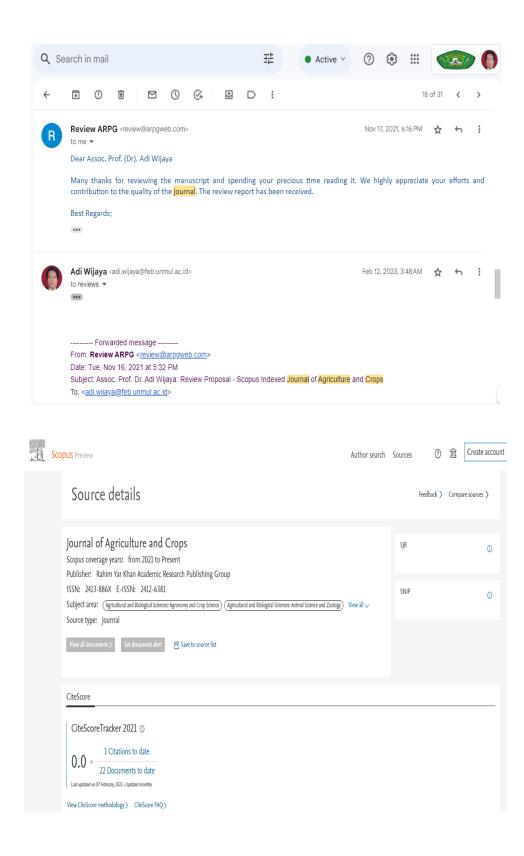


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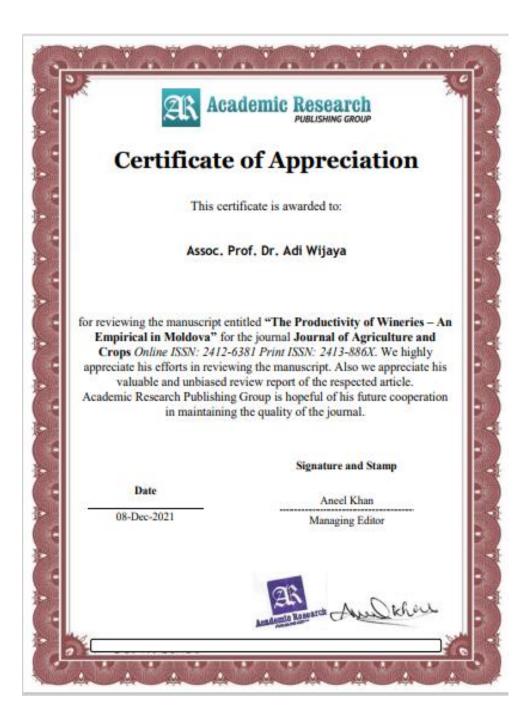
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The Productivity of Wineries – An Empirical in Moldova

Abstract: Wine is of significant importance to the Moldovan economy because it is one of the few products exported with its full value chain completed in the country and high employability in rural areas. The goal of this study was to analyze how large the land size, seed, and labor for the productivity of wineries in Moldova with 2 models. We intend to examine and explain the relationship between independent and dependent variables using panel data in 5 regional units (Bălți, Chisinau, Bender, Gagauzia, and Transnistria). The analytical tool used is a multiple regression through SPSS software. Empirical findings produced are that there is a positive and significant influence on land size and labor on productivity, while the seed has a negative and significant effect. These results show it is advisable to merge the wineries' lands to reach their maximum potential. Measures to prevent further subdivisions from developing the wine sector productivity.

Keywords: Land size; Seed; Labor; Productivity; Wineries; Multiple regression; Moldova.

1. Introduction

Production is currently the major key because it involves climate change and food security. An exponential increase in the world's population results in increased demand for food production (Ullah et al., 2017).

A small country called Moldova, which is included in the Eastern European region, may rarely hear echoing, but this country has agricultural and wine products that are actually driven by developed countries. The poorest country in Europe is often told to have poor infrastructure (Stratan et al., 2015).

