



BARLEY VARIETIES

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MALTING BARLEY SEEDINGS TOTAL 104,000 ACRES

Wyoming producers planted an estimated 104,000 acres to three recommended malting barley varieties for harvest in 1988, according to the Wyoming Agricultural Statistics Service. The three malting varieties accounted for 69.3 percent of the total barley acreage this year. In 1987, 105,000 acres were seeded to the three recommended malting varieties, accounting for 66.9 percent of the total barley acreage.

These estimates are the results of a mail and telephone survey of Wyoming farmers conducted throughout the month of June. Partial funding for this survey was provided by the American Malting Barley Association.

KLAGES continues to be the most popular of the malting varieties seeded in Wyoming. An estimated 54,500 acres is seeded to this variety, 52.4 percent of all malting barley and 36.3 percent of the total barley acreage. Last year, 55,000 acres were seeded to Klages for 35 percent of the total.

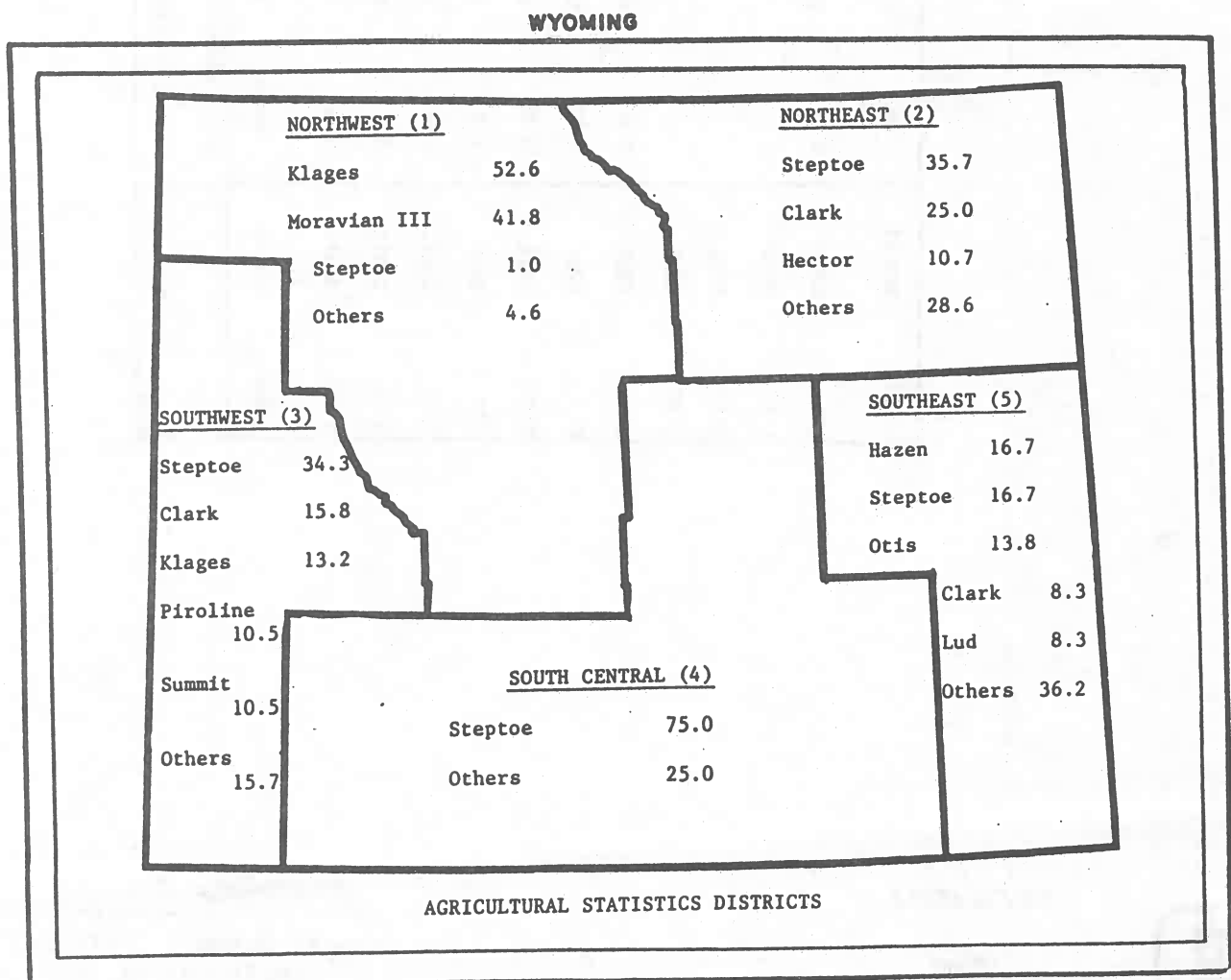
MORAVIAN III remains the second most popular variety with 41,500 acres seeded. This is 39.9 percent of the malting barley and 27.8 percent of all barley planted this year. In 1987, this variety was 28 percent of all the acreage seeded to barley.

CLARK was the third common malting variety seeded. An estimated 8,000 acres were seeded to this variety. Last year, this variety was seeded on 6,000 acres.

FEED BARLEY acreage for 1988 equals 46,000 acres, down from 52,000 in 1987. STEPTOE is the most common feed variety, with 17,000 acres seeded. OTIS is second, with 3,500 acres, while HAZEN was seeded on 3,000 acres this year.

Total barley acreage in Wyoming for 1988 is 150,000 acres, 4 percent less than in 1987. Projected area for harvest is 144,000 acres, 3 percent less than the previous year.

Barley Variety Percentages Planted for Harvest in 1988
By Agricultural Statistics Districts



WYOMING BARLEY VARIETIES: SEEDED ACREAGE AND PERCENT OF TOTAL BY DISTRICTS - 1988											
VARIETY	District 1 Northwest		District 2 Northeast		District 3 Southwest		District 4 Southcentral		District 5 Southeast		State
	Acres	Percent	Acres	Percent	Acres	Percent	Acres	Percent	Acres	Percent	Acres Percent
Klages 1/	51000	52.6			2500	13.2			1000	5.6	54500 36.4
Moravian III	40500	41.8							1000	5.6	41500 27.8
Steploe	1000	1.0	5000	35.7	6500	34.3	1500	75.0	3000	16.7	17000 11.3
Clark 2/			3500	25.0	3000	15.8			1500	8.3	8000 5.3
Otis			500	3.6	500	2.6			2500	13.8	3500 2.3
Hazen									3000	16.7	3000 2.0
Lud					500	2.6			1500	8.3	2000 1.3
Hector			1500	10.7	500	2.6					2000 1.3
Pirolaine					2000	10.5					2000 1.3
Summit					2000	10.5					2000 1.3
Other and Unknown 3/	4500	4.6	3500	25.0	1500	7.9	500	25.0	4500	25.0	14500 9.7
Total 4/	97000	100.0	14000	100.0	19000	100.0	2000	100.0	18000	100.0	150000 100.0

1/ Variety recommended for malting purposes in Wyoming for 1988 by the American Malting Barley Association.
 2/ Variety recommended for malting purposes in other states for 1988 by the American Malting Barley Association.
 3/ Other and Unknown varieties include: Morex, Lindsey, Uhtlan, Columbia, Smyrna, Compana, Custer, Bowman, Gustoe, Georgia, Heneut, Triumph, Ridawn, Karla, Sunbar, Firlbecks III, Betzes, and other experimental varieties.
 4/ Total acreages planted by Crop Reporting Districts are preliminary estimates.