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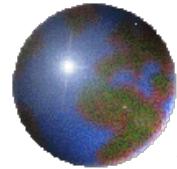
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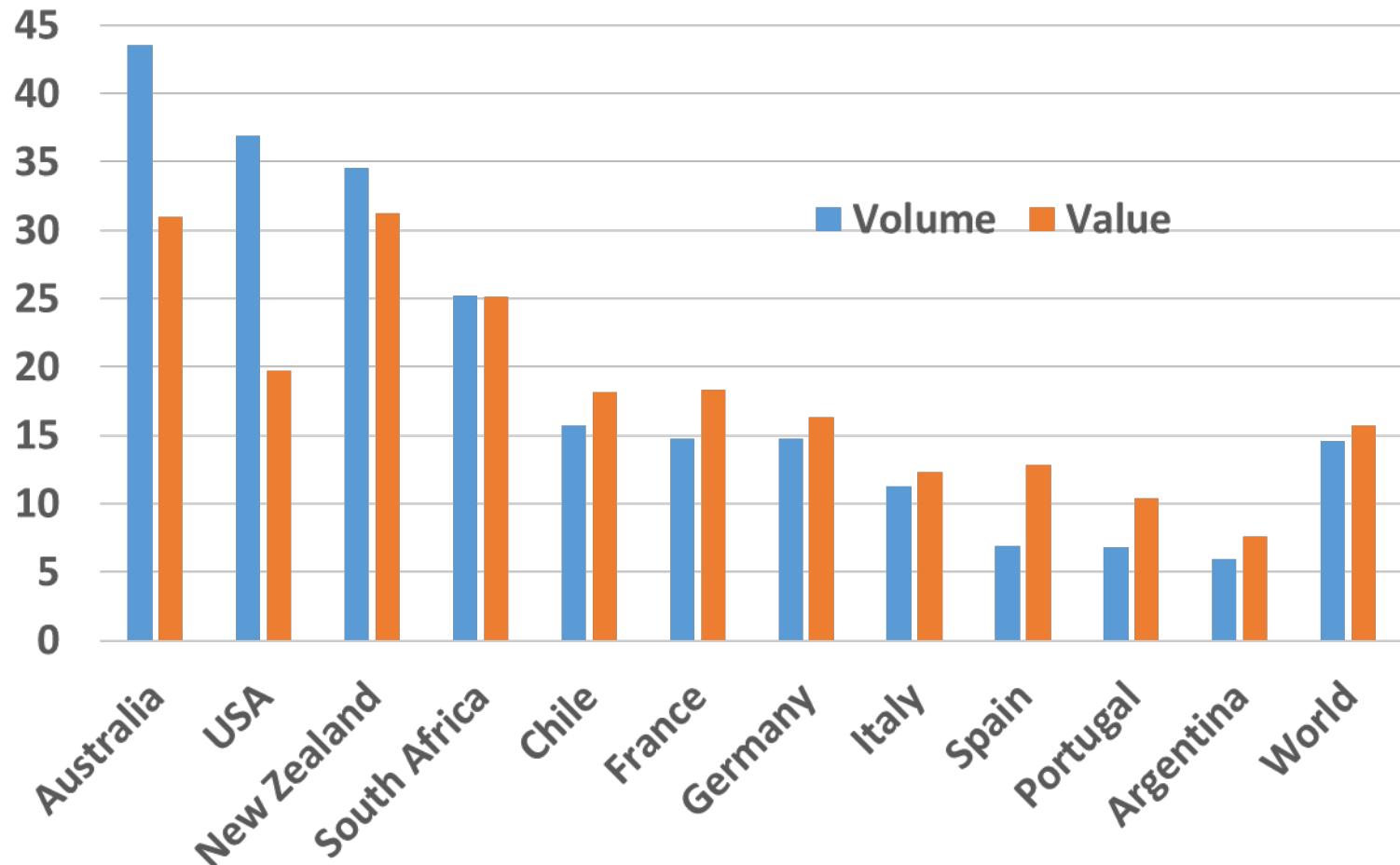


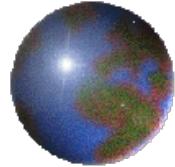
Why focus on wine?

