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U.S. Hop Production Forecast Up 13 Percent From 2014

Hop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - States and United States: 2014 and Forecasted August 1, 2015

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	----- acres -----		----- pounds -----		--- 1,000 pounds ---	
Idaho	3,743	4,975	1,847	2,100	6,913.8	10,447.5
Oregon	5,410	6,807	1,520	1,700	8,221.0	11,571.9
Washington ...	28,858	32,205	1,936	1,800	55,861.1	57,969.0
United States :	38,011	43,987	1,868	1,818	70,995.9	79,988.4

Hops: Production in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington is forecast at 80.0 million pounds for 2015, up 13 percent from last year's 71.0 million pounds. Area strung for harvest, at 43,987 acres, is up 16 percent from 2014. Yield is forecast at 1,818 pounds per acre, 50 pounds less than 2014.

Yields for Alpha varieties were reported to be above average, while high temperatures in June and July across the Pacific Northwest negatively impacted the yield of aroma varieties. Some areas of Washington's lower Yakima Valley have been impacted by problems with irrigation district water delivery. There were reports of increased mite pressure in some areas.