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**Northern Territory
Wholesale Alcohol Supply
2005 to 2012**

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Wholesale Alcohol Supply

Wholesalers registered to trade alcohol in the Northern Territory (NT) provide the Department of Business with data on the volume of alcohol supplied to licensed retailers by product type (cask wine, bottled wine, fortified wine, cider, standard spirits, pre‑mixed spirits, full‑strength beer, mid‑strength beer and low‑strength beer)[[1]](#footnote-1).

The volume of each product supplied in the NT is multiplied by its estimated fraction of alcohol content so that the amount of pure alcohol associated with each product type can be compared. The figures presented in this document represent the wholesale supply in litres of Pure Alcohol Content (PAC). Wholesale PAC supply statistics are presented for the NT as a whole; each of the major urban centres (Darwin, Palmerston, Alice Springs, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Nhulunbuy) and for the NT Balance[[2]](#footnote-2).

An estimate of the apparent per capita consumption of alcohol in the NT is determined by dividing the total alcohol supplied in the NT by an estimate of the population likely to be drinking. National statistics include those people aged 15 years and above as the likely drinking population. As the NT is a major centre for tourism, the total population likely to be drinking is derived by adding the estimates of the NT interstate and international tourist numbers[[3]](#footnote-3) to the Australian Bureau of Statistics’ (ABS) NT population estimates[[4]](#footnote-4), aged 15 years and over. Apparent consumption can only be reliably calculated for the whole of the NT as population estimates are considered unreliable at lower geographic levels. Where population changes are cited for regional areas, they are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics’ total estimated drinking‑age residential population for those regions.

This report is a revision of the original 2005 to 2012 publication and contains changes to alcohol supply data and revised ABS population estimates.

Summary

1. Estimated per capita consumption of alcohol in the Northern Territory increased to 13.4 litres per person in the 2012 calendar year.

Estimated per capita consumption in 2012 was one percent greater than in 2011, and twelve percent less than in 2005.

1. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in the Northern Territory in 2012 was three percent more than in 2011.
2. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in Darwin in 2012 was four percent more than in 2011.
3. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in Palmerston in 2012 was seven percent greater than in 2011. Palmerston is historically a high population growth region and the ABS estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by five percent during 2012.
4. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in Alice Springs in 2012 was two percent less than in 2011.
5. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in Katherine in 2012 was four percent less than in 2011.
6. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in Tennant Creek in 2012 was one percent more than in 2011.
7. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in Nhulunbuy in 2012 was six percent less than in 2011. This is the lowest supply value recorded for Nhulunbuy in the period 2005 to 2012.
8. Wholesale alcohol supply (litres pure alcohol content) in the NT Balance in 2012 was four percent more than in 2011.

Per Capita Consumption

Table 1 and Figure 1 show the estimated per capita consumption of alcohol in the Northern Territory for the calendar years 2005 to 2012.

Table Estimated Per Capita Consumption – Northern Territory

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Consumption** | **15.25** | **14.82** | **14.71** | **14.30** | **13.90** | **13.40** | **13.20** | **13.38** |
| PAC Supply  | 2,688,663 | 2,706,671 | 2,748,430 | 2,733,794 | 2,751,916 | 2,734,608 | 2,662,887 | 2,733,964 |
| Population Estimates | 176,321 | 182,686 | 186,852 | 191,109 | 197,948 | 204,098 | 201,755 | 204,404 |

In 2012, the NT estimated per capita consumption of alcohol increased by 1%, from 13.2 litres per person to 13.4 litres per person.

Between 2005 and 2012, estimated per capita consumption of alcohol in the NT has generally been decreasing.

Figure Estimated Per Capita Consumption of Alcohol – Northern Territory



Wholesale PAC Supply

Northern Territory Total

Table 2 and Figure 2 show the wholesale PAC supply by types of alcohol products in the Northern Territory for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Northern Territory

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 45,058 | 43,106 | 39,879 | 47,735 | 60,677 | 68,134 | 80,031 | 101,491 |
| Total Wine | 745,117 | 723,555 | 653,794 | 601,016 | 565,553 | 568,460 | 491,703 | 516,836 |
| Total Spirits | 612,929 | 632,771 | 682,182 | 663,947 | 663,552 | 674,303 | 684,522 | 721,282 |
| Total Beer | 1,285,559 | 1,307,239 | 1,372,574 | 1,421,096 | 1,462,132 | 1,423,711 | 1,406,631 | 1,394,355 |
| **Total** | **2,688,663** | **2,706,671** | **2,748,430** | **2,733,794** | **2,751,916** | **2,734,608** | **2,662,887** | **2,733,964** |

