

# General Meeting of Performance BIB

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**Session :** Monday 26 November 2007 at 17:20  
Consumer Preferences

**Title :** **BIB UK consumer preferences**

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# Wine Intelligence: Who we are and what we do?

We are the only company dedicated to supporting the wine industry globally with consulting, branding & market research

Wine Intelligence was founded in 2001 by 3 seasoned wine industry marketers - all with previous experience of owning or managing wine distribution & retail businesses, and who were all frustrated by the lack of useful market insight guidance dedicated to the wine industry

We are retained by wine producers & brand owners, distributors, generic organisations and retailers, as well as associated companies such as closures manufacturers, in all major wine source countries to advise on:

- Wine business corporate strategy and market entry
- Wine brand and new product development & re-development and testing - from liquid to packaging (Vinibrand)
- Wine brand tracking and measuring
- Wine brand and source-country positioning development and testing
- Wine brand and source country communications creative development and media tracking
- Wine industry trade opinions and needs, focusing on both on- and off-premise channels
- Teaching and lecturing

# Today's presentation: Where does the data coming from?





Listen to opinions of the world's wine consumers



Vinitrac is the only global survey that specifically monitors and tracks wine consumers' attitudes, behaviour and relationship with wine

In addition, Vinitrac operates in the following markets as a bespoke or omnibus survey on a demand basis  
**China – Russia – Italy – Spain – Mexico**  
 Other markets are available on request

Wave 2 of Vinitrac (Autumn 07) will cover the following markets:

- Canada
-  Denmark
-  Finland
- France\*
- Germany
- Ireland
- Netherlands
-  Norway\*
-  Sweden\*
- Switzerland
-  UK
- USA

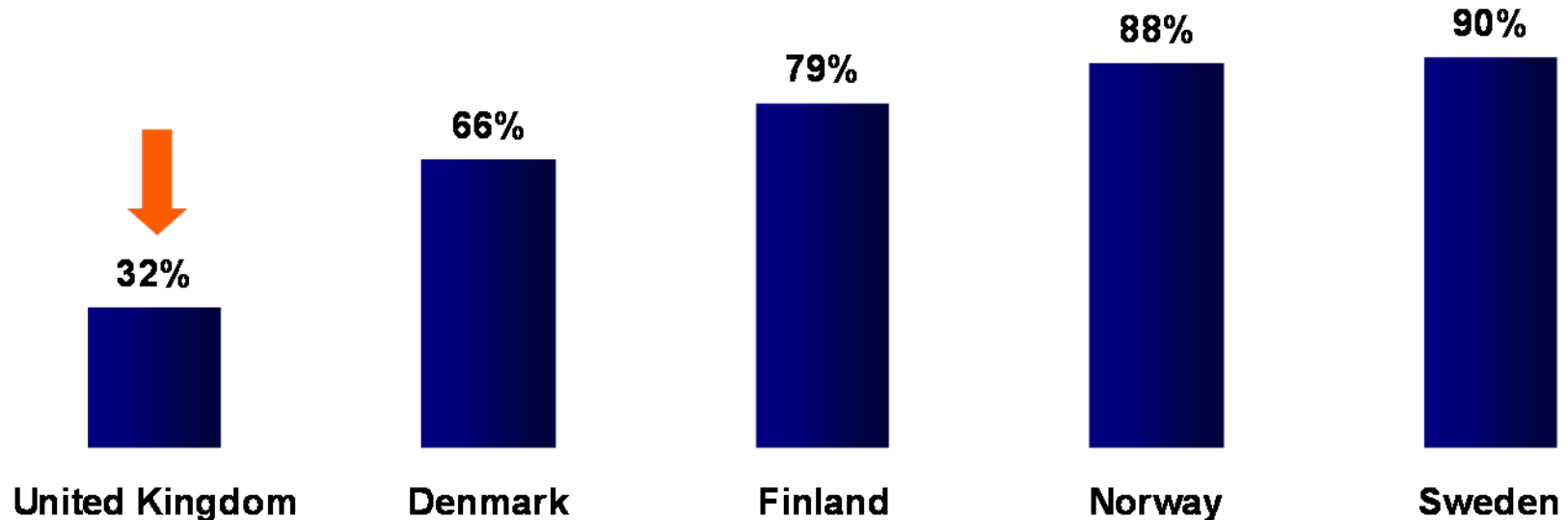
\*Markets sampled on annual basis or on request

Note:  Today's presentation

1. Bag-in-box in the UK market: comparisons with North European countries

# Bag-in-box in the UK has a relatively low penetration compared to Nordic countries

**Penetration of Bag-in-Box by countries**  
(Base=All monthly wine drinkers in named country)  
**% of wine drinkers buying wine in a bag-in-box**

