# Barley Production and Research Trends in Michigan



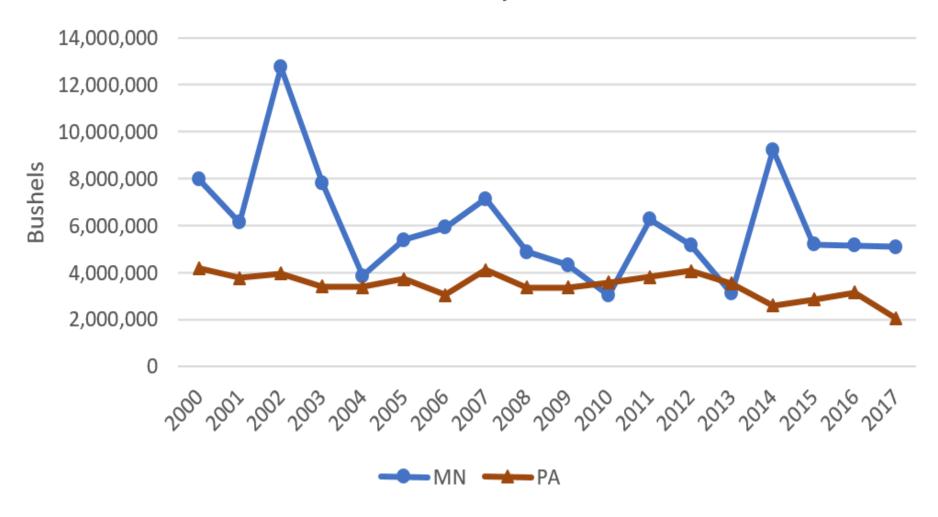
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#### Overview

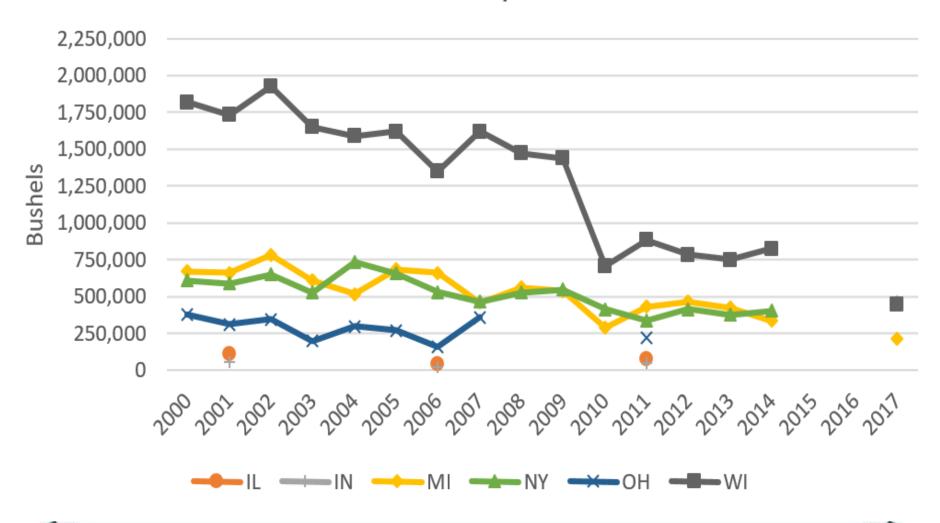
- Recent trends from our Malting Barley Survey in Michigan
- Review of MSU's malting barley research and outreach portfolio, today and looking forward

