Kentucky Wineries Association 2019 Legislative Agenda







- Head Winemaker, Co-Owner
- KWA Board Member
- 2017 INDY International Wine Competition Winemaker of the Year
 - Eastern US's largest competition 42 states, 14 countries over 2000 entries.
- Purple Toad Winery Kentucky's Largest Winery by Volume
 - ~35% of Kentucky's Total Wine Production
 - Produces 42 Wines in total.
 - Distributes in Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois, and Ohio.
 - Expanding to Missouri and Alabama subject to gallonage limit increase.

What's in a Bottle of Wine? \$1.1 Billion!

The Wine Industry Boosts the Kentucky Economy

\$1.1 Billion Total Economic Impact **75 Wine Producers** in Kentucky

154 Vineyard Acres 10,054 Jobs \$351.6 Million in Annual Wages

86,258 Tourist Visits

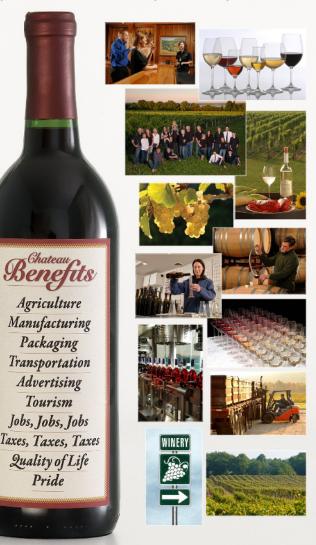
\$35.4 Million Tourist Expenditures

\$123.9 Million Total Taxes

\$68.1 Million Federal Taxes

\$55.9 Million State and Local Taxes

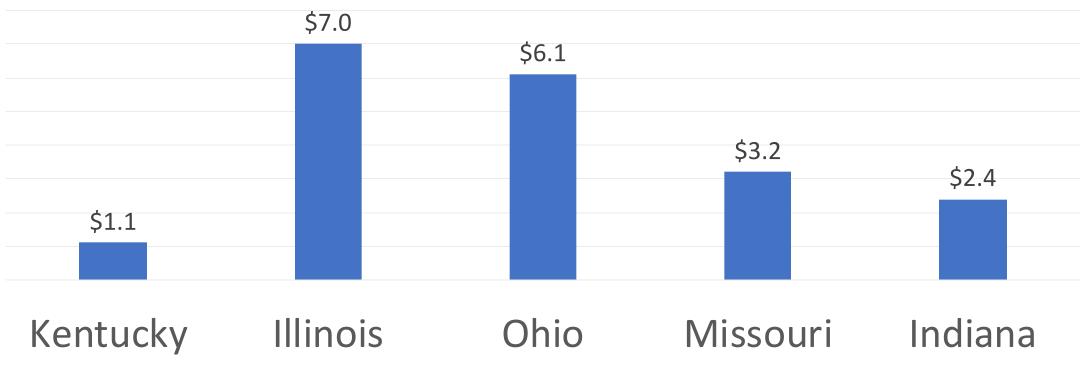
2017 Economic Impact Report on American Wine Industry Prepared by John Dunham & Associates, New York Formethodology or additional information visit wineamerica.org Photos by Randy Tagg. Design by Book Marshall Copyright 2017 WineAmerica



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Comparing KY's Wine Industry to other States

Economic Impact of Wine Industry (In Billions of \$)



Economic Impact of Wine Industry

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Strengths and Benefits of KY Wine Industry



Challenges of KY Wine Industry



Why not have a KY Winery License vs. a KY Small Farm Winery license?

- A KY Winery License does not allow:
 - On-premise tastings.
 - On-premise consumption.
 - On-premise sales of bottles or cases.
 - Tastings and sales at fairs, festivals, and events.
- On-premise tastings offer customers the ability to try the product, a major stimulus to sales through on-premise and distribution.
- Loss of tourism and tourism revenue to local economy.

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- 1. Raising the "Small Farm Winery" gallon limit to 500,000 from 100,000. (Indiana's limit is 1,000,000, and Ohio, Missouri, and Iowa limits are 500,000)
- 2. Amending KRS 243.884 (3) (b) to clarify: the Wholesale Tax exception "would apply" to the first 50,000 gallons for a "Small Farm Winery" that produces between 50,000 and 100,000/500,000 gallons. Retro date of 1-1-2017. The tax prohibits winery growth over 50,000 gallons.
- 3. To allow a "Small Farm Winery" to open at 11:00 on Sundays, restaurants are currently allowed. (Current KRS 243.155 (3) sets 1:00 pm as earliest opening time for all KY wineries.)
- 4. To allow a "Small Farm Winery" that produces and sells less than 50,000 gallons, the ability to self-distribute their wine. (15 States currently have such a program.)
- 5. To utilize 4 percent of the wholesale excise tax of all wine sold in KY, to fund the KY Wine Council, KY State Enologist, KY State Viticulturist and a Kentucky Wine Marketing program. (Multiple Successful Wine Producing States have similar programs)

Farm Winery Production Limits

- Kentucky 100,000 gallons
- Indiana 1,000,000 gallons
- Ohio 500,000 gallons
- Missouri 500,000 gallons
- Iowa 500,000 gallons

Sunday Winery Opening Times

- Kentucky 1:00 pm 10:00 pm
- Missouri 9:00 am 10:00 pm
- Illinois 11:00am 10:00 pm
- Tennessee 10:00 am 11:00 pm
- Indiana 10:30 am 11:00 pm

Winery Self Distribution for Small Farm Winery

- Kentucky Does not allow
- Missouri Allows No limitation
- Ohio Allows Produce less than 250,000 gallons
- Illinois Allows Produce less than 25,000 gallons
- Iowa Allows No limitation
- Indiana Does not allow
- Michigan Allows No limitation
- Minnesota Allows produce less than 50,000 gallons
- Nebraska Allows produce less than 30,000 gallons

- Supporting data is available at request.
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