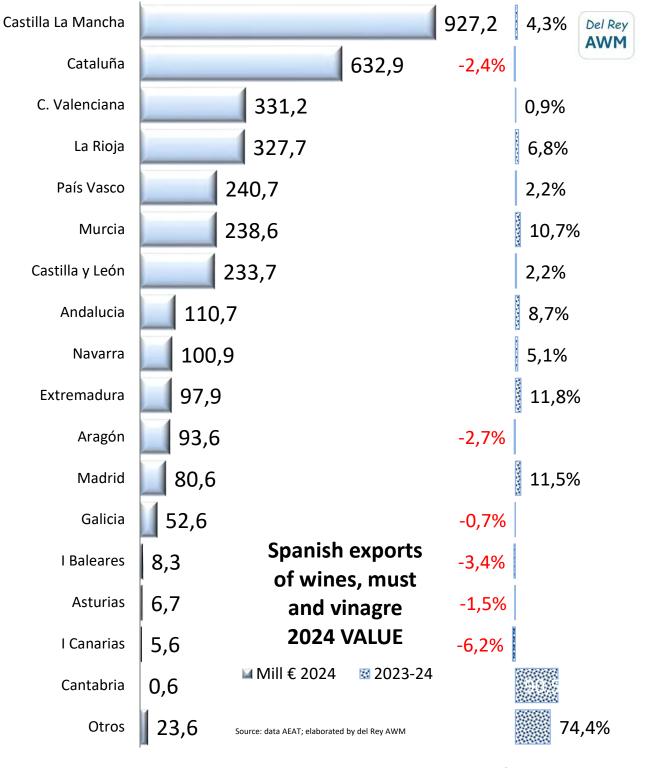
In absolute terms, white gets closer to reds and rosés.

In relative terms
(Dec 2017 = 100%)
whites have evolved
much better than
R&R.



# From where in Spain?

In <u>value</u> terms, it is Castilla-La Mancha (central and most productive region) who has taken the lead in the last 10 years, with Catalonia, La Rioja and the Valencian Community following.

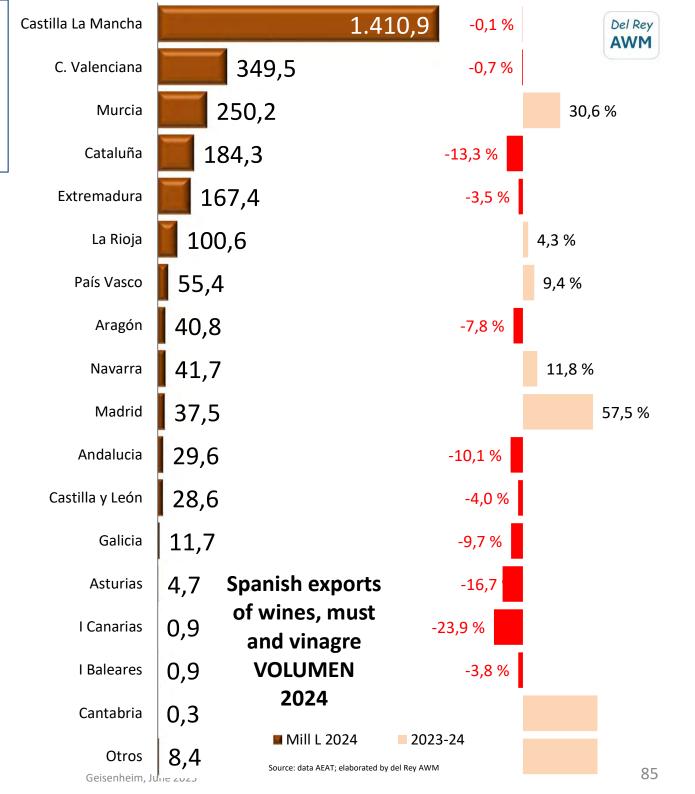




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## From where in Spain?

In <u>volume</u>, the central region, including CLM, Valencia and Extremadura, together with Catalonia are clearly the origin of most litres exported by Spain.



