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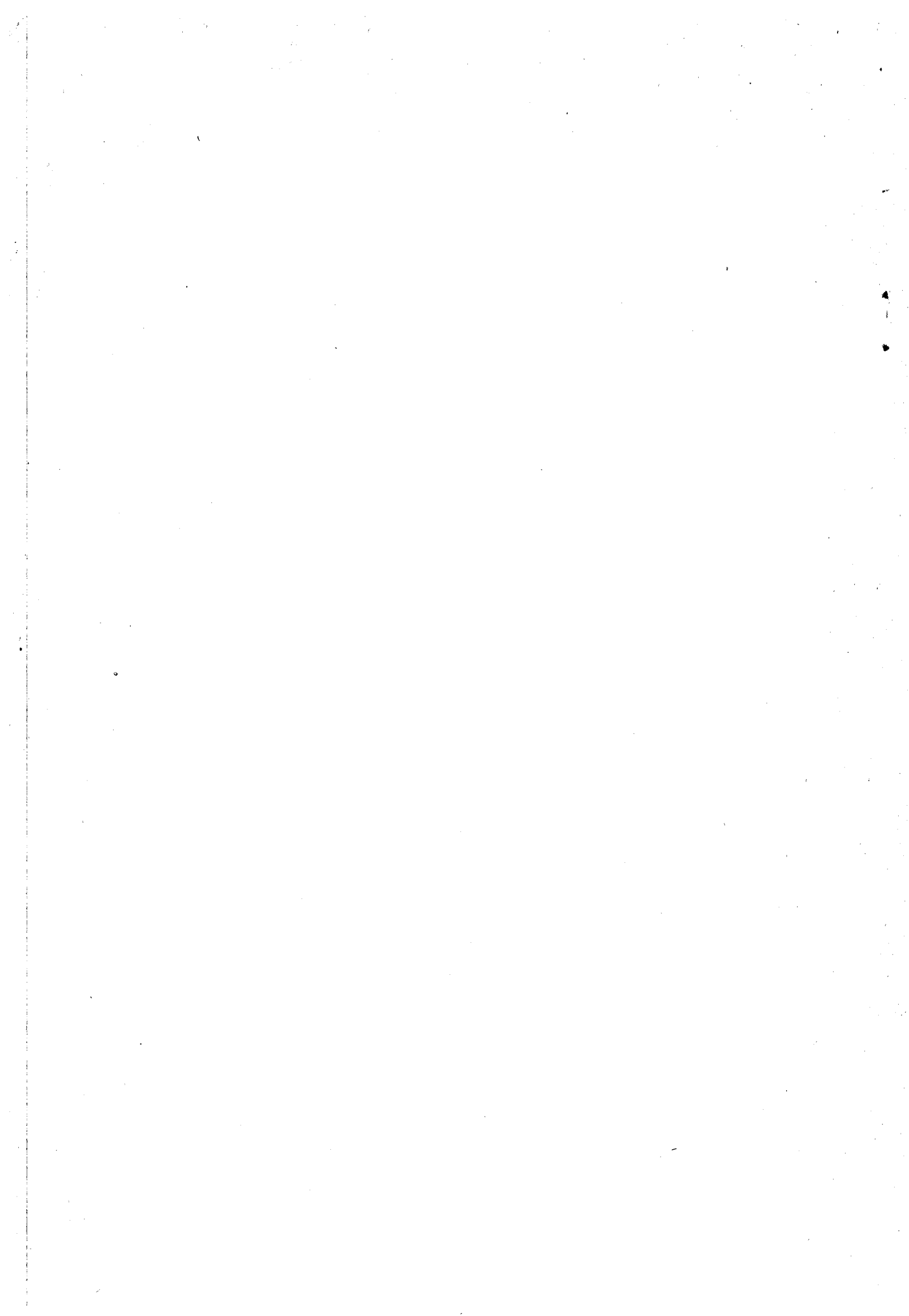
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to the report by the Commission to the Council on the foreseeable developments in the planting and replanting of vineyards in the Community and on the ratio between production and utilization in the wine sector (Doc. COM(77) 22 final)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The report on planting for the 1975/76 marketing year was presented by the Commission to the Council very late for reasons given in the introduction to the report itself. Examination of the report by the Wine Group of the Council could not be scheduled until April and since in the meantime the Member States have forwarded to the Commission the forecasts provided for in Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 816/70, it seemed advisable to incorporate the data provided in the report.