- UK is world's 1st or 2nd largest wine importer
 - >3 times UK's importance in global goods imports
- EU provides 60% of world's wine exports
- UK is one of the largest wine export markets
 - for EU countries but, even more so, for
 - New World wine-exporting countries



Importance of UK to wine-exporting countries (% of their total wine exports, 2010-14)

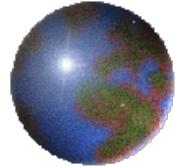




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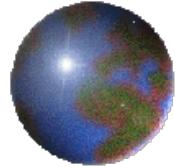
- ▣ a 'hard' Brexit (ie, UK leaving EU Single Market) will **hurt EU27** wine exporters ...
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Share of UK wine import volume by source (%):

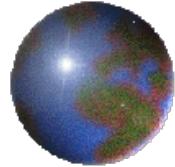
>2/3^{rds} have enjoyed duty free access to UK

	EU27	South Africa + Chile	Australia + New Zealand	United States	Others
1990-95	90	3	5	2	0
1996-01	68	10	16	6	0
2002-12	55	15	20	9	1
2013-14	52	15	21	9	3



But tariff preference is very small

- Averages just **13 pence/litre** of wine
 - c.f. excise tax+VAT of approx. **£3/litre**
 - ... and average retail price is around **£6/bottle** off-trade, **>£13** on-trade
- => tariff is just **1%-2%** of consumer price



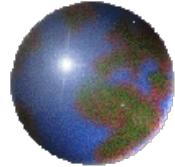
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- ➋ However, that's **only part of the likely story**
 - Outcome **also depends** on extent to which Brexit affects **UK incomes** and **the UK pound** initially ...
 - ... & then on what & when **new bilateral FTAs** emerge