We know Moldova for having low hills; the plain is always well lit by the sun, many rivers flow, and the moderate climate formed by the Black Sea provides all the ideal conditions needed to grow grapes. In fact, wine from Moldova is the most famous and is so calculated throughout Eastern and Western Europe. The tradition of winemaking in Moldova has started thousands of years ago. Fossil evidence shows that grapes grew naturally 25 million years ago. Meanwhile, agriculture and winemaking grew at least 4,000 to 5,000 years ago.

Wine farming in Moldova is very encouraging. These vines number tens of hectares beautifully maintained and become a special attraction. Besides wine farming, there is something equally amazing about wine in the underground part of the country. There is a vast underground warehouse with miles long, shaped tunnels of wine (for example Ahrendsen et al., 2016; Bedek and Njavro, 2016).

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One of the most famous wine cellars in the world and located in Moldova, named Miletii Mici. This place is included in the largest wine cellar in the world. It holds up to 2 million bottles stretching 200 kilometers, even though only about 55 kilometers are actually used. In order not to be confused, each location is given a street name to help people navigate, and visitors can drive their cars and bicycles, in a very large underground city. The tunnel originally belonged to one of the old limestone mining companies (Goncharuk and Figurek, 2017). When the mine closed in the late 1960s, caves were turned into Miletii Mici's wine cellars. Limestone galleries remain at high humidity (85-95%) and cold temperatures (12-14°C) throughout the year which ultimately become ideal conditions for storing old red wine (Scrimgeour et al., 2015).

Wine is of significant importance to the Moldovan economy because it is one of the few products exported with its full value chain completed in the country and high employability in rural areas. In 2006, the demand for the wine sector caused an increase in the aggregate national economy. Even wine production affected 80% of Moldova's total GDP in 2005. We estimated that for 2007, the contribution from this sector was around 2.3%. Through policies in the wine's development industry (legal framework, rules, and brands), can increase the income of small and large-scale producers. In addition, something indirectly integrated it into the tourism sector, business development, and creating new job opportunities (Pîşchina, 2018).

Long before the wineries business developed as it is today, it did to meet daily food needs, but along with the times seeing the conditions that this business can bring in income, then there is a shift besides just meeting daily needs can also be income for winegrowers. Seeing this reality, wine productivity is trying to develop a business with various efforts or steps such as intensification so that farming can increase from time to time (Ryś-Jurek, 2009).

Weight or volume usually measures agricultural products. An immediate question arises how to best combine different agricultural products since summing overweights or volumes is not very meaningful. One approach when dealing with crops is to convert them to a common physical unit, such as wheat units (for example Dubock, 2017; Block, 1994). More commonly, it measured aggregate output in agriculture in monetary units as the sum of the value of all production in the agricultural sector minus the value of intermediate inputs originating within the agricultural sector. Both cash and non-cash (barter, trade, and self-consumption) transactions of final products should include. We refer this to as "final output" and differs from agricultural GDP by not subtracting out the value of non-agricultural inputs (Antara and Sumarniasih, 2017). The final output is the amount of agricultural output available for the rest of the economy, while agricultural GDP measures the net contribution of agriculture to the GDP of a country.

An inverse relationship between the size of the operational landholding and land productivity holds in many regions. A negative relationship between farm size and land productivity was first noted in Russia (Visser et al., 2014). Smaller farms in India are more productive, as the operators of small farms apply more input, particularly labor, and hence the resulting output is larger (Suyatno et al., 2018). The total amount of family labor used goes up remarkably when the size falls (Sen, 1962).

A few studies revealed positive relationships between land size and productivity. Obasi (2007) concludes that farm size is positively related to agricultural productivity in Nigeria. The impact is due to the low-quality inputs used by smallholders. The relationship of size-productivity is positive in technologically advanced regions, whereas the typical inverse relationship still exists in developing regions. Chen et al. (2011) observes similar results to Obasi (2007) in Chinese agriculture and support the view of Rahman and Rahman (2009).