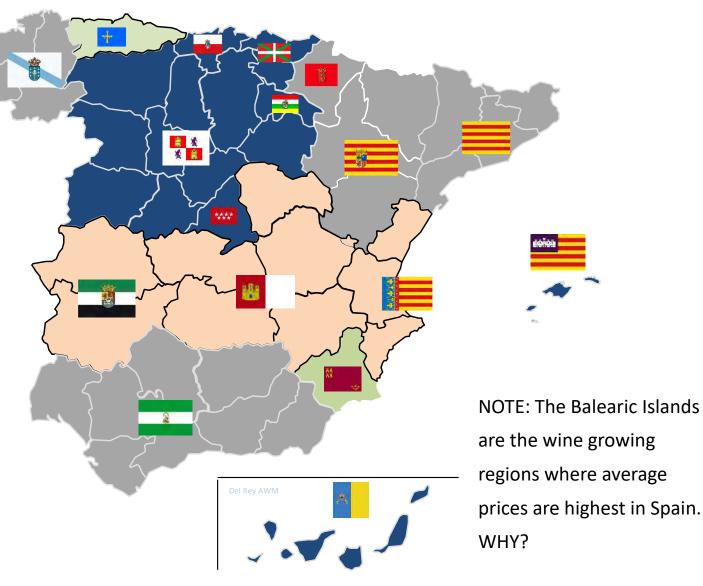


#### From where in Spain?



Different amounts of export in both value and volume, derive in different average prices for each area.







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### Hypothesis





- ❖ Spain as many other wine producing countries before had a strong domestic consumption and, therefore, limited need to export
- ❖ Change of EU regulation in 2009, eliminating subsidies to distillations in 2011 deeply affected regions where distillation was a large percent (up to 30%) of total production → from +9 Mhl to 3 Mhl
- The alternatives were:
  - ❖ Producing less wine to compensate less distillation
  - Increasing wine sales in the domestic market
  - Increasing exports
- ❖ Production did not decrease; it rather grew to historic records
- ... leading to urgent need to export large amounts of previous distilled wines
- ❖ But international trade and distribution is not easy, nor quick, to implement
- ... what made Spain the world's large exporter of cheap wines to other exporters
- ❖ And will remain this way until two big changes take place:
  - ❖ Gaining experience in international trade → expand distribution nets
  - $\diamond$  Move wines from lower to higher quality levels  $\rightarrow$  in larger, more visible, amounts
- But, at the same time, larger amounts of quality wines are produced and exported and ready to be discovered

### Therefore (international)



☐ Spanish wine has also become global In the short run. ... ☐ We are leaders in export 2020 supposed a delay but also a relief Recovery in 2021 was impressive ☐ Forced by necessity 2022-23 showed growth in Euros, not litres 2024 points at slow recovery We are still very dependant on top bulk With no return clients, also producers (they buy when they need) and also exporters (competition) ☐ The road ahead can be extraordinary... as long as we increase VALUE ☐ Thanks to efforts & investments already on their

### SWOT analysis & final considerations



**SWOT** 

Final considerations







### Strengths - Weaknesses - Opportunities - Threats



#### **Strengths**

- One of the leading countries in the world of wine
- Long tradition (something to tell)
- Diversity of regions, wines and stories
- Competitiveness
- Increasing strength of commercial departments and global distribution
- Media and critics in favour

#### Weaknesses

- Unbalance between supply and demand, push prices down and worsen image
- Excessive mental dependence on domestic tradition, flavours and habits.
- Delay in opening the mind to globalization

#### **Opportunities**

- Consumption will keep on growing, perhaps not in litres, but in value
- Increasing interest for new regions and grape varieties
- Enlargement and strength of the fine wine segment
- New wines & wine-based cocktails
- Environmental: organic & bio wines
- Combination of wine with gastronomy and tourism; Spain being big in all 3

#### Threats

- Global fight against alcohol (WHO EU Parlament)
- Limits to international trade (tariffs, antidumping sanctions, wars...DE-GLOBALIZATION)
- Competition??? NO

