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I. Total Production

	1993/94			1992/93			AVERAGE OF WINE YEARS 1988/89-1992/93		
	TW	QW	OTHR	TW	QW	OTHR	TW	QW	OTHR
DE	293	9 677	-	805	12 682	-	393	11 242	-
GR	3 170	203	5	3 644	236	170	3 666	342	86
ES	16 098	9 342	4 162	23 187	9 755	5 039	19 587	10 372	3 887
FR	22 419	22 903	7 962	29 229	23 554	12 618	27 952	21 528	8 980
IT	48 855	10 418	3 345	54 941	10 400	3 345	48 906	9 373	2 657
PT	3 048	1 823	0	5 511	2 260	-	5 951	2 224	20
OTHR	39	141	10	68	212	20	35	143	16
EUR12	93 922	54 507	15 484	117385	59 099	21 192	106490	55 224	15 646

TOTAL EUR 12	
1993/94	163 913
1992/93	197 676
Average 1988/89-1992/93	177 360

The harvest in 1993/94 was appreciably lower than in 1992/93 (17% less), whereas in relation to the average of the last five wine years the reduction was less significant (-6.6%). This drop affected all the Member States: it was more marked in Portugal (-37.3%), Germany (-26%) and Spain (-22%). In terms of types of products, and compared again to 1992/93, the decline in production particularly affected table wines (-20%) and was only limited in the case of quality wines psr (-7.8%).

II. Utilisation (other than "intervention" distillation)

Total utilisation (EUR-12) in 1993/94, which is made up of human consumption, industrial uses (including production of grape juice and wine-based brandy), losses and the net balance of exports to non-member countries (but not including "intervention" distillation) came to 159 899 000 hl, ie. 4 000 000 hl less than in 1992/93. This decline was due to lower grape-juice production and to a reduction in the quantity of wine distilled for wine-based brandy production with a registered designation of origin.

1. Human Consumption (1 000 hl)

WINE YEAR	TOTAL	QUALITY WINE PSR	TABLE WINE	OTHER
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1988/89	135 899	44 536	82 130	9 233
1989/90	127 374	44 966	73 487	8 921
1990/91	132 582	49 014	75 057	8 511
1991/92	127 554	45 550	73 710	8 294
1992/93	129 016	49 271	71 443	8 302

AVERAGE				
1988/89- 92/93	130 485	46 667	75 165	8 652
1993/94	128 633	50 503	71 466	6 664

In 1993/94, consumption (EUR-12) was 128.6 million hl, much the same as in the previous wine year but 2% lower than the average for 1988/89 to 1992/93. In some non-producer countries, human consumption is increasing slowly but steadily. This is true for Denmark and the Netherlands. By contrast, human consumption has been falling in the main producer countries for several years. Nonetheless, it is important to distinguish between quality wines *psr* and table wine, because of the upward trend in consumption of the first type of wine (50 503 000 hl in 1993/94, up 8.2% in relation to the average over the last five years), whereas consumption of table wine is falling (71 466 000 hl, down 5% over the same period). This evolution is explained partly by the recognition given to new names (which moves table wines into the category of wines with a registered designation of origin) and partly by the fact that consumers are increasingly tending to prefer wines in the category of registered designations of origin, i.e. "appellation d'origine".

2. Industrial utilisation

Industrial uses include quantities intended for use in making brandy with a registered designation of origin, i.e. 6.711 million hl of wines in the category "Other", and for the manufacture of juices (4.932 million hl), vermouths (2.184 million hl) and vinegar (1.059 million hl).

Overall, these industrial uses absorbed 14.886 million hl, a figure in line with the average for the period 1988/89-1992/93.

3. Distillation under Community rules

Distillation under Community rules involved 21.2 million hl, consisting of 18.2 million hl for obligatory distillation (including 9.6 million hl for preventive distillation) and 3 million hl for market-support distillation, i.e. 12 million hl less than in 1992/93.

The break-down of quantities for distillation is as follows:

ITALY:	13 950 000 hl (12 150 000 hl obligatory distillation, 1 800 000 hl support distillation)
SPAIN:	3 400 000 hl (3 000 000 hl and 400 000 hl)
FRANCE:	2 950 000 hl (2 550 000 hl and 400 000 hl)
GREECE:	900 000 hl (500 000 hl and 400 000 hl).