The factors of land area and fertilizer production positively and significantly affect farmer's income. Seed production factors have a negative and significant effect on rice production, while labor production factors are not significant in rice production (Noormansyah and Cahrial, 2020).

The growth of agricultural productivity benefits all relevant stakeholders, from the consumers who will enjoy cheaper foods to the government whose tax revenues will substantially increase, and the farmers themselves from the increase of employment and income (Krištić et al., 2016). Almost all countries in East and Southeast Asia have gone through growth in agricultural productivity before industrializing, except for a few small island countries and territories such as Brunei, Hong Kong, and Singapore (Thath, 2016).

Specific and close coordination of technical, economic, and organizational parameters always characterized the labor process in agriculture. It would be incorrect, however, to say that technical and economic parameters are determining. As mentioned before, we can identify a multitude of tasks that hold flexibility regarding their implementation. For example, take hay bedding, one of those insignificant tasks whose purpose is to homogenize the quality of the hay and speed up its drying. If this step is neglected, then the grass that lies underneath will dry less well and will form mold or foment. Like hay tending, each farm task possesses some flexibility and can perform in a variety of ways. Even given the technological and economic parameters (the price of hay and labor, in the above example), it needs a series of decisions to specify how the work should finally done (Peake et al., 2019).

The efficiency of technical matters on two panels of wine growers (and other organic wine growers) in South Africa shows that efficiency is determined by labor

quality, age and education of farmers, distance/location, percentage of creepers, and use for electricity for irrigation (Conradie et al., 2006). In addition, there are negative results of total productivity over the period of time needed with consideration of two forces with opposite signs, because the positive contribution of technological advancements to increased productivity is offset by an increase in the efficiency of the winery. The most efficient wineries are able to improve their performance over a certain period of time, thus changing the limits efficiently. Most wineries fail in technological development, but not in manual labor in Italy and Spain (Seller-Rubio et al., 2016).

Regarding inputs, the three productive factors in the wine industry are the number of employees as representatives of workers, the level of wine equity (reserve capital), and the amount of debt (short and long term) as a fundamental dimension of international competition (Viviani, 2008). For example, Seller and Alampi-Sottini (2016) proved that manager support is important to improve and enhance the competitiveness of wine in Italy. In addition, József and Péter (2014) advocates efficiency related to several economic factors such as financial development, systems, quality of human capital, and interconnected wine per capita consumption in the best wine-producing countries (America, South Africa, and Oceania).

The allocation of labor in each pattern of land ownership is divided by the type of labor (in the family and outside the family) and the stages of farming, namely land clearing, soil management, seedbed, seedling, planting, weeding, fertilizing, spraying, and harvest. Next to find out whether there are differences in the allocation of labor in the farming of owners, tenants, and dents farmers (Forbord et al., 2014).

The area of agricultural land will affect the scale of business, which will ultimately affect the efficiency or absence of an agricultural business (Yu and Wu, 2018). The area of land that resulted in efforts to take actions that lead to the aspect of efficiency will be reduced because of the weak supervision of production factors such as seeds, fertilizers, medicines, and labor. In addition, the limited supply of labor around the area, which in turn affects the efficiency of the agricultural business.

Agriculture has been recognized as the main field of production since ancient times in Egypt, Babylon, China, India. It is not accidental that we still have the most precious materials on the issues of management of this sphere, which have not lost their sensitivity to the present day (Silagadze, 2018).

Seeing this condition, this happens because the management of the land done improperly, this may be because of the area of land, the price of seeds, expensive labor costs, and the use of technology is still simple, so that in management it will cost a very large production cost compared to modern land management and costs can reduce (Anggraini et al., 2020). Therefore, the aspect of efficiency must get serious attention in order to get the desired product, so that it can cover the costs incurred during the production process with income after the grape harvest. The goal of the research is to find out how big is the impact of land size, seed, and labor in influencing the productivity of wineries in Moldova.