In 2012, the total wholesale PAC supply increased by 3%. Cider increased by 27%, total wine increased by 5% and total spirits increased by 5%, while total beer decreased by 1%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total wholesale PAC supply increased by 2%. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 12% per year and total spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 2% per year, while total wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 5% per year. Total beer increased by 8% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Northern Territory



Table 3 and Figure 3 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in the Northern Territory for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Northern Territory

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 437,221 | 444,277 | 315,776 | 257,235 | 210,529 | 210,927 | 134,780 | 117,517 |
| Wine Bottle | 234,352 | 248,843 | 285,224 | 306,592 | 323,011 | 330,756 | 329,097 | 359,545 |
| Wine Fortified | 73,544 | 30,435 | 52,794 | 37,188 | 32,014 | 26,777 | 27,825 | 39,773 |
| **Total Wine** | **745,117** | **723,555** | **653,794** | **601,016** | **565,553** | **568,460** | **491,703** | **516,836** |

In 2012, the total supply of wine increased by 5%. Bottled wine increased by 9% and fortified wine increased by 43%, while cask wine decreased by 13%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 31%. Cask wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 17% per year, while bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 6% per year. Fortified wine decreased by 46% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Northern Territory



Table 4 and Figure 4 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in the Northern Territory for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Northern Territory

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 342,880 | 346,234 | 366,639 | 415,152 | 435,456 | 442,421 | 469,486 | 486,882 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 270,049 | 286,537 | 315,543 | 248,795 | 228,097 | 231,881 | 215,036 | 234,400 |
| **Total Spirits** | **612,929** | **632,771** | **682,182** | **663,947** | **663,552** | **674,303** | **684,522** | **721,282** |

In 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 5%. Standard spirits increased by 4% and pre-mixed spirits increased by 9%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 18%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 5% per year. Pre-mixed spirits decreased by 13% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Northern Territory



Table 5 and Figure 5 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in the Northern Territory for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Northern Territory

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 901,897 | 913,554 | 940,155 | 988,269 | 1,009,165 | 983,196 | 976,464 | 947,485 |
| Beer Mid  | 250,489 | 279,691 | 297,801 | 310,909 | 313,988 | 317,970 | 319,750 | 368,937 |
| Beer Low  | 133,173 | 113,995 | 134,618 | 121,918 | 138,980 | 122,545 | 110,418 | 77,934 |
| **Total Beer** | **1,285,559** | **1,307,239** | **1,372,574** | **1,421,096** | **1,462,132** | **1,423,711** | **1,406,631** | **1,394,355** |

In 2012, the total supply of beer decreased by 1%. Full‑strength beer decreased by 3% and low‑strength beer decreased by 29%, while mid‑strength beer increased by 15%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 8%. Mid‑strength beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 6% per year. Full‑strength increased by 5% while low‑strength beer decreased by 41% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Northern Territory



Regional Composition

Table 6 and Figure 6 show the total wholesale PAC supply of each region as a percentage of the total supply in the Northern Territory for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Regional Composition

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Darwin | 41% | 40% | 42% | 43% | 43% | 43% | 42% | 43% |
| Palmerston | 10% | 10% | 11% | 12% | 12% | 12% | 12% | 13% |
| Alice Springs | 20% | 19% | 16% | 15% | 17% | 17% | 17% | 16% |
| Katherine | 8% | 7% | 7% | 6% | 7% | 7% | 8% | 7% |
| Tennant Creek | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 2% |
| Nhulunbuy | 4% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 2% |
| NT Balance | 16% | 17% | 18% | 18% | 17% | 16% | 16% | 16% |

In 2012, Darwin and Palmerston accounted for 56% of the NT wholesale PAC supply. Alice Springs accounted for 16% and NT Balance also accounted for 16%. The remaining 12% was supplied to Katherine, Tennant Creek and Nhulunbuy.