4. Imports and exports

Most trade in wines is intra-Community (70% of total trade). In wine year 1993/94, Community exports to non-member countries accounted for 12.3 million hl, i.e. 17.7% more than in the previous year, while imports from non-member countries went up by only 6%, to 3.5 million hl. The main exporting countries were Italy (4 million hl), France (3.1 million hl) and Spain (2.4 million hl). The main importing countries were Germany (1.4 million hl) and the United Kingdom (1.3 million hl).

The share of Community trade in world trade is approximately 73.6%.

III. Stocks

Stocks fell appreciably with the help of distillation, lower production and a net increase in exports.

Total stocks at the end of the wine year came to 108.5 million hl, a drop of 14.75 million hl. Stocks of EUR-12 table wine went down by 20% to 38.5 million hl, which represents 6 months of normal utilization; stocks of quality wines prs went from 73.4 million hl to 68.9 million hl.

IV. Conclusions

The 1993/94 wine year was marked by lower production, a stabilization of human consumption and a noticeable revival of exports. However, none of this alleviated the problems of market management due to the structural disequilibrium which the wine sector has suffered from for several years. Despite the favourable economic climate, more than 21 million hl had to be distilled owing to the large accumulated stocks.

Lasting control of production as well as quality assurance and the promotion of wine products remain the top priorities to be pursued.

The draft Regulation reforming the common organization of the market which has been presented to the Council by the Commission is based on the principle of directing Community expenditure towards adjusting supply to match demand instead of financing the disposal of surpluses, by means of multi-annual regional adjustment programmes for the wine-growing sector. This would entail, amongst other things, a simplification of the distillation regime, a policy of enhancing quality and the promotion of wine itself.

BALANCE SHEET WINE

WINE YEAR 93-94

QUALITY WINES PSR - RED, ROSE, WHITE

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HEADINGS	BE	DK	DE	EL	ES	FR	IRL	IT	LUX	NL	PT	UK	TOT EUR
TOTAL PRODUCTION			9677	203	9342	22903		10418	140		1823	1	54507
GRAPE JUICE													
WINE MAKING			9677	203	9342	22903		10418	140		1823	1	54507
STOCKS BEG MKT YEAR	260	89	13763	356	14703	29321	22	9293	163	154	4948	364	73426
PRODUCTION			10975	327	11276	19713		6771	129		1664	2	50857
MARKETING	260	89	2778	29	3427	9608	22	2522	34	154	3284	362	22569
AVAILABILITY AT BEGIN MKT YEAR	260	89	23430	559	24045	52224	22	19711	303	154	6771	365	127933
IMPORTS	1611	716	2845	7	37	682	97	98	64	1050	113	3187	
INTRA EUR	1611	716	2845	7	37	682	97	98	64	1050	113	3187	
EXTRA EUR													
TOTAL AVAILABILITY	1871	805	26275	566	24082	52906	119	19809	367	1204	6884	3552	127933
HOME USES	1432	699	12121	196	7438	16961	104	7387	169	1007	1940	3171	52625
HUMAN CONSUMPTION:	1426	699	12121	186	7174	15221	104	7347	169	995	1890	3171	50503
PROCESSING:					96	1530							1626
OF WHICH DISTILLATION					96	1530							1626
-SPIRITS													
-REGL 822/87					96	1080							1176
-OTHER						450							450
OF WHICH VINEGAR													
OF WHICH VERMOUTH													
LOSSES:	6			10	168	210		40		12	50		496
OF WHICH PRODUCTION				4	168	210					50		432
OF WHICH TRADE	6			6				40		12	50		64
EXPORTS	135	21	2131	64	3186	6660		3542	34	31	1068	34	
INTRA EUR	116	18	1243	27	2309	4807		2040	34	25	608	16	
EXTRA EUR	19	3	888	37	877	1853		1502		6	460	18	6399*
STOCK END MKT YEAR	304	85	12023	306	13458	29285	15	8880	164	166	3876	347	68909
PRODUCTION			9258	273	10786	19664		6322	124		971	1	47399
TRADE	304	85	2765	33	2672	9621	15	2558	40	166	2905	346	21510
STOCK VARIATION	44	-4	-1730	-50	-1245	-36	-7	-413	1	12	-1072	-17	-4517
DEGREE OF SELF-SUFFIC	0,00	0,00	0,8	1,04	1,27	1,44	0,00	1,41	0,83	0,00	0,94	0,00	1,06
POPULATION	10.068.300	5.180.600	80.614.100	10.346.400	39.114.200	57.529.600	3.560.000	56.932.700	396.200	15.239.200	9.859.600	57.959.000	346.798.900
CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA (Litres)	14,16	13,49	15,04	1,80	18,34	26,46	2,92	12,90	42,76	6,53	19,17	5,47	14,56

