



Mao goes to Bondi:

Viticulture & Climate Change in Asia-Pacific

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PART I: CHINA

China – Shanghai



China – Shanghai



China – Beijing



China – Beijing's Air



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China – Beijing's Public Gardens



'Nine-dragon' Chinese Juniper
(*Juniperus chinensis*)

China – Xi'an, Shaanxi Province



Xi'an – China's Ancient Capital



Bell Tower (西安钟楼)

Great Mosque (西安大清真寺)

Army of Terracotta Warriors (兵马俑)



China – Yangling, Shaanxi Province



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College of Enology



China – NWAUFU, Yangling



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China – Viticulture And Wine History

- Fruit wine first made in China 8,000 years ago
- Late-2nd c. BCE: Han traveller Chang Ch'ien introduces *V. vinifera* from Central Asia
- 1892: Changyu Pioneer Wine Co. established
- 1937: Japanese invasion brings many varieties to North China and Manchuria
- 1949: PRC founded; growth of industry commences
- Late-1970s: Foreign consultants and winemakers bring expertise; growth of wine industry begins
- 1990s: Chinese universities expand their curriculum to include oenology and viticulture
- 2000s: Rapid growth of vineyards and wineries

China – Viticulture And Wine History



'He' wine vessel

7th-6th c. B.C.

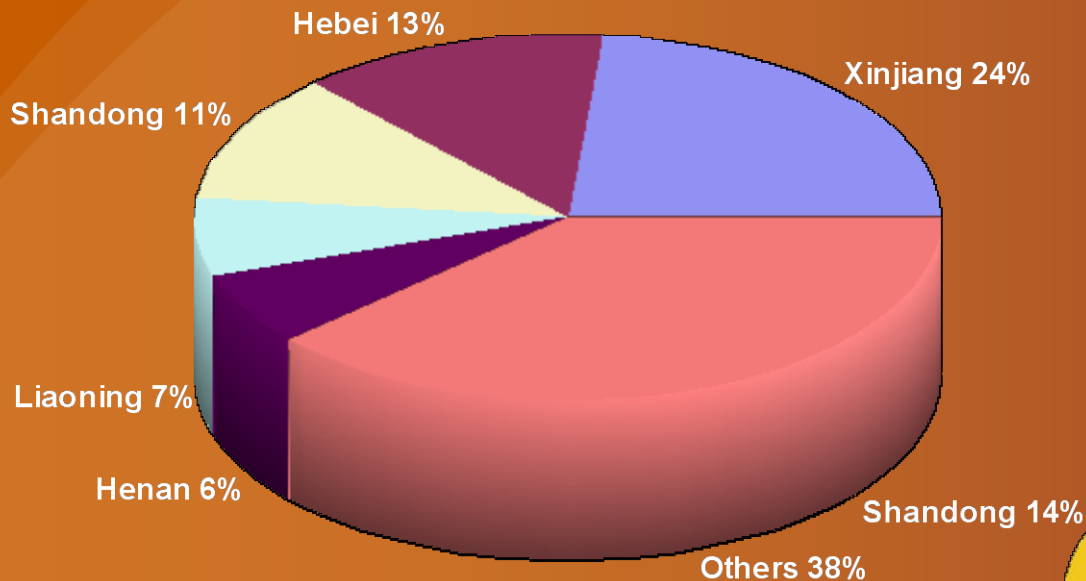
The Shanghai Museum

China – Viticultural and Climatic Regions

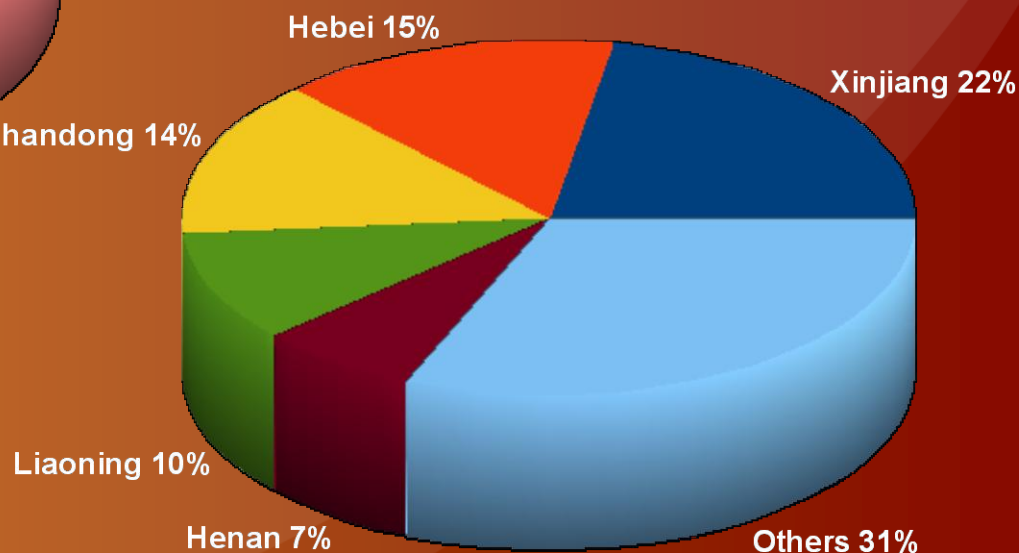


China – Vineyard Acreage and Grape Production, 2006

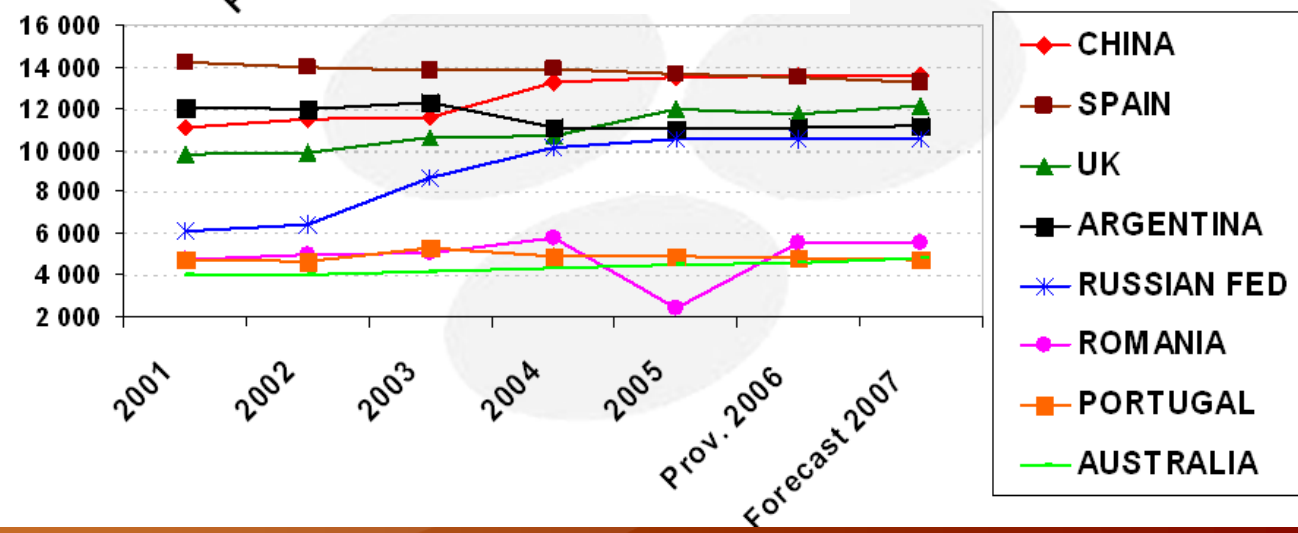
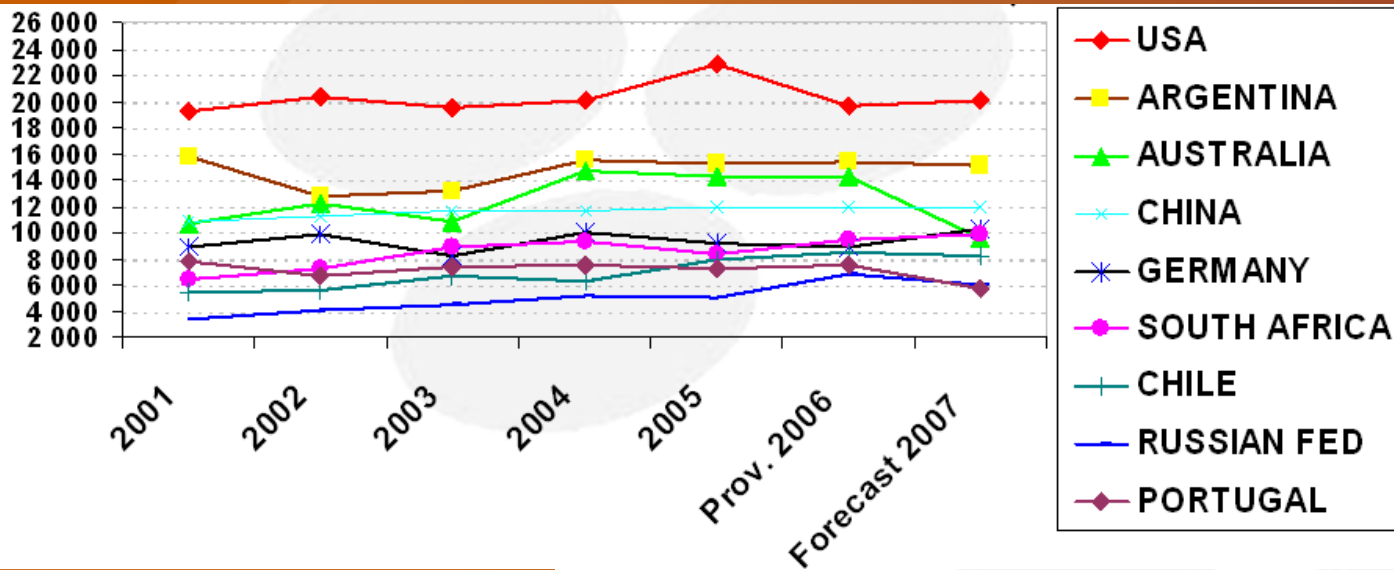
Total acreage: 419,000 ha



