

Hop Stocks



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HOP INVENTORY

There were 70.6 million pounds (32.0 thousand metric tons) of hops held by growers, dealers and brewers on September 1, 1987, according to the Agricultural Statistics Board. This is fractionally, below a year ago. Hops production in 1986 decreased 2 percent from 1985 to 49.0 million pounds (22.2 thousand metric tons).

Brewers' stocks accounted for 62.4 million pounds, or 88 percent of the total. This inventory is 3 percent above a year earlier and 7 percent more than on September 1, 1985. Dealers held 6.58 million pounds, compared with 8.93 million pounds on hand last year. Growers held 1.62 million pounds, up 17 percent from 1986.

HOP STOCKS - UNITED STATES

STOCKS	MAR 1			SEP 1		
	1985	1986	1987	1985	1986	1987
THOUSAND POUNDS						
TOTAL STOCKS	89,805	89,920	88,500	70,460	70,950	70,630
STOCKS HELD BY:	1/:					
GROWERS 2/	1,660	1,960	1,670	1,400	1,390	1,620
DEALERS	15,196	15,720	13,970	10,930	8,930	6,580
BREWERS	72,949	72,240	72,860	58,130	60,630	62,430

1/ INCLUDES EQUIVALENT POUNDS OF DRY HOPS HELD IN FORM OF EXTRACT OR PELLETS.
2/ INCLUDES GROWERS' STOCKS HELD IN EXTRACT FORM.

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