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B1202 IS STILL TOP VARIETY

B1202 was the most popular barley variety in Wyoming for the 5th consecutive year. This malting variety was seeded to an estimated 51,000 acres in 1996, 53 percent of the malting variety seedings and 41 percent of Wyoming's total barley acreage. In 1995, 46 percent of the barley acreage was seeded with **B1202**. **Galena** followed in second place in 1996 with an estimated 21,000 acres seeded, up 5 percent from last year. **Galena** accounted for 22 percent of the malting barley and 17 percent of the State's total barley. **Harrington** was the third most common malting variety planted in Wyoming with 7,000 acres planted. **Harrington** accounted for 7.2 percent of the malting barley acreage and 5.6 percent of the total barley acreage. Estimates are the result of a mail and telephone survey of Wyoming producers conducted throughout the month of June 1996. Funding for this survey was provided by the American Malting Barley Association, Inc.

Wyoming barley producers planted an estimated 125,000 acres to all barley varieties in 1996, up 25,000 acres from 1995. Malting varieties accounted for 97,000 acres or 78 percent of the total. Last year, malting varieties totaled 80,500 acres and accounted for 81 percent of the State's barley acreage.

Acreage planted to feed barley totaled 28,000 acres, 22 percent of Wyoming's total barley acreage. **Gallatin** continued to be the most common feed barley, seeded to 5,500 acres. **Gallatin** was the fourth most popular variety overall with 4.4 percent of the State's barley acreage. In 1995, **Gallatin** was planted to 5,000 acres and 5.0 percent of the total. **Steptoe** accounted for 4,500 acres making it the second most popular feed variety and the sixth most popular of all varieties in 1996.

WYOMING BARLEY VARIETIES: SEEDED ACREAGE BY DISTRICTS, 1996

Variety	District 10 Northwest	District 20 Northeast	District 30 Southwest	District 40 South Central	District 50 Southeast	STATE
	Acres					
B1202 1/	50,000		1,000			51,000
Galena	20,000		700		300	21,000
Harrington 1/	6,000		1,000			7,000
Gallatin	300	3,400	600	600	600	5,500
Moravian III 1/	4,000				1,000	5,000
Steptoe	300	1,000	200		3,000	4,500
Russell 1/			4,000			4,000
Baroness	600			300	2,600	3,500
Hector		1,800	1,200			3,000
Bowman		2,500				2,500
Clark 1/			2,500			2,500
Klages 1/	2,500					2,500
Idagold	600				1,400	2,000
Sunbar			1,500			1,500
B1215 2/	1,200		300			1,500
5133 2/			1,000			1,000
Smyrna	800		200			1,000
Other 3/	700	1,300	2,800	100	1,100	6,000
Total 4/	87,000	10,000	17,000	1,000	10,000	125,000

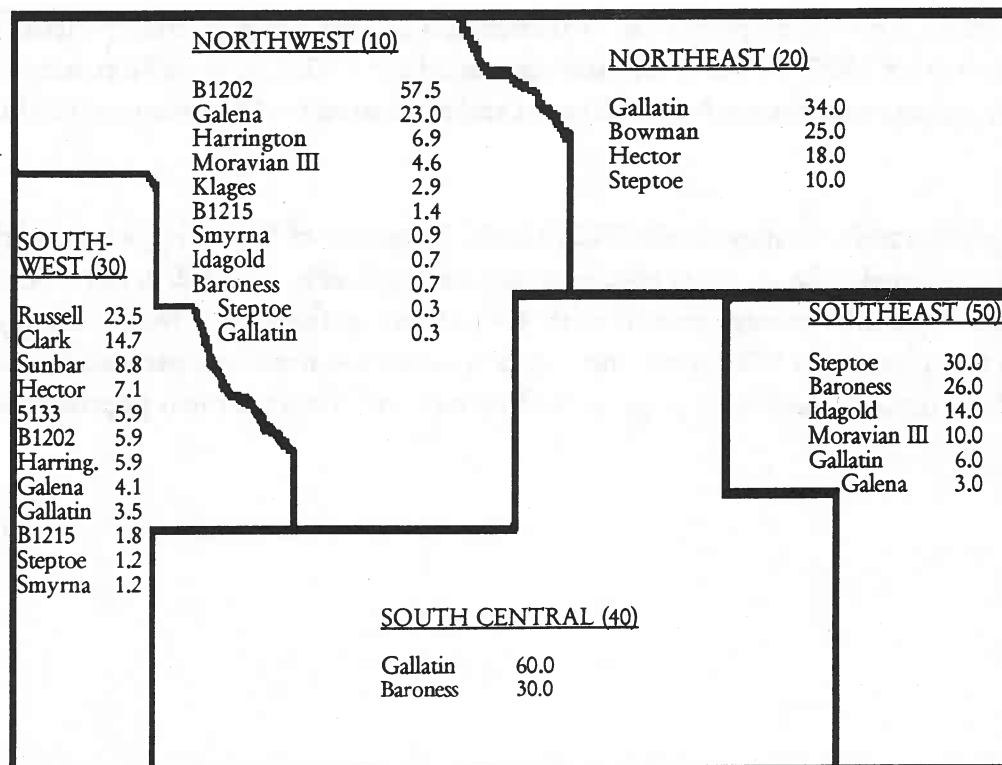
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2/ Experimental variety for malting purposes.

