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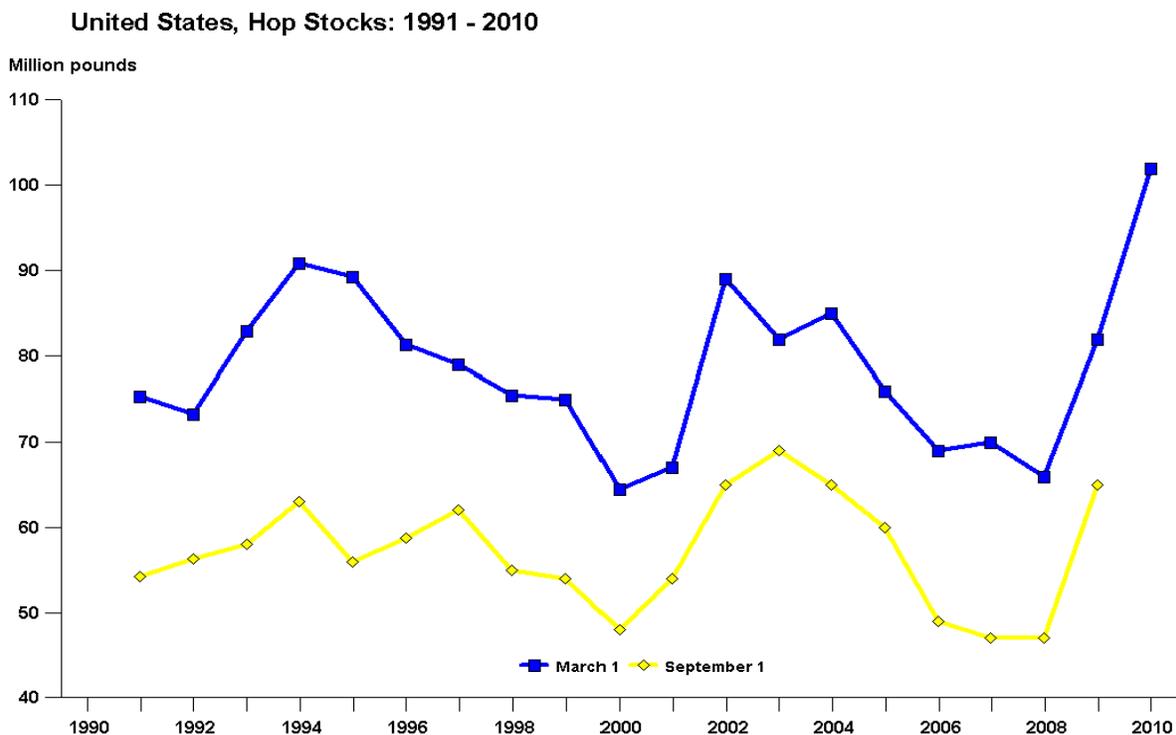
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## March 1 Hop Stocks Up 24 Percent From Last Year

The inventory of hops held by growers, dealers, and brewers on March 1, 2010, totaled a record high 102 million pounds, a 24 percent increase from the March 1, 2009 stocks. The previous record high for United States hop stocks was reported as of March 1, 1984, when holdings were 100 million pounds.

Stocks held by brewers, at 47.0 million pounds, were up 18 percent from a year ago. Stocks held by dealers and growers on March 1, 2010 totaled 55.0 million pounds, 31 percent above March 1, 2009.



## Hop Stocks Held by Growers, Dealers, and Brewers - United States: 2007-2010

Stocks <sup>1</sup>	September 1			March 1		
	2007	2008	2009	2008	2009	2010
	(1,000 pounds)					
Stocks held by:						
Dealers/Growers .....	16,000	18,000	25,000	30,000	42,000	55,000
Brewers .....	31,000	29,000	40,000	36,000	40,000	47,000
Total stocks .....	47,000	47,000	65,000	66,000	82,000	102,000

<sup>1</sup> Includes equivalent pounds of dry hops held in extract or pellet form.

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