Total production:
6.3 million tons



China - Wine Production and Consumption



China – Grape Cultivars



Longyan

Traditional Varieties

- Long-yan ('Dragon's Eye')
- Niu-nai ('Cow's Nipple')
- Wuhebei ('Kishmish', Thompson Seedless)
- Hong-jixin ('Red Cock's Heart')
- Bai-jixin ('White Cock's Heart')
- Beichuan
- Yantai 73 (Yan 73)



Yan 73

International Varieties

- Muscat Hamburg
- Cabernet Sauvignon
- Chardonnay
- Carmenere ('Cabernet Gernischt')
- Riesling (Italian, White)
- Rkatsiteli
- Syrah
- Merlot



Niunai

China – Wild Grape Cultivars



‘Shan Putao’ (*Vitis amurensis*)



‘Sì Putao’ (*Vitis davidii*)

China – North East



- Provinces
 - Heilongjiang
 - Jilin
 - Liaoning
- Climatic Conditions
 - Cold winters
 - Dry summers

China – Regional Production North East



'Shan putao' vineyard in Jilin province

China – Regional Production North East



Pergola trellising

Vine burial, costs

China – Regional Production North East



Ice-wine production in Liaoning province

China – Regional Production

North Central, East



- Provinces/Regions

- Beijing
- Shandong
- Tianjin
- Hebei
- Henan
- Shanxi

- Climatic Conditions

- Warm, humid
- Much rainfall

China – Regional Production North Central



Young Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard, Shanxi province

China – Regional Production North Central



Cover cropping in a young vineyard, Shanxi province

China – Regional Production North Central



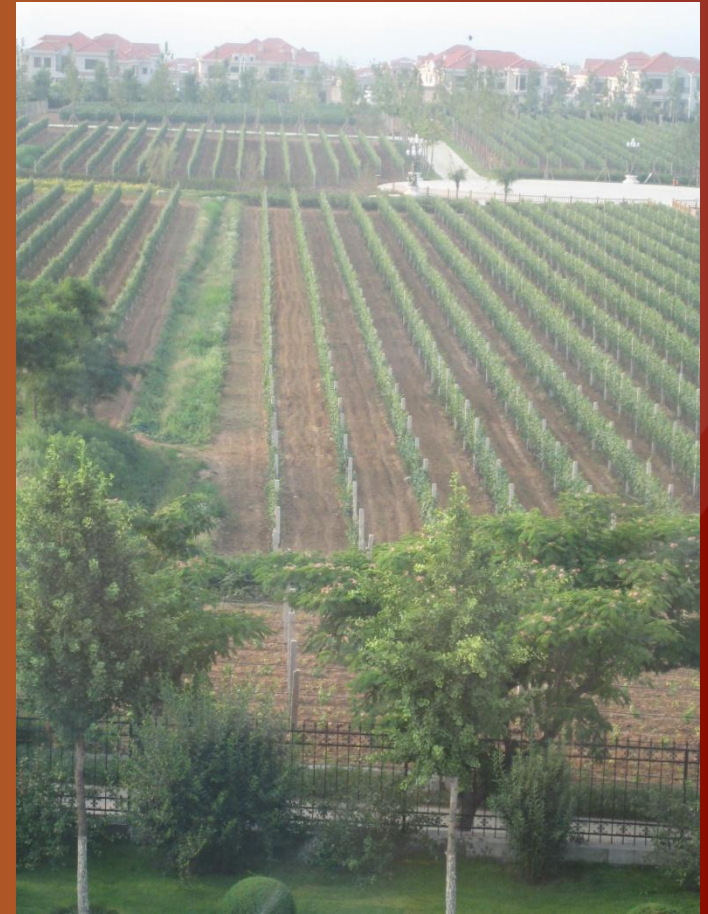
Yellow River (黄河), Houkou Falls, Shanxi province

