

MALTING BARLEY ACREAGE UP SLIGHTLY: Wyoming growers planted 80,185 acres of malting barley in 1981, according to the Wyoming Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. Malting barley accounts for 55.3 percent of the 145,000 acres planted to both feed and malting varieties.

Klages remained the State's leading malting barley variety for the fourth consecutive year and is also the leading variety of all barley planted in the State. Klages, with 45,270 acres planted, represents 31.2 percent of all barley planted and 61.4 percent of the malting barley.

Moravian III remained the second most popular malting variety with 9,325 acres planted or 12.6 percent of the acreage planted to malting varieties. This variety accounts for 6.4 percent of all barley planted in the State.

Kimberly replaced Piroline as the third most important malting variety with 7,645 acres or 5.3 percent of all barley and 10.4

percent of the malting barley acreage.

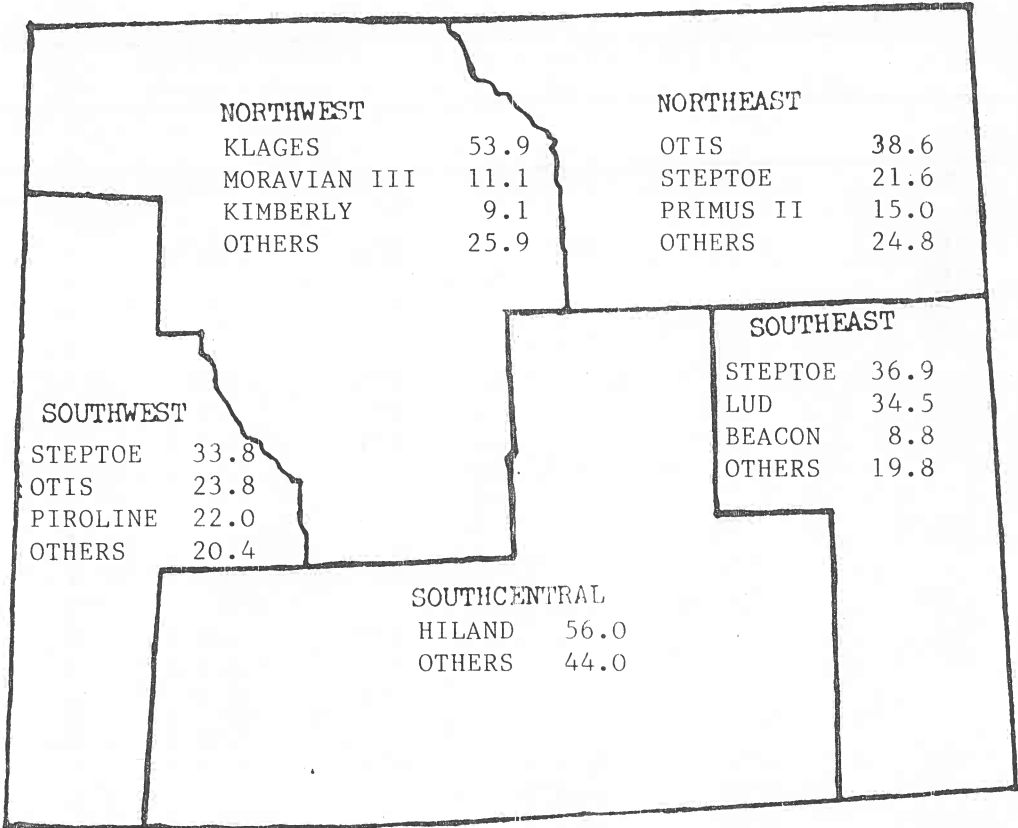
Steptoe replaced Otis as the most important feed barley variety and became the second most popular variety in the State. A total of 23,035 acres or 15.9 percent of all barley planted in Wyoming was planted to Steptoe.

Otis ranked second among the feed barley varieties with 13,230 acres and 9.1 percent of the State's total barley acreage. Lud has moved into third place among the feed varieties and ranks fourth in the State among all barley varieties. Smyrna, the variety Lud replaced as the third most popular feed barley, slipped to sixth among the feed varieties.

The acreage planted to barley in Wyoming this year totaled 145,000 acres, unchanged from last year. The acreage expected to be harvested is up 1,000 to 134,000 acres.

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Barley Variety Percentages Planted for Harvest in 1981
By Crop Reporting Districts



Wyoming Barley Varieties: Seeded Acreage and Percent of Total by Districts - 1981

Variety	District 1 (Northwest)		District 2 (Northeast)		District 3 (Southwest)	
	Acres	Pct.	Acres	Pct.	Acres	Pct.
Klages	45,270	53.9				
Steptoe	5,040	6.0	4,750	21.6	6,420	33.8
Otis			8,490	38.6	4,520	23.8
Lud	4,870	5.8	1,255	5.7	520	2.7
Moravian III	9,325	11.1				
Kimberly	7,645	9.1				
Piroline	420	.5			4,180	22.0
Moravian	3,865	4.6				
Primus II			3,300	15.0		
Hector	170	.2	2,730	12.4		
Smyrna					2,335	12.3
Beacon						
Spartan			640	2.9		
Firlbecks III	1,175	1.4				
Hiland	170	.2				
Cologus	840	1.0				
Unitan			550	2.5		
Betzes					265	1.4
Caribou					265	1.4
Others <u>1/</u>	5,210	6.2	285	1.3	495	2.6
TOTAL	84,000	100.0	22,000	100.0	19,000	100.0

Variety	District 4 (Southcentral)		District 5 (Southeast)		State	
	Acres	Pct.	Acres	Pct.	Acres	Pct.
Klages					45,270	31.2
Steptoe			6,825	36.9	23,035	15.9
Otis			220	1.2	13,230	9.1
Lud			6,385	34.5	13,030	9.0
Moravian III					9,325	6.4
Kimberly					7,645	5.3
Piroline					4,600	3.2
Moravian					3,865	2.7
Primus II					3,300	2.3
Hector					2,900	2.0
Smyrna					2,335	1.6
Beacon			1,630	8.8	1,630	1.1
Spartan			590	3.2	1,230	.8
Firlbecks III					1,175	.8
Hiland	840	56.0			1,010	.7
Cologus					840	.6
Unitan					550	.4
Betzes					265	.2
Caribou					265	.2
Others <u>1/</u>	660	44.0	2,850	15.4	9,500	6.5
TOTAL	1,500	100.0	18,500	100.0	145,000	100.0

1/ Includes other and unknown varieties