2. Model Conception and Method

Based on the problems, objectives, theoretical foundation, and analytical tools used, this research uses an associative quantitative approach. This study, included in the type of social research that explains the causality of relationships between variables through hypothesis testing between land size, seed, and labor on the productivity of wineries in 5 regions (Bălți, Chisinau, Bender, Gagauzia, and Transnistria) in Moldova.

Panel data is a regression that combines time-series data and cross-section data (Widarjono, 2009). There are several benefits got by using panel data estimates. First, increasing the number of observations (samples), and second, getting variations between different units according to space and variations according to time (Lau and Baharumshah, 2006). In the panel data, there is little colinearity between variables, so it is very unlikely that multicollinearity will occur (Azzoni et al., 2011). Panel data applied by pooling least square (common effect) for 2019. We apply parameters in exploration of the panel data with Ordinary Least Square (OLS).

To find out the extent of the effect of using land size, seed, and labor on productivity, multiple regression was used. Panel data equation model, which is a combination of cross-section data and time-series data, is:

$$Y_{it} = \alpha + \beta_1 X_{1it} + \beta_2 X_{2it} + \dots + \beta_n X_{nit} + e_{it}$$
(1)

Where: Y_{it} is the dependent variable, X_{it} is the independent variable, i is the i entity, and t is the t period. To use the equation model based on the above description, then the equation is converted into multiple regression techniques forms by mathematical translation (Siregar, 2013). An equation function can be written:

$$Ln P = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Ln LS + \beta_2 Ln S + \beta_3 Ln L + e^u$$
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Where: Ln is the natural logarithm, P is productivity, LS is land size, S is the seed, L is labor, B_0 is constant, $\beta_1\beta_2\beta_3$ is productivity elasticity coefficient, and E raised with u or error terms.

For a normal distribution, 95% of the values lie within two standard deviations of the population mean. Hence, this normal distribution and central limit assumption for the sample dataset allows us to establish 5% as a significance level. It makes sense as, under this assumption, there is less than a 5% probability (100 - 95) of getting outliers that are beyond two standard deviations from the population mean. Depending upon datasets, it can take other significance levels at 1% and 5% (Wijaya et al., 2021). For financial calculations (including behavioral finance), 5% is the accepted limit. If we find any calculations that go beyond the usual two standard deviations, then we have a strong case of outliers to reject the null hypothesis (Leys et al., 2013).

3. Empirical Data and Analysis

It must meet the closeness of the relationship or the correlation coefficient between variables with basic assumptions or requirements when we use partial correlation tests to analyze research data. Some requirements are because each research variable uses ratio or interval scale data and because the test is part of parametric statistics, the data must normally distribute (Sujarweni, 2014).

Table 1 reveals that the closeness of the relationship to productivity, the land size variable which has a strong correlation coefficient (0.832), and the land size, the seed variable with a correlation value reaches 0.919 or strong. For the seed variable, the land size, which is classified as strong, is 0.919 and for Labor, the variable that has the strongest correlation coefficient is the seed (0.904).

Table-1. Pearson correlation matrix					
Variables	Р	LA	S	L	
Р	1.000	0.832	0.724	0.778	
LS	0.832	1.000	0.919	0.754	
S	0.724	0.919	1.000	0.904	
L	0.778	0.754	0.904	1.000	
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(Source: author's using SPSS)

In Table 2, collinearity diagnostics because of the linear regression test, we also note the eigenvalue and condition index values. If the Eigenvalue is over 0.01 and or the Condition Index is less than 30, we can conclude that multicollinearity symptoms do not occur in the regression model. In this SPSS output, the eigenvalue values of each variable are 0.306, 0.058, and 0.010 or greater than 0.01

(value> 0.01). Even though collinearity diagnostics from panel data for each variable is 3.439, 7.898, and 18.745, which are less than the statutory requirement.

