



# The Denominations of Origin



# Historical background

- Recognition of specific characteristics of the region's wines since ancient times: soil, climate and cultural practices.
- Historical influence of the industry's inter-professional organisations:
  - 1483 "Gremio de la Pasa y la Vendimia"
  - XVII<sup>th</sup> C. "Gremio de Vinateros"
  - 1924 "Jerez" collective trademark for wines



# 1935. The DO is born

- The oldest DO in Spain and one of the oldest in Europe – established with the first Spanish National Law on Wine (1933).
- 1935: publication of the “Reglamento”, integrating rules and control systems - from the planting of a vineyard to the commercialization of the wines.
- Denomination of Origin: a legal concept created in order to protect both the producers and the consumers.



# La land of origin



- The **Zona de Crianza**:
  - Jerez de la Frontera
  - El Puerto de Santa María
  - Sanlúcar de Barrameda
- Other towns in the **Zona de Producción**: Trebujena and Lebrija (north), Chipiona y Rota (coast), and Chiclana and Puerto Real (south).
- Total production area has changed over the years.

Today, approx. **7,000 hectares**

# Three different Denominations...

...with one single origin.

- JEREZ-XÉRÈS-SHERRY



- MANZANILLA-SANLÚCAR DE BARRAMEDA



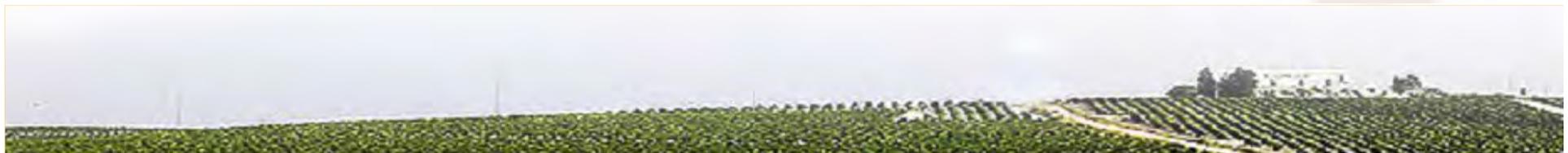
- VINAGRE DE JEREZ





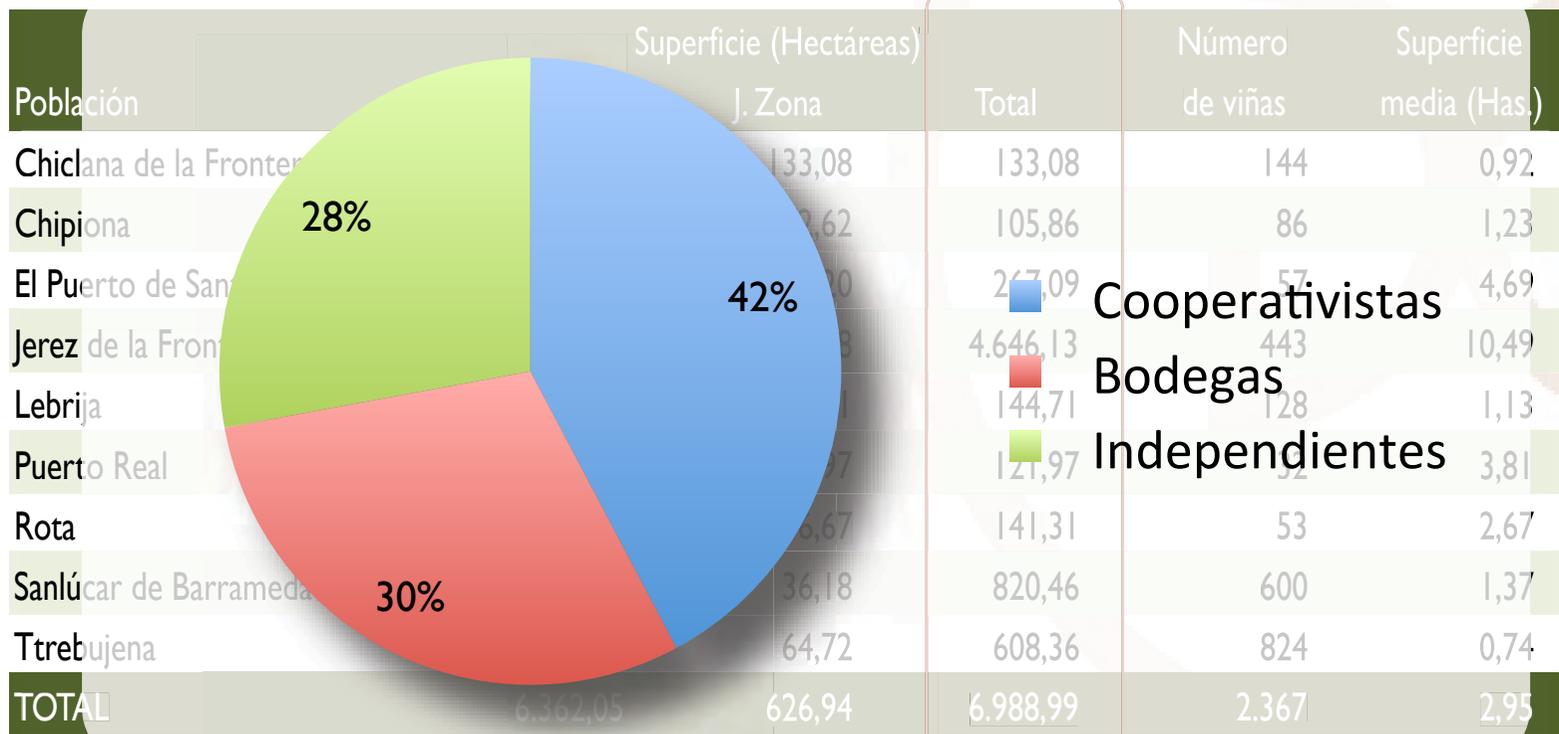
# Vinegrowers

Población	Superficie (Hectáreas)			Número de viñas	Superficie media (Has.)
	J. Superior	J. Zona	Total		
Chiclana de la Frontera	0,00	133,08	133,08	144	0,92
Chipiona	33,24	72,62	105,86	86	1,23
El Puerto de Santa María	260,90	6,20	267,09	57	4,69
Jerez de la Frontera	4.645,35	0,78	4.646,13	443	10,49
Lebrija	0,00	144,71	144,71	128	1,13
Puerto Real	0,00	121,97	121,97	32	3,81
Rota	94,65	46,67	141,31	53	2,67
Sanlúcar de Barrameda	784,28	36,18	820,46	600	1,37
Trebuja	543,64	64,72	608,36	824	0,74
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6.362,05</b>	<b>626,94</b>	<b>6.988,99</b>	<b>2.367</b>	<b>2,95</b>