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The data on planting and grubbing reflect the notifications of producers' intentions and their reliability is relative. The preliminary comments on them in the first chapter of the report are entirely valid. Subject to these considerations, the following comments on the data in question may be useful.

I. FORESEEABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA UNDER VINES IN THE PRODUCER MEMBER STATES (TABLES 1-2-3-5 a)

(a) Germany

There are changes only as regards quality wines p.s.r. From the data provided the area under vines will increase by 0.2 % compared with the previous marketing year. Compared to 1975/76 there has been a slowdown in grubbing or planting and replanting. As in the previous year, most of the increase has occurred in the Freiburg region. It should be stressed with respect to new planting, that in view of the prohibition from 1 December 1976 they are unlikely to be carried out. In that case the total area will decline slightly.

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(b) France

The French forecast shows a decline in total area of 16 043 ha, a reduction of 1.2 %. This change is the result of a marked decline (- 19 633 ha) for table wine and an increase (+ 3 291 ha) for quality wine p.s.r. and wine for Cognac (+ 299 ha). The latter fact shows that unfortunately we are not moving in the right direction. It should be stressed that last year's forecast, a decline in area (- 0.3 %), has not proved correct. The total area has increased by 0.2 %.

(c) Italy

The forecast for the 1975/76 marketing year (an increase of 0.8 % in total area) was slightly exceeded by the actual figures (a 1 % increase). For the 1976/77 marketing year, a decline of 0.5 % in total area is forecast, consisting of a decline (- 7 525 ha) for table wine and a slight increase for quality wine p.s.r. At regional level, the decline in table wine has affected all regions but Apulia (Puglia) accounts for 50 % of this.

(d) Luxembourg

The area should hardly change. The expected change (+ 3 ha) would mean a 0.2 % increase in total area.

II. FORESEEABLE DEVELOPMENT OF TOTAL COMMUNITY AREA UNDER VINES

There are three factors tending in the same direction.

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1. For the first time, the forecast shows a decline in total area under vines. The decline should amount to 0.9 % and compares with the 0.6 % increase in the 1975/76 marketing year. This reversal of the trend is solely due to the considerable decline that will occur in areas producing table wine (- 27 159 ha), while a further increase in quality wine p.s.r. (+ 4 863 ha) is expected.
2. With respect to area not yet in production, here too for the first time there is a decline which, although very slight, is not without significance.
3. Lastly, with respect to table grape production, a reduction (of 1 704 ha of which 1 529 ha in Italy) is expected and may be connected with the Council's decisions regarding the compulsory distillation of wine made from table grapes.

III. EFFECT ON FUTURE PRODUCTION OF CHANGES IN AREA UNDER VINES FORECAST FOR 1976/77 (TABLE 6a)

The forecast changes in area will have an effect on production which, as in the past, will not be in the same proportion. Against an expected decline of 0.9 % in area estimated production could fall by 0.2 %. It should be stressed that this percentage is the result of a 1 % decline in table wine (which is not negligible), a 2 % increase in quality wine p.s.r. and 0.5 % for other wines (all of which are wines for Cognac). This discrepancy between changes in area and in production once again confirms the advance in yield per hectare and reinforces the hypotheses set out in Chapter II of the Report.

Table 1a : New plantings, replantings and grubblings of wine grapes planned for the 1976/77 wine-growing year compared with forecasts for previous wine-growing years