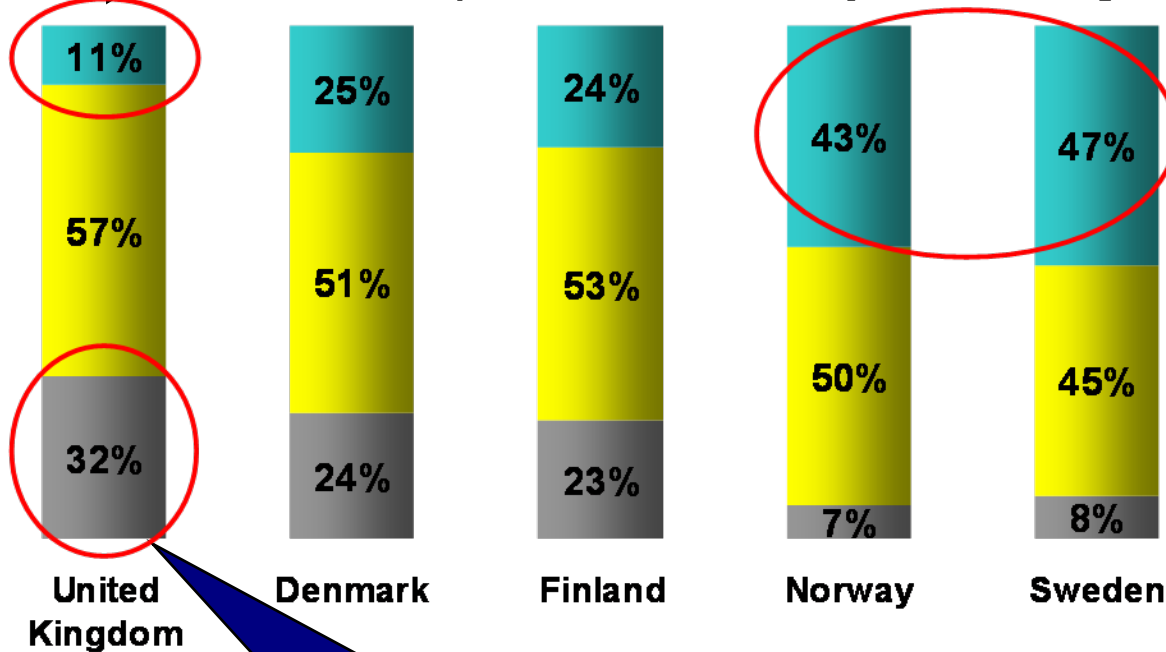


Source: Vinitrac® Global, September 2007, Representative of monthly wine drinkers, Weighted n > 1,000 for each country

# And UK has the highest % of Light bag-in-box buyers

Statistically significantly lower than any of the 4 other countries

What proportion of wine do you buy in a bag-in-box?  
(Base=Those who buy wine in a bag-in-box)



- **SUPER-HEAVY** Bag-in-box buyers: buy 50% or more of their wine in a bag-in-box
- **HEAVY** Bag-in-box buyers: buy between 10% and 49% of their wine in a bag-in-box
- **LIGHT** Bag-in-box buyers: buy less than 10% of their wine in a bag-in-box

Source: Vinitrac® Global, September 2007, Representative of monthly wine drinkers, Weighted n > 1,000 for each country

