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PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1952

The production of maple products (expressed as syrup) was considerably higher in 1952 than in either of the two immediately preceding years, and was also well above the 1945-49 average. The volume of production this year was 50 per cent greater than last year while the total returns to farmers were up 42 per cent.

The output of maple syrup was larger in 1952 than in 1951 in all provinces in which maple products are produced. The maple sugar made on farms, however, was greater only in New Brunswick and Quebec. The Province of Quebec remained by far the most important producer accounting for 85 per cent of the syrup and 93 per cent of the sugar in 1952.

The price to the producers of syrup was lower in 1952 than in 1951 for all provinces except New Brunswick where a small increase was reported. Sugar prices, on the other hand, were higher in all provinces. The fact that higher prices for sugar were associated with greater production suggests that the weather conditions which brought about an increased flow of sap also favoured a high quality product this year.

TABLE 1.-PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF MAPLE PRODUCTS IN CANADA 1950, 1951, 1952 AND THE FIVE-YEAR 1945 - 49 AVERAGE

Year	Maple Syrup	Maple ^{1/} Sugar	Total Expressed as Syrup	Gross Farm Value
	'000 gal.	'000 lb.	'000 gal.	\$000
1945-49	2,254	2,407	2,495	8,517
1950	2,801	1,824	2,983	10,636
1951	2,144	1,649	2,309	8,555
1952	3,254	2,161	3,470	12,175

^{1/} Sugar made on farms.

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TABLE 2. - PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF MAPLE SYRUP IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, 1951 AND 1952

Province	Production		Farm Price		Gross Farm Value	
	1951	1952	1951	1952	1951	1952
	gal.	gal.	\$ per gal.		\$	\$
Nova Scotia	5,000	6,000	4.18	4.13	21,000	25,000
New Brunswick	10,000	12,000	4.27	4.30	43,000	52,000
Quebec	1,750,000	2,777,000	3.55	3.33	6,212,000	9,247,000
Ontario	379,000	459,000	4.29	4.21	1,626,000	1,932,000
CANADA	2,144,000	3,254,000	3.69	3.46	7,902,000	11,256,000

TABLE 3. - PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF MAPLE SUGAR IN CANADA BY PROVINCES, 1951 AND 1952^{1/}

Province	Production		Farm Price		Gross Farm Value	
	1951	1952	1951	1952	1951	1952
	lb.	lb.	cents per lb.		\$	\$
Nova Scotia	15,000	11,000	52	54	8,000	6,000
New Brunswick	90,000	114,000	46	50	41,000	57,000
Quebec	1,500,000	2,020,000	39	42	585,000	848,000
Ontario	44,000	16,000	43	47	19,000	8,000
CANADA	1,649,000	2,161,000	40	43	653,000	919,000

^{1/} Sugar made on farms.

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