## **Hop Stocks**



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## HOP INVENTORY

There were 51.7 million pounds of hops held by growers, dealers and brewers on September 1, 1989, according to the Agricultural Statistics Board. This is 14 percent below a year ago. Hops production in 1988 increased 9 percent from 1987 to 54.7 million pounds.

Brewers' stocks accounted for 43.2 million pounds, or 84 percent of the total. This inventory is 12 percent less than a year earlier and 31 percent less than on September 1, 1987. Dealers and growers held 8.50 million pounds, compared with 10.9 million pounds on hand last year.

## HOP STOCKS - UNITED STATES

STOCKS	:		MAR 1			:			SEP 1			
3100.73	:	1987	:	1988	:	1989	:	1987	:	1988	:	1989
	:		THOUSAND POUNDS									
TOTAL STOCKS	:	88,500		82,570		80,500		70,630		60,000		51,700
STOCKS HELD BY: GROWERS 2/	1/:	1 670		1 050		2 000		1 620		1 750		27
DEALERS BREWERS	:	1,670 13,970 72,860		1,950 13,640 66,980		2,080 21,790 56,630		1,620 6,580 62,430		1,750 9,160 49,090		3/ 8,500 43,200

- 1/ INCLUDES EQUIVALENT POUNDS OF DRY HOP HELD IN FORM OF EXTRACT OR PELLETS.
- 2/ INCLUDES GROWERS' STOCKS HELD IN EXTRACT FORM.
- 3/ INCLUDED IN DEALER STOCKS TO AVOID DISCLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

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