

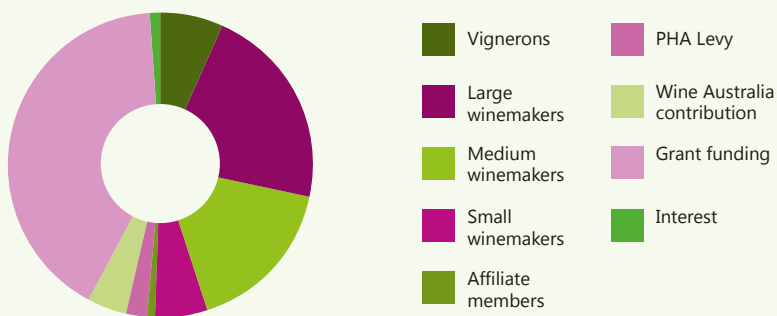


Leadership and advocacy to drive a united, sustainable, and internationally renowned Australian grape and wine sector

Our recent achievements

- Secured \$3,304,000 Federal funding to diversify and grow export markets
- Worked with Wine Australia and Inland Wine Regions Alliance to achieve a \$989,000 grant to improve winegrape market price information for growers
- Supporting the Australian Government’s World Trade Organisation dispute resolution action on China’s anti-dumping duties
- Ongoing government support for the WET rebate and the cellar door grant
- Lobbied against the protection of the grape variety ‘Prosecco’ as a GI in Australia and international markets
- Effectively advocated to ensure that the possibility of eradication of red blotch virus from Australia is not ruled out
- Agreement from State jurisdictions to review the approach to regulating Phylloxera and updating the protocols

Income (Budget for 2023–24)



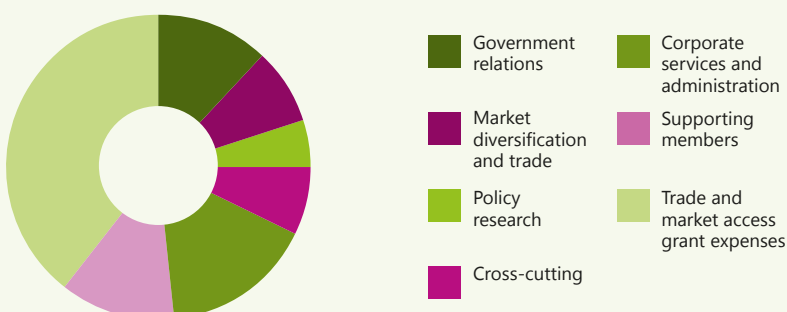
Australian Grape & Wine is Australia’s national association of grape and wine producers. We receive funds through membership contributions which we use to leverage grant funds for discrete projects.

‘Our core role is representing you, your businesses, and your communities when dealing with the Federal Government, to make sure our parliamentarians and government officials have you in mind when they are making critical policy decisions.

Ultimately, our work enables you to do what you do best – growing the fantastic fruit that goes into Australia’s world-class wines.’

LeeMcLean, CEO

How funds are spent (Budget for 2023–24)





What we're doing to support vignerons

Our vineyards are the lifeblood of our industry. The 6000 grape growing businesses across Australia make up the bulk of wine sector businesses by number. This important connection to our land and to our regions sets us apart from other beverage sectors.

Market diversification



Our critical message to government about the need to grow demand has delivered results.

Our successful \$3.3m Trade and Market Access grant application has opened up new markets in South Korea, Japan and India providing the opportunity for growth that is so urgently needed.

Cross-cutting



Managing the risk of punitive policy decisions remains high on our agenda.

This year we will be working closely with other plant sectors to advocate against the new biosecurity levy (yet another one to fall on growers) which we believe should instead be the responsibility of those creating risk.

Government relations



Australian Grape & Wine is a formally recognised and trusted advisor to the Federal Government.

Our annual pre-budget submission to the Federal Government highlighted the need for grower support including for disaster relief and to support innovation in sustainability.



We work with growers to make the most of their levy investment.

We get out into regions to hear about your priorities. Both our vignerons committee and our biosecurity committee meet regularly with Wine Australia to advise of research requirements that are specific to viticulture.

Supporting members



We are committed to supporting sustainable and equitable grower winemaker relationships.

We believe this is key to the ongoing prosperity of the wine sector. We drive uptake of the Code of Conduct for Winegrape Purchases, we monitor its effectiveness and we raise awareness about unfair or unlawful contract practices.



Sustainability reporting is coming down the pipeline at pace.

We will continue to work hand in hand with Wine Australia and the AWRI to ensure that the Sustainable Winegrowing Australia program delivers value to members, customers and the environment, without placing undue burden on growers.

Policy research



Water security will be one of the number one issues for agriculture into the coming years.

We have established trusted relationships with both government and other agriculture sectors and ensure that decisions relating to water policy will come at minimal cost to growers.



Growers need access to the right information to inform good decision making.

We continue to assess economic data gaps. A recent win includes the suite of winegrape market pricing information to be released through Wine Australia and ABARES.