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#### Final considerations



#### Why should we count on Spain?

- Great wines to taste and to drink
  - Excellence
  - Diversity
  - ❖ Affordable
- One of the leading wine producers in the world
- Leading world wine tourism (putting together wine, gastronomy and tourism)
- Starting to be global after 3,000 years of international wine trade



WINE TASTING OF THE BEST WINES OF SPAIN ACCORDING ROBERT PARKER JR., PEÑÍN GUIDE & PROENSA GUIDE

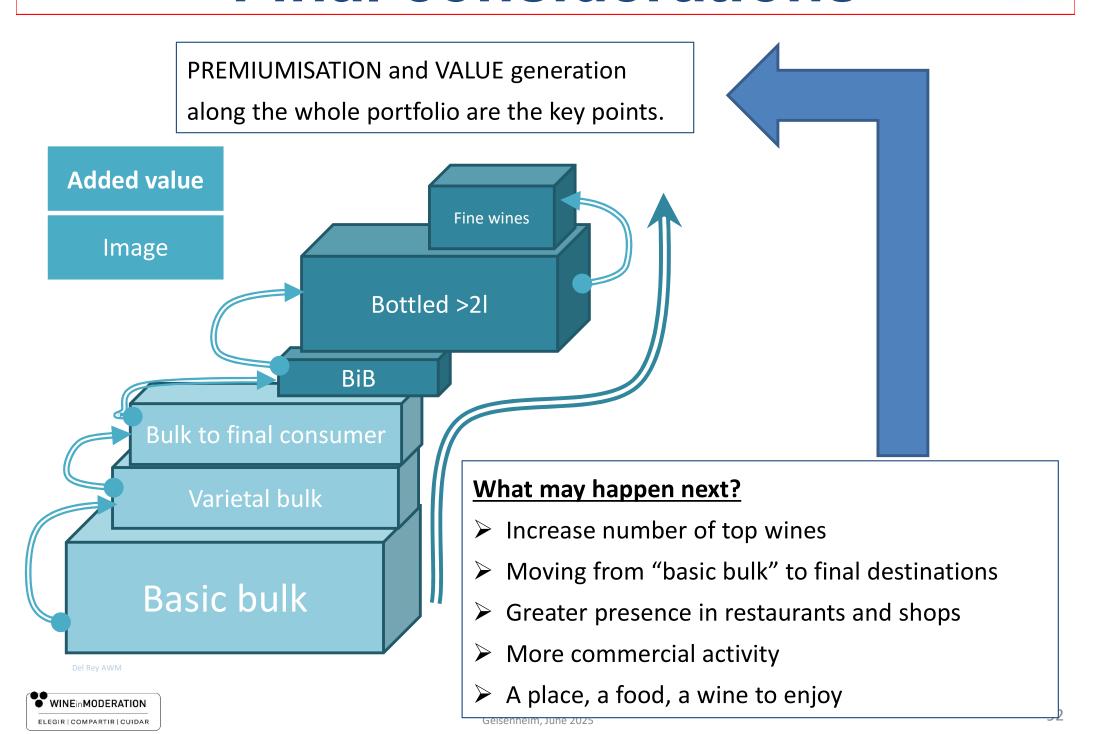
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- ➤ Moving from "basic bulk" to final destinations
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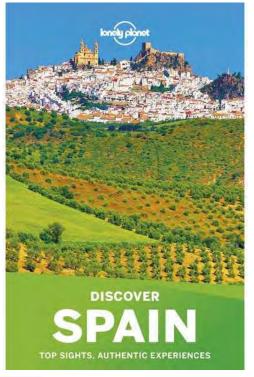
### Final considerations











If wine – as life – is to be enjoyed, particularly after the pandemic, Spain is the place

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#### Some questions for the debate



- ➤ How could the image of Spain and Spanish wines be improved?
- ➤ Is it a problem of knowledge, marketing, distribution, flavour, price...?
- > Is a large number of PDOs an asset or a problem?
- ➤ Is segmentation within the PDO a potential solution to improve quality and positioning?
- Should big volumes be limited, even at the expense of higher prices? Is reducing the supply the solution?
- Can new containers be successful?
- Will there really be new wines and wine-based drinks?



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## Sector from an Economic

Perspective

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