Between 2005 and 2012, the percentage of total supply to Darwin and Palmerston increased, while the percentage of total supply to Alice Springs and Nhulunbuy decreased.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Regional Composition



Darwin

Table 7 and Figure 7 show the wholesale PAC supply in Darwin for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Darwin

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 17,143 | 16,938 | 16,725 | 20,473 | 26,457 | 31,974 | 38,438 | 50,981 |
| Total Wine | 300,685 | 303,649 | 330,162 | 323,800 | 295,817 | 294,668 | 248,757 | 271,161 |
| Total Spirits | 274,574 | 277,132 | 294,045 | 293,271 | 285,953 | 287,211 | 296,375 | 295,266 |
| Total Beer | 499,411 | 496,211 | 514,959 | 549,042 | 566,867 | 554,328 | 540,433 | 555,446 |
| **Total** | **1,091,813** | **1,093,930** | **1,155,891** | **1,186,586** | **1,175,095** | **1,168,180** | **1,124,004** | **1,172,853** |

During 2012, the total supply increased by 4%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by 2%. Cider increased by 33%, total wine increased by 9% and total beer increased by 3%. Total spirits remained relatively steady.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply increased by 7%. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 17% per year, total spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 1% per year and total beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 2% per year, while total wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 1% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Darwin



Table 8 and Figure 8 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in Darwin for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Darwin

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 154,211 | 150,648 | 164,689 | 141,155 | 101,664 | 103,081 | 57,613 | 53,273 |
| Wine Bottle | 134,800 | 139,730 | 152,304 | 163,774 | 173,205 | 175,181 | 173,592 | 191,563 |
| Wine Fortified | 11,674 | 13,272 | 13,169 | 18,871 | 20,948 | 16,406 | 17,552 | 26,324 |
| **Total Wine** | **300,685** | **303,649** | **330,162** | **323,800** | **295,817** | **294,668** | **248,757** | **271,161** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine increased by 9%. Bottled wine increased by 10% and fortified wine increased by 50%, while cask wine decreased by 8%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 10%. Cask wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 14% per year, while bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 5% per year and fortified wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 12% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Darwin



Table 9 and Figure 9 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in Darwin for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Darwin

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 167,983 | 167,634 | 175,048 | 194,917 | 198,831 | 200,803 | 221,107 | 212,337 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 106,591 | 109,498 | 118,997 | 98,354 | 87,122 | 86,408 | 75,268 | 82,928 |
| **Total Spirits** | **274,574** | **277,132** | **294,045** | **293,271** | **285,953** | **287,211** | **296,375** | **295,266** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits remained relatively steady. Standard spirits decreased by 4% while pre‑mixed spirits increased by 10%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 8%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 3% per year, while pre‑mixed spirits exhibited a decreasing trend of about 4% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Darwin



Table 10 and Figure 10 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in Darwin for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Darwin

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 363,092 | 362,178 | 369,501 | 408,828 | 414,715 | 410,661 | 402,615 | 406,677 |
| Beer Mid  | 78,807 | 84,347 | 85,846 | 89,627 | 99,647 | 95,882 | 94,594 | 117,244 |
| Beer Low  | 57,512 | 49,686 | 59,613 | 50,587 | 52,505 | 47,786 | 43,224 | 31,525 |
| **Total Beer** | **499,411** | **496,211** | **514,959** | **549,042** | **566,867** | **554,328** | **540,433** | **555,446** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 3%. Full‑strength beer increased by 1% and mid‑strength beer increased by 24%, while low‑strength beer decreased by 27%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 11%. Mid‑strength beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 6% per year, while low‑strength beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 8% per year. Full‑strength beer increased by 12% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Darwin



Palmerston

Table 11 and Figure 11 show the wholesale PAC supply in Palmerston for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Palmerston

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 5,232 | 5,239 | 5,097 | 6,025 | 7,131 | 7,650 | 9,649 | 12,553 |
| Total Wine | 55,037 | 61,729 | 74,853 | 71,727 | 67,188 | 63,021 | 54,926 | 58,946 |
| Total Spirits | 72,908 | 76,107 | 85,636 | 87,574 | 92,243 | 93,089 | 93,484 | 103,667 |
| Total Beer | 132,685 | 132,980 | 140,146 | 157,902 | 169,684 | 166,678 | 169,489 | 175,975 |
| **Total** | **265,863** | **276,055** | **305,732** | **323,227** | **336,246** | **330,438** | **327,548** | **351,141** |

