

# Hop News

## May 2020



### Weather Conditions and Plant Development

In winter 2019/2020 temperatures were very mild and above the long-term average just as in previous years. The lack of water reserve in the soil which has increased over the past growing periods has not been compensated yet, even though precipitation was above-average in February. Since March temperatures have been moderate and there was hardly any precipitation.

All works to be done in spring could be finished in time and without any problems although only around half of the required seasonal workers from abroad were available due to the coronavirus restrictions. Thanks to the help of local students and short-time workers this labour-intensive period could be dealt with.




The hops' development is on an average level. In some places, the varieties Perle and Hallertauer Tradition develop a little bit slower. It is, however, way too early to estimate crop 2020

The critical months are yet to come. In June, July and August precipitation should be around 100 mm each in order to ensure ideal development conditions.

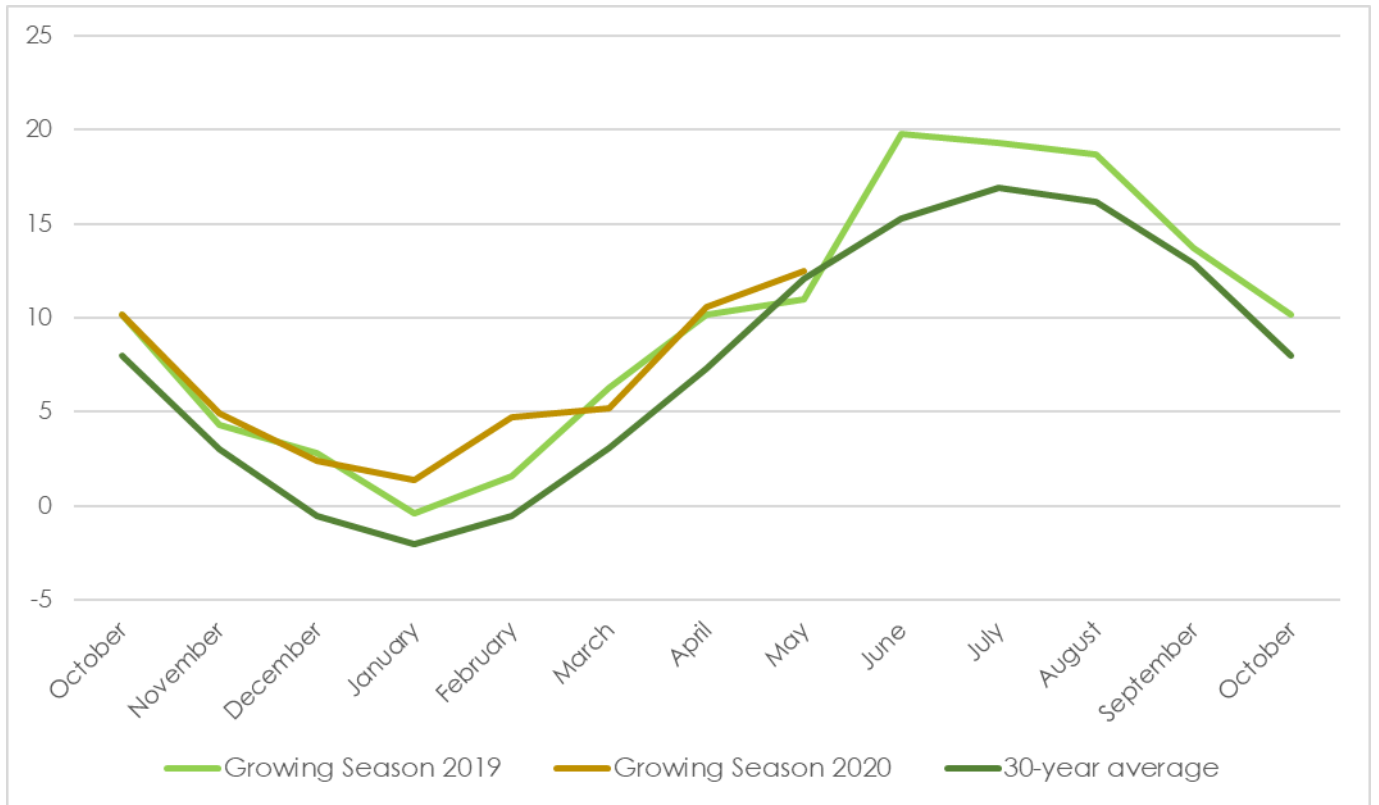
In case you would like to see pictures of the hop development, please visit the website of Hopfenring e.V. (<https://www.hopfenring.de/hopfen/pflanzenstandsbericht/2020/>). You will find pictures of two hop yards in the Hallertau region. New pictures are uploaded approximately every two weeks giving a very good impression of the current development.

