

Hop News

August 2020 – Part 2



Good Crop Expected in Germany and Worldwide

Official Crop Estimate of German Hop Growing Regions

The official estimates for all German hop growing regions have been published recently. Yields are expected to be slightly above-average. Therefore, crop in general should be as good as in 2019 or even better.

Due to the good weather conditions, the ingredients have developed very well which will probably result in good alpha acid values.

Growing Region	Crop 2015 in t	Crop 2016 in t	Crop 2017 in t	Crop 2018 in t	Crop 2019 in t	Estimated Crop 2020 in t
Hallertau	23.874	36.954	35.540	36.555	41.484	41.500
Spalt	377	730	762	631	707	780
Tettwang	1.695	2.194	2.270	2.075	2.910	2.840
Elbe-Saale	2.355	2.845	2.939	2.488	3.327	3.652
Others	36	43	45	45	45	46
Germany	28.337	42.766	41.556	41.794	48.472	48.818

Official Estimated Crop Quantities of Major Hop Varieties

When comparing the quantities in the chart below, please bear in mind that acreage per variety has been subject to fluctuations in recent years.

Growing Region	Variety	Crop 2014 in t	Crop 2015 in t	Crop 2016 in t	Crop 2017 in t	Crop 2018 in t	Crop 2019 in t	Estimated Crop 2020 in t
Hallertau	Hallertauer Mittelfrüh	1.027	619	983	730	456	764	745
	Hersbrucker	1.901	1.362	1.914	1.806	1.915	1.796	1.888
	Spalter Select	957	626	999	901	883	972	969
	Hall. Tradition	5.521	3.883	6.234	5.010	5.132	5.118	5.265
	Perle	6.103	3.918	6.462	5.184	4.955	5.882	5.674
	Saphir	735	541	877	798	830	869	761
	Northern Brewer	350	180	305	236	204	265	244
	Magnum	4.029	2.892	3.255	3.187	2.100	3.169	2.657
	Taurus	1.254	685	754	548	498	441	447
	Nugget	374	249	321	328	277	323	288
	Herkules	10.291	8.062	13.019	14.244	16.283	18.580	19.487
Tett nang	Hallertauer Mittelfrüh	290	220	265	224	179	272	225
	Herkules	264	283	443	556	556	809	875
	Tett nanger	1.064	870	1.032	977	900	1.188	990
Elbe-Saale	Perle	338	341	475	423	340	458	577
	Magnum	1.425	1.341	1.435	1.398	1.099	1.370	1.368
	Herkules	403	318	322	369	273	439	457

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Estimated World Crop 2020

The International Hop Growers' Convention (IHGC) published its crop estimates on 12 August 2020. It expects a total crop of 132,000 tons. This would mean an increase of approximately 1,000 tons (1 %) compared to the previous year which equals a slightly above-average crop. Furthermore, good alpha acid values will have a positive impact on crop 2020.

Country	Crop 2019 (t)	Estimated Crop 2020 (t)
Australia	1.645	1.714
Argentina	160	160
Belgium	296	250
China	7.044	7.044
Germany	48.472	48.818
England	1.696	1.400
France	822	825
New Zealand	1.019	1.232
Austria	492	492
Poland	3.765	3.833
Romania	195	260
Russia	350	350
Serbia	16	16
Slovakia	108	108
Slovenia	2.572	2.300
Spain	830	830
South Africa	754	754
Czech Republic	7.145	6.400
Ukraine	480	480
USA	51.275	53.142
IHGC Total	129.967	131.008
World	131.000	132.000

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