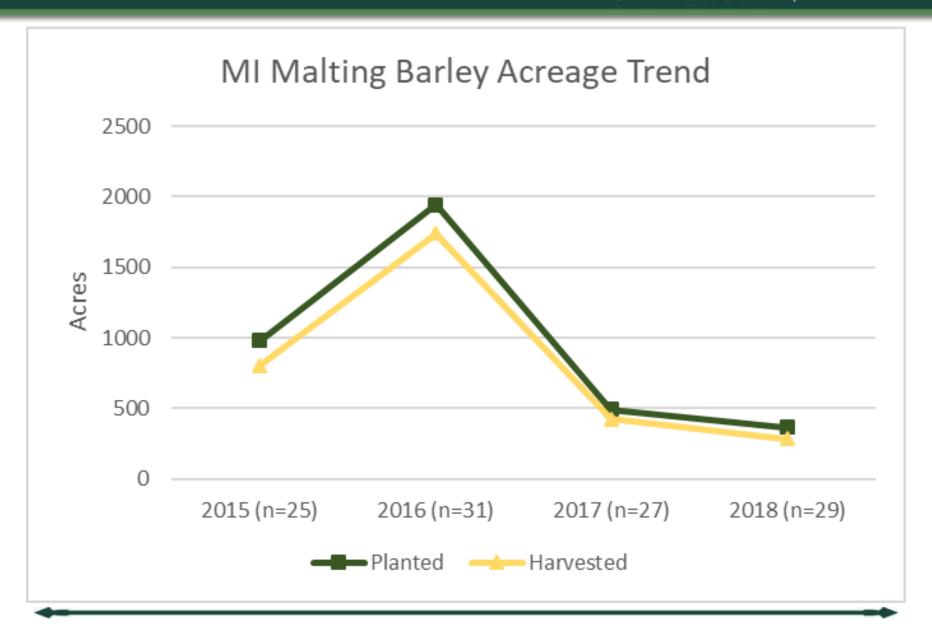


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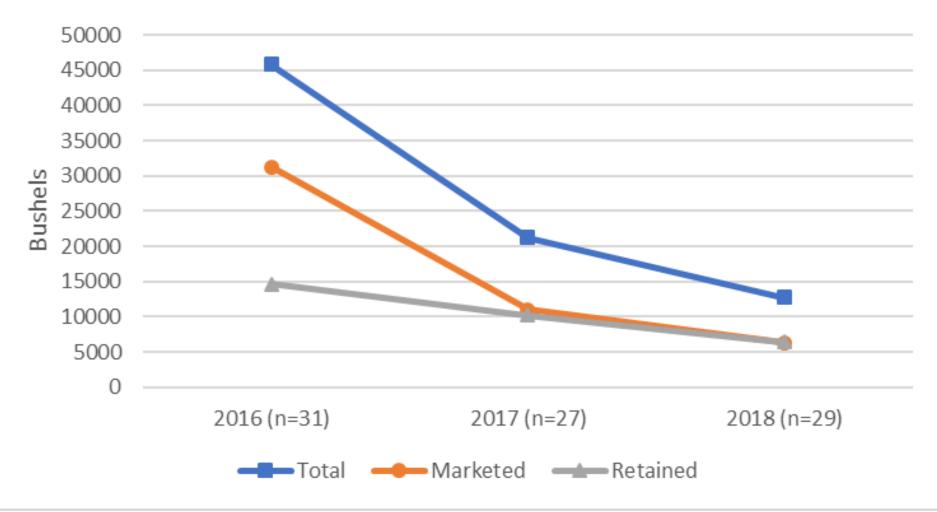


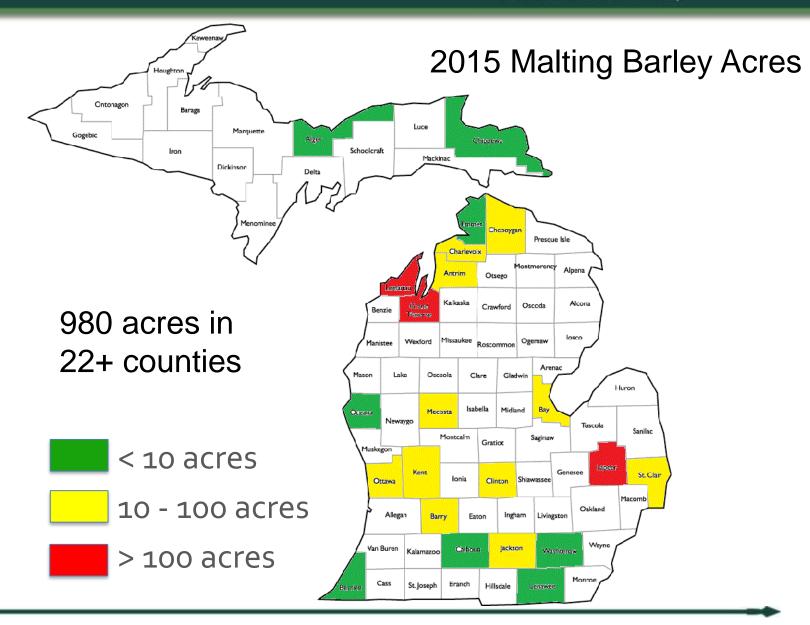
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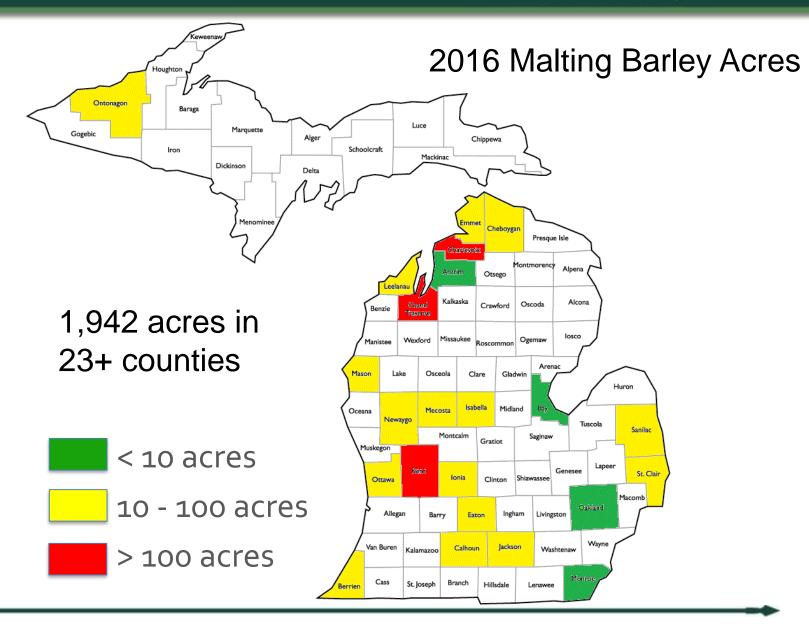


