

Hop News

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Development of World Acreage 2020 – First Estimates

During a video conference on May 26, 2020 the International Hop Growers' Convention (IHGC) discussed an updated estimate on the development of world hop acreage in the main hop growing countries.




According to these, world acreage 2020 is expected to rise by approx. 600 ha, i.e. approximately 1%. This is a very moderate increase compared to the previous years. Furthermore, it is way lower than initially expected (1,500 ha).

In view of the current situation and the expected decline in beer consumption, there is no need to expand acreage. However, it will be interesting to see how acreages of the different varieties will change as the decrease in hop demand will have distinct effects on each variety.

The official figures for the German hop growing regions will be published soon.

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Country	Acreage 2019 (ha)	Acreage 2020 (ha)	Change in %
Argentina	160	160	0
Australia	700	700	0
Austria	253	253	0
Belgium	182	182	0
Canada	419	419	0
China	2,683	2,683	0
Czech Republic	5,004	4,947	-1
France	505	505	0
Germany	20,417	20,700	+1
Japan	106	106	0
New Zealand	743	780	+5
Poland	1,682	1,762	+5
Romania	263	263	0
Russia	254	254	0
Slovakia	133	133	0
Slovenia	1,596	1,500	-6
South Africa	427	427	0
Spain	535	535	0
Ukraine	369	369	0
UK	958	921	-4
USA	23,847	24,250	+2
Total IHGC	61,236	61,849	+1

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