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Italy’s wine output reaches 44.38 million hectoliters

Protected-designation wines account for nearly half of production in the 2025-26 campaign, official data show

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Italy’s Agriculture Ministry on Monday published the official breakdown of wine production for the 2025-26 campaign, showing a total of 44.38 million hectoliters and confirming that protected-designation wines continue to dominate the country’s output.

According to the document released by MASAF, or the Ministry of Agriculture, Food Sovereignty and Forests, DOP wines account for 20.995 million hectoliters, equal to 47% of total production. IGP wines represent 11.154 million hectoliters, or 25%. Wine listed simply as “vino” in the table totals 11.711 million hectoliters, or 26%, while wine with varietal indication stands at 522,968 hectoliters, or 1%.

The ministry’s table gives a total production figure of 44,383,946 hectoliters, which it rounds to 44.38 million hectoliters in its summary. The figures were published on April 20 and are presented as part of the official data set for the 2025-26 wine campaign in Italy.

The document includes both a table and two charts: a pie chart showing the share of each category and a bar chart showing the volumes in absolute terms. In the pie chart, the category labeled “vino” appears at 27%, while the table lists it at 26%. The other categories are shown consistently across both displays: varietal wine at 1%, IGP at 25% and DOP at 47%.

The largest category by far is DOP wine, which remains well ahead of the other segments in both volume and share. The next two categories, plain wine and IGP wine, are close in size, separated by about 557,000 hectoliters. Varietal wine remains a small part of the overall mix.

For producers, traders and analysts, the official split matters because it shapes expectations for supply, declaration planning and market strategy during the campaign. The balance between DOP and IGP wines also offers a snapshot of how much of Italy’s output is tied to protected geographic designations versus broader commercial categories.

The bar chart in the ministry document marks reference points at 20 million and 40 million hectoliters, placing total production clearly above the 40 million mark. The five figures published in the report are 11,711,144 hectoliters for wine, 522,968 for varietal wine, 11,154,231 for IGP wine, 20,995,603 for DOP wine and 44,383,946 for total production.