

# MAPLE SIRUP

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MAPLE SIRUP: Maple sirup production in 1981 was 1,410 thousand gallons, 45 percent above 1980 and the largest since 1966. Price per gallon continued to rise and averaged \$18.10 compared with \$16.20 last year. Value of production, totaling \$25.5 million, was 62 percent above a year earlier.

The 1981 sugaring season in New England was the best in recent years. The sap was much sweeter than normal and mostly light sirup was produced. Weather conditions were ideal, with the season starting and ending about 12 days ahead of last year. Sirup production was the highest since 1926 in New Hampshire, since 1961 in Vermont, 1966 in Massachusetts and since 1957 in Maine.

The New York season was one of the best in recent years, and sap sweetness was above average. Weather conditions and temperatures remained favorable throughout the season, and New York producers realized their largest crop since 1975.

Ohio and Pennsylvania also experienced a better than normal season. Sap sweetness was high and reduced the amount needed to make one gallon of sirup. Sirup color was predominantly light.

The Wisconsin season was about the same length as in 1980, but began nearly two weeks earlier. Most reporters indicated exceptional sweetness of sap.

MAPLE SIRUP PRODUCTION 1/

STATE	1979	1980	1981
1,000 GALLONS			
MAINE	9	5	12
MASS	30	18	40
MICH	85	83	91
N H	76	55	104
N Y	315	243	331
OHIO	90	88	100
PA	57	56	62
VT	465	315	545
WIS	92	110	125
U S	1,219	973	1,410

1/ INCLUDES SIRUP LATER MADE INTO SUGAR. DOES NOT INCLUDE PRODUCTION ON NON-FARM LAND IN SOMERSET COUNTY, MAINE.

MAPLE SIRUP: PRODUCTION, FARM USE, SALES AND VALUE, 1979 1/

STATE	PRODUCTION	USED ON	SOLD	SEASON AVERAGE	VALUE OF	
		FARMS WHERE PRODUCED		PRICE PER GALLON	PRODUCTION	SALES
1,000 GALLONS			DOLLARS		1,000 DOLLARS	
MAINE	9	1	8	17.90	161	143
MASS	30	2	28	15.90	477	445
MICH	85	5	80	16.00	1,360	1,280
N H	76	5	71	16.80	1,277	1,193
N Y	315	16	299	13.10	4,127	3,917
OHIO	90	7	83	14.50	1,305	1,204
PA	57	4	53	13.50	770	716
VT	465	20	445	14.20	6,603	6,319
WIS	92	7	85	12.60	1,159	1,071
U S	1,219	67	1,152	14.10	17,239	16,288

1/ DOES NOT INCLUDE QUANTITIES PRODUCED ON NON-FARM LAND IN SOMERSET COUNTY, MAINE.

MAPLE SIRUP: PRODUCTION, FARM USE, SALES AND VALUE, 1980 1/

STATE	PRODUCTION	USED ON	SOLD	SEASON AVERAGE	VALUE OF	
		FARMS WHERE PRODUCED		PRICE PER GALLON	PRODUCTION	SALES
		1,000 GALLONS			1,000 DOLLARS	
MAINE	5	1	4	19.80	99	79
MASS	18	1	17	18.40	331	313
MICH	83	5	78	17.10	1,419	1,334
N H	55	6	49	19.80	1,089	970
N Y	243	21	222	15.30	3,718	3,397
OHIO	88	10	78	16.60	1,461	1,295
PA	56	2	54	15.30	857	826
VT	315	24	291	16.40	5,166	4,772
WIS	110	10	100	14.90	1,639	1,490
U S	973	80	893	16.20	15,779	14,476

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MAPLE SIRUP: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1981 1/ 2/

STATE	PRODUCTION	SEASON AVERAGE	VALUE OF
		PRICE PER GALLON	PRODUCTION
		DOLLARS	1,000 DOLLARS
MAINE	12	21.40	257
MASS	40	20.20	808
MICH	91	19.20	1,747
N H	104	22.00	2,288
N Y	331	16.20	5,362
OHIO	100	18.20	1,820
PA	62	16.60	1,029
VT	545	18.00	9,810
WIS	125	19.00	2,375
U S	1,410	18.10	25,496

1/ PRELIMINARY. 2/ DOES NOT INCLUDE QUANTITIES PRODUCED ON NON-FARM LAND IN SOMERSET COUNTY, MAINE.