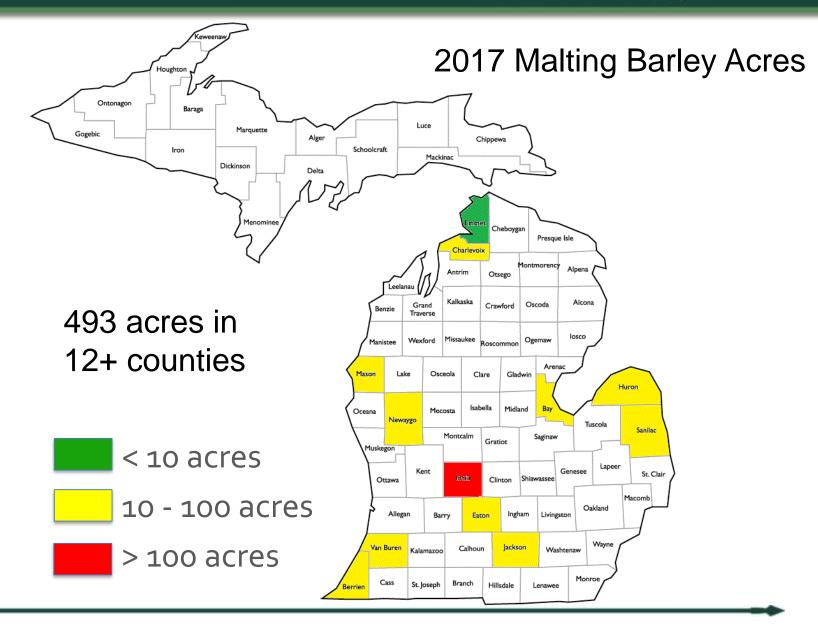


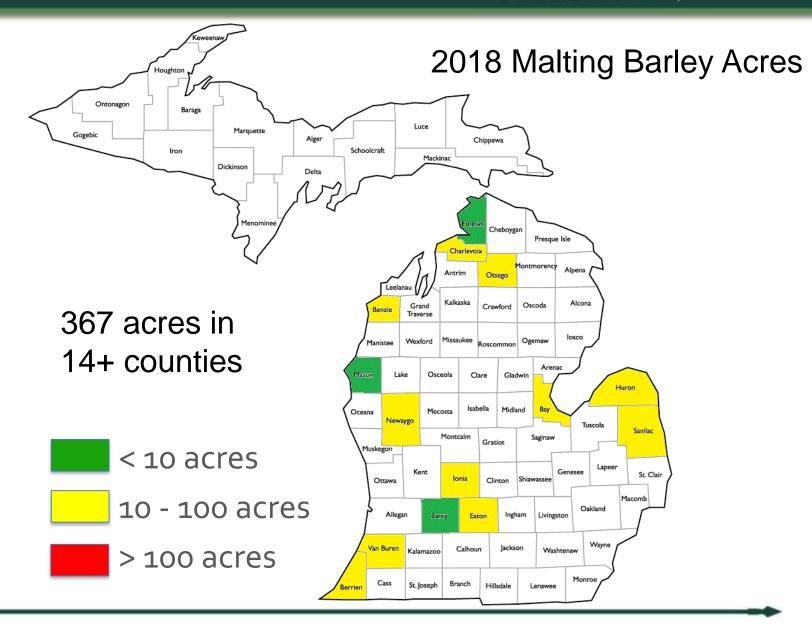


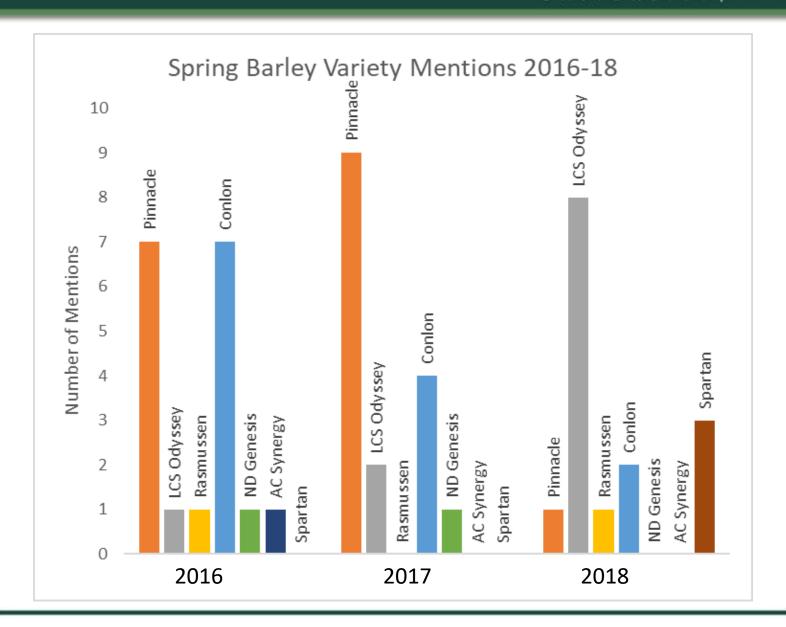


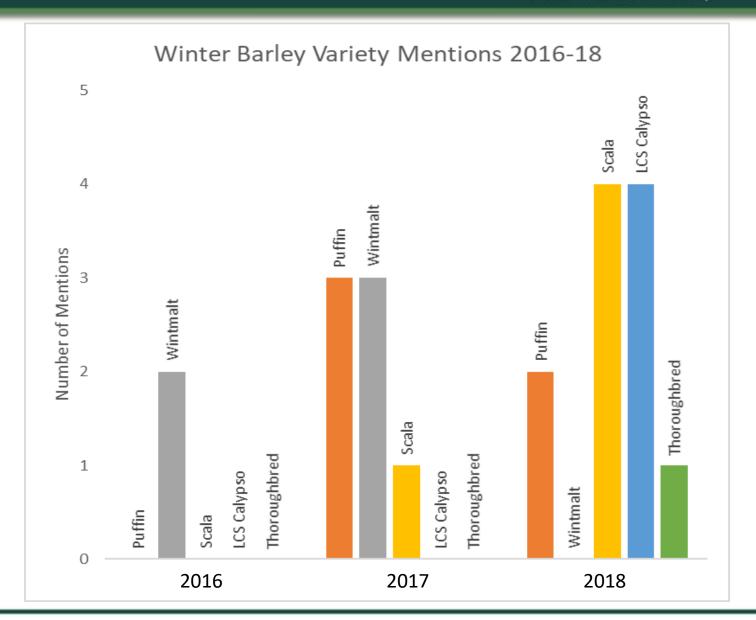




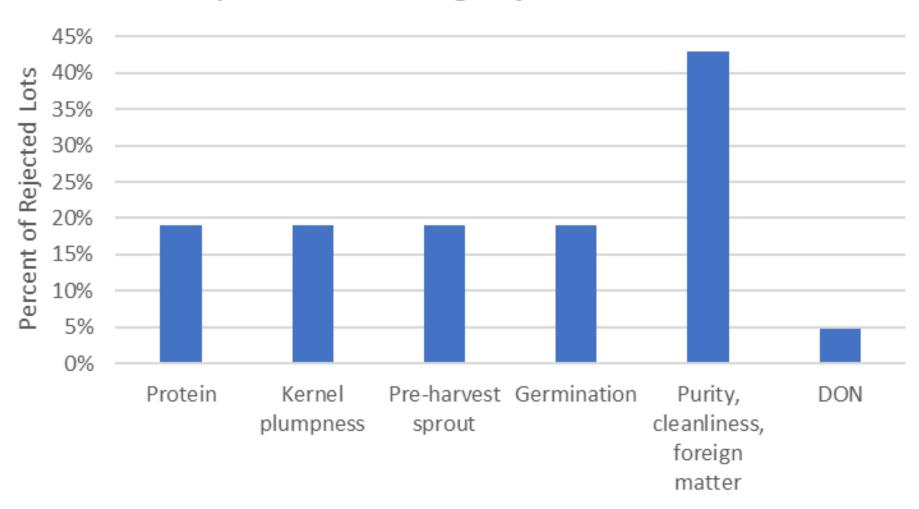














#### Grower comments from 2018

- "Contract combiners expect you to use Roundup."
- "Looking forward to seeing how the barley production and malt house story unfolds here in Michigan and to continue to be a small part of that story."
- "Continue to work in market, but will need to see more success to continue."
- "Because of the relatively high risk for rejection for malting, I wouldn't recommend committing too high of a percentage of your farm to barley."
- "I've not grown barley yet, but would like to add it to my corn-soybean rotation. I'm not confident in profitability of it yet."
- "There's too much risk, not enough reward. Seems like Michigan brewers aren't willing to pay a higher price for a local business relationship."
- "Did not grow any this year because malthouses had supplies met."
- "Marketing is a real challenge. Still have 6 row."

## MICHIGAN MALTHOUSES

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#### **MSU** Research

