

2018 UNITED STATES HOP CROP & HOP ACREAGE REPORT

| HOP MARKET |

On Dec. 19, 2018, the US Department of Agriculture reported that US hop production for 2018 increased 1% from 2017, yielding a record 107 million pounds up from 105 million pounds in 2017. Acreage in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho increased in total by 2% to 55,035 acres.

Washington State produced 73% of the hop crop, Idaho 15% and Oregon 12%. The leading hop varieties being grown in the US continue to be the “C” varieties, Cascade, Centennial, Citra and the CTZs.

State / Year	Acres	Production (1,000 lbs)
Idaho		
2018	8,140	16,242
2017	7,125	14,067
2016	5,648	9,297
2015	4,863	8,725
Oregon		
2018	7,725	12,936
2017	8,216	12,470
2016	7,765	12,396
2015	6,612	10,668
Washington		
2018	39,170	77,727
2017	38,438	79,083
2016	37,444	65,446
2015	32,158	59,453
Total		
2018	55,857	106,906
2017	53,989	105,621
2016	50,857	87,140
2015	43,633	78,846

International Conversion Table	
1 metr. ton (mt)	→ 1,000 kg → 2,204.6 lbs.
100 lbs.	→ 45.359 kg
1 hectare (ha)	→ 2.471 acres
1 acre	→ 0.405 hectare (ha)

In addition to the three main hop growing States of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, nearly every other State in the USA is growing hops, although most of these states are growing a total of 10 acres or less. However, there were six States growing more than 100 acres, they are Michigan with 750 acres, New York 400 acres, Wisconsin 297 acres, Colorado 147 acres, California with 130 acres and Minnesota with 120 acres. The total number of non-pacific northwest acreage was 2433 acres in 2018, a decrease of nearly 3% from 2017.

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us!

Simon H. Steiner Hopfen GmbH S.S. Steiner Inc.

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As part of the continuing strategy to secure growing market presence in Europe, the Simon H. Steiner, Hopfen, GmbH group of companies, based in Mainburg/ Germany, has acquired the trading company INBARCO d.o.o., based in Zalec, Slovenia as of 1.10.2018.

The INBARCO trading company, founded in 1989, is a leader in the marketing of Slovenian hops. The new owners will not make any changes in the running of the company, thereby continuing to deal with customers and suppliers much the same as has been the case in the past.

This is a strategically significant acquisition as it not only provides the HOPSTEINER group with a direct link to Slovenian growers with whom INBARCO have been dealing for several decades, but also supplies a platform for sales to breweries in the Balkans.

Mr. Andreas Waldinger, based at Headquarters in Mainburg, has been appointed as Managing Director of the company, whose name will remain unchanged.



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