



**BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND FIREARMS
MONTHLY STATISTICAL RELEASE - BEER**

REPORTING PERIOD: March 1998

Activity	March		3 Months Ending March 31	
	1998	1997	1998	1997
MANUFACTURE OF BEER				
			(Barrels of 31 gallons)	
Production	16,867,777	16,826,733	47,254,879	47,667,338
Removals:				
Taxable (\$7.00/\$18.00 per barrel):				
In bottles and cans	13,021,055	12,952,297	37,013,558	36,588,423
In barrels and kegs	1,473,527	1,519,624	4,091,601	4,211,499
TOTAL	14,494,582	14,471,921	41,105,159	40,799,922
Tax-free:				
For export	448,609	520,642	1,299,340	1,424,935
For vessels and aircraft	0	28	0	28
Consumed on brewery premises	4,940	2,811	7,787	2,811
For production of cereal beverage	833	9,544	6,890	21,415
TOTAL	454,382	533,025	1,314,017	1,449,189
Removals, TOTAL	14,948,964	15,004,946	42,419,176	42,249,111
Stocks end-of-month	13,434,298	13,770,797		
MATERIALS USED AT BREWERIES				
			(Pounds)	
Malt and malt products	418,587,075	436,081,194	1,141,389,776	1,199,986,053
Corn and corn products	81,353,371	69,358,080	74,306,487	200,012,721
Rice and rice products	89,663,853	90,312,324	260,025,356	257,694,448
Barley and barley products	2,015,817	1,199,517	3,973,866	2,121,124
Wheat and wheat products	734,128	755,698	1,506,965	1,422,190
Sorghum grain and sorghum products	129	0	303	0
Grain products, TOTAL	592,354,373	597,706,813	1,481,202,753	1,661,236,536
Soy bean and soy bean products	0	0	0	0
Sugar and sirups	35,782,395	43,189,977	110,088,882	122,167,187
Hops (dry)	2,171,234	2,780,633	6,110,096	7,811,702
Hops (used as extracts) 1/	650,430	906,294	1,970,479	2,110,819
Other 2/	29,818,881	27,928,597	82,250,420	65,120,566
TOTAL used	660,777,313	672,512,314	1,681,622,630	1,858,446,810

1/ 650,430 Pounds of hops is equivalent to 178,814 pounds of extracts.

2/ Includes various adjuncts which contribute to the production.

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Taxable Removal By States - March 1998**

STATE	BOTTLES AND CANS	BARRELS AND KEGS	TOTAL
(Barrels of 31 gallons)			
Alabama	130	285	415
Alaska	1,496	2,941	4,437
Arizona	350	1,494	1,844
Arkansas	0	0	0
California	1,597,936	177,826	1,775,762
Colorado	1,328,058	162,179	1,490,237
Connecticut	255	539	794
Delaware	0	0	0
District of Columbia	0	0	0
Florida	727,710	88,195	815,905
Hawaii	351	927	1,278
Idaho	393	525	918
Illinois	1,989	1,669	3,658
Indiana	27,898	529	28,427
Iowa	352	186	538
Kansas	356	203	559
Kentucky	78	823	901
Louisiana	2,555	1,767	4,322
Maine	2,122	1,632	3,754
Maryland	3,023	1,921	4,944
Massachusetts	2,621	4,131	6,752
Michigan	1,708	2,132	3,840
Minnesota	11,064	4,189	15,253
Montana	240	2,516	2,756
Nebraska	0	107	107
Nevada	58	880	938
New Mexico	127	209	336
New York	602,214	101,303	703,517
North Carolina	714,718	59,005	773,723
North Dakota	4		4
Ohio	1,161,002	133,762	1,294,764
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	110,138	31,461	141,599
Pennsylvania	384,377	61,767	446,144
Rhode Island	0	168	168
South Carolina	0	4	4
South Dakota	8	45	53
Texas	1,588,035	82,249	1,670,284
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	2,705	2,139	4,844
Virginia	867,824	138,475	1,006,299
Washington	157,681	24,805	182,486
West Virginia	0	89	89
Wisconsin	729,571	117,905	847,476
Wyoming	341	498	839
Others 1/	2,991,567	262,047	3,253,614
Total	13,021,055	1,473,527	14,494,582

1/ Includes Georgia, Missouri, New Jersey, New Hampshire, and Tennessee.