China – Regional Production North Central



Private reservoir for irrigation water near Taiyuan, Shanxi province

China – Regional Production Shandong Province



Chateau Changyu Castel, Yantai

China – Regional Production Shandong Province



COFCO Chateau Junding, Penglai

China – Regional Production Shandong Province



Grapevine Nursery at Chateau Junding, Penglai

China – Vine Training Systems



Fan training on an arbor

Dragon training on an arbor



China – Xinjiang Province



China – Regional Production

Xinjiang, Northwest China



Suntime vineyard

Changji, Xinjiang Province



Young vineyard

Gansu Province

China – Regional Production Xinjiang, Northwest China



Grape Valley, Turfan
Xinjiang province

China – Regional Production Xinjiang, Northwest China



Raisin Production, Turfan
Xinjiang province



China – Vineyard Irrigation



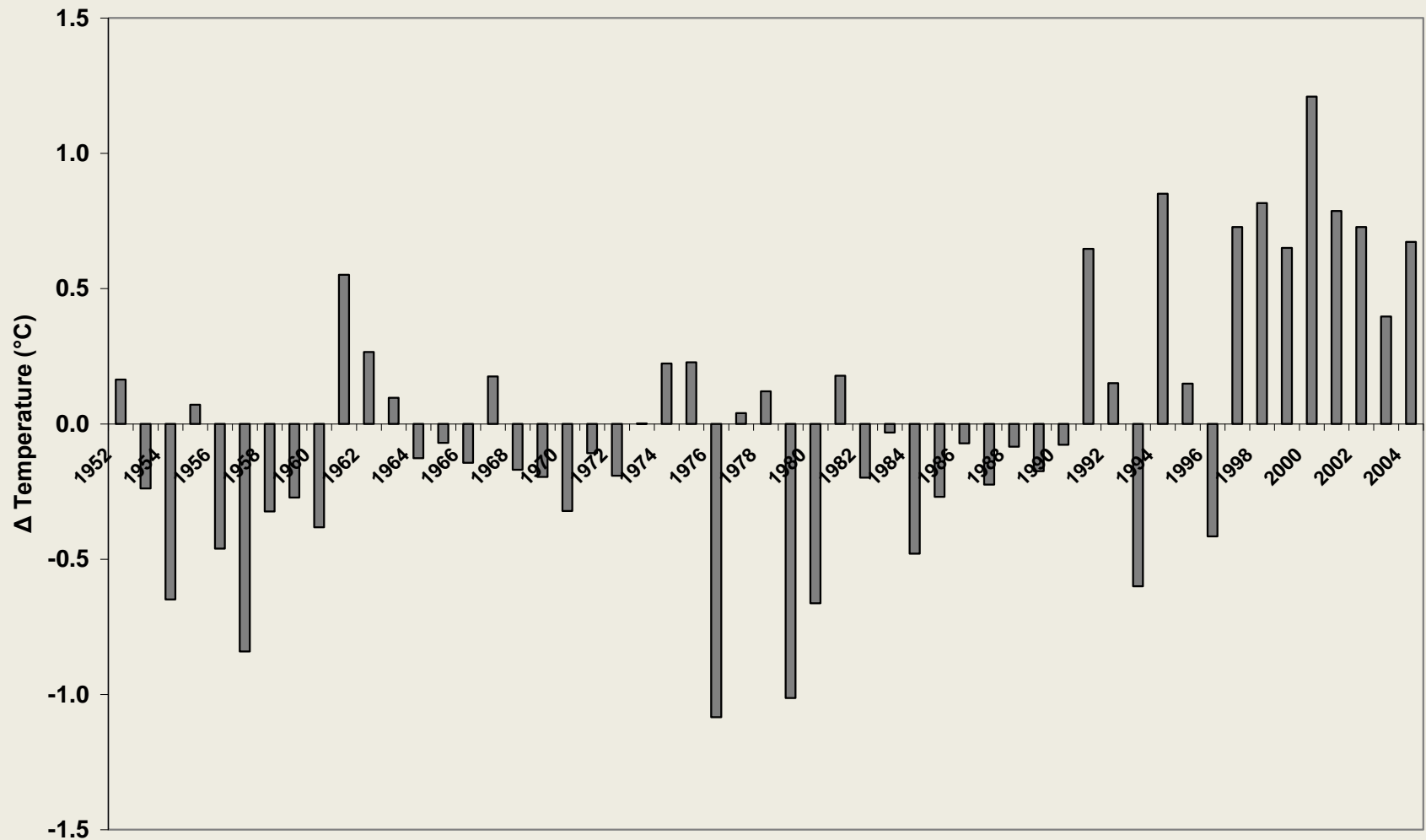
Ditch or Furrow Irrigation

China – Regional Production Xinjiang, Northwest China



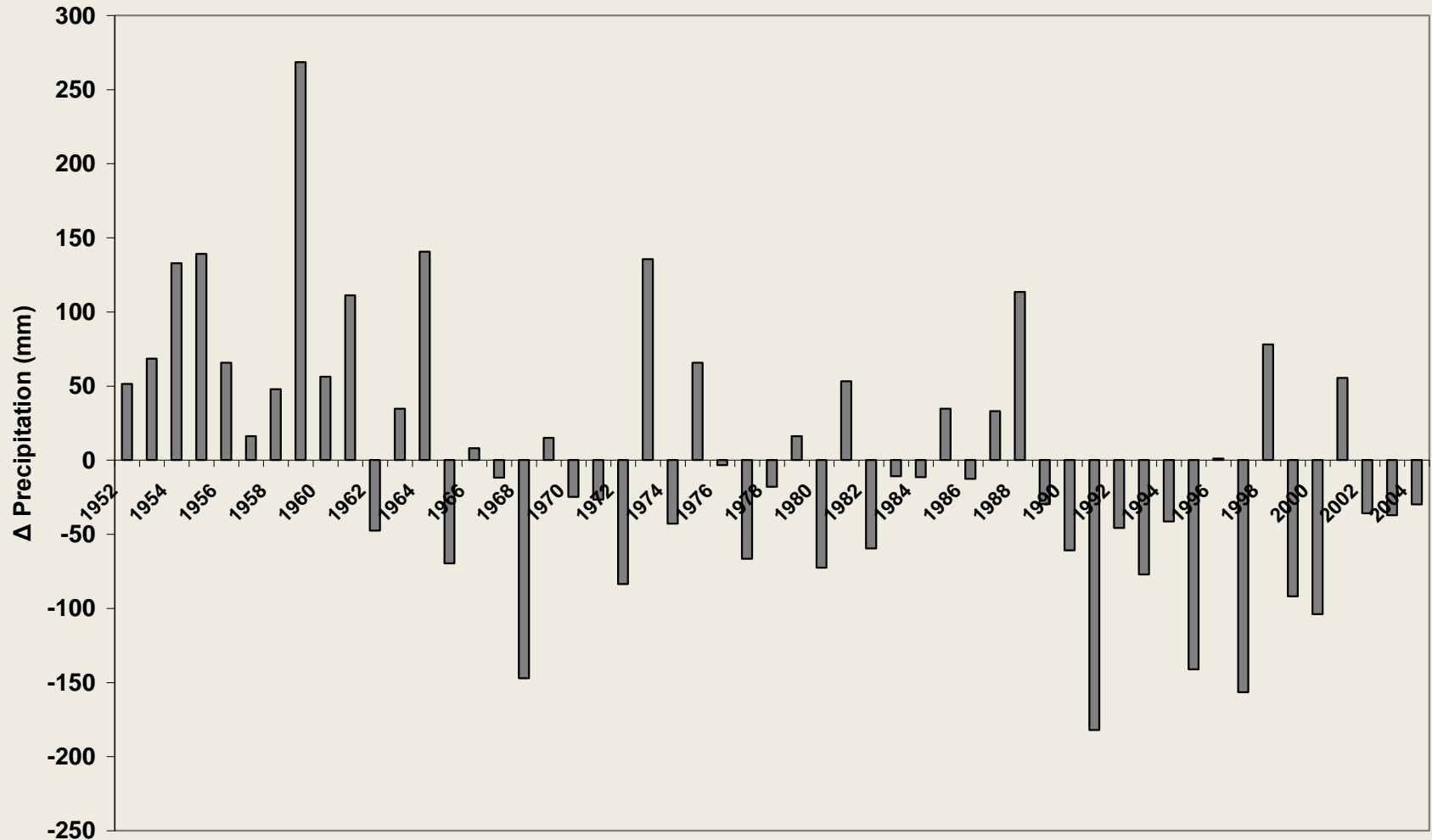
‘Kareji’ sub-surface irrigation
Turfan, Xinjiang province

China – Evidence for Climate Change



Mean growing season temperature anomaly from seven major agricultural centers in China (1952-2004)

China – Evidence for Climate Change



Mean growing season precipitation anomaly from seven major agricultural centers in China (1952-2004)

China – Evidence for Climate Change

Survey Results and Grower Testimonials

- General consensus → climate is changing!
- Winter temperatures rising , Yellow River freezes later
- Spikes in spring temperatures followed by frosts (Xinjiang)
- More 'hot' days (>35°C) during growing season
- Advanced phenology
- Increased severity of droughts
- Less available irrigation water
- Melting glaciers



Tian Shan Mountains, Xinjiang

An aerial photograph of a vast, rugged mountain range, likely the Himalayas, showing numerous peaks and ridges. The terrain is characterized by sharp, jagged peaks and deep, shadowed valleys. The overall color palette is a mix of light beige, tan, and muted blues, suggesting a high-altitude, possibly snow-dusted or rocky landscape. The text "PART II: INDIA" is overlaid in the center in a white, italicized, sans-serif font.

