Hop Stocks



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HOP INVENTORY

There were 68.5 million pounds (31.1 thousand metric tons) of hops held by growers, dealers and brewers on September 1, 1984, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is 12 percent above a year ago. Hops production in 1983 decreased 13 percent from 1982 to 68.1 million pounds (30.9 thousand metric tons).

Brewers' stocks accounted for 60.5 million pounds, or 88 percent of the total. This inventory is 7 percent above a year earlier and 38 percent more than on September 1, 1982. Dealers held 6.64 million pounds, compared with 3.00 million pounds on hand last year. Growers held 1.36 million pounds, down 1 percent from 1983.

HOP STOCKS - UNITED STATES

STOCKS		MAR 1	:		SEP 1	
	1982	: 1983	: 1984 :	1982	: 1983	: 1984
			THOUSAND	POUNDS		
TOTAL STOCKS	71,690	80,320	100,330	47,030	61,080	68,480
GROWERS 2/ DEALERS	1,400 16,000 54,290	1,600 16,670 62,050	1,360 19,530 79,440	1,200 2,090 43,740	1,380 3,000 56,700	1,360 6,640 60,480

^{1/} INCLUDES EQUIVALENT POUNDS OF DRY HOPS HELD IN FORM OF EXTRACT OR PELLETS. 2/ INCLUDES GROWERS HELD EXTRACT.

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