

# Hop Stocks



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## September 1 Hop Stocks Up 5 Percent

The inventory of hops held by growers, dealers, and brewers on September 1, 1996, totaled 58.7 million pounds, up 5 percent from 1995 but 28 percent below March 1, 1996. Brewers held over 80 percent of the total September 1, 1996 stocks.

Stocks held by brewers, at 47.0 million pounds, rose 10 percent from last year but fell 16 percent from the March 1, 1996 stocks. Stocks held by growers and dealers on September 1, 1996 fell 11 percent from 1995, to 11.7 million pounds, less than half of the March 1, 1996 inventory.

Hop: Stocks Held by Growers, Dealers, and Brewers,  
United States, 1994-96

Stocks	Mar 1			Sep 1		
	1994	1995	1996	1994	1995	1996
	1,000 Pounds					
Stocks Held by: 1/						
Growers 2/ 3/						
Dealers	32,670	31,400	25,500	15,930	13,100	11,700
Brewers	58,220	57,940	55,900	47,070	42,800	47,000
Total Stocks	90,890	89,340	81,400	63,000	55,900	58,700

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 dealers' stocks to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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