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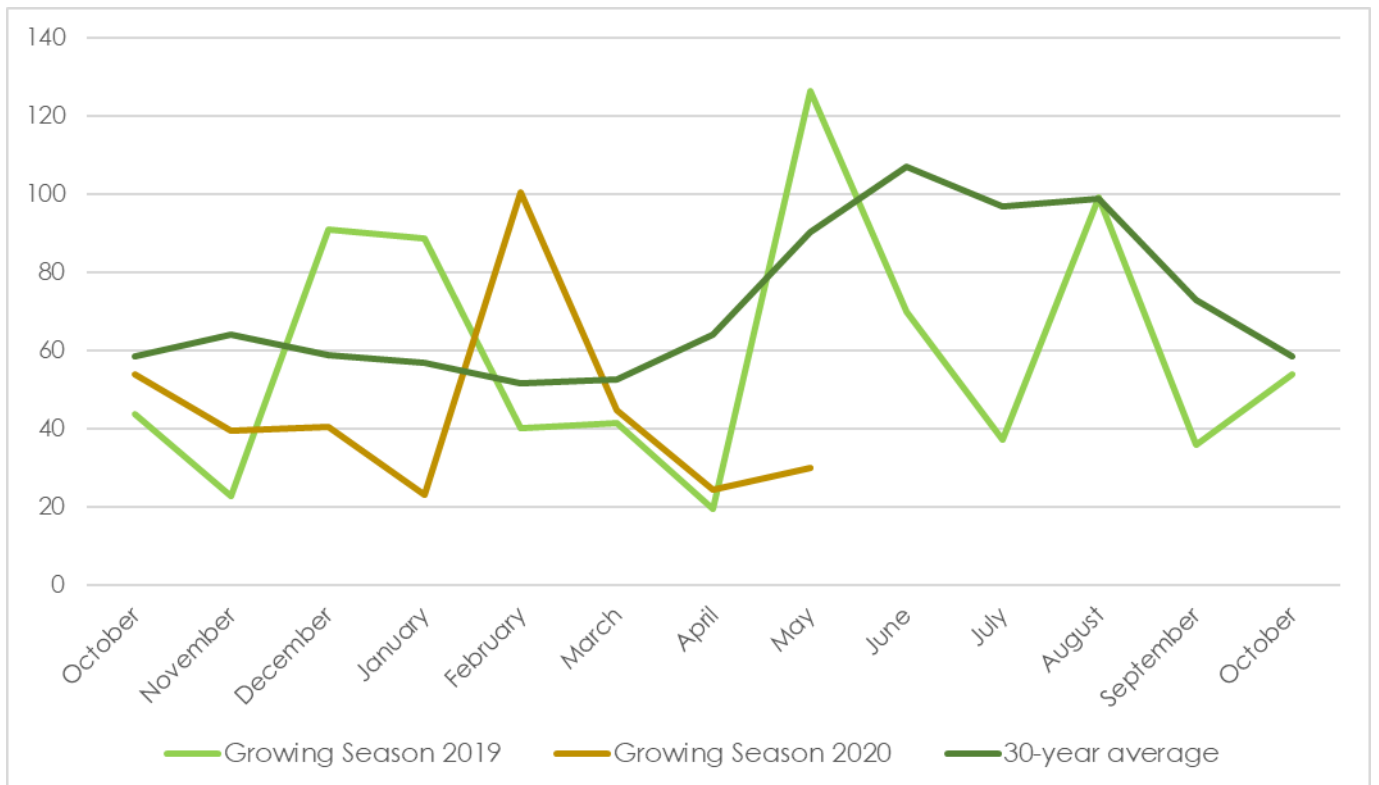
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## Day Temperature in °C



## Precipitation in mm



Source: Weather Station Huel

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