China overtakes France in vineyard area

China is now the world's second-largest wine-grower by area under cultivation after Spain, pushing France into third place. China has more than doubled the land devoted to vines since the start of the century



Spain	China	France	Italy	Turkey	U.S.
TOP 10 PRODUCERS			TOP 10 CONSUMERS		
France	46.7 millio	n hectolitres	U.S.		30.7mhl
Italy		44.7	France		27.9
Spain		41.6	Italy	20.4	
U.S.		22.3	Germany	20.2	
Argentir	na	15.2	China	15.8*	
	Australia	12.0	UK 1:	2.6	Visit
	South Africa	11.3	Spain	10.0	
1	China	11.2	Argentina	9.9	
	Chile	10.5	Russia	9.6	Me I
	Germany	9.3	5.5 Aus	tralia 🔣	4
Since vines take 4-5 years to produce and planting surged 2-3 years ago, China's output is set to soar					
*Calculated by balance sheet (Production + Import – export) of 2013, 2014 Source: IOVW Picture: Getty Images © GRAPHIC NEWS					