PART II: INDIA

Northern India



Ladakh ('Little Tibet')



Thiksay Gompa
(Monastery)



Ladakh ('Little Tibet')



North India – Himachal Pradesh

Beas River, Manali



North India – Himachal Pradesh

Dr. YSP College of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauli (Solan)



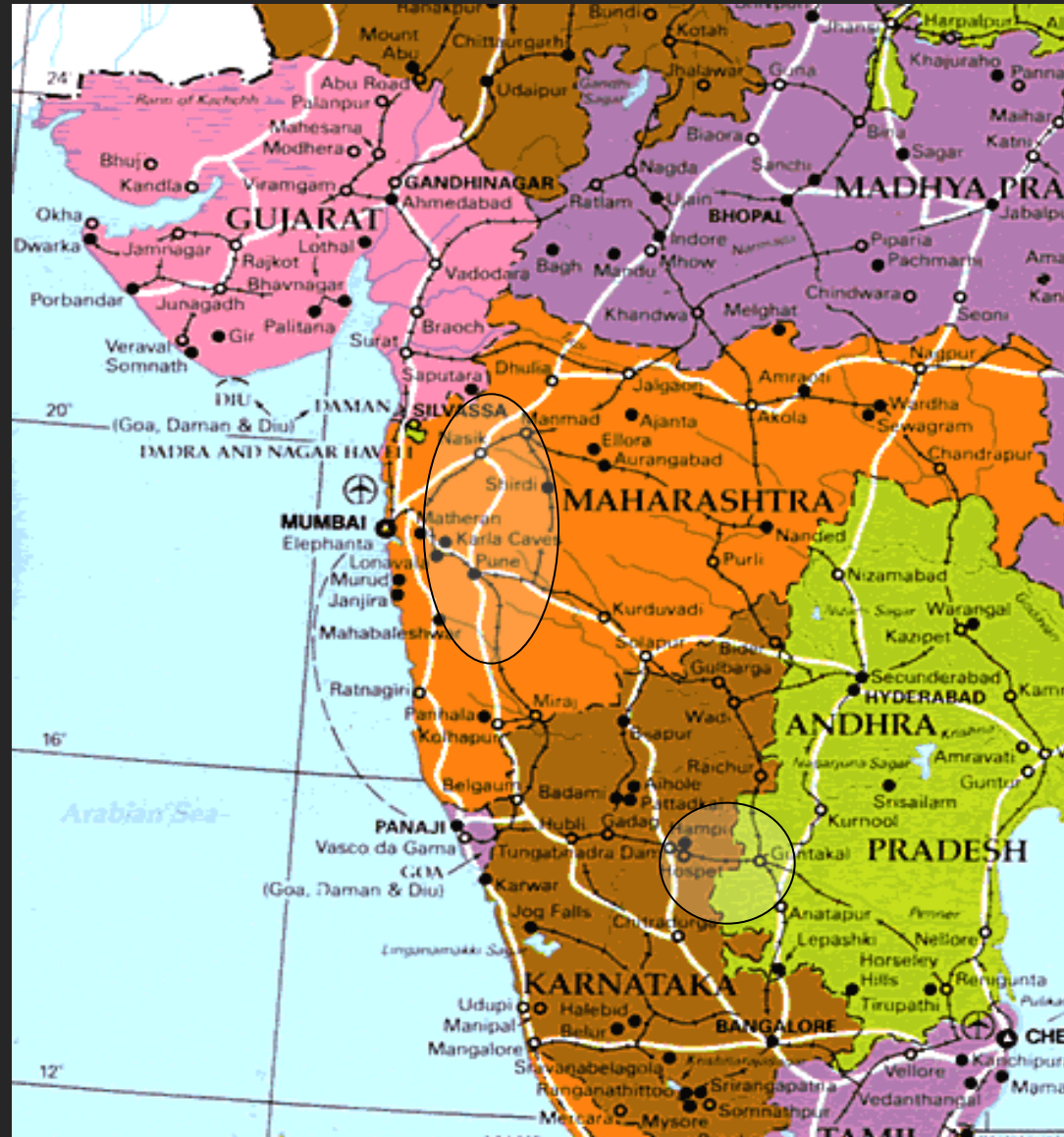
Climate Change in India

- Region with high vulnerability to climate change
 - Agriculture contributes ~18% of GDP
 - 65% of population depends on agriculture (economically)
 - 60% of agricultural area is climate-dependent
- Northern India at greater risk than Central or Southern India
- Winter temperatures rising faster than summer temperatures
- Snow days and winter precipitation decreasing
- Migration of crops is already occurring; temperate belt moving northward and to higher altitudes
- Frequency of droughts have been variable: high in the 70's and early 80's, lower in the 90's and now

Climate Change Policy in India

- The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), New Delhi
 - Energy policy analysis
 - Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) implementation
 - Impacts, vulnerabilities, and adaptation assessments
 - GHG monitoring and mitigation analysis
- International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) & Indian Center for Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi
 - Assessment of climate change in the Indo-Gangetic Plain and coastal areas
 - Effects on agricultural productivity particularly wheat and rice
- Government of India
 - Short-term: Disaster management agencies (NIDM), crop insurance schemes, high quality weather forecasting
 - Long term: Environmental impact of new development, green buildings

India – Major Viticultural Regions



Western India – Nashik, Maharashtra



N. D. Wines

Sula Vineyards



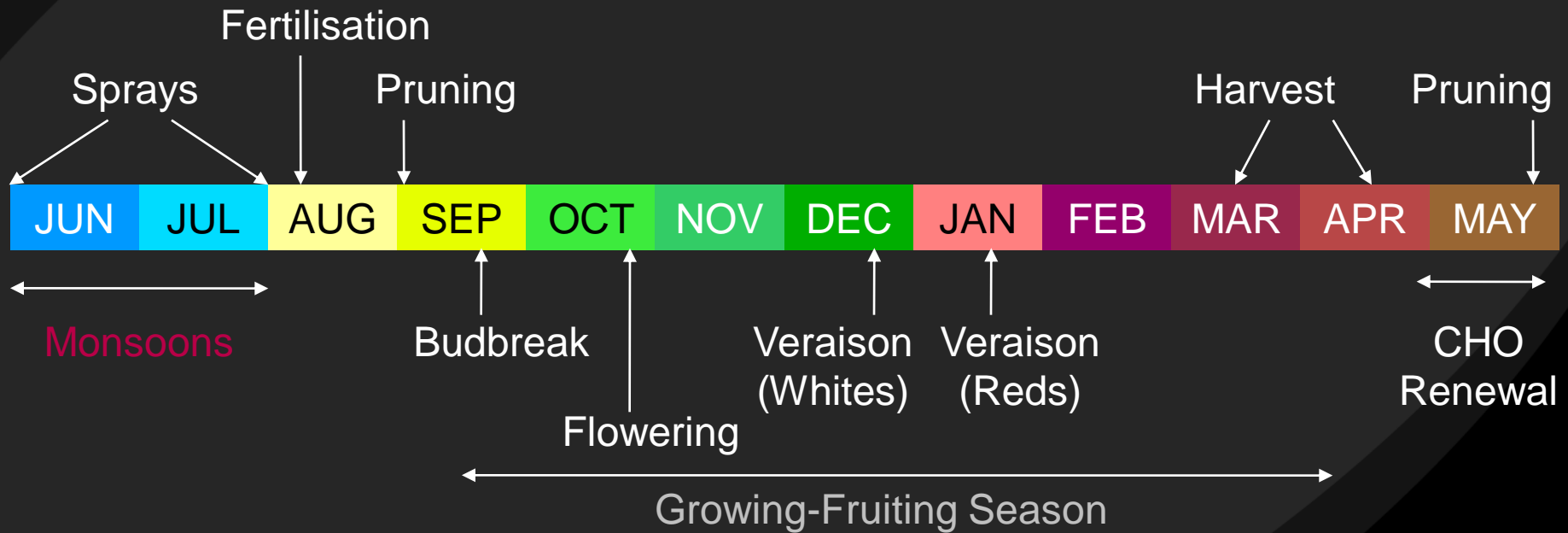
Western India – Nashik, Maharashtra



High cordon trained Chenin blanc grapevines

Tropical Viticulture – Grapevine Phenology

Cultural and other Vineyard Practices



Phenology & Climate

Tropical Viticulture – Major Challenges

- 1) Adequate cane maturation (lignification)
 - Vine remains in conditional dormancy
- 2) CHO reserves build-up
 - Lacking sufficient dormant period
 - Results in poor shoot growth, fruitset, declining productivity



PART III



Australia's National Floral Emblem



Golden Wattle (*Acacia pycnantha*)

