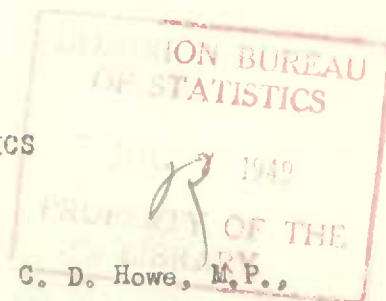


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PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF MAPLE SUGAR AND SYRUP IN CANADA, 1949\*

Ottawa, July 5, 1949 - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Department of Agriculture issues today a report on production and value of maple products in 1949.

PRODUCTION

Production of maple products in 1949 was somewhat heavier than in 1948 and the crop, expressed in terms of syrup, amounted to 2,485,000 gal. This is an increase of 4% over last year. Production, however, is still well below the 10-year 1938-47 average of 2,750,000 gals. Production of syrup this season is estimated at 2,306,000 gal. while in 1948 the crop amounted to 2,159,000 gal. Production of syrup, by provinces, in 1949 with comparable data for 1948 in brackets is: Nova Scotia 6,000 gal., (8,000 gal.); New Brunswick 7,000 gal., (12,000 gal.); Quebec 1,894,000 gal., (1,750,000 gal.); Ontario 399,000 gal., (389,000 gal.). Maple sugar production is down sharply this year to 1,787,000 lb. compared with 2,350,000 lb. a year ago. Production of sugar by provinces with 1948 production in brackets is: Nova Scotia 13,000 lb., (16,000 lb.) New Brunswick 81,000 lb., (124,000 lb.); Quebec 1,651,000 lb. (2,187,000 lb.) and Ontario 42,000 lb., (23,000 lb.).

THE 1949 SEASON

Conditions this spring were very similar to those that produced the small crop in 1948. There was little snow in the woods and bright warm days with few night frosts caused a rapid disappearance of snow in the woods. The quality of the syrup, however, was better than last year.

PRICES

The average farm price of syrup in 1949 was 9 cents a gallon higher than in 1948. The price this year was \$3.67 per gal. compared with \$3.58 per gal. a year ago. Sugar was also slightly higher averaging 37 cents per pound compared with 35 cents per lb. last season.

\* Formerly "Maple Products"

Price: 10 cents per copy.

Table 1

Production and Value of Maple Products in Canada, 1936 - 49

| Year       | Maple<br>Syrup | Maple<br>Sugar | Total Expressed<br>as Syrup | Gross<br>Farm Value |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
|            | '000 gal.      | '000 lb.       | '000 gal.                   | \$'000              |
| 1936 ..... | 2,022          | 9,233          | 2,946                       | 3,714               |
| 1937 ..... | 1,233          | 4,412          | 1,674                       | 2,245               |
| 1938 ..... | 2,955          | 3,454          | 3,300                       | 3,849               |
| 1939 ..... | 2,302          | 2,899          | 2,593                       | 3,444               |
| 1940 ..... | 2,755          | 3,438          | 3,098                       | 4,210               |
| 1941 ..... | 2,037          | 2,390          | 2,276                       | 3,562               |
| 1942 ..... | 2,877          | 3,737          | 3,251                       | 6,716               |
| 1943 ..... | 2,058          | 2,416          | 2,299                       | 5,750               |
| 1944 ..... | 2,870          | 2,207          | 3,090                       | 9,057               |
| 1945 ..... | 1,338          | 1,920          | 1,530                       | 4,497               |
| 1946 ..... | 1,889          | 2,543          | 2,144                       | 6,282               |
| 1947 ..... | 3,580          | 3,434          | 3,923                       | 14,139              |
| 1948 ..... | 2,159          | 2,350          | 2,394                       | 8,541               |
| 1949 ..... | 2,306          | 1,787          | 2,485                       | 9,126               |

Table 2

Production and Value of Maple Syrup in Canada, by Provinces,

1948 and 1949

| Province         | Production |           | Farm Price  |      | Gross Farm Value |           |
|------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------|------------------|-----------|
|                  | 1948       | 1949      | 1948        | 1949 | 1948             | 1949      |
|                  | gal.       | gal.      | \$ per gal. |      | \$               | \$        |
| Nova Scotia 1/   | 8,000      | 6,000     | 4.08        | 4.07 | 33,000           | 24,000    |
| New Brunswick 1/ | 12,000     | 7,000     | 4.28        | 4.26 | 51,000           | 30,000    |
| Quebec           | 1,750,000  | 1,894,000 | 3.49        | 3.61 | 6,108,000        | 6,829,000 |
| Ontario          | 389,000    | 399,000   | 3.93        | 3.98 | 1,529,000        | 1,587,000 |
| CANADA           | 2,159,000  | 2,306,000 | 3.58        | 3.67 | 7,721,000        | 8,470,000 |

1/ Sold chiefly in bottles direct to consumers.

Table 3

Production and Value of Maple Sugar in Canada, by Provinces,  
1948 and 1949

| Province                | Production |           | Farm Price    |      | Gross Farm Value |         |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------|---------------|------|------------------|---------|
|                         | 1948       | 1949      | 1948          | 1949 | 1948             | 1949    |
|                         | lb.        | lb.       | cents per lb. |      | \$               | \$      |
| Nova Scotia <u>1/</u>   | 16,000     | 13,000    | 46            | 45   | 7,000            | 6,000   |
| New Brunswick <u>1/</u> | 124,000    | 81,000    | 49            | 43   | 61,000           | 35,000  |
| Quebec                  | 2,187,000  | 1,651,000 | 34            | 36   | 744,000          | 598,000 |
| Ontario                 | 23,000     | 42,000    | 35            | 40   | 8,000            | 17,000  |
| CANADA                  | 2,350,000  | 1,787,000 | 35            | 37   | 820,000          | 656,000 |

1/ Quantities and prices include maple sugar, cream, and butter.

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