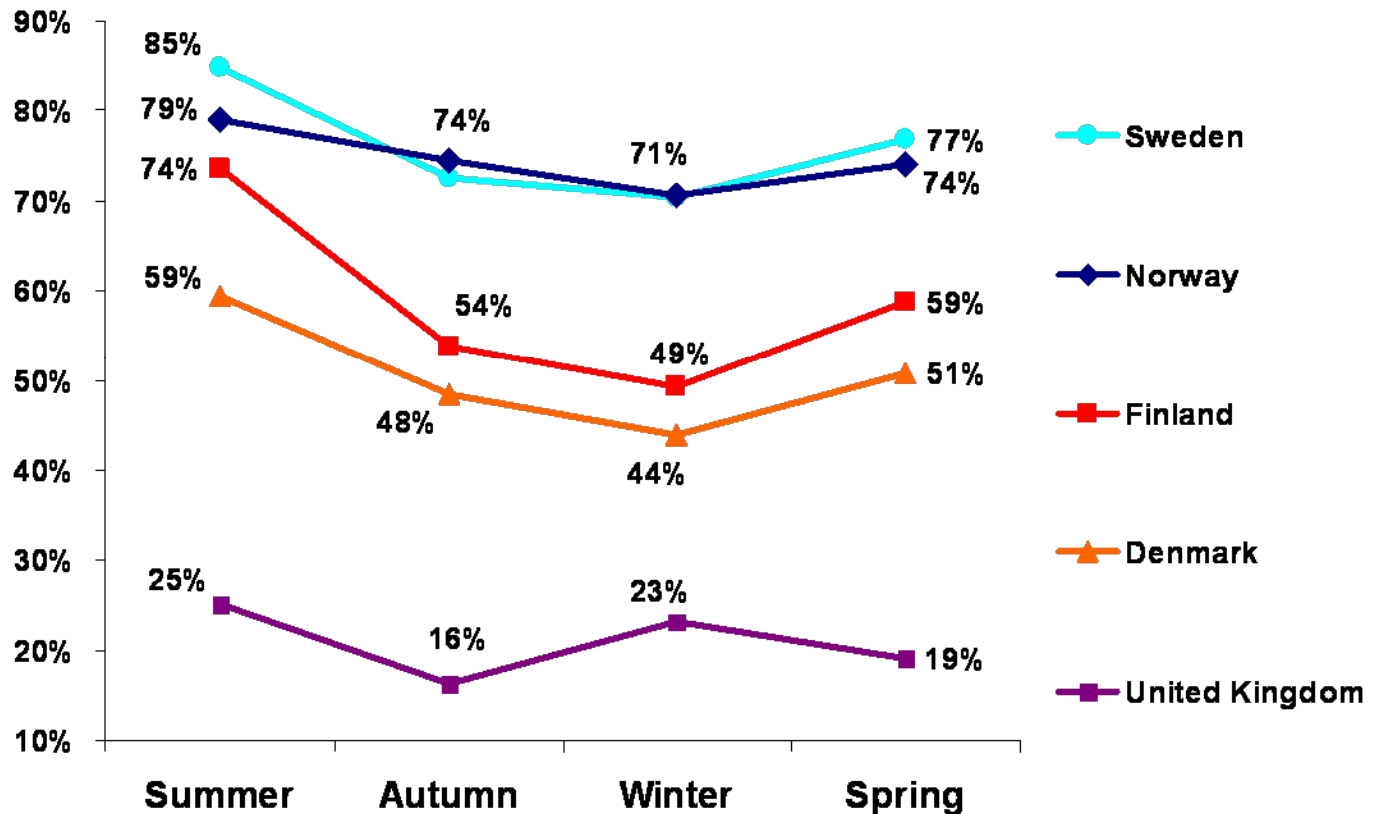


Statistically significantly higher than any of the 4 other countries

# Unlike most Nordic countries, bag-in-box purchasing in the UK is not seasonal



**Bag-in-box purchase: seasonality effects**  
 (Base=All monthly wine drinkers)  
 % of wine drinkers buying bag-in-box during...



Source: Vinitrac® Global, September 2007, Representative of monthly wine drinkers, Weighted n > 1,000 for each country



## 2. Focus on Bag-in-box perceptions by UK wine drinkers





# Bag-in-box in the UK: Who buy them?

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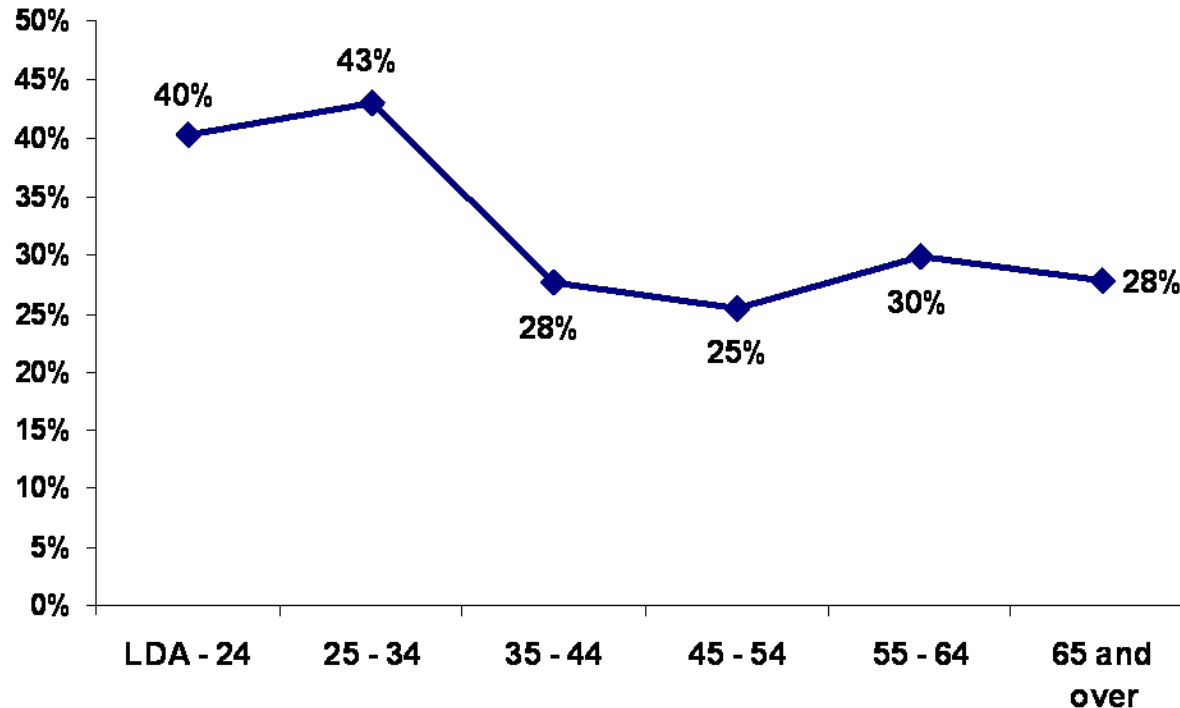
**Question:**