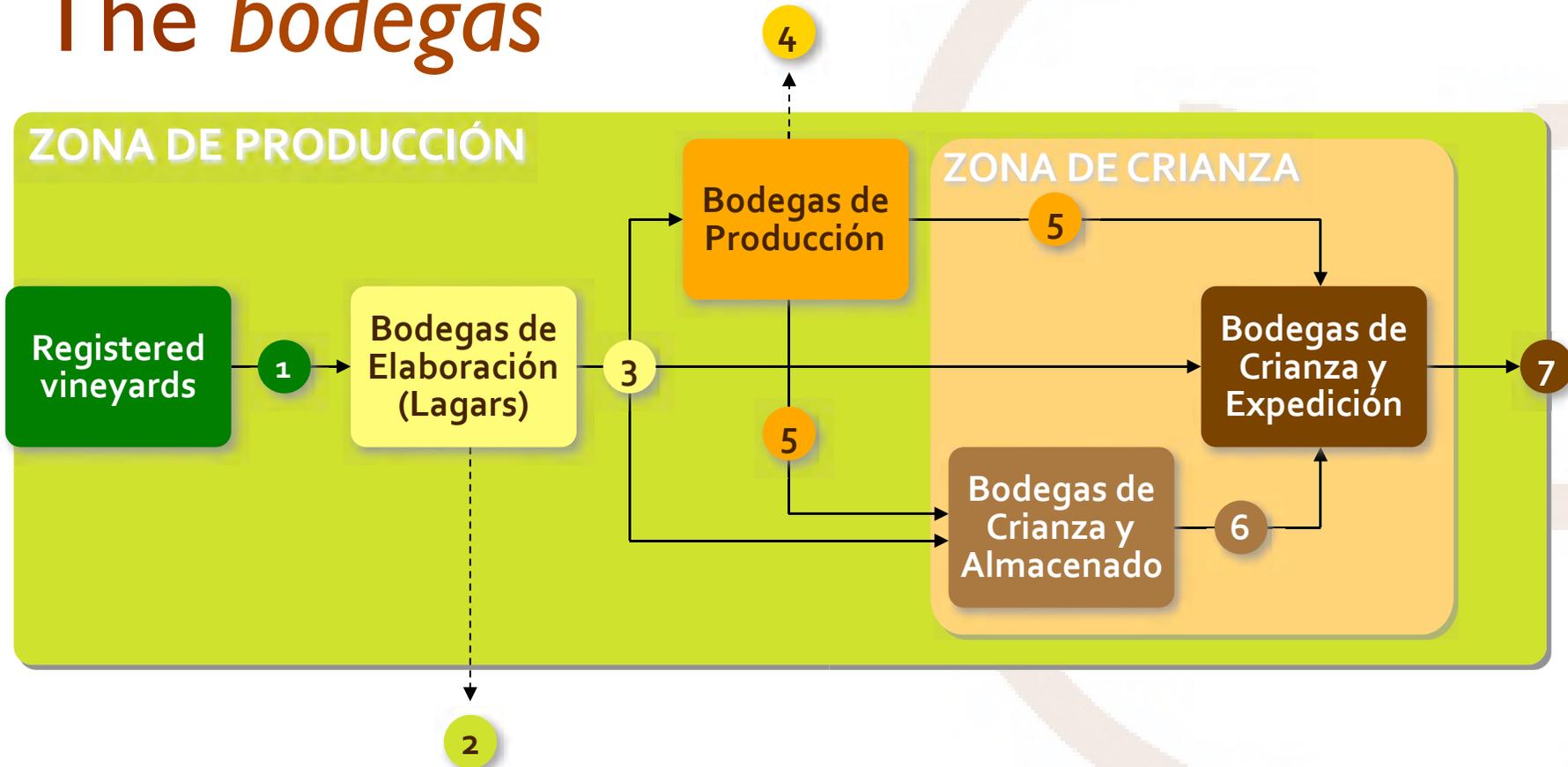


# Vinegrowers





# The *bodegas*



- 1** Qualified grapes
- 2** Non-DO young wines (mosto)
- 3** Qualified young wine (mosto)
- 4** "Zona de Producción" non-DO wines
- 5** Qualified non-aged wines
- 6** Qualified aged wines
- 7** DO wines

# Types of registered bodegas

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## **Bodegas de Producción**

- located outside of the “Zona de Crianza”
- produce wines to be sold without the DO appellation
