



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

REPORTING PERIOD: DECEMBER 1996

Activity	December		12 Months Ending December 31	
	1996	1995	1996	1995
MANUFACTURE OF BEER				
Production				
		(Barrels of 31 gallons)		
	13,548,493	13,264,971	199,947,845	199,215,197
Removals:				
Taxable (\$7.00/\$18.00 per barrel):				
In bottles and cans	11,086,416	10,203,629	159,975,200	158,300,418
In barrels and kegs	1,306,719	1,351,179	18,790,571	18,955,400
TOTAL	12,393,135	11,554,808	178,765,771	177,255,818
Tax-free:				
For export	573,354	545,984	7,708,045	8,360,615
For vessels and aircraft	0	0	0	0
Consumed on brewery premises	3,203	2,635	27,532	20,147
For production of cereal beverage	10,637	5,276	59,518	67,229
TOTAL	587,194	553,895	7,795,095	8,447,991
Removals, TOTAL	12,980,329	12,108,703	186,560,866	185,703,809
Stocks end-of-month	12,037,046	13,916,465		
MATERIALS USED AT BREWERIES				
		(Pounds)		
Malt and malt products	336,482,081	325,226,053	4,844,679,888	4,848,773,800
Corn and corn products	49,289,200	67,051,475	835,008,288	1,051,810,353
Rice and rice products	80,715,364	74,876,714	1,129,189,038	1,072,532,385
Barley and barley products	782,774	2,066,389	12,805,793	12,051,118
Wheat and wheat products	411,176	288,043	4,808,480	4,337,541
Sorghum grain and sorghum products	0	36,125	0	120,169
Grain products, TOTAL	467,680,595	469,544,799	6,826,491,487	6,989,625,366
Soy bean and soy bean products	0	0	0	0
Sugar and sirups	31,760,485	26,356,393	482,396,037	467,937,250
Hops (dry)	2,449,931	2,898,449	37,997,546	33,962,792
Hops (used as extracts) 1/	952,213	805,928	12,261,162	11,492,980
Other 2/	7,392,023	10,766,741	267,753,809	173,096,091
TOTAL used	510,235,247	510,372,310	7,626,900,041	7,676,114,479

1/ 952,213 Pounds of hops is equivalent to 152,861 pounds of extract.

2/ Includes various adjuncts which contribute to the production.

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Taxable Removal By States - December 1996

STATE	BOTTLES AND CANS	BARRELS AND KEGS	TOTAL
(Barrels of 31 gallons)			
Alabama	0	244	244
Alaska	28	228	256
Arizona	199	903	1,102
Arkansas	0	0	0
California	1,281,337	148,167	1,429,504
Colorado	1,102,699	130,392	1,233,091
Connecticut	274	438	712
Delaware	111	12	123
District of Columbia	0	0	0
Florida	515,101	81,549	596,650
Hawaii	397	206	603
Idaho	567	370	937
Illinois	1,820	1,457	3,277
Indiana	35,072	722	35,794
Iowa	1,758	62	1,820
Kansas	244	298	542
Kentucky	0	233	233
Louisiana	1,707	1,067	2,774
Maine	3,544	1,604	5,148
Maryland	92,929	3,897	96,826
Massachusetts	1,462	2,760	4,222
Michigan	1,011	958	1,969
Minnesota	153,857	13,605	167,462
Montana	114	632	746
Nebraska	0	4	4
Nevada	50	104	154
New Mexico	141	224	365
New York	636,736	79,356	716,092
North Carolina	545,920	49,694	595,614
North Dakota	0	14	14
Ohio	904,160	107,315	1,011,475
Oklahoma	0	0	0
Oregon	104,169	34,948	139,117
Pennsylvania	337,793	59,444	397,237
Rhode Island	0	82	82
South Carolina	280	202	482
South Dakota	4	64	68
Texas	1,360,895	71,846	1,432,741
Utah	0	0	0
Vermont	2,677	2,270	4,947
Virginia	762,499	128,284	890,783
Washington	159,558	24,143	183,701
West Virginia	0	251	251
Wisconsin	638,950	111,844	750,794
Wyoming	64	175	239
Others 1/	2,438,289	246,651	2,684,940
Total	11,086,416	1,306,719	12,393,135

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