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Portugal’s wine export pattern shifted in the first half of 2026, with lower sales to France and the United States by value and stronger shipment volumes to Angola, according to a report published on Tuesday, November 10, by Organización Interprofesional del Vino de España’s economic intelligence service.

France remained the main destination for Portuguese wine exports by value, but sales there fell 9.3% from the first half of 2025 to €46.1 million. The United States ranked second by value at €40.7 million, down 11.89% from the same period a year earlier.

By volume, Angola was Portugal’s largest export market in the first half of 2026. Shipments to Angola reached 20.5 million liters, up 12.6% from the first half of 2025. France ranked second by volume at 14.8 million liters, a decline of 7.7%.

Brazil was the third destination for Portuguese wine exports in both volume and value, according to the report. Shipments to Brazil totaled 12.9 million liters, up 3.6%.

The figures show a clear split between Portugal’s main revenue markets and its biggest volume outlets. France and the United States remained the leading markets in value terms, even as both posted declines. Angola, by contrast, led in volume and recorded growth, pointing to stronger demand in a market that absorbs larger quantities even if it does not top the value ranking.

That shift matters for wine producers, exporters, importers and distributors because it highlights how established markets can weaken while other destinations expand. For the broader beverage business, the data may signal a need to balance sales in mature markets with efforts to diversify into countries where volumes are still growing. That can affect export planning, portfolio positioning and commercial priorities across wine and related beverage trade channels.

The report did not provide an overall total for Portugal’s wine exports in the first half of 2026 in the extract released, and it did not detail the reasons behind the weaker performance in France and the United States or the increase in Angola and Brazil. It also did not break out the figures by wine category.

Even so, the market ranking in the first half of 2026 points to different dynamics across Portugal’s export destinations. France remained central to Portuguese wine sales despite the drop in value and volume, while the United States also stayed near the top of the value table despite a sharper decline than France. Angola’s position as the leading market by liters shipped, and Brazil’s gain in both volume and value ranking, suggest that Portuguese exporters are not relying on a single type of market for

growth.

For companies that follow trade flows in wine and other alcoholic beverages, those changes offer a closer view of where Portuguese wine is holding price, where it is moving volume, and where commercial strategies may need to adapt as 2026 unfolds.