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NATIONAL HOP ACREAGE STRUNG FOR HARVEST DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM 2008

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 10, 2009—Hops area strung for harvest in 2009 for Washington, Oregon, and Idaho is forecast at 40,125 acres, 2 percent less than the 2008 crop of 40,898 acres but 30 percent more than the 2007 crop of 30,911 acres. Washington, with 29,908 acres for harvest, accounts for 75 percent of the U.S. total acreage. Oregon hop growers plan to string 6,185 acres, or 15 percent of the U.S. total for 2009, with Idaho hop growers accounting for the remaining 10 percent, or 4,032 acres strung for harvest. Only Idaho increased their acreage from a year ago.

Hop growth was off to a slow start this season due to a cold, wet spring. Progress caught up to normal as warmer weather prevailed last month. Hops were halfway to the wire with the crop looking very good. Disease pressure was reported to be very low with water supplies at 100 percent.



Hops: Area Harvested by Variety, State, and United States,
2007-2008 and Forecasted June 1, 2009

State and Variety	Area Harvested		Strung For Harvest
	2007	2008	2009

	Acres		
ID			
Total 1/	2,896	3,933	4,032
OR			
Cascade	*	76	148
Golding	115	135	*
Millenium	294	343	344
Mt. Hood	178	186	158
Nugget	1,675	2,135	1,880
Sterling	95	95	101
Super Galena ^R	*	*	177
Willamette	2,396	2,593	2,592
Other Varieties	517	807	785
Total	5,270	6,370	6,185
WA			
Ahtanum	42	*	*
Apollo ^R	*	698	738
Bravo ^R	*	222	336
Cascade	1,303	2,073	2,322
Centennial	*	253	315
Chelan	505	739	624
Chinook	311	285	385
Cluster	366	420	448
Columbus/Tomahawk ^R	3,342	4,891	4,623
Galena	3,030	2,584	2,556
Glacier	21	56	65
Golding	52	38	46
Hallertauer	56	*	*
Millenium	728	716	580
Mt. Hood	43	29	49
Northern Brewer	*	*	87
Nugget	1,093	1,086	1,072
Simcoe	*	129	183
Summit ^R	632	*	*
Super Galena ^R	*	793	818
Vanguard	64	*	*
Willamette	4,462	4,664	2,910
YCR-4(Palisade ^R)	91	307	328
YCR-5(Warrior ^R)	339	394	257
Zeus	4,737	6,779	6,399
Other Varieties	1,528	3,439	4,767
Total	22,745	30,595	29,908
US	30,911	40,898	40,125

1/ Only State totals published for Idaho to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

* Included in Other Varieties to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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