* CALCULATED AS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOTAL EXPORT AND INTRA-COMMUNITY IMPORT

TABLE WINES - RED, ROSE, WHITE

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HEADINGS	BE	DK	DE	EL	ES	FR	IRL	IT	LUX	NL	PT	UK	TOT EUR
TOTAL PRODUCTION	2		293	3170	16098	22419		48855	20		3048	17	93922
GRAPE JUICE			50			705		450					1205
WINE MAKING	2		243	3170	16098	21714		48405	20		3048	17	92717
STOCKS BEG MKT YEAR	79	114	4328	2057	6685	13369	11	18340	61	88	3307	248	48687
PRODUCTION			514	1924	4708	8821		13199	41		1673	17	30898
MARKETING	79	114	3814	133	1976	4548	11	5141	20	88	1634	231	17789
AVAILABILITY AT BEGIN MKT YEAR	81	114	4571	5227	22783	35083	11	66745	81	88	6355	265	141404
IMPORTS	616	395	5229	40	107	5622	70	170	91	708	906	2147	
INTRA EUR	616	395	5229	40	107	5622	70	170	91	708	906	2147	
EXTRA EUR													
TOTAL AVAILABILITY	697	509	9800	5267	22890	40705	81	66915	172	796	7261	2412	141404
HOME USES	524	383	4668	3620	13099	25115	66	41460	67	640	4726	2175	96543
HUMAN CONSUMPTION:	515	383	4668	2857	8062	20857	66	27200	67	632	3984	2175	71466
PROCESSING:	6			713	4876	4178		14050			662		24485
OF WHICH DISTILLATION				623	3989	3708		12340			602		21242
-SPIRITS				623	3989	3708		12140			602		21042
-REGL 82287								200					200
-OTHER	6			50	323	170		450			60		1059
OF WHICH VINEGAR				40	584	300		1260					2184
OF WHICH VERMOUTH	3			50	161	80		210		8	80		592
LOSSES:				16	161	80		60			80		397
OF WHICH PRODUCTION	3			34				150					195
OF WHICH TRADE													
EXPORTS	56	12	637	556	4675	4492		10948	49	46	985	31	
INTRA EUR	52	10	525	458	3102	3659		8451	49	35	688	24	
EXTRA EUR	4	2	112	98	1573	933		2497		11	297	7	6386*
STOCK END MKT YEAR	117	114	4495	1091	5116	11098	15	14507	56	110	1550	206	38475
PRODUCTION			406	1024	3330	6755		9360	34		598	19	21526
TRADE	117	114	4089	67	1786	4343	15	5147	22	110	952	187	16949
STOCK VARIATION	38		167	-966	-1589	-2271	4	-3833	-5	22	-1757	-42	-10212
DEGREE OF SELF-SUFFIC	0,00	0,00	0,05	1,06	1,76	1,01	0,00	1,65	0,30	0,00	0,74	0,01	1,23
POPULATION	10.068.300	5.180.600	80.614.100	10.346.400	39.114.200	57.529.600	3.560.000	56.932.700	395.200	15.239.200	9.859.600	57.969.000	346.798.900
CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA (Litres)	5,12	7,39	5,79	27,61	20,61	36,25	1,85	47,48	16,95	4,15	40,41	3,75	20,61