3/ Other feed and malting varieties reported include Betzes, C13, C19, C22, Columbia, Coulter, Georgia, Haybet, Horsford, Medallion, Morex, Otis, and Pirolina. Unknown varieties are excluded.

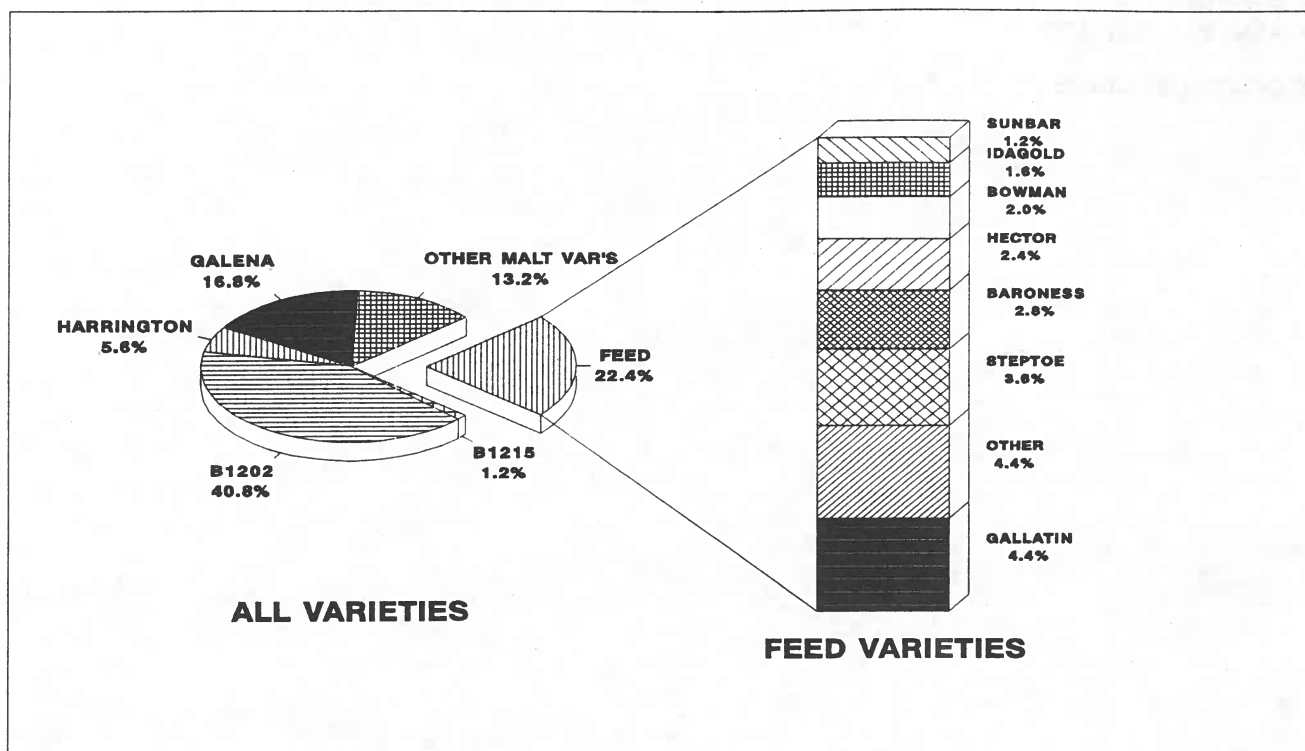
4/ Acreage planted by Agricultural Statistics District is preliminary.

WYOMING BARLEY VARIETIES: PERCENT OF TOTAL BY DISTRICTS, 1996



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Percent of Total Acres Seeded by Variety, 1996



BARLEY: PERCENT OF TOTAL ACREAGE SEEDED BY VARIETY, WYOMING, 1990-96

Variety	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
B1202 1/	21.9	27.2	36.0	40.8	44.5	46.0	40.8
Galena			0.6	8.1	15.5	20.0	16.8
Harrington 1/					0.4	3.5	5.6
Gallatin		5.0	3.7	3.8	3.6	5.0	4.4
Moravian III 1/	31.4	33.2	27.0	20.4	2.7	2.0	4.0
Steptoe	7.9	9.3	8.0	6.5	5.5	2.0	3.6
Russell 1/						0.9	3.2
Baroness						0.9	2.8
Hector	1.5	3.2	1.7	2.0	4.1	2.0	2.4
Clark 1/	3.2	2.5	3.3	3.1	2.7	2.0	2.0
Bowman			1.7	1.2	3.2	1.5	2.0
Klages 1/	14.9	8.9	4.3	3.1	2.3	1.5	2.0
Idagold							1.6
Sunbar							1.2
B1215 2/					3.6	3.5	1.2
Smyrna							0.8
5133 2/							0.8
Others 3/	19.2	10.7	13.7	11.0	11.9	9.2	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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