- can supply wines to be aged in the “Zona de Crianza”

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## **Bodegas de Crianza y Almacenado (Almacenistas)**

- located within the “Zona de Crianza”
- age wines with the DO appellation
- sell their wines to the “Bodegas de Crianza y Expedición”

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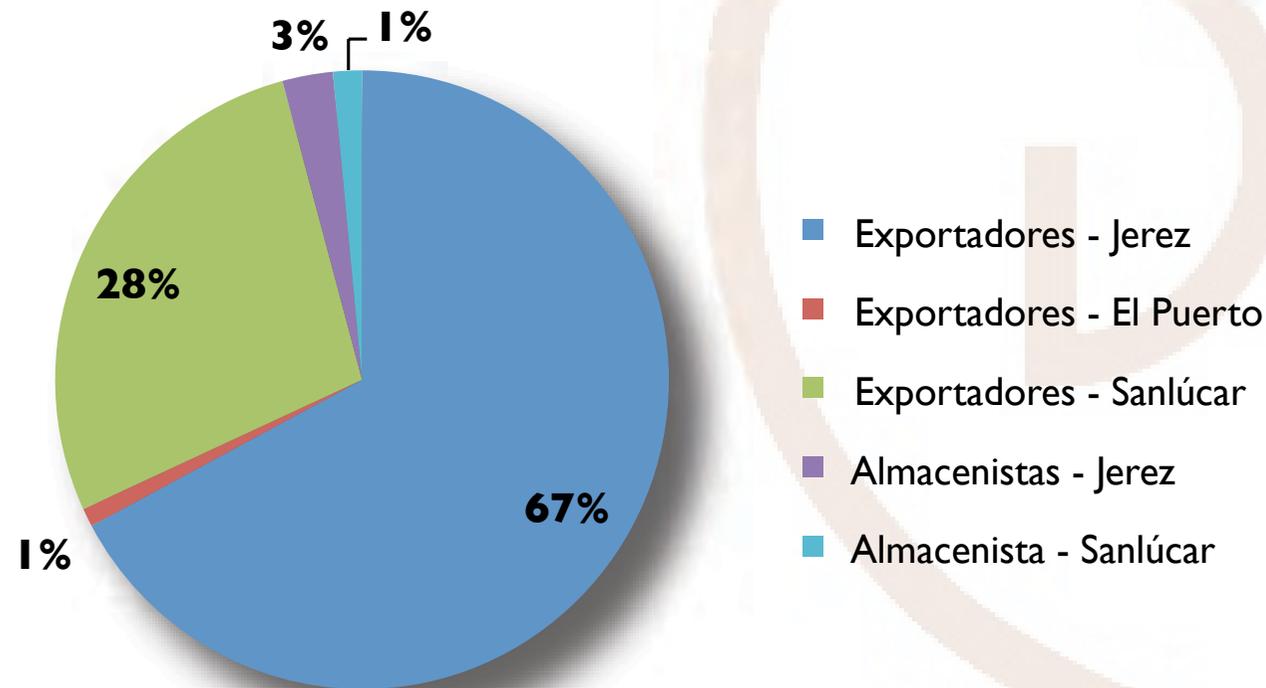
## **Bodegas de Crianza y Expedición (Exportadores)**

