

# Hop Stocks



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## HOP INVENTORY

There were 75.3 million pounds of hops held by growers, dealers, and brewers on March 1, 1991, according to the Agricultural Statistics Board. This is 2 percent less than a year ago. Hop production, in 1990, decreased 4 percent from 1989 to 56.9 million pounds.

Brewers' stocks accounted for 57.0 million pounds, or 76 percent of the total. This inventory is 2 percent less than a year earlier but 1 percent more than March 1, 1989. Dealers and growers held 18.4 million pounds, compared with 18.8 million pounds on hand last year.

### HOP STOCKS - UNITED STATES

STOCKS	SEP 1			MAR 1		
	1988	1989	1990	1989	1990	1991
	THOUSAND POUNDS					
TOTAL STOCKS	60,000	51,700	51,890	80,500	76,640	75,320
STOCKS HELD BY: 1/						
GROWERS 2/	1,750	3/	3/	2,080	3/	3/
DEALERS	9,160	8,500	5,080	21,790	18,790	18,370
BREWERS	49,090	43,200	46,810	56,630	57,850	56,950

- 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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