	Existing area under vines		New plantings	Replantings	Grubblings	Changes			
	in production	not yet in production				forecast		actual	
						ha	as a % of the existing area in the previous year	ha	%
	ha	ha	ha	ha	ha		ha		
<u>Germany</u>									
1974/75	83 028	15 653	672	3 843	3 815	+ 700	+ 0.7	+ 2 678	+ 2.8
1975/76	84 970	14 583	585	4 114	4 156	+ 543	+ 0.6	+ 872	+ 0.9
1976/77			321	3 749	3 836	+ 234	+ 0.2		
<u>France</u>									
1974/75	1 194 000	93 000	10 428	26 308 (*)	31 123 (*)	+ 5 613	+ 0.4	+ 4 000	+ 0.3
1975/76	1 200 000	89 000	1 651	24 128 (*)	30 079 (*)	- 4 300	- 0.3	+ 2 000	+ 0.2
1976/77			1 461	22 388 (*)	39 892 (*)	- 16 043	- 1.2		
<u>Italy</u>									
1974/75	1 101 000	68 000	10 808	16 829	19 471	+ 8 166	+ 0.7	+ 13 000	+ 1.1
1975/76	1 108 000	73 000	2 429	16 290	9 059	+ 9 660	+ 0.8	+ 12 000	+ 1.0
1976/77			1 334	8 457	15 982	- 6 191	- 0.5		
<u>Luxembourg</u>									
1974/75	1 057	185	15	39	45	+ 9	+ 0.7	+ 14	+ 1.1
1975/76	1 098	168	20	22	24	+ 18	+ 1.4	+ 24	+ 1.9
1976/77			5	20	22	+ 3	+ 0.2		
<u>EEC</u>									
1974/75	2 379 091	176 839	21 923	47 019	54 454	+ 14 488	+ 0.6	+ 19 692	+ 0.8
1975/76	2 394 074	176 752	4 685	44 554	43 318	+ 5 921	+ 0.2	+ 14 896	+ 0.6
1976/77			3 121	34 614	59 732	- 21 997	- 0.9		

Sources : Eurostat

EC Commission - DG for Agriculture based on figures supplied by the Member States

(*) including operations carried out in the "Cognac" area

Table 2 : Breakdown of new plantings and replantings of wine grapes according to whether they produce quality wines p.s.r., table wines or wines intended for distillation

	New plantings	Replantings	Grubbings	Changes (ha)
<u>GERMANY</u>				
a) table wine	-	-	-	-
b) quality wine p.s.r.	321	3 749	3 836	+ 234
<u>FRANCE</u>				
a) table wine	-	9 331	28 964	- 19 633
b) quality wine p.s.r.	1 461	10 556	8 726	+ 3 291
c) cognac	-	2 501	2 202	+ 299
<u>ITALY</u>				
a) table wine	-	3 797	11 322	- 7 525
b) quality wine p.s.r.	1 334	4 660	4 660	+ 1 334
<u>LUXEMBOURG</u>				
a) table wine	-	4	5	- 1
b) quality wine p.s.r.	5	16	17	+ 4
<u>EEC</u>				
a) table wine	-	13 132	40 291	- 27 159
b) quality wine p.s.r.	3 121	18 981	17 239	+ 4 863
c) cognac	-	2 501	2 202	+ 299

Table 3a : Forecast of new plantings, replantings and grubblings for the 1976/77 wine-growing year according to region

in hectares

	New plantings		Replantings		Grubblings		Changes	
	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.
<u>Germany</u>								
Rheinhessen-Pfalz	-	38	-	2 062	-	2 100	-	-
Koblenz	-	5	-	275	-	280	-	-
Trier	-	7	-	413	-	420	-	-
Stuttgart	-	95	-	320	-	350	-	+ 65
Karlsruhe	-	-	-	69	-	69	-	-
Freiburg	-	100	-	345	-	345	-	+ 100
Tubingen	-	3	-	23	-	23	-	+ 3
Darmstadt	-	-	-	135	-	142	-	- 7
Unterfranken } Mittelfranken }	-	70	-	107	-	107	-	+ 70
Saarland	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	+ 3
Nordrhein Westfalen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	321	-	3 749	-	3 836	-	+ 234
<u>France</u>								
Centre	-	128	325	400	566	470	- 2 411	- 70
Pays de la Loire	-	-	465	700	813	600	- 348	+ 100
Poitou-Charente*	-	-	2 605*	20	2 420*	80	+ 185	- 60
Aquitaine (*)	-	270	1 325*	3 400	7 219*	2 900	- 5 894	+ 500
Midi-Pyrénées	-	80	1 450	100	4 895	30	- 3 445	+ 70
Champagne	-	-	-	480	-	400	-	+ 80
Alsace	-	-	5	335	18	290	- 13	+ 45
Franche Comté	-	42	10	35	30	42	- 20	- 7
Bourgogne	-	134	60	480	163	520	- 103	- 40
Auvergne	-	-	62	25	106	32	- 44	- 7
Rhône-Alpes	-	344	360	520	817	560	- 457	- 40
Languedoc	-	223	3 500	2 600	8 166	1 300	- 4 666	+ 1 300
Provence-C.Azur	-	197	1 600	1 300	3 730	1 400	- 2 130	- 100
Corse	-	43	60	150	2 216	90	- 2 156	+ 60
Other	-	-	4	11	7	12	- 3	- 1
Total		1 461	11 831	10 556	31 166	8 726	- 19 335	+ 1 830