During 2012, the total supply increased by 7%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by 5%. Cider increased by 30%, total wine increased by 7%, total spirits increased by 11% and total beer increased by 4%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply exhibited an increasing trend of about 4% per year. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 13% per year, total beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 4% per year and total spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 5% per year. Total wine increased by 7% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Palmerston



Table 12 and Figure 12 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in Palmerston for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Palmerston

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 33,355 | 38,434 | 48,356 | 40,809 | 33,452 | 28,931 | 16,913 | 15,057 |
| Wine Bottle | 18,538 | 20,003 | 22,814 | 27,163 | 29,672 | 29,691 | 31,740 | 35,431 |
| Wine Fortified | 3,145 | 3,291 | 3,683 | 3,754 | 4,063 | 4,399 | 6,273 | 8,458 |
| **Total Wine** | **55,037** | **61,729** | **74,853** | **71,727** | **67,188** | **63,021** | **54,926** | **58,946** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine increased by 7%. Bottled wine increased by 12% and fortified wine increased by 35%, while cask wine decreased by 11%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine increased by 7%. Cask wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 11% per year, while fortified wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 15% per year and bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 10% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Palmerston



Table 13 and Figure 13 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in Palmerston for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Palmerston

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 35,643 | 36,423 | 39,101 | 48,924 | 52,509 | 51,229 | 53,049 | 58,718 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 37,265 | 39,684 | 46,535 | 38,650 | 39,735 | 41,859 | 40,435 | 44,949 |
| **Total Spirits** | **72,908** | **76,107** | **85,636** | **87,574** | **92,243** | **93,089** | **93,484** | **103,667** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 11%. Both standard spirits and pre‑mixed spirits increased by 11%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 42%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 7% per year while pre‑mixed spirits increased by 21% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Palmerston



Table 14 and Figure 14 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in Palmerston for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Palmerston

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 84,905 | 85,454 | 88,400 | 100,750 | 105,938 | 105,114 | 106,362 | 110,319 |
| Beer Mid  | 32,131 | 34,802 | 37,214 | 41,028 | 46,517 | 46,457 | 48,361 | 54,463 |
| Beer Low  | 15,649 | 12,723 | 14,533 | 16,124 | 17,230 | 15,108 | 14,766 | 11,193 |
| **Total Beer** | **132,685** | **132,980** | **140,146** | **157,902** | **169,684** | **166,678** | **169,489** | **175,975** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 4%. Full‑strength beer increased by 4% and mid‑strength beer increased by 13%, while low‑strength beer decreased by 24%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 33%. Full‑strength beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 4% per year and mid‑strength beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 8% per year, while low‑strength beer decreased by 28% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Palmerston



Alice Springs

Table 15 and Figure 15 show the wholesale PAC supply in Alice Springs for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Alice Springs

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 5,859 | 6,546 | 5,677 | 6,153 | 8,864 | 9,420 | 10,688 | 12,502 |
| Total Wine | 221,192 | 184,866 | 71,212 | 77,742 | 86,829 | 92,744 | 86,090 | 84,036 |
| Total Spirits | 98,873 | 101,292 | 106,382 | 97,292 | 113,095 | 119,379 | 115,113 | 125,345 |
| Total Beer | 203,577 | 210,340 | 261,128 | 241,678 | 252,674 | 240,651 | 230,233 | 211,133 |
| **Total** | **529,502** | **503,044** | **444,400** | **422,865** | **461,462** | **462,194** | **442,124** | **433,017** |

During 2012, the total supply decreased by 2%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by 1%. Cider increased by 17% and total spirits increased by 9%, while total wine decreased by 2% and total beer decreased by 8%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply decreased by 18%. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 11% per year and total spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 3% per year. Total wine decreased by 62% and total beer increased by 4% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Alice Springs



Table 16 and Figure 16 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in Alice Springs for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Alice Springs

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 135,410 | 135,267 | 16,367 | 19,968 | 23,274 | 25,685 | 22,840 | 12,812 |
| Wine Bottle | 41,933 | 44,646 | 52,619 | 56,367 | 62,320 | 65,974 | 62,469 | 70,491 |
| Wine Fortified | 43,850 | 4,953 | 2,226 | 1,406 | 1,236 | 1,085 | 781 | 733 |
| **Total Wine** | **221,192** | **184,866** | **71,212** | **77,742** | **86,829** | **92,744** | **86,090** | **84,036** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 2%. Cask wine decreased by 44% and fortified wine decreased by 6%, while bottled wine increased by 13%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 62%. Bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 8% per year, while fortified wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 44% per year. Cask wine decreased by 91% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Alice Springs