Adelaide South Australia

Yurabilla Trail, Adelaide Hills



Adelaide and the Torrens River



Port Noarlunga

Adelaide, South Australia

- Surrounding wine regions:
 - Adelaide Hills
 - Barossa Valley
 - McLaren Vale
 - Clare Valley
 - Langhorne
Creek
 - Coonawarra



Adelaide Hills

Waite Agriculture Research Institute



Glen Osmond (Adelaide), SA



Division of Wine and Horticulture Waite Campus



Plant Research Center



Wine Innovation Cluster
Building



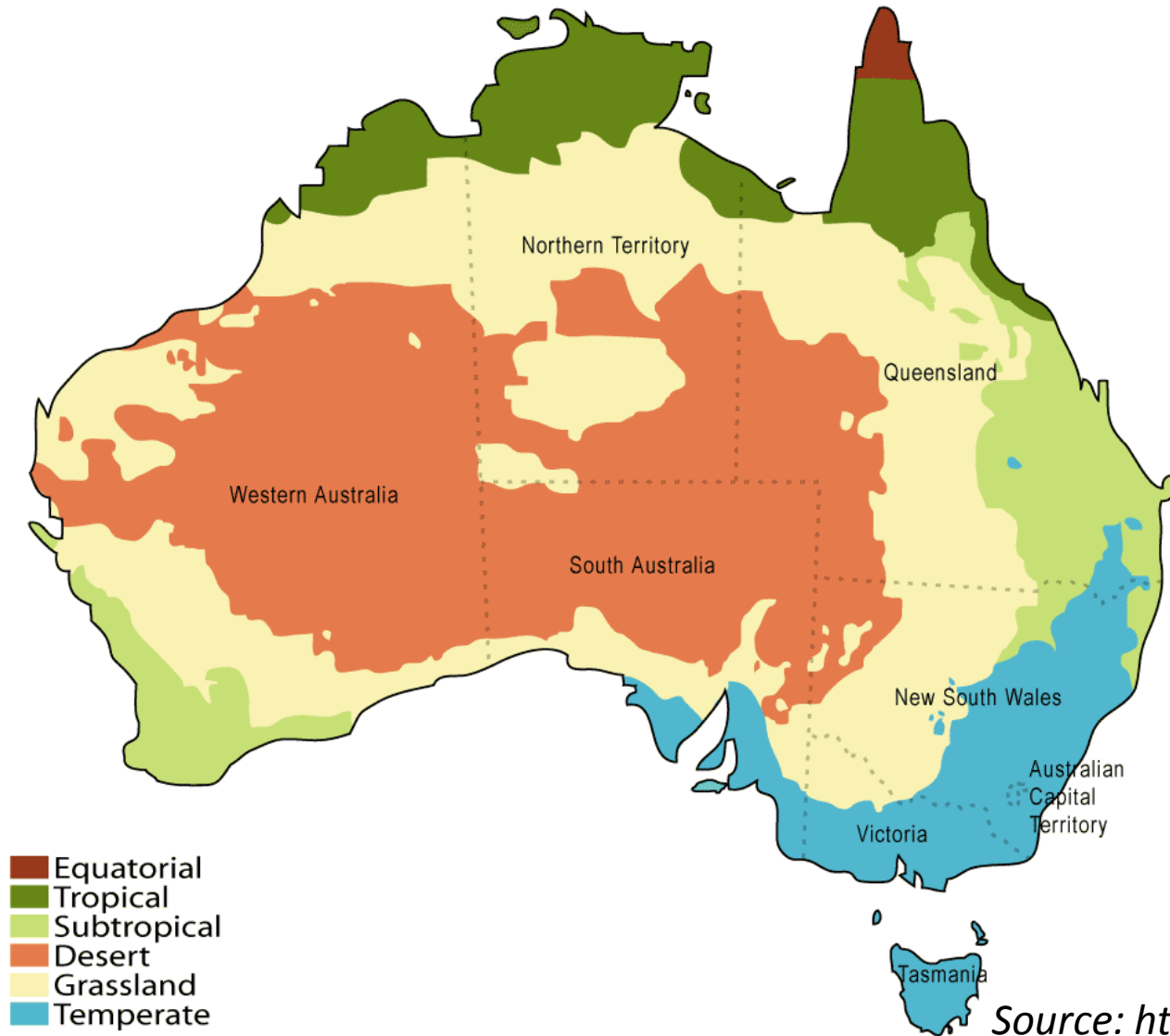
The Australian Wine
Research Institute

Major Wine Regions of Australia



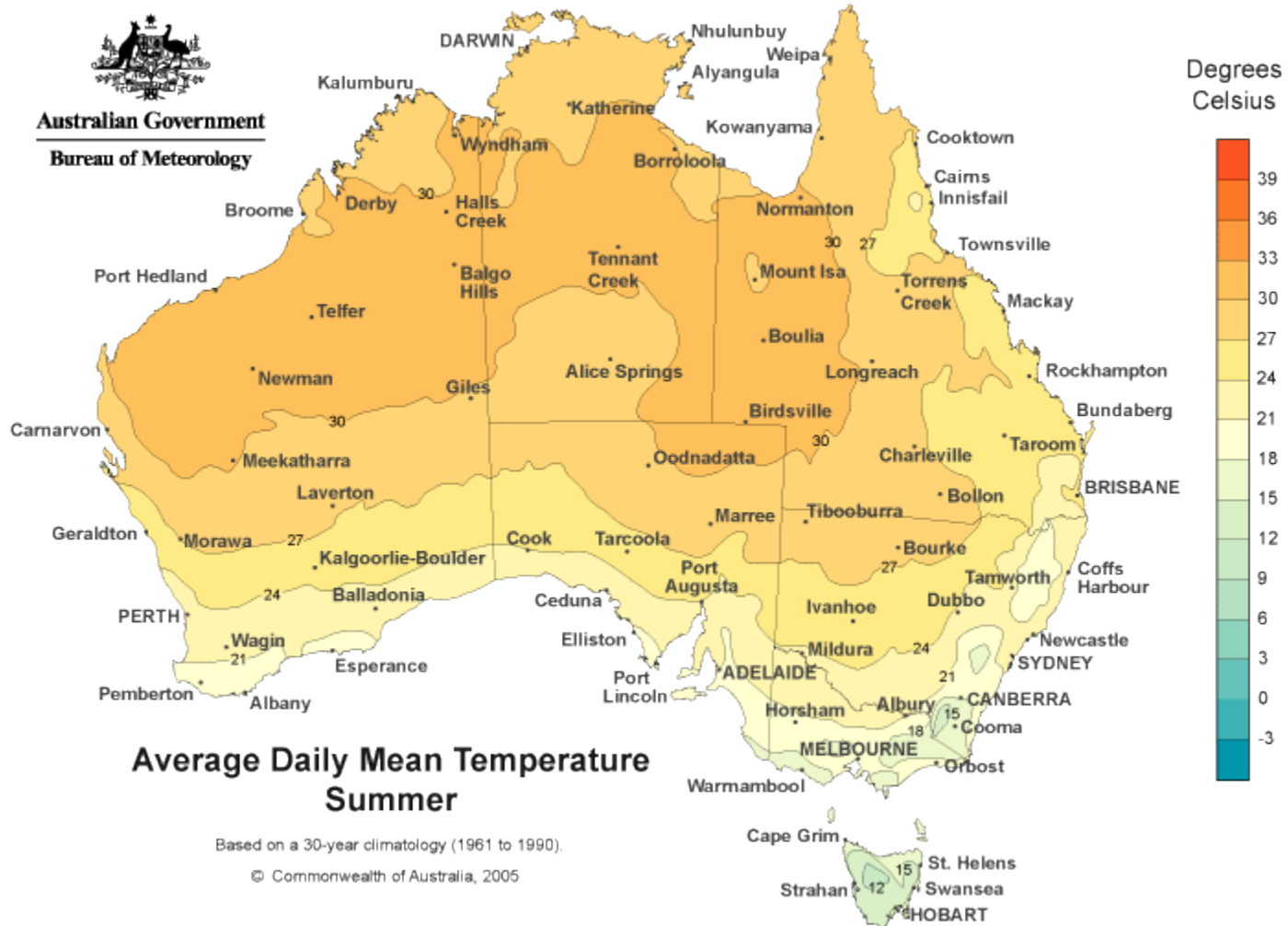
Map Source: Australian Wine Bureau

Australia – Agro-climatic Regions



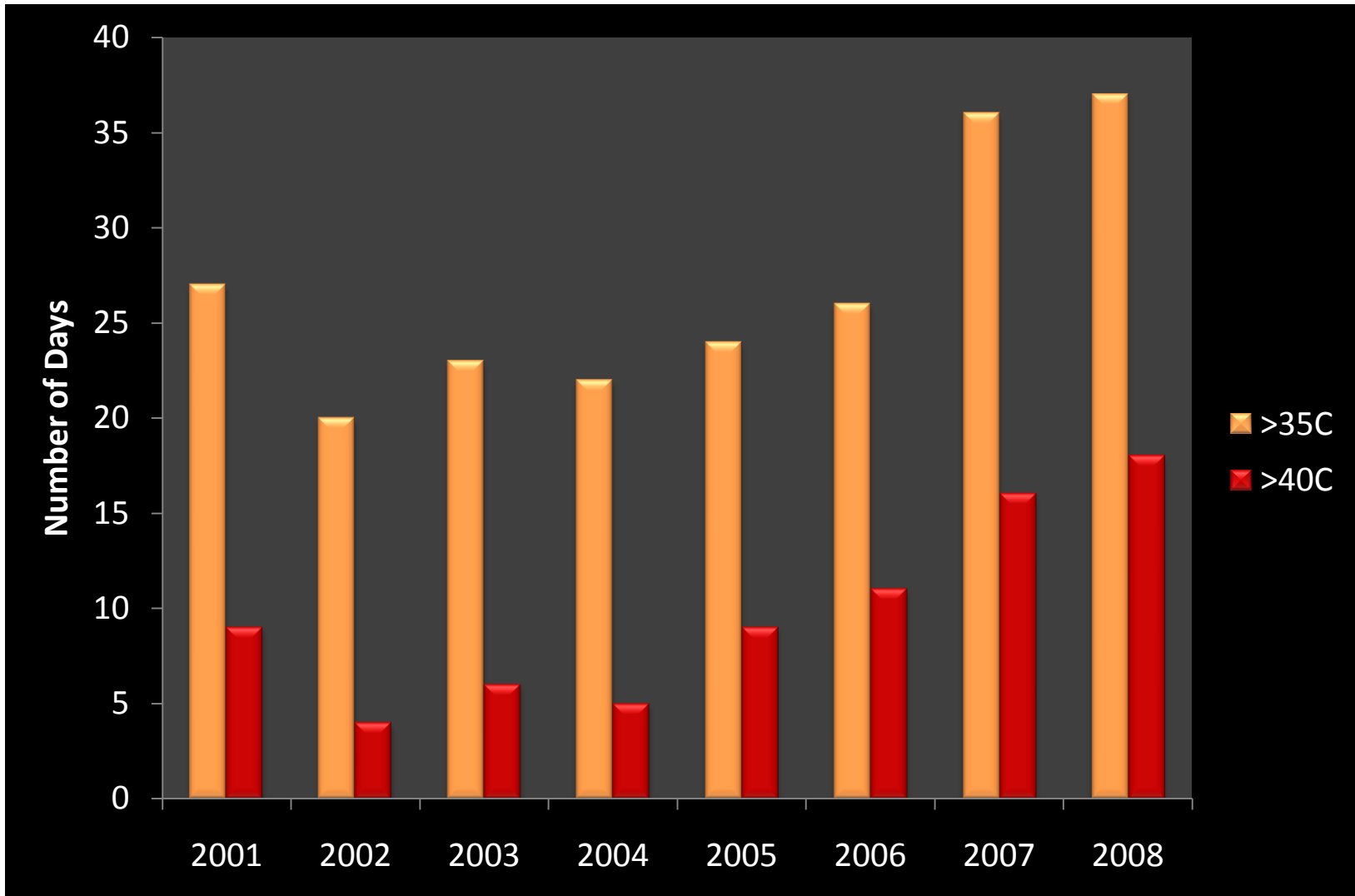
Source: <http://mapsof.net>

Climatic Trends - Temperature



Considerable variation in mean growing season temperatures across main agricultural regions

Temperature Extremes - Barossa Valley



Temperature data for Nuriootpa, SA courtesy Bureau of Meteorology, Australia

Temperature Extremes

Adelaide Heatwave 2009

- 28th January: second warmest day in recorded history, hottest day in 70 years:

45.6°C

- Record set for warmest night (minimum):

33.9°C

- Consecutive days above 35°C:

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Temperature Extremes

Adelaide Heatwave 2009



Cabernet Sauvignon vines
Irrigated @ 1 ML/ha



Temperature Extremes

En route to Mount Lofty, Adelaide Hills

February 17, 2009

Max. Temp: 34.2°C



Hot, thirsty marsupial finds water!