Table-2 . Collinearity diagnostics				
Variables	Eigenvalue Condition Index			
Constans	3.625	1.000		
LS	0.306	3.439		
S	0.058	7.898		
L	0.010	18.745		
(Source: author's using SPSS)				

To determine the independent variable that is dominantly influencing changes in the dependent variable in a linear regression model, the results of the beta coefficient used. For the standardized beta coefficient, it standardized each coefficient of the independent variable through the model. Then, by comparing each of the beta coefficients, the largest beta coefficient can chosen as an indicator of the dominant variable. In this method, we found the greatest standardization of beta coefficients in variables. Table 2 presents in models 1 and 2, some variables have the lowest coefficient values, namely Seed (-0.033 and -2.207). The constant quantities are 21.903 and 16.455, while the two other independent variables (land size and labor) have a positive impact on productivity.

For the probability level, we use 2 research models (0.01 and 0.05), which can explain that in model 1, all independent variables have a significant effect on productivity, where the most dominant is the land size of 0.040. Model 2, showing land size, seed, and labor, also has a significant effect on productivity. For the most dominant variable, land size (0.037).

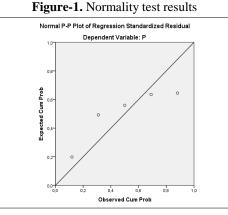
Table-3. Regression results					
Components	Model 1	Model 2			
Constant	(21.903)	(16.455)			
	0.037^{*}	0.021**			
LS	(0.001)	(1.786)			
	0.040^{*}	0.037^{**}			
S	(-0.033)	(-2.207)			
	0.083^{*}	0.043**			
L	(0.015)	(1.426)			
	0.061^{*}	0.043**			
R^2	0.999	0.956			
Adj. R ²	0.995	0.987			
F-test	256.839	249.470			
DW	2.345	2.602			
N	25	25			

(**Source:** author's using SPSS. Notes: p <0.05**, p <0.01*)

The coefficient of determination (\mathbb{R}^2) shows how much percentage of the variation of the independent variables used in the model can explain the variation of the dependent variable. \mathbb{R}^2 is equal to 0, so there is not the slightest percentage of the effective contribution given by the independent variable to the dependent variable, or the variation of the independent variable used in the model does not explain the slightest variation in the dependent variable. Instead, \mathbb{R}^2 is equal to 1, then the percentage of the contribution of influence given by the independent variable to the dependent variable is perfect, or the variation of the independent variable (Zainurossalamia et al., 2021).

Based on Table 3, R^2 figures of 0.999 (model 1) and 0.956 (model 2) are obtained. This shows that the percentage contribution of the influence of independent variables (land size, seed, and labor) to the dependent variable (productivity) or the variation of the independent variables used in the model can explain 99.9% and 95.6% of the dependent variable variations. Meanwhile, the remaining 0.1% (model 1) and 4.4% (model 2) are influenced or explained by other variables not included in the panel model.

Adjusted R Square is an adjusted R^2 , this value is always smaller than R^2 and this number can have a negative price. For regression with over two independent variables, it used Adjusted R^2 as the coefficient of determination (Zarkasyi et al., 2021). To complement the weaknesses of R^2 , we can use R squared adjusted. In this adjusted R^2 , we have considered the number of sample data and the number of variables used. So, we can know that models 1 and 2 of this study have used, because the error value is 0.005 (5%) and 0.013 (1.3%).



