

stocks of hops



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Hops held by growers, dealers, and brewers on September 1 totaled 30.3 million pounds, an increase of 5 percent over the 28.8 million pounds of the same date last year.

Brewers stocks of 29.3 million pounds accounted for 97 percent of total holdings and were up 4 percent. Dealers had 1.0 million pounds of hops, nearly double the quantity held September 1 a year ago. There were no old crop hops in grower hands on September 1. Nearly one third of the total hops held was in the form of extract. Forty-seven percent of the total dry hop holdings or 9.6 million pounds was from domestic origin and 53 percent or 10.7 million pounds from foreign countries.

STOCKS OF HOPS - UNITED STATES

Stocks	March 1			September 1		
	1971	1972	1973	1971	1972	1973
	Thousand pounds					
Total Stocks	51,150	52,620	54,660	30,120	28,770	30,280
<u>Stocks Held by:</u>						
Growers	20	80	10	0	40	0
Dealers 1/	5,960	9,600	10,020	640	540	1,010
Brewers 1/	45,170	42,940	44,630	29,480	28,190	29,270
<u>Form Held:</u>						
Dry hops-Domestic	27,910	27,160	25,360	12,190	9,530	9,640
-Foreign	15,410	14,400	16,050	9,960	10,640	10,740
Extract (Equiv. dry hops)	7,830	11,060	13,250	7,970	8,600	9,900
Reserves 2/	1,140	0	0	480	0	0

1/ Includes equivalent pounds of dry hops held in form of extract.

2/ Hops held in reserve under Federal Marketing Order 991, not included above in total stocks.