Temperature Extremes

Jacob's Creek, Barossa Valley

January 31, 2009

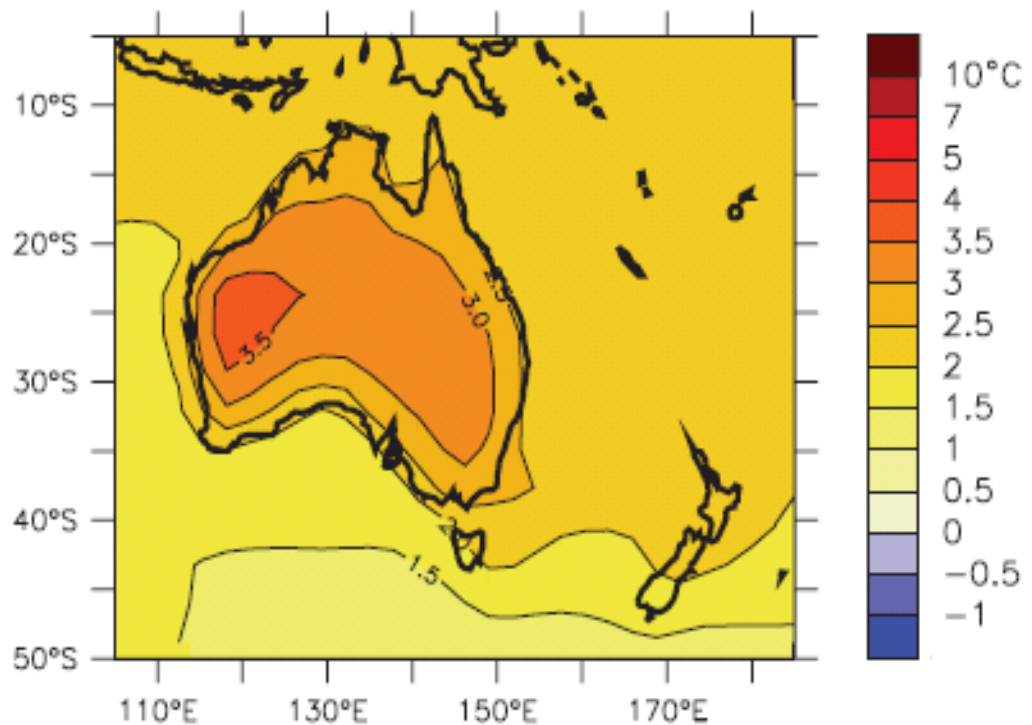
Max. Temp: 41°C



Climatic Predictions for Major Viticultural Regions for 2100

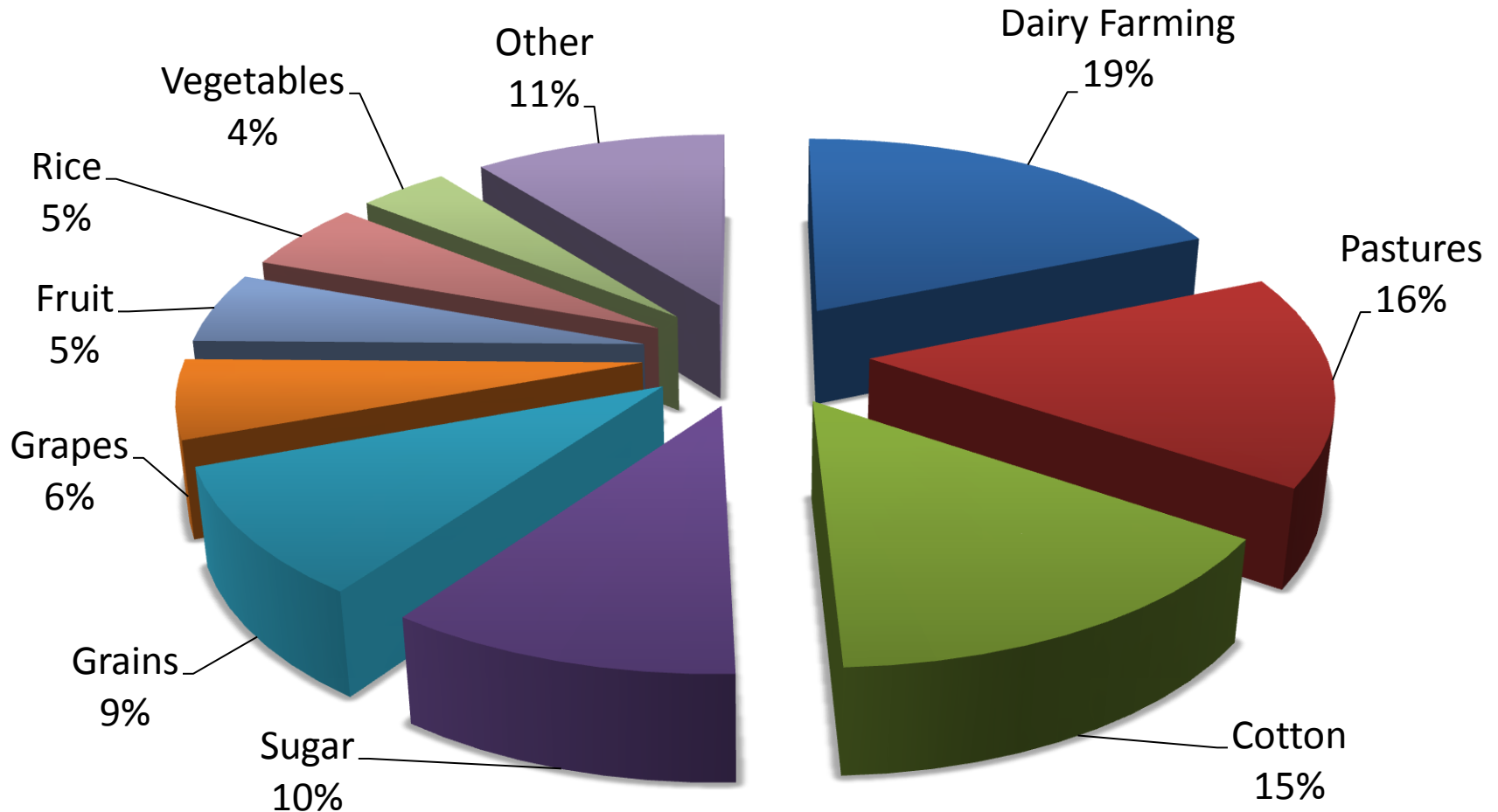
- Temperature increase of $\sim 2.6^{\circ}\text{C}$ (mostly summer)
- $\sim 4\%$ reduction in precipitation (mostly winter)
- Little change in inter-annual variability

Dec-Jan-Feb
Temperature Response ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
1980-1999 to 2080-2099



Source: IPCC AR4 WG1 Report, 2007

Agricultural water use in Australia



**Agricultural water use: 14,000 GL
(2004-2005)**

*Source: National Water Commission
Australian Government
www.nwc.gov.au*

Irrigation Water Loss is a Major Issue

According to the National Water Security Plan (2007):



- 10-30% water lost before reaching farm gate
- 20% lost in distribution channels
- 60% water applied using high-volume channels or inefficient systems
- 10-15% water lost through over-watering

Water access entitlements and a pot of beer

285 mL beer:

- QLD, TAS, VIC: 'Pot'
- NSW, ACT, WA: 'Middy'
- SA: 'Schooner'

Water access entitlement:

- VIC: 'Water share'
- NSW: 'Water access license'
- QLD: 'Water allocation'

*Dictionary of Terms for Water Access
Entitlements and Transactions
(National Water Commission)*



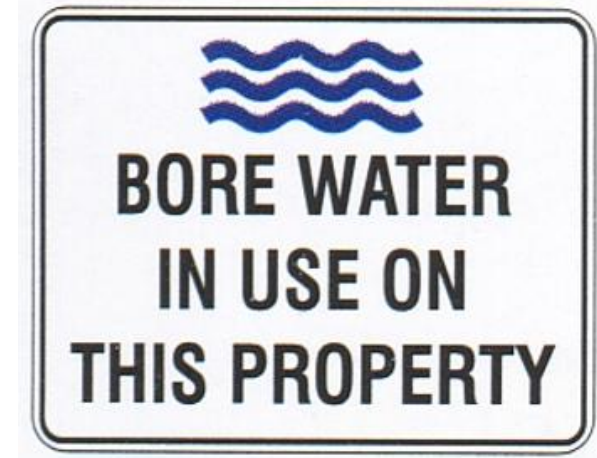
Water Security, Allocations, Trading

- High vs. general or low security water
- Current Murray allocations to SA:
 - 13% of original allocation (as of Nov/2008)
 - 2.5 ML/ha (Riverland), 1.6 ML/ha (Langhorne Creek)
- Water trading:
 - Water balance = Allocation minus Crop requirement
(allocation depends on availability)
 - +ve balance: potential water seller
 - ve balance: potential water buyer
 - Prices range from AU\$200 - AU\$1000/ML

*Murray photo :
National Geographic Magazine
(April 2009)*

Sources of irrigation water

- Rivers
 - Strict allocations
- Bores/Aquifers
 - Restricted
- Dams (Reservoir)
 - Restricted
- Rainfall
 - Highly variable
 - Unpredictable



Bore water pumping station
Gemtree Vineyards, McLaren Vale, SA

Climate change: Implications for irrigated agriculture/viticulture

- What we already know:
 - Advanced and rapid phenological progression
 - Ripening and harvest will be in warmer conditions
 - Cultivars already at their limits will suffer
 - Cooler areas may benefit
 - Well-watered vines can recover from high temperature events without much leaf loss
- Need to investigate:
 - Effects of timing and duration of heat stress and elevated CO₂ on vine physiology and crop development

Elevated Temperature Study

Objectives

- Investigate reproductive performance of Shiraz grapevines subjected to elevated temperatures in a field-setting
 - Both timing and intensity of heat stress were assessed
 - Physiological responses concurrently evaluated by SARDI
- Parameters assessed included:
 - Flowering and fruitset
 - Yield components
 - Pollen viability, germination, and pollen tube growth
 - Ovary development, ovule cell viability
 - Berry and seed development



Elevated Temperature Study

SARDI - Nuriootpa Research Center



Under-vine Tents
~3°C above ambient



Whole-vine Chambers
~10°C above ambient

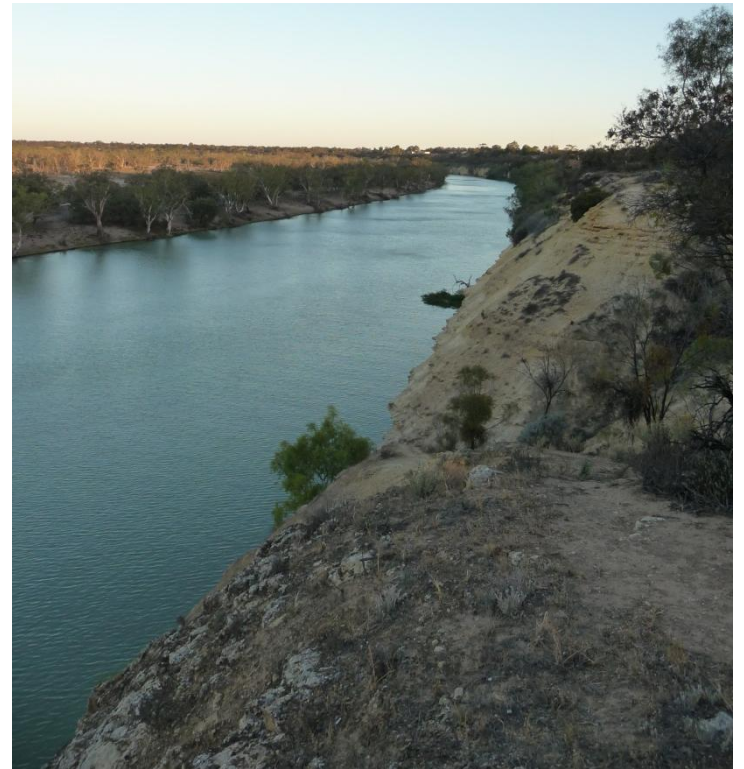
Climate Change Adaptation: What is Australia doing?