Who buys bag-in-box in the UK wine market?



# Younger consumers are more likely to buy wine in a bag-in-box

UK: Bag-in-box penetration by age  
(Base=All UK monthly wine drinkers)



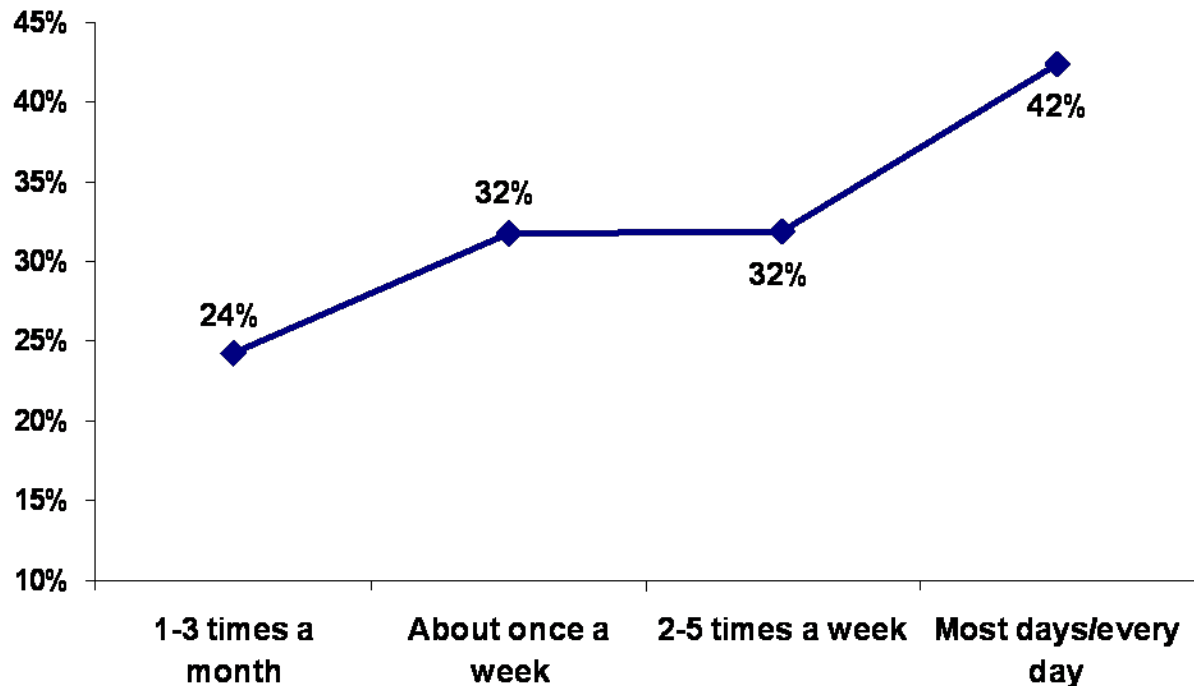
Source: Vinitrac® UK, November 2007, Representative of monthly wine drinkers, Weighted n=1,011





# And bag-in-box purchase also increase with wine frequency of consumption

UK: Bag-in-box penetration by wine frequency of consumption  
(Base=All UK monthly wine drinkers)



Source: Vinitrac® UK, November 2007, Representative of monthly wine drinkers, Weighted n=1,011





# Bag-in-box in the UK: Are consumers likely to buy a brand they are used to purchase?

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## Question:

To what extent is bag-in-box a credible alternative to the traditional 75cl bottle for brand owners - the consumers views



# Survey methodology:

*Please assume that a wine you buy regularly around £4 to £5 has opted to change its packaging to each of the packaging alternatives shown below. For each package, how likely would you be to buy the wine again? Please give your answer on a 1 to 5 scale where 1="Very unlikely to buy" and 5="Very likely to buy"*