- located within the “Zona de Crianza”
- age and sell wines with the DO appellation

**77** registered bodegas

# Bodegas de crianza

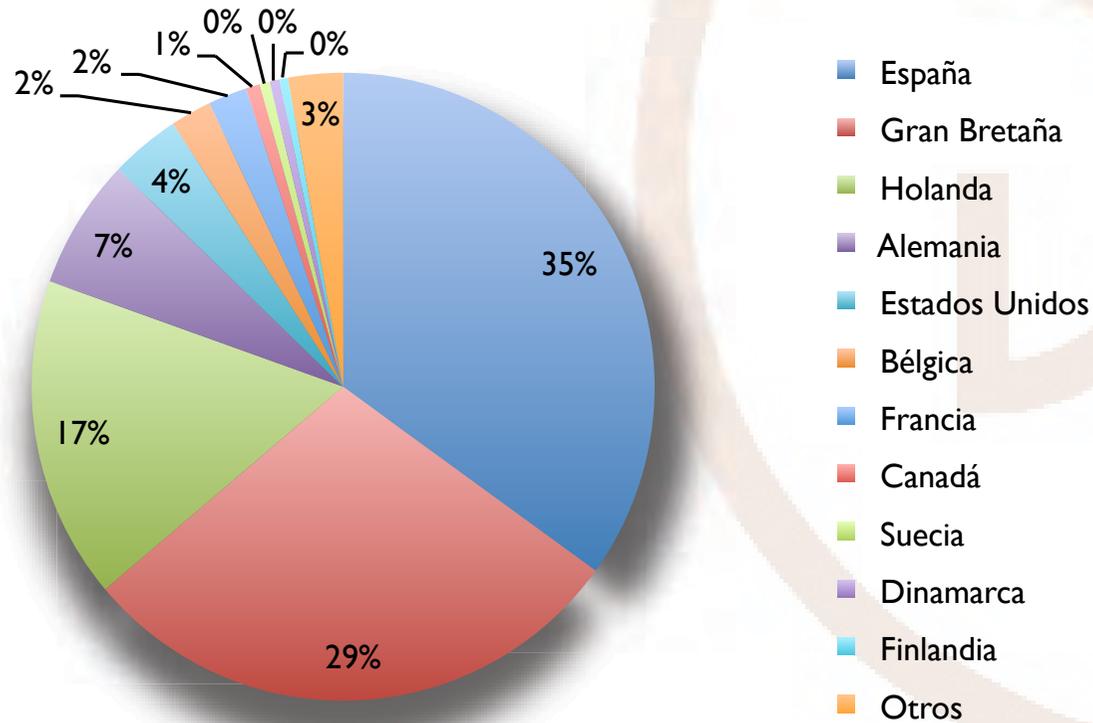
Total ageing stocks of wine: 280.00 *botas* (140 Mn.l)





# Sales of DO wines

Total sales of approx. 46 Mn. bottles



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# The Consejo Regulador - functions

Junta de Andalucía

**president**

**producers**  
(vinegrowers)

10 "vocales"

independents (6)  
cooperatives (4)

**shippers**  
(bodegas)

10 "vocales"

Jerez-Xérès-Sherry (8)  
Manzanilla (1)  
Vinagre de Jerez (1)



# El Consejo Regulador - funciones

- 1 The Industry's inter-professional organisation.
- 2 Establishes the operating rules of the DO.

Reglamento de  
Funcionamiento  
(of the Consejo Regulador)

Internal aspects

Technical files  
(for each Denomination)

Product specifications

# Technical files

## viticulture

- Location of vineyards
- Planting controls
- Authorised varieties
- Pruning methods
- Other cultural practices
- Harvest dates & conditions
- Maximum yield



# Technical files



## viniculture

- Pressing: 70 lt. per 100 kg.
- Fortification
- Minimum ageing periods
- Oak wood casks (*botas*)
- Inventory controls
- Specifications for each style of wine
- Bottling and shipping controls

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# The Consejo Regulador - guarantee



Specific codification number for each single bottle

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Y MANZANILLA  
DENOMINACIONES  
DE ORIGEN



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- 5 Industry-wide promotion: product quality, training, marketing...

## The Denominaciones of Origen. Some key ideas

- ✓ Jerez-Xérès-Sherry. The oldest DO in Spain.
- ✓ The Consejo Regulador, more than just a regulatory body.
- ✓ Every bottle of authentic Sherry, individually identified by the Consejo seal & number.
- ✓ Important role of the generic promotion.

*If you want to learn more... read this:*

-  Reglamento de Funcionamiento del Consejo Regulador
-  Pliegos de Condiciones de las DDO Jerez, Manzanilla y Vinagre de Jerez.
-  Memoria de actividades del Consejo Regulador (annual reports)