- Malting barley research at the Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center since 2013
- Lower Michigan since 2014
  - Varieties (spring and winter)
  - Fertility
  - Fungicide
  - Seeding rate
  - Supporting on-farm research





## **MSU Malting Barley Team**



Dr. Dean Baas



Christian Kapp



Martin Nagelkirk



**Ryan Hamilton** 



James DeDecker



Dr. Brook Wilke

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## **UPREC Malting Barley Quality Lab**

- Est. in 2015 with funding from the Brewers Assoc., MDARD, Brewers Guild and MSU
- ASBC methods and check sample program
- Chris Kapp will present trends today!

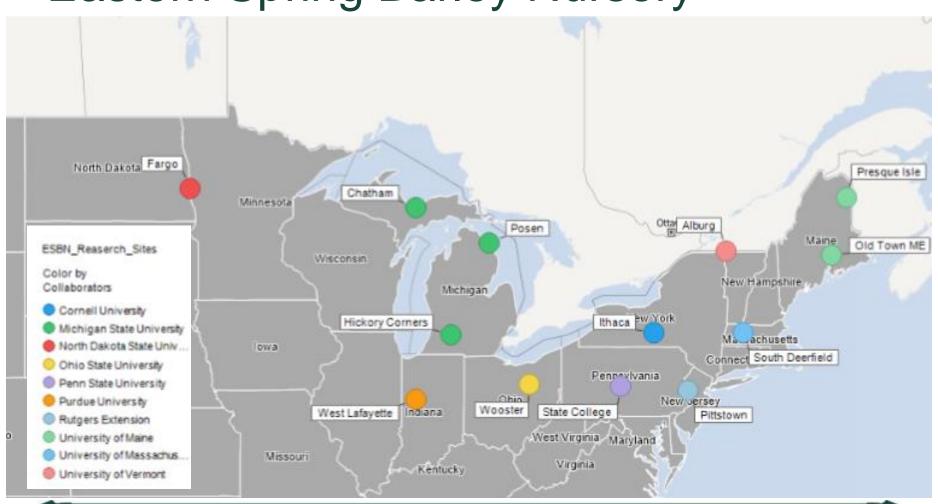
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Complete analysis	moisture, kernel plump & thin, germination tests, protein, pre-harvest sprout, and DON	\$50
Protein + DON only	NIR + Neogen Reveal Q+	\$30
DON only	using Neogen Reveal Q+	\$20
Germination only	germination energy, capacity and water sensitivity	\$20

### Eastern Spring Barley Nursery

- Craft Maltsters Guild and NDSU with nine other universities
- Identify existing spring barley varieties that may be adapted to the eastern U.S.

- 28 varieties in 2018
- 3 locations in MI
- Yield report available
- Dr. Horsley will present results today!

## Eastern Spring Barley Nursery



## Winter Malting Barley (Variety) Trials

- University of Minnesota and partner states
- Trial new winter varieties for yield and quality
- 27 varieties for 2018 harvest
- 2 locations in MI
- Dr. Wilke will present results today!



#### Winter Malting Barley Management Trials

- MSU led project focusing on geographic range and management of winter barley
  - Winter hardiness by location and environment
  - N rate, planting date & rate, fungicide, growth regulator
- 2 MSU locations and 8 on-farm sites in 2019-20
- Dr. Wilke and Martin Nagelkirk will present today!



### Malting Barley Outreach

- New investments in education and support for the entire industry, not just growers
- Ryan Hamilton will lead industry panel today!
- Facilitated advisory discussion this afternoon!



### Extending into new products & uses

- Cereal rye for craft distilling
- Barley nurse crops for forage establishment
- Alternative food uses



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