PET plastic bottle



Tetrapak carton



Pouch



Bag-in-box



Ring-pull can

**This research and following findings have been collected for the WSTA in August 2007;  
We thank WSTA to allow us to share this data**



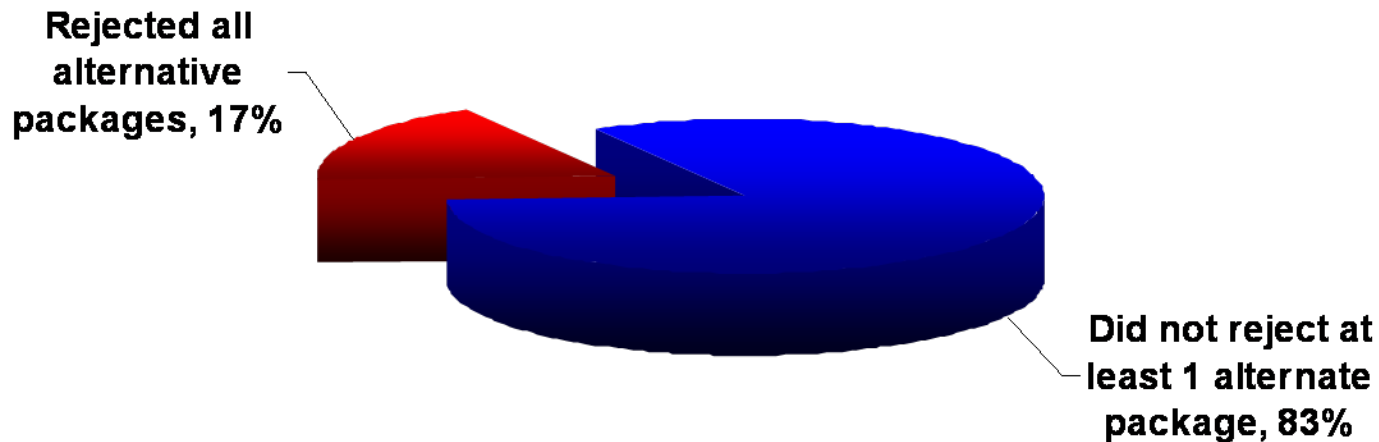
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# Most UK consumers are open to experimentation with some sort of packaging

- 5 in 6 were neutral or likely to buy at least one package alternative for a wine brand they regularly buy between £4 and £5

**% of consumers willing to try an alternative wine package for a wine brand they buy regularly between £4 and £5  
(Base=All UK regular wine drinkers)**