Table 17 and Figure 17 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in Alice Springs for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Alice Springs

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 52,815 | 53,503 | 56,319 | 62,530 | 78,261 | 83,895 | 84,110 | 94,116 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 46,058 | 47,788 | 50,063 | 34,762 | 34,834 | 35,484 | 31,003 | 31,229 |
| **Total Spirits** | **98,873** | **101,292** | **106,382** | **97,292** | **113,095** | **119,379** | **115,113** | **125,345** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 9%. Standard spirits increased by 12% and pre‑mixed spirits increased by 1%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 27%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 9% per year, while pre‑mixed spirits decreased by 32% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Alice Springs



Table 18 and Figure 18 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in Alice Springs for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Alice Springs

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 149,819 | 155,286 | 208,189 | 194,065 | 200,039 | 189,620 | 181,586 | 163,929 |
| Beer Mid  | 34,347 | 38,168 | 34,772 | 32,839 | 35,148 | 34,826 | 33,677 | 38,231 |
| Beer Low  | 19,411 | 16,886 | 18,168 | 14,774 | 17,487 | 16,205 | 14,970 | 8,973 |
| **Total Beer** | **203,577** | **210,340** | **261,128** | **241,678** | **252,674** | **240,651** | **230,233** | **211,133** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 8%. Full‑strength beer decreased by 10% and low‑strength beer decreased by 40%, while mid‑strength beer increased by 14%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 4%. Low‑strength beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 10% per year. Full‑strength beer increased by 9% and mid‑strength beer increased by 11% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Alice Springs



Katherine

Table 19 and Figure 19 show the wholesale PAC supply in Katherine for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Katherine

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 1,788 | 1,899 | 1,441 | 1,960 | 2,649 | 2,788 | 3,412 | 4,254 |
| Total Wine | 73,071 | 74,482 | 66,562 | 31,439 | 32,220 | 33,679 | 29,231 | 29,866 |
| Total Spirits | 38,547 | 39,867 | 45,391 | 42,914 | 41,530 | 44,856 | 47,888 | 55,568 |
| Total Beer | 90,651 | 86,589 | 87,960 | 98,096 | 109,261 | 113,139 | 129,561 | 112,595 |
| **Total** | **204,057** | **202,837** | **201,354** | **174,409** | **185,659** | **194,462** | **210,092** | **202,283** |

During 2012, the total supply decreased by 4%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by 3%. Cider increased by 25%, total wine increased by 2% and total spirits increased by 16%, while total beer decreased by 13%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply decreased by 1%. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 13% per year, total spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 5% per year and total beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 3% per year, while total wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 12% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Katherine



Table 20 and Figure 20 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in Katherine for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Katherine

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 59,837 | 60,915 | 32,131 | 11,834 | 17,352 | 18,814 | 13,674 | 13,489 |
| Wine Bottle | 10,365 | 11,005 | 12,290 | 12,876 | 13,315 | 13,867 | 14,562 | 15,560 |
| Wine Fortified | 2,870 | 2,562 | 22,140 | 6,729 | 1,553 | 999 | 994 | 817 |
| **Total Wine** | **73,071** | **74,482** | **66,562** | **31,439** | **32,220** | **33,679** | **29,231** | **29,866** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine increased by 2%. Bottled wine increased by 7%, while cask wine decreased by 1% and fortified wine decreased by 18%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 59%. Cask wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 19% per year and fortified wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 16% per year, while bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 6% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Katherine



Table 21 and Figure 21 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in Katherine for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Katherine

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 19,879 | 20,163 | 22,418 | 25,650 | 26,912 | 29,362 | 32,032 | 37,235 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 18,668 | 19,704 | 22,972 | 17,264 | 14,618 | 15,493 | 15,856 | 18,333 |
| **Total Spirits** | **38,547** | **39,867** | **45,391** | **42,914** | **41,530** | **44,856** | **47,888** | **55,568** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 16%. Both standard spirits and pre‑mixed spirits increased by 16%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 44%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 9% per year. Pre‑mixed spirits decreased by 2% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Katherine



Table 22 and Figure 22 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in Katherine for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Katherine

