

Hop Stocks



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Hop Inventory Up

There were 56.3 million pounds of hops held by growers, dealers, and brewers on September 1, 1992. This is 4 percent more than was on hand a year ago. Hop production, in 1991, increased 22 percent from 1990 to 69.2 million pounds.

Brewers' stocks accounted for 46.3 million pounds, or 82 percent of the total. This was 2 percent more than last September 1 but 1 percent less than in 1990. Dealers and growers held 9.98 million pounds, compared with 9.00 million pounds a year ago.

Hop: Stocks Held by Growers, Dealers, and Brewers,
United States, 1990-92

Stocks	Mar 1			Sep 1		
	1990	1991	1992	1990	1991	1992
	1,000 Pounds					
Total Stocks	76,640	75,320	73,330	51,890	54,200	56,250
Stocks Held by: ^{1/}						
Growers ^{2/} ^{3/}						
Dealers	18,790	18,370	17,860	5,080	9,000	9,980
Brewers	57,850	56,950	55,470	46,810	45,200	46,270

^{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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