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With prices softening by varying degrees in Argentina, Chile and Spain – and emerging market currencies such as the Argentine peso, Chilean peso and South African Rand all weakening against the major international currencies to varying extents – the second semester of 2018 has halted the international upward price trend on bulk wine prices.

Buyers’ growing discernment on quality is being enabled by there seemingly being enough wine to go around, and encouraged because the market at the retail end seems to require it. Generally speaking, generic wines continue to fall out of favour, ensuring Spain – which produces big quantities – keeps its offer prices low where it can.

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Major Wine Producing Countries

The development of a SAWIS Vineyard Geodatabase and Vineyard Mapper

SAWIS has been over the past two years in discussions with Winetech, the Western Cape Department of Agriculture and the Centre for Geographic Analysis, Stellenbosch University regarding the above.

Herewith the three main objectives, development which will commence later in 2018:
1. Development of a SAWIS Vineyard Geodatabase, by precisely digitising the borders of vineyards and incorporating the industry information provided by SAWIS as vineyard attributes.
2. Incorporation of climatic and topographic data for each vineyard into the SAWIS Vineyard Geodatabase.
3. Development of a SAWIS Vineyard Mapper - a web mapping application (online GIS) for the viewing and updating of the SAWIS Vineyard Geodatabase, with accompanying topographic, climate and other ancillary layers.
Comment: We notice Australia is planning the same thing to map their 65 regions row-by-row. Click here to read more