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 53,297 | 50,493 | 49,309 | 59,985 | 67,855 | 67,331 | 78,651 | 67,115 |
| Beer Mid  | 28,228 | 28,269 | 27,728 | 29,181 | 31,106 | 35,733 | 42,440 | 39,872 |
| Beer Low  | 9,127 | 7,826 | 10,923 | 8,930 | 10,300 | 10,076 | 8,470 | 5,608 |
| **Total Beer** | **90,651** | **86,589** | **87,960** | **98,096** | **109,261** | **113,139** | **129,561** | **112,595** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer decreased by 13%. Full‑strength beer decreased by 15%, mid‑strength beer decreased by 6% and low‑strength beer decreased by 34%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 24%. Full‑strength beer increased by 26%, while low‑strength beer decreased by 39% over the period. Mid‑strength beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 5% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Katherine



Tennant Creek

Table 23 and Figure 23 show the wholesale PAC supply in Tennant Creek for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Tennant Creek

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 565 | 564 | 529 | 645 | 1,231 | 1,270 | 1,354 | 1,893 |
| Total Wine | 13,928 | 17,329 | 17,400 | 13,942 | 9,346 | 12,490 | 10,300 | 10,782 |
| Total Spirits | 12,221 | 11,034 | 12,491 | 13,459 | 12,878 | 13,545 | 15,153 | 17,436 |
| Total Beer | 33,725 | 32,971 | 30,924 | 34,685 | 38,878 | 40,947 | 40,522 | 38,112 |
| **Total** | **60,439** | **61,897** | **61,345** | **62,731** | **62,333** | **68,252** | **67,330** | **68,222** |

During 2012, the total supply increased by 1%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by 2%. Cider increased by 40%, total wine increased by 5% and total spirits increased by 15%, while total beer decreased by 6%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply exhibited an increasing trend of about 2% per year. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 19% per year and total spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 5% per year. Total wine decreased by 23%, while total beer increased by 13% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Tennant Creek



Table 24 and Figure 24 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in Tennant Creek for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Tennant Creek

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 5,391 | 15,592 | 15,666 | 12,350 | 7,752 | 10,465 | 8,389 | 7,622 |
| Wine Bottle | 1,231 | 1,199 | 1,595 | 1,473 | 1,569 | 1,965 | 1,893 | 3,135 |
| Wine Fortified | 7,306 | 538 | 140 | 119 | 24 | 60 | 18 | 25 |
| **Total Wine** | **13,928** | **17,329** | **17,400** | **13,942** | **9,346** | **12,490** | **10,300** | **10,782** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine increased by 5%. Bottled wine increased by 66% and fortified wine increased by 39%, while cask wine decreased by 9%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 23%. Fortified wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 56% per year, while bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 14% per year. Cask wine increased by 41% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Tennant Creek



Table 25 and Figure 25 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in Tennant Creek for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Tennant Creek

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 7,071 | 5,772 | 6,166 | 7,672 | 8,156 | 8,654 | 9,454 | 11,239 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 5,150 | 5,262 | 6,326 | 5,787 | 4,721 | 4,890 | 5,699 | 6,197 |
| **Total Spirits** | **12,221** | **11,034** | **12,491** | **13,459** | **12,878** | **13,545** | **15,153** | **17,436** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 15%. Standard spirits increased by 19% and pre‑mixed spirits increased by 9%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 43%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 7% per year. Pre‑mixed spirits increased by 20% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Tennant Creek



Table 26 and Figure 26 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in Tennant Creek for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Tennant Creek

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 22,856 | 22,195 | 21,695 | 24,435 | 28,590 | 30,273 | 30,779 | 28,600 |
| Beer Mid  | 7,570 | 7,965 | 6,466 | 7,192 | 7,009 | 8,050 | 7,338 | 8,028 |
| Beer Low  | 3,299 | 2,811 | 2,763 | 3,058 | 3,280 | 2,625 | 2,405 | 1,483 |
| **Total Beer** | **33,725** | **32,971** | **30,924** | **34,685** | **38,878** | **40,947** | **40,522** | **38,112** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer decreased by 6%. Full‑strength beer decreased by 7% and low‑strength beer decreased by 38%, while mid‑strength beer increased by 9%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 13%. Low‑strength beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 11% per year, while full‑strength beer exhibited an increasing trend of about 3% per year. Mid‑strength beer increased by 6% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Tennant Creek