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HEADINGS	BE	DK	DE	EL	ES	FR	IRL	IT	LUX	NL	PT	UK	TOT EUR
TOTAL PRODUCTION				5	4162	7962		3345	10				15484
GRAPE JUICE					3107	520		100					3727
WINE MAKING				5	1055	7442		3245	10				11757
STOCKS BEG MKT YEAR	28	5	188	137	116	32	7	147	63	138		265	1126
PRODUCTION			26	123	116			57	18				340
MARKETING	28	5	162	14		32	7	90	45	138		265	786
AVAILABILITY AT BEGIN MKT YEAR	28	5	188	142	1171	7474	7	3392	73	138		265	12883
IMPORTS	45	124	2433	12	2	606	39	13	37	423		1464	
INTRA EUR		16	1090	12	2	383			37	295		161	
EXTRA EUR	45	108	1343			223	39	13		128		1303	3202
TOTAL AVAILABILITY	73	129	2621	154	1173	8080	46	3405	110	561		1729	16085
HOME USES	31	121	1987	86	942	7635	35	2744	18	388		1386	15373
HUMAN CONSUMPTION:	30	121	1984	81	729	586	35	1312	18	382		1386	6664
PROCESSING:			3	5	206	6979		1432					8625
OF WHICH DISTILLATION		3		5	206	6979		1432					8625
-SPIRITS						6711							6711
-REGL 822/87			3	5	206	268		1432					1914
-OTHER													
OF WHICH VINEGAR													
OF WHICH VERMOUTH													
LOSSES:	1				7	70				6			84
OF WHICH PRODUCTION													
OF WHICH TRADE	1				7	70				6			77
EXPORTS		3	478		142	400			32	24			
INTRA EUR		3	140		128	86			32	17			
EXTRA EUR			338		14	314							-392*
STOCK END MKT YEAR	42	5	156	68	89	45	11	136	60	149		343	1104
PRODUCTION			20	50	89			31	16				206
TRADE	42	5	136	18		45	11	105	44	149		343	898
STOCK VARIATION	14		-32	-69	-27	13	4	-11	-3	11		78	-22
DEGREE OF SELF-SUFFIC	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,06	1,43	1,01	0,00	2,47	0,56	0,00		0,00	0,87
POPULATION	10.068.300	5.180.600	80.614.100	10.346.400	39.114.200	57.529.600	3.560.000	56.932.700	395.200	15.239.200	9.859.600	57.959.000	346.798.900
CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA (Litres)	0,30	2,34	2,46	0,78	1,86	1,02	0,98	2,30	5,55	2,51	0,00	2,39	1,92

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TOTAL PRODUCTION	2		9970	3378	29602	53284		62618	170		4871	18	163913
GRAPE JUICE			50		3107	1225		550					4932
WINE MAKING	2		9920	3378	26495	52059		62068	170		4871	18	158981
STOCKS BEG MKT YEAR	367	208	18269	2550	21504	42722	40	27780	287	380	8295	877	123239
PRODUCTION			11515	2374	16101	28534		20027	188		3337	19	82095
MARKETING	367	208	6754	176	5403	14188	40	7753	98	380	4918	858	41144
AVAILABILITY AT BEGIN MKT YEAR	369	208	28189	5928	47888	94781	40	88848	457	380	13126	885	282220
IMPORTS	2272	1235	10507	59	146	6910	206	281	192	2181	1019	6788	
INTRA EUR	2227	1127	9164	59	146	6687	167	268	192	2053	1019	5495	
EXTRA EUR	45	108	1343			223	39	13		128		1303	3202
TOTAL AVAILABILITY	2641	1443	38696	5987	48145	101691	246	90129	649	2561	14148	7693	285422
HOME USES	1987	1203	18776	3902	21479	49711	205	51591	254	2035	6666	6732	164541
HUMAN CONSUMPTION:	1971	1203	18773	3124	15965	36664	205	36859	254	2009	5874	6732	128633
PROCESSING:	6		3	718	5178	12687		15482			662		34736
OF WHICH DISTILLATION			3	628	4271	12217		13772			602		31493
-SPIRITS						6711					602		6711
-REGL 822/87			3	628	4271	5056		13572			602		24132
-OTHER						450		200					650
OF WHICH VINEGAR	6			50	323	170		450			60		1059
OF WHICH VERMOUTH				40	584	300		1260					2184
LOSSES:	10			60	336	360		250		26	130		1172
OF WHICH PRODUCTION				20	336	360		60			130		906
OF WHICH TRADE	10			40				190		26			266
EXPORTS	191	36	3246	620	8003	11552		15015	115	101	2053	65	
INTRA EUR	168	31	1908	485	5539	8452		10996	115	77	1298	40	
EXTRA EUR	23	5	1338	135	2464	3100		4019		24	757	25	12393*
STOCK END MKT YEAR	463	204	16674	1465	18663	40428	41	23523	280	425	5428	886	108488
PRODUCTION			9684	1347	14205	26419		15713	174		1569	20	69131
TRADE	463	204	6990	118	4458	14009	41	7810	106	425	3857	876	39357
STOCK VARIATION	96	-4	-1595	-1085	-2841	-2294	1	-4257	-7	45	-2829	19	-14751
DEGREE OF SELF-SUFFIC	0,00	0,00	0,53	1,03	1,54	1,17	0,00	1,63	0,67	0,00	0,80	0,00	1,13
POPULATION	10.068.300	5.180.600	80.614.100	10.346.400	39.114.200	57.529.600	3.560.000	56.932.700	395.200	15.239.200	9.858.600	57.959.000	346.798.900
CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA (Litres)	19,58	23,22	23,29	30,19	40,82	63,73	5,76	62,98	64,27	13,18	59,58	11,62	37,09

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