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Regional snapshot 2017 - Mount Benson

State	South Austral	South Australia		
Plantings				
Source: ABS National Vineyard Survey 2015	Mount Benson	All regions		
Total vineyard area (hectares)	area (hectares) 265 135,133			
Percentage red varieties	69% 64%			
Percentage of national vineyards	0%			
Percentage of South Australia vineyards	0%			
Crush				
Source: National Vintage Survey 2017	Mount Benson	All regions		
Tonnes crushed in 2017	2,116	1,929,630		
Average yield (tonnes/ha)	8.0	14.3		
Change in crush from 2016	-21%	5%		
Top five varieties in Mount Benson in 2017	Share of tonnes	Av price/tonne		
Sauvignon Blanc	28%	\$796		
Shiraz	niraz 27%			
Cabernet Sauvignon	24%	\$1,143		
Merlot	14%	\$957		
Chardonnay	5%	\$1,011		

Exports

Source: Wine Australia Wine Export Approval System 2017

Exports by GI region content	Mount Benson	All regions	
Export volume by GI content ('000 litres)	562	811,001	
Percentage of crush exported (estimate)	38%	60%	

	Mount Benson and Mount	
Label claim exports (bottled only)	Benson blends	Change in 2017
Export volume by GI label claim ('000 litres)	49	14%
Export value by GI label claim (\$A '000)	400	19%
Average value per litre	\$8.21	^ 30%

	Mount Benson and Mount	All bottled wine
Top five export destinations and share of exports	Benson blends	exports
China, Pr	48%	29%
New Zealand	24%	4%
United States Of America	13%	26%
Belgium	10%	1%
Japan	2%	2%
Others	3%	39%

		All bottled wine
Exports by price point	Benson blends	exports
\$2.49 and under	0%	10%
\$2.50 to \$4.99	1%	62%
\$5.00 to \$7.49	61%	15%
\$7.50 to \$9.99	13%	5%
\$10.00 to \$19.99	23%	6%
\$20 and over	2%	3%

Climate data

Source: Bureau of Meteorology (2018)

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Mount Benson					
Size (km ²)	280	Elevation (m)	0-70	Latitude	37º 02'
		Mean Jan	Annual		Oct-April
Time period		temp (MJT)	rainfall	GSR	GDD
1961-1990 a	average	18.6 ºC	624 mm	208 mm	1442
1991-2016 a	average	18.9 °C	606 mm	211 mm	1468
2016-17 sea	son	19.2 ⁰C	790 mm	317 mm	1439







Notes

Meteorological data is taken from the national climate databank of the Bureau of Meteorology: the Australian Data Archive for Meteorology (ADAM).

Growing season rainfall (GSR) and growing degree days (GDD) are both calculated from October to April. Latitude data is the centroid of each GI region.

Climate indices have been calculated across the whole GI region by the Antarctic Climate Ecosystem CRC as part of a research project co-funded by Wine Australia.

Size and elevation figures are taken from Hall and Jones (2010) Climate in winegrowing regions in Australia.

Label claim exports are those where the GI region is identified on the label. GI region content is based on the region reported by the winery in the product description.

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