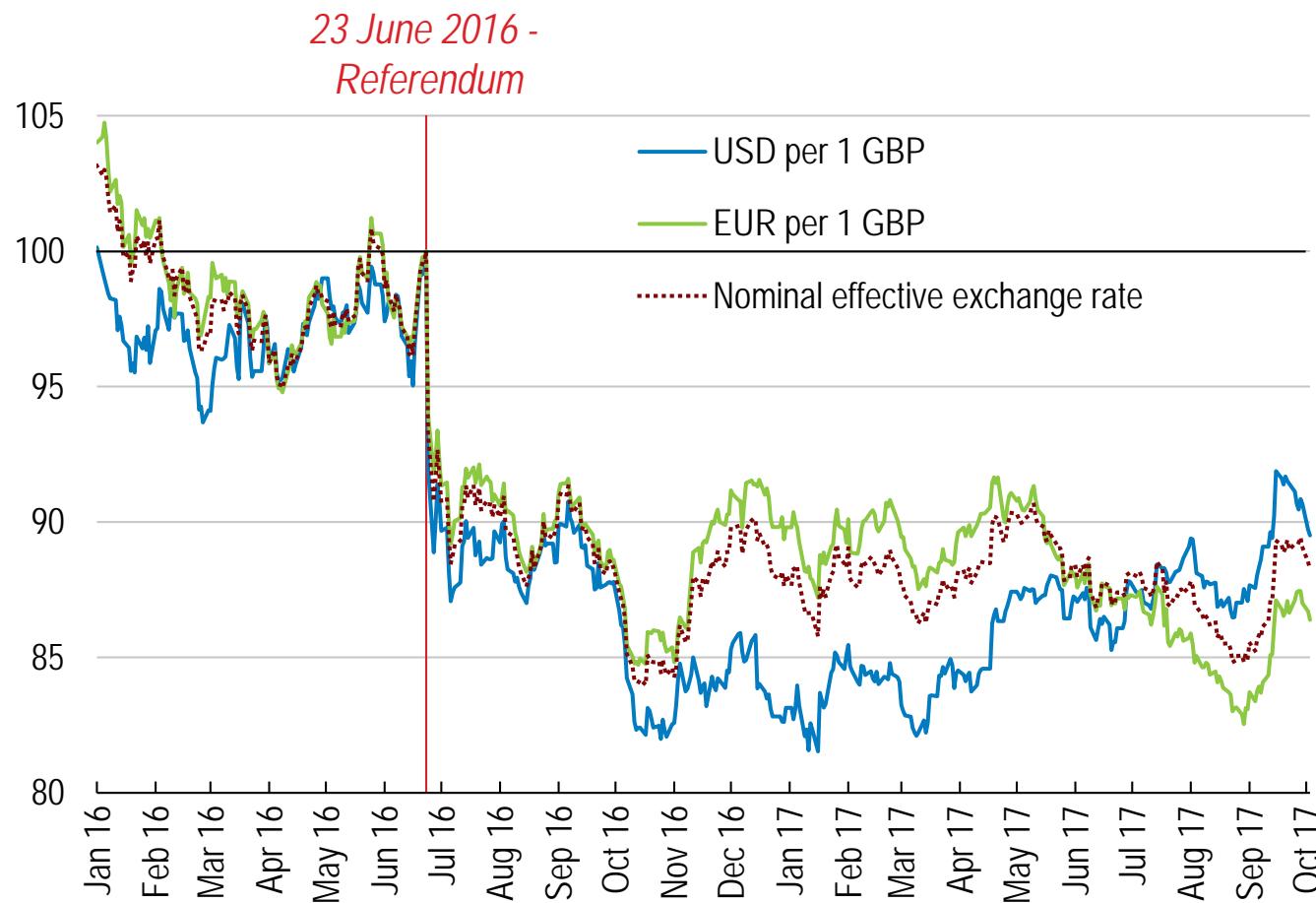


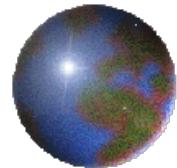
What initial effects matter for wine?

- Brexit will alter some bilateral import tariffs, but:
 - ... it is also **devaluing the pound**
 - which **raises the pound price of wine** in the UK
 - ... **and**, unless UK adopts great macroeconomic policies, **UK income growth rate will fall**
 - which will **reduce growth in UK demand for wine**



