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# HOPPING INTO THE FLORIDA'S BREWERY INDUSTRY STATISTICS

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## Floridian Brewery Operations Locations

Reported breweries exhibited a tendency to establish operations near population-dense counties, such with Pinellas, Hillsborough, Orange, Broward, and Alachua being the highest in operation stationing.





### Pacific Northwest Preference

**98%** of reporting breweries indicated the Pacific Northwest (Idaho, Oregon, Washington) as a major source of domestic hops.

### **Raw Production Value**

The reported group of brewers produced an average over **2,150 barrels** of beer every year.



1-3 Years

38.1%

## <u>Foreign Hop Imports and Their Major Sources</u>



A vast majority of Florida brewers import hops, with over 76% of reporting operations having imported hops primarily from Germany, Czech Republic, New Zealand, Australia, and the United Kingdom.

#### <u>Full Time-Equivalent Employee</u> Values

Reporting operations reported having an average of 10 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)
Employees.







10+ Years

4-6 Years 23.8%

## **Brewery Operation Age**

Reporting operations have been active in Florida for a wide range of durations, spanning 1 to more than 10 years, with many breweries being primarily 1-3 years old.

## <u> Aroma's Impact on General Hop Choice</u>

Herbs, Floral, and specialty fruit (apricot, peach, pear, etc.) scents ranked the highest by reporting breweries when selecting aromatic hops in general, however...



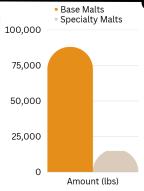
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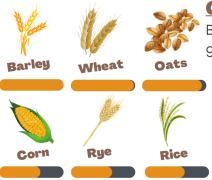
Citrus, tropical fruit, and melon/honeydew scents ranked the highest by reporting breweries when selecting hops grown in Florida.



#### <u>Base vs. Specialty</u> Malts Purchases

In 2021, reporting operations purchased an average of almost 88,000 pounds of base malts and almost 14,800 pounds of specialty malts.

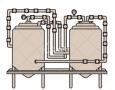




## **Grain Input Preferences**

Brewers reported using the following grains in their products:

- 100% use Barley
- 98% use Wheat
- 93% use Oats
- 64% use Corn
- 64% use Rye
- 62% use Rice



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