- Government
 - Ratified Kyoto Protocol (1997)
 - Emissions Trading Scheme (2010)
- Climate Forecasting on a Regional Scale
 - CSIRO: main research body looking at climate change, modeling, and impacts on agriculture
 - Improved prediction certainty
 - Frequency and intensity of extreme climate events



Climate Change Adaptation: Irrigation Water & The Murray

- Improved monitoring of water flows (MDBA)
- Salinity management and salt interception
- ‘Living Murray’ program (2003)



Murray Darling Basin Authority

Live River Data - Murray river Euston weir to the sea

Murray River storage levels and flow data: Euston Weir to Lower Lakes
 Last updated: 22:01 28/04/2009

- ✓ Water trading
- ✓ Water use
- ✓ Water quality
- ✓ Groundwater
- ✓ Water sharing
- ✓ Wetlands
- ✓ Irrigation
- ✓ Subsurface water

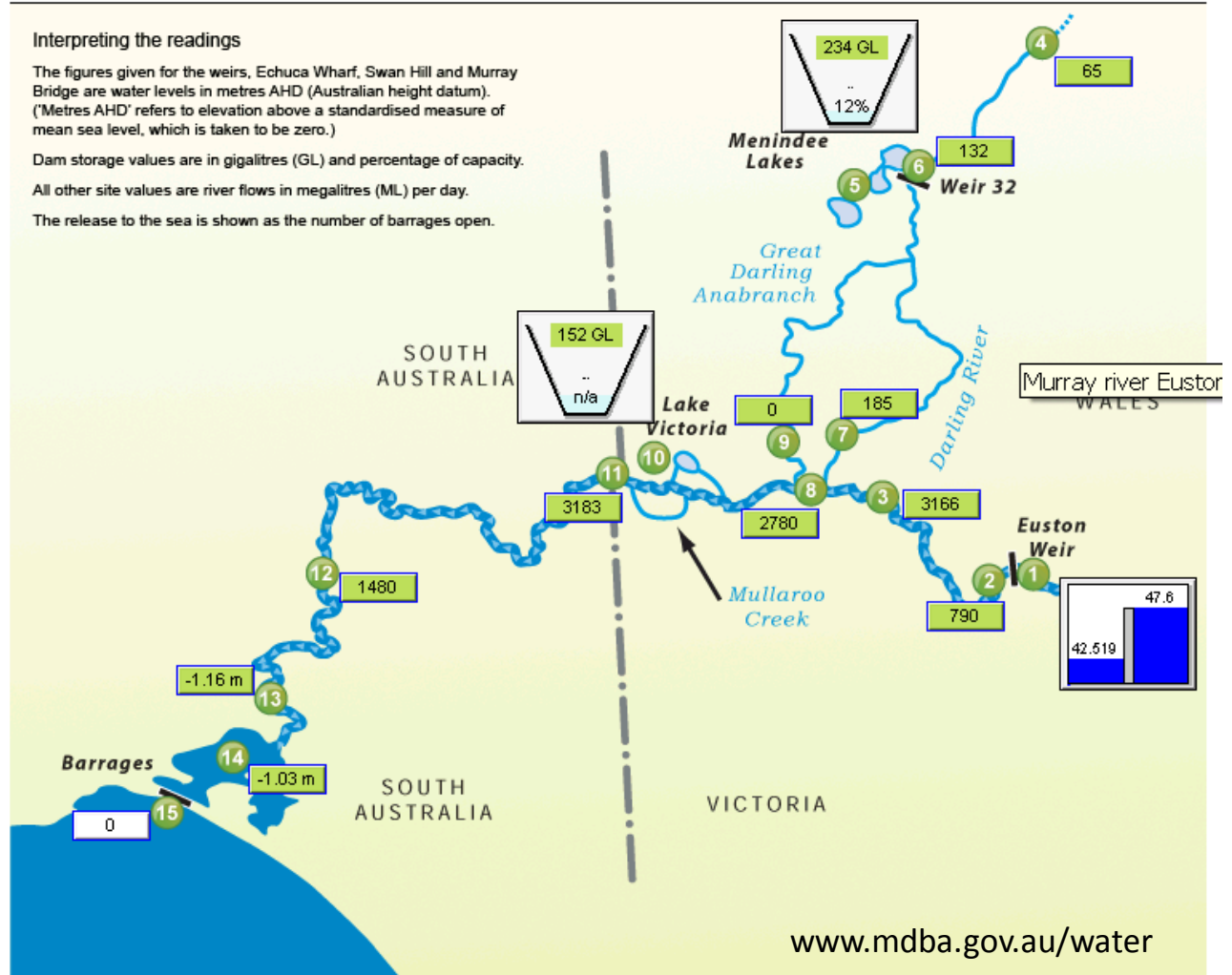
Interpreting the readings

The figures given for the weirs, Echuca Wharf, Swan Hill and Murray Bridge are water levels in metres AHD (Australian height datum). ('Metres AHD' refers to elevation above a standardised measure of mean sea level, which is taken to be zero.)

Dam storage values are in gigalitres (GL) and percentage of capacity.

All other site values are river flows in megalitres (ML) per day.

The release to the sea is shown as the number of barrages open.



Water Harvesting and Storage



Inflatable Dam, Penfolds, Clare Valley

Irrigation Research in the Riverland

Oxford Landing, SA



10% irrigation



100% irrigation

Grapevine canopy development affected by water-stress

Irrigation Research in the Riverland

Oxford Landing, SA



10% irrigation



100% irrigation

Water-stressed vines have uneven fruitset

Soil Moisture Measurement

- Irrigation scheduling based on soil moisture levels



Gypsum Block
at Oxford
Landing

Sentek's EnviroSCAN



Climate Change: Adaptation Strategies

Variety and Rootstock Selection



Grenache (left row) & Tempranillo (right row) vines show good drought tolerance (near-isohydric, 'pessimists')

Climate Change: Adaptation Strategies

Rootstock Trial at SARDI, Nuriootpa



Shiraz grapevines on Schwarzmann rootstock, non-irrigated



Climate Change: Adaptation Strategies



A clean-cultivated vineyard, McLaren Vale, SA

Climate Change: Adaptation Strategies

- Increased use of organic techniques, cover crops, mulches to improve soil moisture retention



Saltbush (Genus: *Atriplex*)
SARDI-Nuriootpa (Barossa), SA



Within-row grass cover crop and mower
Gemtree Vineyards, McLaren Vale, SA

Climate Change: Adaptation Strategies

Precision Irrigation Management

- Delineate strategic management zones
- Optimize water & fertilizer distribution and uniformity
- Accurate measurement of weather, soil moisture, fertility
- Regulated deficit irrigation



Coldstream Hills (Winery), Yarra Valley, VIC

Climate Change: Adaptation Strategies

- Canopy management and trellis design
 - Increase leaf area and shading e.g. CA sprawl
- Artificial shading, nets
- Evaporative cooling
- Planting new varieties and rootstocks, including GM-rootstocks for improved drought & salinity tolerance
- Increased use of technology:
 - Monitoring water application and vine water status
 - Yield sensors and maps
 - Plant Cell Density mapping

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