(Source: author's using SPSS)

The autocorrelation test aims to test whether we correlated the linear regression model between the error of the intruder at a certain period with the error of the intruder (the previous period). If there is a correlation, then there is a problem called autocorrelation. Of course, a suitable regression model is a regression that is free from autocorrelation (Suparjo et al., 2021). In the procedure of detecting autocorrelation problems, the Durbin-Waston quantity is used. With a sample size of 5 out of 4 overall variables, from models 1 and 2, the DW-test results were 2.345 and 2.602. Durbin-Watson values below 4 (du <d <4) concluded that there was no autocorrelation. Thus, the two models do not have autocorrelation problems. It showed the results of the autocorrelation test in Table 3.

Regression equations to be good if they have independent variable data and the bound variable data are near normal or normal (Sunyoto, 2010). From Figure 1, you can see the form of dividing a diagonal straight line that illustrates the actual data that will follow the diagonal line. The forming of the Productivity variable data has a normal distribution.

4. Discussion

Empirical findings suggest that of the two models used, land size and labor both have positive and significant effects on productivity. The partially variable seed has a negative and significant effect on productivity in the wineries. This is inseparable from the panel data (5 regions) in Moldova which have characteristics of land size, seed use, labor force, and grape production variance. As for developments in 2019 (see Table 4).

During 2019, the NBS of the Republic of Moldova recorded an area of up to 55,399 ha of plantations with the use of 3,325 tons of seed, and a workforce of 318,053 people could produce 180.78 quintals of grape production. As additional information, from that number, Chisinau as an area with the largest plantation area, among others, namely 30,801 ha, grape seed reached 1,423 tons, can employ 97,988 people, to produce 48.17 quintals of grape production. Meanwhile, the Bender region (at least) produces around 26.50 quintals of grapes, where the plantation area is only 2,513 ha, done by 11,056 people with grapes of 76 tons.

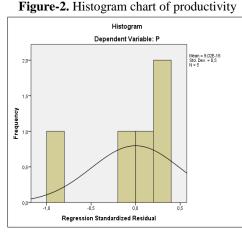
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Autonomous	Land Size	Seed	Labor	Productivity	
Regions	(ha)	(tons)	(manpower)	(quintal)	
Bălți	4,531	289	60,605	39.34	
Kishinev	30,801	1,423	97,988	48.17	
Bender	2,513	76	11,056	26.50	
Gagauzia	6,324	522	61,675	33.65	
Transnistria	11,230	1,015	86,729	33.12	
Total	55,399	3,325	318,053	180.78	

Table-4. Land size, seed, labor, and productivity of wineries in Moldova, 2019

(Source: National Bureau of Statistics of The Republic of Moldova, 2020)

A histogram is a graph that contains a summary of the distribution (dispersion or variation) of a data and displays the frequency of the data. Using histogram charts has widely applied in statistics. The number of data points in a range of values (classes) easily interpreted using a histogram. It described data frequency in each class using a bar or column graph. Figure 2 calculates the histogram frequency value on the dependent variable forming Productivity, i.e. land size, seed, and labor with data distribution (5 units) of 9,024 and the standard deviation are 0.5.

Based on the pattern of ownership, it divided farmland into 3 types, namely: self-owned land, leased land, and land for profit sharing (Adenuga et al., 2021). Therefore, this discussion on land management patterns is important in efforts to achieve food security and farmers' welfare.



(Source: Author's using SPSS)

Contract labor is a substitute for family labor, while hired labor is complementary labor for family labor, it has also identified this relationship in the structure of agricultural labor in France (Dupraz and Latruff, 2015). The production sharing system as a form of informal farming partnership between farmers and landowners is the best economic choice for landowners. This research suggests that to improve their welfare, farmers need to be facilitated to own their land (Rondhi and Adi, 2018).

The results of the previous analysis explained that the land size factor has a positive and significant effect on productivity. This proves that as land size increases, it will increase the productivity of the wineries. In agriculture, land tenure for the community is the most important element to improve their welfare. The extent of land tenure for farm households will affect the production of farming, which will determine the level of exports (Holden and Otsuka, 2014).

