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Below-average wine production in 2023

Wine production 7% below the five-year average; wine stock increased again

Vienna, 2024-03-01 – According to Statistics Austria, 2.33 million hectolitres (hl) of wine were produced in Austria in 2023. Thus, wine production was by 8% lower than in 2022 and 7% below the five-year average. The wine stock as of 31 July increased by 4% compared to 2022 and reached a record high of 3.05 million hl (+6% on the five-year average).

Production declines in all federal provinces, especially for red wine

While the amount of white wine with 1.66 million hl remained 4% below the previous year's level (-3% compared to the five-year average), the decline in red wine production was significantly higher, with a decrease of 15% compared to 2022 (668 800 hl; -13% compared to the five-year average).

In **Burgenland**, with a wine production of 584 000 hl, a decline of 11% compared to 2022 was recorded (–9% to the five-year average), with all regions showing declines except for the region Leithaberg/Rosalia (±0% compared to 2022). With 326 600 hl of red wine, the production was 16% lower than in the previous year, and white wine also showed a decrease of 5% compared to 2022 at 257 400 hl.

Wine production in **Lower Austria** amounted to 1.53 million hl, 5% below the previous year's production and 4% below the five-year average. White wine accounted for 1.23 million hl (–2% compared to 2022), while red wine showed a more significant decrease of 15% at 296 900 hl. With the exception of the Wagram region (+1% compared to 2022), the wine production in all wine-growing regions remained below the previous year's values. The Thermenregion area recorded the highest declines (–16% to 2022). The region Weinviertel, which accounts for around half of the federal province's wine production area, achieved 856 100 hl, a decrease of 5% compared to 2022.

In **Styria**, the wine production was 17% lower than in the previous year due to less favourable weather conditions. Compared to the five-year average, the production volume of 190 700 hl represents a decrease of 19%. In contrast to the other federal provinces, white wine (-17% to 150 600 hl) recorded a similar high decline as red wine (-16% to 40 000 hl) in Styria.

In **Vienna**, 22 900 hl of wine were produced. This was a decrease by 13% compared to the previous year and a decrease by 10% compared to the five-year average.

2.16 million hectolitres of quality and superior quality wine (Qualitäts- und Prädikatswein)

With regard to wine products, 2.16 million hl of quality and superior quality wines ("Qualitäts- und Prädikatswein") were available, 6% less than in 2022 and also 6% less than the five-year average. The production of white "Qualitäts- und Prädikatswein" was 3% lower than in 2022 at 1.56 million hl, and high-quality red wines were down 13% compared to the previous year at 603 800 hl. In the "Wein/Landwein" segment (table wine and wine without geographical label, including varietal wine and must), 132 700 hl were produced, 29% less than in the previous year (–20% compared to the five-year average). The volume of white "Wein/Landwein" fell by 24% and the production of red "Wein/Landwein" fell by 37%.

Wine stock rose to record level

Wine stock in 2023 (as at 31 July) rose by 4% compared to 2022 to a record 3.05 million hl (+6% compared to the five-year average). White wine accounted for 1.73 million hl (+1% compared to 2022) and red wine for 1.32 million hl (+8% compared to 2022). For "Qualitäts- und Prädikatswein", the wine stock rose to 2.45 million hl (+5% compared to 2022; +6% compared to the five-year average). These consisted of

1.35 million hl of white and 1.10 million hl of red wine. The stock of "Wein/Landwein" fell by 3% compared to the previous year to 294 100 hl.

For detailed results and further information please refer to our website.

Information on methodology, definitions: Final results of wine production and wine stock are taken from the wine database of the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Regions and Water Management (BML), which is based on the annual declarations of wine production and wine stock in accordance with the Wine Law (Weingesetz 2009) as amended.

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