Nhulunbuy

Table 27 and Figure 27 show the wholesale PAC supply in Nhulunbuy for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – Nhulunbuy

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 1,010 | 1,169 | 940 | 983 | 972 | 940 | 1,268 | 1,903 |
| Total Wine | 24,126 | 18,458 | 16,955 | 10,125 | 7,674 | 8,763 | 8,038 | 7,955 |
| Total Spirits | 25,724 | 30,687 | 31,386 | 23,192 | 18,336 | 19,053 | 19,687 | 18,631 |
| Total Beer | 43,402 | 52,208 | 49,137 | 46,014 | 38,707 | 39,367 | 38,100 | 34,410 |
| **Total** | **94,262** | **102,522** | **98,417** | **80,314** | **65,689** | **68,122** | **67,093** | **62,898** |

During 2012, the total supply decreased by 6%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population remained relatively steady. Total wine decreased by 1%, total spirits decreased by 5% and total beer decreased by 10% while cider increased by 50%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply exhibited a decreasing trend of about 6% per year. Total wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 15% per year and total beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 3% per year. Total spirits decreased by 28% while cider increased by 88% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – Nhulunbuy



Table 28 and Figure 28 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in Nhulunbuy for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Nhulunbuy

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 17,686 | 9,566 | 1,685 | 756 | 657 | 673 | 1,053 | 1,044 |
| Wine Bottle | 5,930 | 6,883 | 8,032 | 7,180 | 6,685 | 7,685 | 6,788 | 6,710 |
| Wine Fortified | 511 | 2,009 | 7,238 | 2,189 | 332 | 405 | 197 | 201 |
| **Total Wine** | **24,126** | **18,458** | **16,955** | **10,125** | **7,674** | **8,763** | **8,038** | **7,955** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 1%. Bottled wine decreased by 1% and cask wine decreased by 1%, while fortified wine increased by 2%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 67% over the period. Fortified wine decreased by 61% and cask wine decreased by 94%, while bottled wine increased by 13% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – Nhulunbuy



Table 29 and Figure 29 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in Nhulunbuy for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Nhulunbuy

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 13,689 | 16,111 | 17,544 | 16,231 | 13,561 | 13,546 | 13,987 | 12,863 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 12,035 | 14,576 | 13,842 | 6,961 | 4,775 | 5,507 | 5,700 | 5,767 |
| **Total Spirits** | **25,724** | **30,687** | **31,386** | **23,192** | **18,336** | **19,053** | **19,687** | **18,631** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits decreased by 5%. Standard spirits decreased by 8% while pre‑mixed spirits increased by 1%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits decreased by 28%. Standard spirits decreased by 6% and pre‑mixed spirits decreased by 52% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – Nhulunbuy



Table 30 and Figure 30 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in Nhulunbuy for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Nhulunbuy

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 26,220 | 33,833 | 32,280 | 30,895 | 26,564 | 27,272 | 26,387 | 23,669 |
| Beer Mid  | 14,432 | 16,283 | 14,007 | 12,614 | 9,486 | 9,461 | 9,305 | 9,303 |
| Beer Low  | 2,750 | 2,092 | 2,850 | 2,505 | 2,657 | 2,634 | 2,408 | 1,439 |
| **Total Beer** | **43,402** | **52,208** | **49,137** | **46,014** | **38,707** | **39,367** | **38,100** | **34,410** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer decreased by 10%. Full‑strength beer decreased by 10% and low‑strength beer decreased by 40%, while mid‑strength beer remained relatively steady.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 3% per year. Mid‑strength beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 6% per year. Full‑strength beer decreased by 10% and low‑strength beer decreased by 48% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – Nhulunbuy



NT Balance

Table 31 and Figure 31 show the wholesale PAC supply in NT Balance for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply – NT Balance

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cider | 13,460 | 10,752 | 9,471 | 11,496 | 13,373 | 14,093 | 15,222 | 17,405 |
| Total Wine | 57,076 | 63,042 | 76,650 | 72,241 | 66,480 | 63,095 | 54,361 | 54,091 |
| Total Spirits | 90,082 | 96,651 | 106,851 | 106,245 | 99,517 | 97,170 | 96,821 | 105,369 |
| Total Beer | 282,108 | 295,941 | 288,319 | 293,680 | 286,061 | 268,601 | 258,293 | 266,685 |
| **Total** | **442,727** | **466,387** | **481,290** | **483,662** | **465,432** | **442,959** | **424,697** | **443,550** |