* 2 500 ha replanted and 2 200 ha grubbed in the Cognac area

(*) 1 ha replanted and 2 ha grubbed in the Cognac area

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	New plantings		Replantings		Grubbings		Changes	
	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.	Table wine	Quality wine p.s.r.
<u>Italy</u>								
Piemonte	-	116	421	841	461	769	- 40	+ 188
Val d'Aosta	-	-	10	5	20	-	- 10	+ 5
Lombardia	-	3	26	82	225	110	- 199	- 25
Trentino A.Adige	-	12	-	194	26	68	- 26	+ 138
Veneto	-	151	904	961	1 667	1 193	- 763	- 81
Friuli V. Giulia	-	75	6	28	31	58	- 25	+ 45
Liguria	-	7	30	8	135	85	- 105	- 70
Emilia Romagna	-	68	140	98	363	116	- 223	+ 50
Toscana	-	148	170	233	252	179	- 82	+ 202
Umbria	-	3	5	11	72	38	- 67	- 24
Marche	-	-	43	135	165	30	- 122	+ 105
Lazio	-	10	34	448	532	70	- 498	+ 388
Abbruzzi	-	230	32	674	497	171	- 465	+ 733
Molise	-	-	207	-	38	-	+ 169	-
Campania	-	18	11	10	186	15	- 175	+ 13
Puglia	-	470	1 450	850	5 044	1 350	- 3 594	- 30
Basilicata	-	-	5	28	25	-	- 20	+ 28
Calabria	-	2	21	3	72	28	- 51	- 23
Sicilia	-	15	207	44	1 027	324	- 820	- 265
Sardegna	-	6	75	7	484	56	- 409	- 43
Total	-	1 334	3 797	4 660	11 322	4 660	- 7 525	+ 1 334

Source : EC Commission - DG for Agriculture based on figures supplied by the Member States

Table 5a : New plantings, replantings and grubblings of open-grown table grape vines planned for the 1976/77 wine-growing year

	Plantings ha	Replantings ha	Grubbings ha	Changes
FRANCE	-	670	845	- 175
ITALY	203	707	2 439	- 1 529
EEC	203	1 377	3 284	- 1 704

Table 6a : Effect of new plantings, replantings and grubblings planned in 1976/77 on future production

Member State Type of wine	Estimated production in 1976/77 (1) (2) hl	Expected future annual production		Foreseeable decrease as a result of grubblings in 1976/77 (1) (3) hl	Foreseeable change in annual production	
		from new 1976/77 plantings (3) hl	from 1976/77 plantings (1) (3) hl		hl (3)	as a % of production estimated in 1976/77
<u>Germany</u>						
- table wine	455 000	-	-	-	-	-
- quality wine p.s.r.	8 120 000	27 411	356 285	374 065	+ 9 631	+ 0.1
<u>France</u>						
- table wine	47 050 000	-	653 000	1 302 650	- 649 650	- 1.4
- quality wine p.s.r.	15 200 000	73 000	478 000	349 000	+ 202 000	+ 1.3
- other wines	13 350 000	-	205 000	121 000	+ 84 000	+ 0.6
<u>Italy</u>						
- table wine	52 700 000	-	538 770	908 470	- 369 700	- 0.7
- quality wine p.s.r.	6 500 000	151 940	517 140	278 950	+ 390 130	+ 6.0
- other wines	3 300 000	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Luxembourg</u>						
- table wine	55 000	-	480	400	+ 80	+ 0.1
- quality wine p.s.r.	73 000	400	1 280	1 360	+ 320	+ 0.4
<u>EEC</u>						
- table wine	100 266 000	-	1 192 250	2 211 520	- 1 019 270	- 1.00
- quality wine p.s.r.	29 893 000	252 751	1 352 705	1 003 375	+ 602 081	+ 2
- other wines	16 650 000	-	205 000	121 000	+ 84 000	+ 0.5

(1) Source : 1976/77 forward estimate for wine

(2) including the quantities of musts intended for the production of grape juice

(3) Source : EC Commission - DG for Agriculture, based on figures supplied by the Member States