Source: Wine Intelligence Vinitrac® UK, September 2007

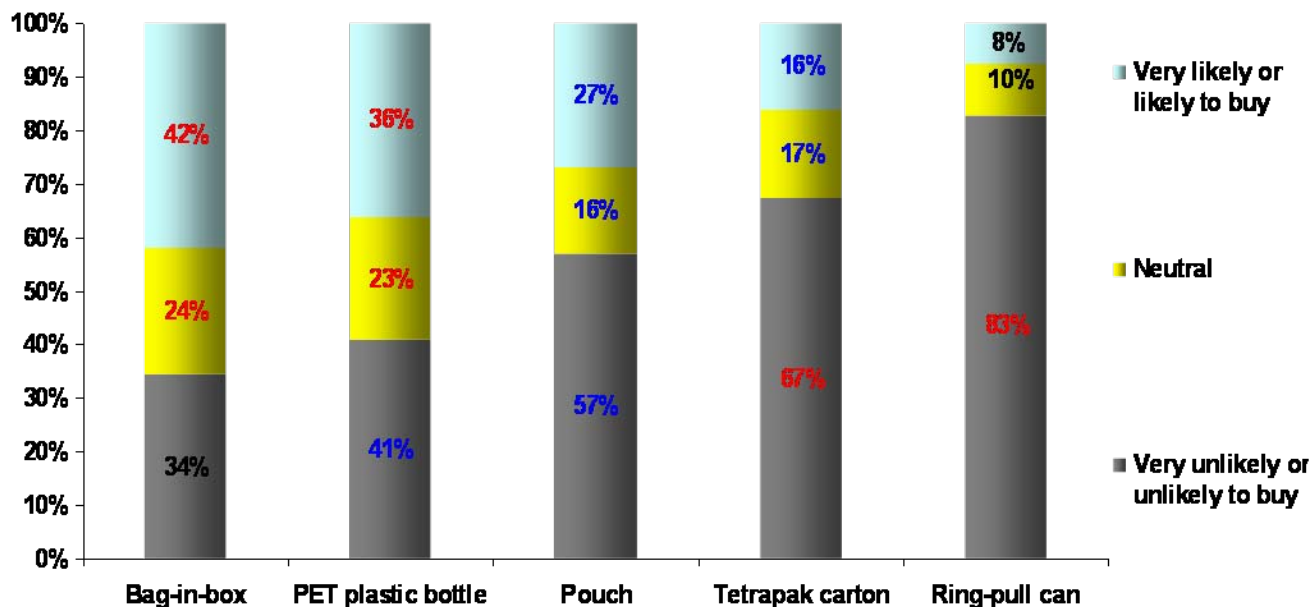


# Bag-in-box & PET are considered the most acceptable alternative packing types

- Bag-in-box has the advantage of being well-known by most wine drinkers
- 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of wine drinkers said they would buy wine in a PET bottle
- Fewer consumers said that they would be willing to buy wine in Pouch, Tetrapak and Can

xx Significantly different from 3 or more other packages  
 xx Significantly different from 1-2 other packages

For each package, how likely would you be to buy the wine again? (Base=All sample, n=1001)



Source: Wine Intelligence Vinitrac, August 2007



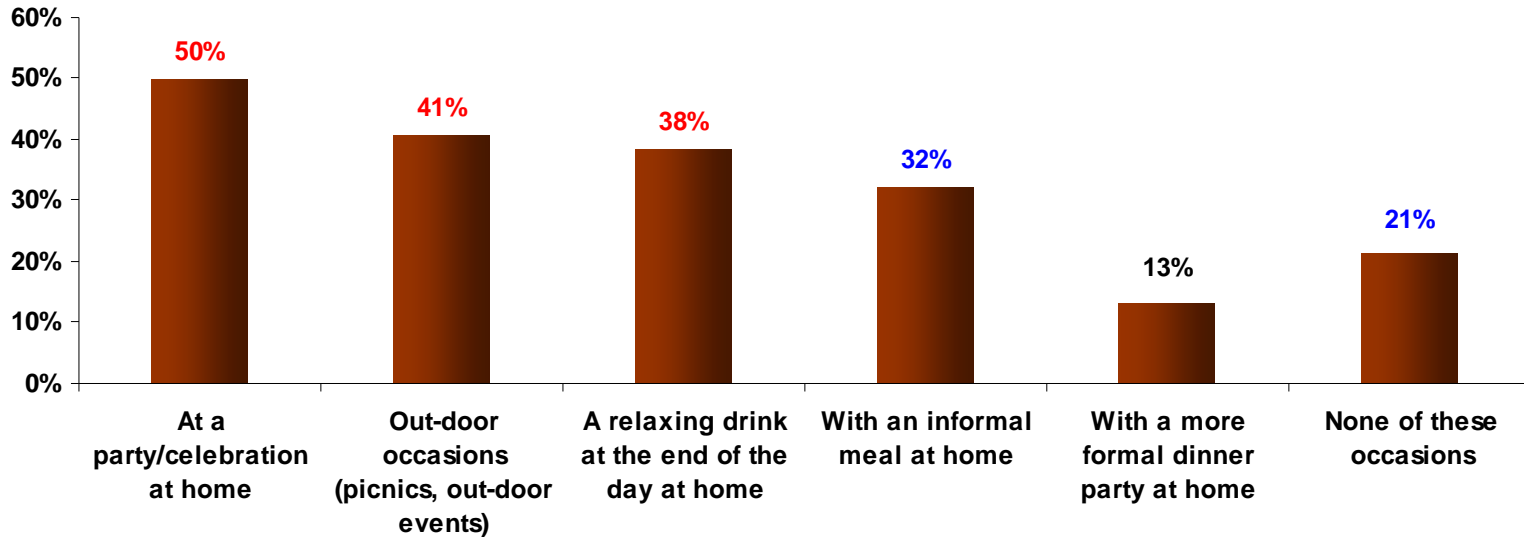


# Half of UK wine drinkers say they would buy wine in a bag-in-box for party/celebration

xx Significantly different from 3 or more other occasions

xx Significantly different from 1-2 other occasions

Again, please assume that a wine you buy regularly around £4 to £5 opted to change its packaging to a **Bag-in-box**  
For which of the following occasions would you be likely to buy this wine? (Base=All sample, n=1001)