The suitability of these findings is consistent with what was done by Wickramaarachchi and Weerahewa (2018). Though the relationship between plot size and land productivity was positive, an inverse relationship between farm size

and land productivity was noted, as land size increased beyond a certain limit. The relationship between labor productivity and land size was also similar: first labor productivity increased with land size and then decreased in Sri Lanka.

Empirical findings show that the seed factor has a negative and not significant effect on productivity. This proves that the increase in the seed will reduce the productivity of the wineries. Besides the land area, seeds also influenced grape production. Agricultural production will affect the inputs that will used in the production process (Darma et al., 2020). The input used is a seed. Using seeds causes changes in yield quickly and more productive results. Using seeds by garden owners depends on the area of land in use. As the area of land use, the number of seeds given will increase. Besides the area of land, the use of the seed, the productivity of grapes will also depend on the labor used.

In the process of wine production, it divided capital of 2 types (fixed capital and non-fixed capital). We define fixed capital as costs incurred in the production process that is not used up in a single production process such as land, buildings, and machinery. Meanwhile, non-permanent capital is the cost incurred in the production process and used up in one production process, for example, production costs incurred to purchase seeds, fertilizers, and pesticides.

Our results appear to contradict previous studies by Ramya and Muruganandham (2016). They found that mechanization opened up new avenues for human employment such as supervisory jobs on one hand and driving, servicing, maintenance, and repair of the machines on the other. Several other organizations and individuals also conducted studies on the effects of farm mechanization on agricultural inputs and outputs.

Statistical testing found that labor had a positive and significant impact on productivity. We can interpret this factor that as labor increases, it will increase productivity. Wine production factors, such as labor, is an important factor and need to be considered in the production process because a competent workforce means that the production process can run smoothly. In the end, it can lead to increased production, such as wineries. They need a competent workforce in the process of wine cultivation, ranging from land management, planting, maintenance, harvesting, to post-harvest grapes (Imogie et al., 2017).

The relationship between labor and productivity from this research is in harmony with previous studies did what. The labor employment per cropped hectare showed a declining trend with increases in farm size groups under different categories of mechanized and Bullock Operated Farms. Again, labor employment and farm size have inverse relationships within different categories of mechanized and Bullock Operated Farms (Barman and Deka, 2019).

We have reviewed various studies in other countries on how strategies implemented to realize the productivity of vineyards in various countries that are known for producing the best wines in terms of management and technology. Specifically for this study, we used 3 different components such as land size, seed, and labor to explore the extent of their impact on wine productivity in Moldova. The vital difference lies in the indicator. The resulting novelty are the three variables in this study as a special combination involving an important input to wine productivity. Grapes can grow if an area has cold temperatures, where rainfall is 800 mm - 3,500 mm per year for the class, the intensity of sunlight is >75%, and the altitude reaches 0 m - 1,000 m above sea level.

5. Conclusion and Suggestion

Referring to the results of research and discussion statistically, we can make several important points. In this section, we know that land size and labor are both positive and significant influences on the productivity of wineries. On one hand, the seeds have a negative and significant effect on the productivity of wineries in Moldova.

Changes in managing economic resources that are no longer oriented only to efforts to increase production, but also to efforts to increase income and welfare of the community reflect changes in the agricultural structure. The transformation process needs to be encouraged by increasing the ability of wine growers and fixing their shortcomings on all fronts. In the end, in carrying out activities, farmers are more independent, skilled, dynamic, efficient, proportionate, and able to take advantage of market opportunities (an environment that is preserved and sustainable).

The size or minimum yield of an agricultural business will affect the income of farmers who have an area, the use of labor, and seeds, which will get a lot of results, so get a lot of results too. For farmers who have a few of these factors, the production level is also small, and get a low income (Juliyanti and Usman, 2018).

We recommend that readers who are interested in researching similar cases should develop problems and develop better and more reliable variables. Thus, the expected results can reveal more problems and provide more meaningful and beneficial research findings for many parties.

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