During 2012, the total supply increased by 4%, while the estimated drinking‑age residential population increased by 3%. Cider increased by 14%, total spirits increased by 9% and total beer increased by 3%, while total wine remained relatively steady.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply remained relatively steady. Cider exhibited an increasing trend of about 4% per year while total beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 1% per year. Total wine decreased by 5% while total spirits increased by 17% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply – NT Balance



Table 32 and Figure 32 show the wholesale PAC supply of wine in NT Balance for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – NT Balance

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wine Cask  | 31,331 | 33,855 | 36,881 | 30,361 | 26,378 | 23,278 | 14,297 | 14,220 |
| Wine Bottle | 21,556 | 25,378 | 35,570 | 37,760 | 36,245 | 36,393 | 38,052 | 36,656 |
| Wine Fortified | 4,190 | 3,810 | 4,199 | 4,120 | 3,857 | 3,423 | 2,011 | 3,215 |
| **Total Wine** | **57,076** | **63,042** | **76,650** | **72,241** | **66,480** | **63,095** | **54,361** | **54,091** |

During 2012, the total supply of wine remained relatively steady. Cask wine decreased by 1% and bottled wine decreased by 4%, while fortified wine increased by 60%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of wine decreased by 5%. Cask wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 11% per year and fortified wine exhibited a decreasing trend of about 4% per year, while bottled wine exhibited an increasing trend of about 8% per year.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Wine – NT Balance



Table 33 and Figure 33 show the wholesale PAC supply of spirits in NT Balance for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – NT Balance

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Spirits Standard | 45,800 | 46,627 | 50,043 | 59,227 | 57,225 | 54,931 | 55,747 | 60,373 |
| Spirits Pre-mixed | 44,282 | 50,025 | 56,808 | 47,018 | 42,292 | 42,239 | 41,074 | 44,996 |
| **Total Spirits** | **90,082** | **96,651** | **106,851** | **106,245** | **99,517** | **97,170** | **96,821** | **105,369** |

During 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 9%. Standard spirits increased by 8% and pre‑mixed spirits increased by 10%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of spirits increased by 17%. Standard spirits exhibited an increasing trend of about 4% per year. Pre‑mixed spirits increased by 2% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Spirits – NT Balance



Table 34 and Figure 34 show the wholesale PAC supply of beer in NT Balance for the years 2005 to 2012.

Table Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – NT Balance

|  | **2005** | **2006** | **2007** | **2008** | **2009** | **2010** | **2011** | **2012** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Beer Full  | 201,708 | 204,114 | 170,781 | 169,310 | 165,464 | 152,926 | 150,083 | 147,176 |
| Beer Mid  | 54,974 | 69,857 | 91,769 | 98,428 | 85,076 | 87,563 | 84,035 | 101,796 |
| Beer Low  | 25,426 | 21,970 | 25,769 | 25,941 | 35,521 | 28,112 | 24,176 | 17,712 |
| **Total Beer** | **282,108** | **295,941** | **288,319** | **293,680** | **286,061** | **268,601** | **258,293** | **266,685** |

During 2012, the total supply of beer increased by 3%. Full‑strength beer decreased by 2% and low‑strength beer decreased by 27%, while mid‑strength beer increased by 21%.

Between 2005 and 2012, the total supply of beer decreased by 5% over the period. Full‑strength beer exhibited a decreasing trend of about 4% per year. Mid‑strength beer increased by 85%, while low‑strength beer decreased by 30% over the period.

Figure Wholesale PAC Supply Beer – NT Balance



1. Since the previous (2004 – 2011) publication, some data exceptions were detected in the alcohol returns submitted by wholesalers in previous years. This required some data to be revised. These data revisions may result in minor changes to previously published figures. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. NT Balance is defined as the rest of the NT after the urban centres (i.e. Darwin, Palmerston, Alice Springs, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Nhulunbuy) have been removed. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Based on calendar year estimates from Tourism Research Australia of interstate and international tourist nights for tourists aged 15 years and over. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Based on annual estimates from the Australian Bureau of Statistics publication: *3235.0 – Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia*. The ABS has recently revised the population estimates used in this publication. These data revisions may result in minor changes to previously published figures. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)