Source: Wine Intelligence Vinitrac, August 2007



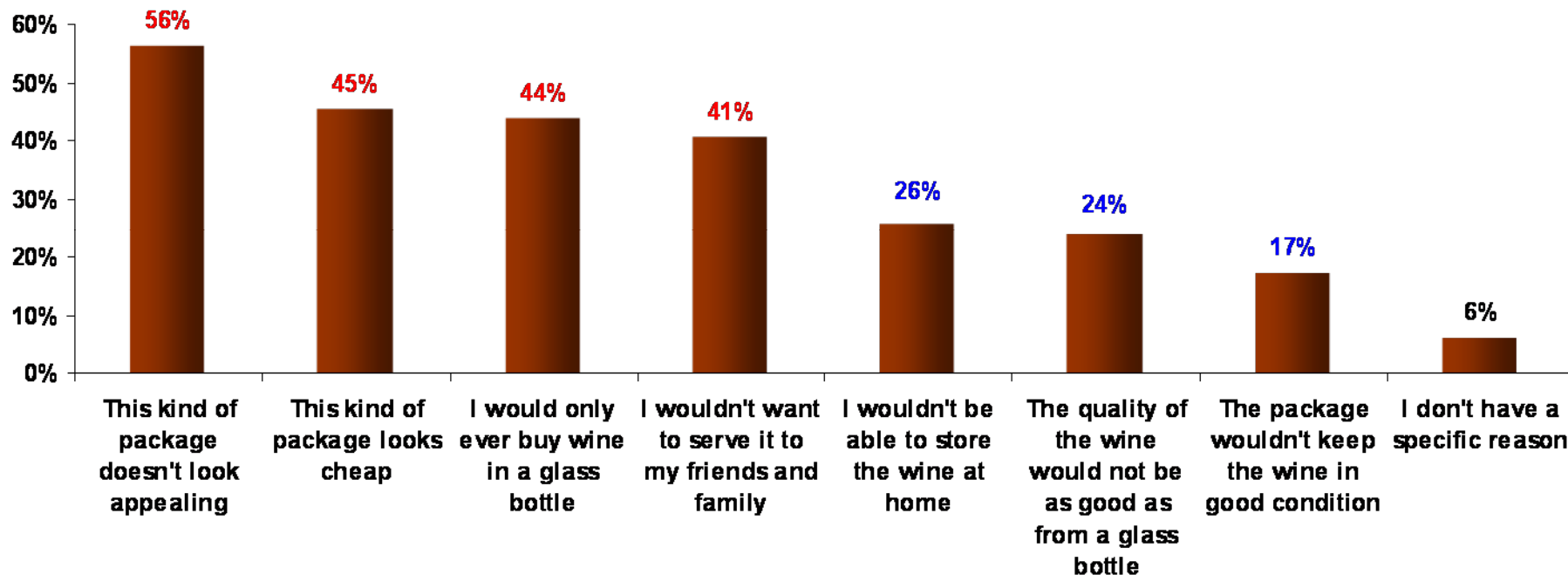


# Emotional feelings are indeed the main barriers to purchase wine in a bag-in-box

xx Significantly different from 3 or more other reasons

xx Significantly different from 1-2 other reasons

You said that you would be unlikely to buy a wine contained in a **Bag-in-box**. Why is this?  
(Base=All those who were unlikely or very unlikely to buy, n=345)



Source: Wine Intelligence Vinitrac, August 2007





# Bag-in-box in the UK: Does educating consumers would help?

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## Question:

Does informing consumers about the benefits of alternative wine packages increase their propensity to buy these alternate packages?



# Alternative packaging preferences: half of the respondents have seen...

*Please assume that a wine you buy regularly around £4 to £5 has opted to change its packaging to each of the packaging alternatives shown below. For each package, how likely would you be to buy the wine again? Please give your answer on a 1 to 5 scale where 1="Very unlikely to buy" and 5="Very likely to buy"*