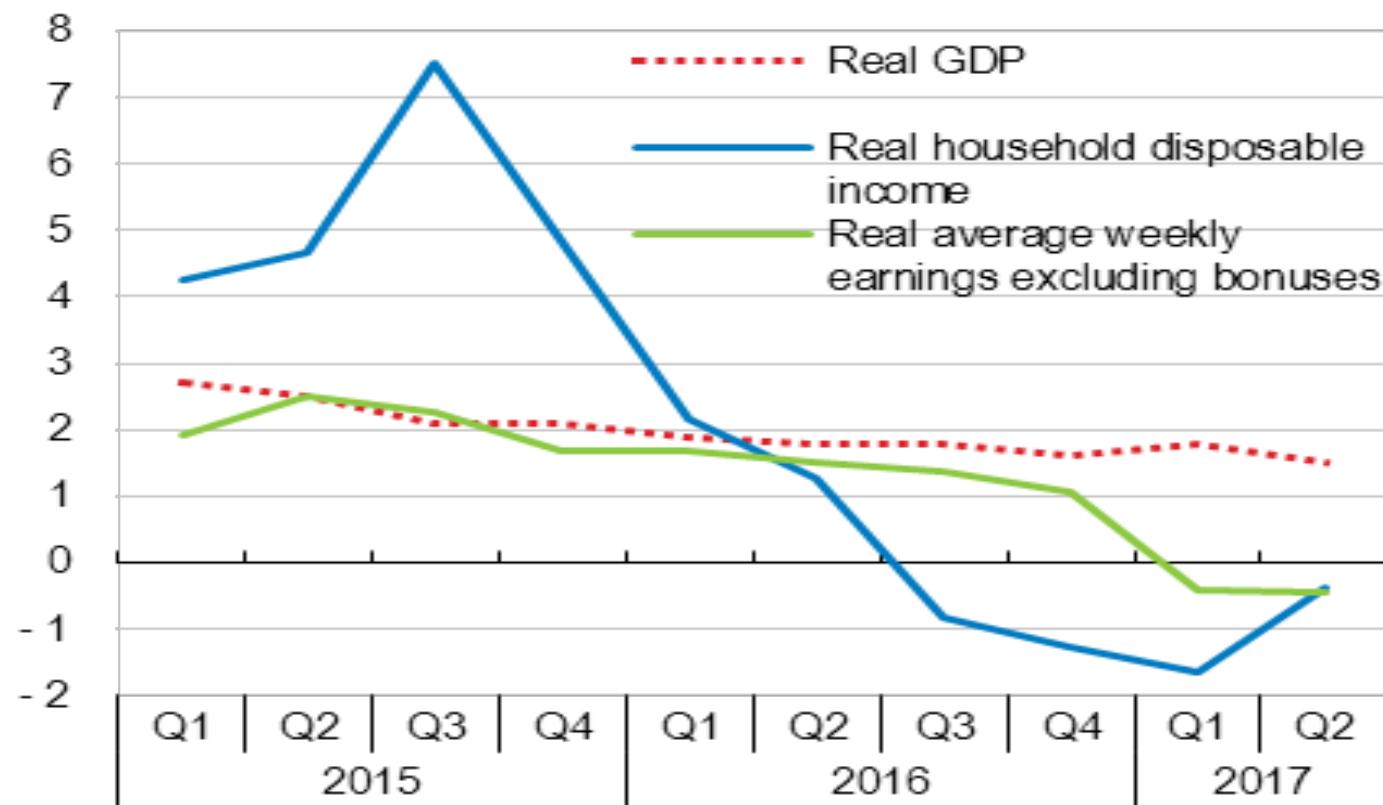
Pound devaluation: 15% since referendum

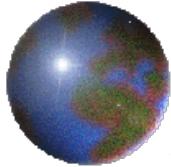




UK *real income growth (% pa)*

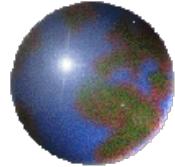
A. Real GDP and household income growth
Year-on-year percentage change





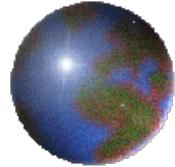
UK real GDP impact by 2017-18

- By third quarter of 2017, economic cost of Brexit vote **already 1.3% of GDP**, and could be **3x that** by end-2018
 - See “The Economic Consequences of the Brexit Vote”, by B. Born, G.J. Müller, M. Schularick and P. Sedláček, CEPR DP 12454, November 2017



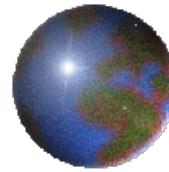
What will be initial effects of Brexit?

- ... on UK wine prices, consumption, production, imports and exports
- ... on EU27 wine exports, and
- ... on wine exports of other countries?



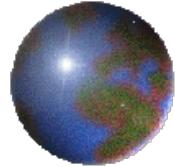
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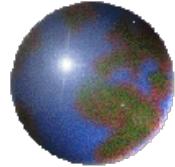
Baseline shares of UK wine imports (%): by 2025, w'out Brexit 4/5ths would enjoy duty-free access

	EU27	South Africa & Chile	Australia & New Zealand	United States	Others
Volume:					
2013-14	52	+ 15 = 67	21	9	3
2025	63	+ 16 = 79	13	5	3
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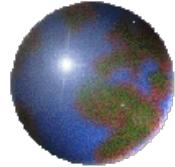
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- **Brexit is then imposed**, assuming UK leaves customs union & adopts EU tariff schedules at WTO
 - ... including on wine imports from EU27
 - ... and EU27 imposes its common external tariffs on UK wine exports & re-exports too



Assumptions about Brexit by 2025

- ➊ Two alternative initial Brexit scenarios:

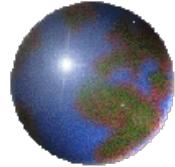
1. UK **adopts EU's tariff structure** which raises tariffs on EU (and Chilean and South African) wine, lowers **UK income growth rate** to 2025 by 2/3^{rds} (0.9% instead of 2.6%/yr) & causes 20% **real depreciation of £ ('Hard Brexit')**
2. As with Scenario 1 but macro impacts on growth and pound are only half as large by 2025 (**'Soft Brexit'**) because of assumed signing of FTAs well before 2025



Scenario 1 ('Hard Brexit'): effects on UK wine consumption

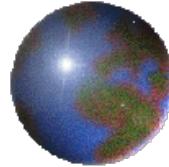
- Wine consumer prices in UK (in pounds) would be 24% higher on average:
 - 4% because of *altered tariffs*
 - 22% because of *pound depreciation*
 - -2% because of *lower income growth*

- Wine consumption volume in UK would be 28% lower:
 - 5% because of *altered tariffs*
 - 7% because of *pound depreciation*
 - 16% because of *lower income growth*



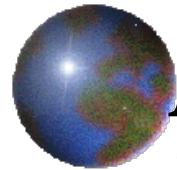
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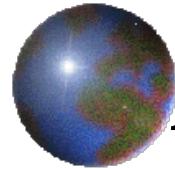
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- ➋ **UK share of global wine imports** in 2025 are 2% less by value, 5% less by volume
 - and **global wine trade** would be 3% less in 2025 than it would have been without this Brexit shock, with **all wine countries exporting less** (not just EU)



