

Hop Stocks



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HOP INVENTORY

There were 76.6 million pounds of hops held by growers, dealers and brewers on March 1, 1990, according to the Agricultural Statistics Board. This is 5 percent below a year ago. Hops production in 1989 increased 8 percent from 1988 to 59.3 million pounds.

Brewers' stocks accounted for 57.9 million pounds, or 75 percent of the total. This inventory is 2 percent more than a year earlier but 14 percent less than on March 1, 1988. Dealers and growers held 18.8 million pounds, compared with 23.9 million pounds on hand last year.

HOP STOCKS - UNITED STATES

STOCKS	SEP 1			MAR 1		
	1987	1988	1989	1988	1989	1990
THOUSAND POUNDS						
TOTAL STOCKS	70,630	60,000	51,700	82,570	80,500	76,640
STOCKS HELD BY: 1/						
GROWERS 2/	1,620	1,750	3/	1,950	2,080	3/
DEALERS	6,580	9,160	8,500	13,640	21,790	18,790
BREWERS	62,430	49,090	43,200	66,980	56,630	57,850

- 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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