*All packaging alternatives are easily recyclable*



PET plastic  
bottle

Lightweight,  
non-breakable,  
re-sealable



Tetrapak  
carton

Lightweight,  
collapsible,  
Preserves freshness  
after opening



Pouch

Easily transportable,  
convenient tap,  
preserves freshness  
after opening



Bag-in-box

Easily transportable,  
convenient tap,  
preserves freshness  
after opening



Ring-pull  
can

Single serving,  
No serving  
glass needed,  
Easily transportable



# Alternative packaging preferences: ...and the other half has seen

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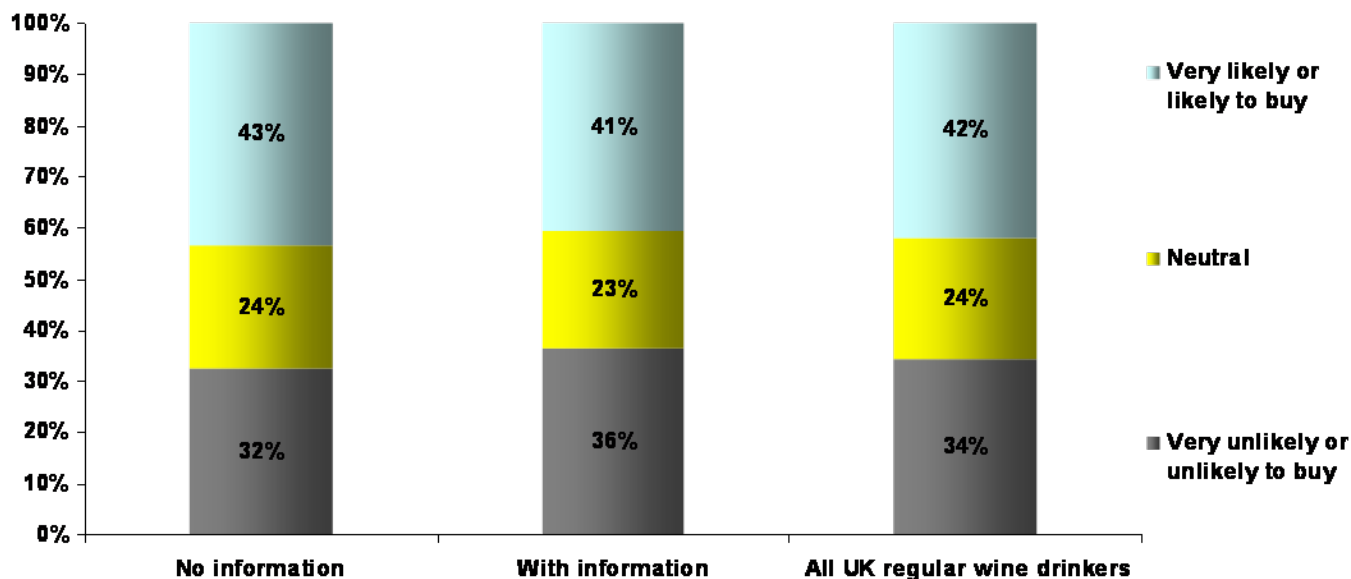


Ring-pull  
can



# Educating the consumers on rational benefits of bag-in-box has no effect on their interest in purchasing a wine in a Bag-in-box

For **Bag-in-box**, how likely would you be to buy the wine again? (Base=All sample, n=1001)



Source: Wine Intelligence Vinitrac, August 2007

Same findings for Tetrapack carton and PET bottles

Education does increase likelihood to buy for wine in Pouch or in Ring-pull can





## Conclusions -

# BIB in the UK wine market: a well established package with room to improve its sales

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- Bag-in-box is a well established packaging in the UK wine market:
  - About 1 in 3 UK wine drinkers report that they buy wine in a bag-in-box
  - About 2 in 3 do not reject the idea of buying a brand they regularly buy if the brand were to shift from a 75cl glass bottle to a bag-in box (£4 to £5 price bracket)
    - This is the highest score of all alternative package that have been tested
- But in order to increase BIB sales, the industry faces at least two main challenges:
  - BIB has mainly penetrated younger age groups and party/celebrations occasions
    - But may have a stigma with older wine drinkers and other types of occasions
  - There is a lingering image of unappealing/cheap packaging

# Research methodology

# Research methodology - Sample representative of regular wine drinkers in the UK, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

- Data was gathered via Wine Intelligence’s Vinitrac online survey
  - Methodology: Panel-based online survey
  - Sampling: quotas / stratified
    - Quotas defined in terms of age, gender (and SEG in UK); sampling frame stratified on the basis of these quotas and sample drawn at random within each strata.
    - In the UK data was post-weighted to representative of UK regular wine drinkers
  - Screening criteria: Legal drinking age, Drink wine at least once per month, Drink at least red or white wine, Buy wine in the off-trade and/or in on-trade
  - Margin of error: 3.1% at 95% level of confidence per country
  - Weighted sample is shown in the table:

		Denmark	Finland	Norway	Sweden	United Kingdom	United Kingdom
<b>Sample size</b>		<b>1004</b>	<b>1025</b>	<b>1002</b>	<b>1015</b>	<b>1001</b>	<b>1011</b>
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Male</b>	50%	48%	50%	52%	48%	48%
	<b>Female</b>	50%	52%	50%	48%	52%	52%
	<b>Total</b>	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Age</b>	<b>LDA - 24</b>	7%	8%	8%	6%	10%	10%
	<b>25 - 34</b>	16%	14%	17%	15%	21%	21%
	<b>35 - 44</b>	23%	21%	23%	21%	23%	23%
	<b>45 - 54</b>	21%	21%	21%	22%	19%	19%
	<b>55 and over</b>	33%	35%	32%	36%	27%	27%
	<b>Total</b>	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Data collection</b>		<b>Oct-07</b>				<b>Aug-07</b>	<b>Nov-07</b>
<b>Slides using this data</b>		<b>Slides 5 to 7</b>				<b>14 to 22</b>	<b>5 to 12</b>