Effects of ‘Hard Brexit’ on wine export values (US\$m): SAfr & Chile lose most

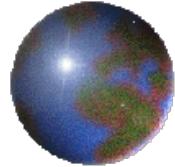
	UK	RoW	WORLD	(%)
EU27	-1182	-217	-1399	(-4)
Chile	-170	31	-139	(-11)
South Africa	-106	20	-86	(-7)
USA	-75	-39	-114	(-5)
Australia	-25	-59	-84	(-3)
Argentina	-16	-38	-54	(-5)
New Zealand	-162	71	-91	(-4)
WORLD	-1752	-16	-1768	(-3)



Alternative assumptions about Brexit

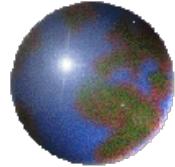
● Subsequent FTA scenarios:

- 'Soft Brexit' plus **UK-EU27 FTA**
- plus also **EU27 FTAs with Aust. & New Zealand**
- plus also **UK FTAs with Aust., NZ, Chile & SAfrica**



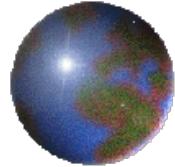
Assumptions about ‘Soft Brexit’ by 2025

- ➊ ‘Soft Brexit’ plus UK-EU27 FTA scenario:
 - ▣ Assumes UK pound is only 10% less, and real UK incomes are only 9% less, than they would have been in 2025 in absence of Brexit
 - ‘**lost years**’ are because of current uncertainties, pending decision on future UK-EU27 trade agreement



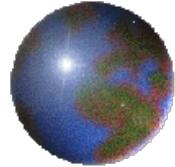
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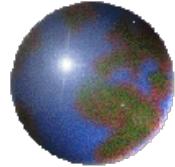
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- We use this Scenario 2 to examine additional effects by 2025 of signing a UK-EU27 FTA
 - ... the assumed reason for Brexit becoming 'Soft'



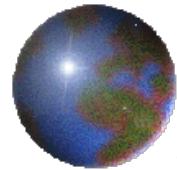
'Soft Brexit' plus UK-EU27 FTA scenario

- ➊ Under 'Soft Brexit', a UK-EU27 FTA is estimated to restore about **3/4^{ths}** of UK and global wine market losses (relative to 'Soft Brexit' without such an FTA)



UK-EU27 FTA plus 2 other FTA scenarios

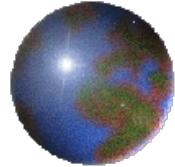
- ➊ Starting with 'Soft Brexit' including a UK-EU27 FTA:
 - we add **EU bilateral FTAs with Aust and NZ**
 - then also add **UK FTAs with ANZ, Chile & Sth Africa**



Impact of adding sequentially two extra FTAs on world wine trade in 2025 (2014 US\$m)

<i>Extra FTAs:</i> <i>Exporter:</i>	EU27-ANZ	+ UK-NW^a		
EU27	38	16		
ANZ	12	-16		
SA + Chile	-1	28		
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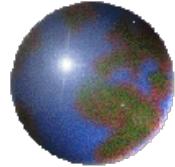
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Impact of multilateral free trade in wine on world wine trade in 2025 (in 2014 US\$m)

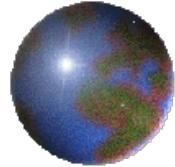
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ANZ	38	16	368	17%
SA + Chile	-1	28	379	36%
USA	-1	-7	219	56%
ROW	-1	2	522	52%
WORLD	47	23	3553	<u>20%</u>

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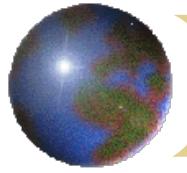
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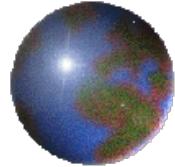
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 - & its effects on non-EU producers could be +ve or -ve, depending on mix of subsequent bilateral FTAs
 - & are trivial compared with moving to global free trade in wine



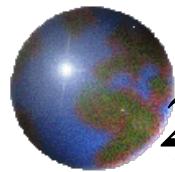
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Scenario 2: Effects on wine export values (US\$m) if Brexit's UK income slowdown and pound depreciation are only half as large

	UK	RoW	WORLD	(%)
EU27	-692	-114	-806	(-2)
Chile	-128	36	-92	(-4)
South Africa	-83	23	-60	(-5)
USA	-23	-27	-50	(-2)
Australia	19	-52	-33	(-1)
Argentina	-3	-25	-28	(-3)
New Zealand	-80	34	-46	(-2)
WORLD	-990	-32	-1022	(-2.0)



Increase in value of Australian wine exports, 2014 to 2025, without & with Brexit, FTAs & global free trade

(in 2014 US\$m)

