



American Malting Barley Association, Inc.

GLEANINGS



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BARLEY PRODUCTION REPORT

Production was estimated at 153 million bushels, up 8 percent from the 2017 total of 142 million bushels. Average yield, at 77.4 bushels per acre, was up 4.4 bushels from the previous year. Producers seeded 2.54 million acres in 2018, up 2 percent from 2017. Harvested area, at 1.98 million acres, was up 1 percent from 2017.

Four percent of the Nation's barley was planted by April 8, four percentage points behind the previous year and 8 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Planting progress was behind the historical pace in all estimating States. Nationwide, barley producers had seeded 26 percent of the Nation's acreage by April 29, five percentage points behind the previous year and 18 percentage points behind the 5-year average. All estimating States remained behind their 5-year average planting pace at the end of April. By April 29, emergence was evident in 7 percent of the Nation's barley acreage, 6 percentage points behind the previous year and 10 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Nationally, 97 percent of the barley acreage was sown by June 3, slightly behind the previous year but 2 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. Eighty-two percent of the barley acreage had emerged by June 3, one percentage point behind both the previous year and the 5-year average. Heading of the Nation's barley acreage advanced to 50 percent complete by July 1, two percentage points ahead of the previous year but 1 percentage point behind the 5-year average. By July 29, barley producers had harvested 2 percent of the Nation's acreage, 3 percentage points behind the previous year and 4 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Overall, 81 percent of the barley acreage was reported in good to excellent condition on August 12, compared with 49 percent at the same time the previous year. At that time, barley condition ratings in the good and excellent categories were 54 percentage points above the previous year in Washington and 45 percentage points above in Montana. By September 9, ninety-two percent of the barley acreage was harvested, 3 percentage points behind the previous year but equal to the 5-year average.

2018 BARLEY PRODUCTION SUMMARY

STATE	Seeded		Harvested		Yield		Production		
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
	------(000s acres)-----				(bu/acre)		------(000s bushels)-----		
California	75	65	29	26	50.0	69.0	4,500	1,450	1,794
Colorado	70	58	68	52	132.0	145.0	9,675	8,976	7,540
Idaho	530	550	510	530	95.0	101.0	62,060	48,450	53,530
Minnesota	80	80	68	67	76.0	76.0	5,214	5,168	5,092
Montana	770	790	565	600	51.0	56.0	46,800	28,815	33,600
North Dakota	520	470	400	385	65.0	74.0	42,880	26,000	28,490
Oregon	47	43	38	26	62.0	53.0	2,144	2,356	1,378
South Dakota	*	48	*	13	*	55.0	*	*	715
Washington	95	85	85	67	53.0	73.0	7,161	4,505	4,891
Wyoming	82	71	63	50	102.0	100.0	7,872	6,426	5,000
Other	217	283	136	162	81.7	68.2	11,608	10,942	11,052
United States	2,486	2,543	1,962	1,978	73.0	77.4	199,914	143,258	153,082

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Alaska	*	5	*	4	*	43.0	*	*	172
Arizona	20	12	17	9	131.0	100.0	2,048	2,227	900
California	75	65	29	26	50.0	69.0	4,500	1,450	1,794
Colorado	70	58	68	52	132.0	145.0	9,675	8,976	7,540
Delaware	32	25	18	14	85.0	78.0	1,900	1,530	1,092
Idaho	530	550	510	530	95.0	101.0	62,060	48,450	53,530
Kansas	*	17	*	6	*	31.0	*	*	186
Maine	*	17	*	16	*	73.0	*	*	1,168
Maryland	50	45	27	24	76.0	70.0	2,448	2,052	1,680
Michigan	*	20	*	5	*	43.0	*	*	215
Minnesota	80	80	68	67	76.0	76.0	5,214	5,168	5,092
Montana	770	790	565	600	51.0	56.0	46,800	28,815	33,600
New York	*	10	*	8	*	58.0	*	*	464
North Carolina	*	11	*	8	*	80.0	*	*	640
North Dakota	520	470	400	385	65.0	74.0	42,880	26,000	28,490
Oregon	47	43	38	26	62.0	53.0	2,144	2,356	1,378
Pennsylvania	60	45	45	33	70.0	63.0	2,850	3,150	2,079
South Dakota	*	48	*	13	*	55.0	*	*	715
Utah	25	21	18	16	75.0	86.0	1,558	1,350	1,376
Virginia	30	30	11	9	73.0	70.0	804	803	630
Washington	95	85	85	67	53.0	73.0	7,161	4,505	4,891
Wisconsin	*	25	*	10	*	45.0	*	*	450
Wyoming	82	71	63	50	102.0	100.0	7,872	6,426	5,000
Total U.S.	2,486	2,543	1,962	1,978	73.0	77.4	199,914	143,258	153,082

* Figures were not reported.

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