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**Report Highlights:**

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The European Commission recently published two decisions adopting the definitive allocations for marketing year 2002/03 (Commission Decision 2003/638/EC) and an indicative allocation for marketing year 2003/04 (Commission Decision 2003/628/EC). In marketing year 2002/03, the EU paid 443.20 million Euros to restructure and convert an area of 67,971 hectares of vineyards. The available budget for marketing year 2003/04 is also 443.20 million Euros and covers 58,651 hectares. Each member state's indicative subsidy can be adjusted, within the limit of the available budget, depending on its priorities.

### Financial allocations by member state:

Member State	Marketing Year 2003/04 Indicative Fund Allocation		Marketing Year 2002/03 Definitive Fund Allocation	
	Area (hectares)	Amount	Area (hectares)	Amount
Germany	2,116	13,989,772	2,136	12,481,433
Greece	1,342	10,041,261	1,358	7,132,661
Spain	20,940	150,958,937	23,902	160,033,831
France	12,745	111,219,120	14,635	95,431,219
Italy	17,063	120,110,532	18,660	123,950,907
Luxembourg	11	86,842	-	-
Austria	1,260	7,815,311	1,918	1,0602,842
Portugal	3,174	28,978,225	5,362	33,567,107
Total	58,651	443,200,000	67,971	443,200,000

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