

Wine Australia providing insights on Australian Wine

Variety snapshot 2020 - Riesling

Variety	Riesling
Colour	White

Plantings

Source: ABS National Vineyard Survey 2015	Riesling	All varieties
Area planted in Australia (hectares)	3,157	135,133
Percentage of total area	2.3%	
Percentage of white varieties	6.5%	

Crush

Source: National Vintage Survey 2020	Riesling	All varieties
Tonnes crushed in 2020	16,819	1,520,608
Percentage of total crush	1.1%	
Percentage of white crush	2.5%	

Top five regions % of total crush

	Riesling	All varieties
Clare Valley	31%	1%
Riverland	14%	34%
Riverina	12%	20%
Eden Valley	8%	0%
Padthaway	6%	1%
Others	28%	45%

Exports

Source: Wine Australia Wine Export Approval System 2019-20

Exports by variety content	Riesling	All varieties
Export volume ('000 litres)	4,653	729,712
Export value (\$'000 FOB)	23,980	2,839,993
Share of export volume	0.6%	
Share of export value	0.8%	

Label claim exports (packaged only)

	Riesling and Riesling blends	All bottled wine exports
Total exports ('000 litres) in 2019-20	3,659	332,592
Change in volume from 2018-19	↓ -13%	↓ -8%
Total export value (\$'000 FOB) in 2019-20	22,586	2,321,680
Average value per litre	\$6.17	\$6.98

Top five export destinations and share of exports by value

	Riesling and Riesling blends	All packaged wine exports
USA	21%	15%
China mainland	16%	45%
UK	16%	7%
Canada	9%	7%
Netherlands	6%	1%
Others	33%	25%

Top five varietal label claims by value with Riesling in the name

Riesling
Riesling, Gewurztraminer
Riesling, Traminer
Riesling, Marsanne, Sauvignon Blanc, Roussanne
Riesling, Pinot Gris, Gewürztraminer

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