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PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1954

The total 1954 production of maple products (expressed as syrup) at 2.4 million gallons was 24 per cent higher than last year's relatively low production. Although conditions were more favourable this year, production was still about 14 per cent less than the five year average (1947 to 1951).

The production of maple syrup at 2.3 million gallons was higher in 1954 than in 1953 by about 27 per cent while the maple sugar made on farms at 1.2 million pounds was 11 per cent smaller. Syrup production was up in all producing areas while sugar production on farms, although up in Nova Scotia and Ontario, was down somewhat in New Brunswick and Quebec. The province of Quebec accounted for 88 per cent of the total syrup production this year and 94 per cent of the sugar production, a slightly smaller proportion of the totals than in 1953 when the comparable figures were 93 per cent and 96 per cent.

Farm prices of maple syrup were higher this year than last in all provinces except New Brunswick and Ontario where the decline was very moderate. Sugar prices were higher in all areas bringing the total farm value of the 1954 maple crop to 11.0 million dollars, about 51 per cent higher than last year's 7.3 million dollars. The 1952 maple crop was valued at 12.2 million dollars compared with the 1947-51 average of 10.2 million dollars.

The higher prices received for the 1954 run reflect in part the relatively good quality of the crop and better offers for that portion exported.

Table 1. - Production and Value of Maple Products in Canada, 1952, 1953 and 1954 and the 1947-51 Averages

Year	Maple Syrup '000 gal.	Maple 1/ Sugar '000 lb.	Total Expressed as Syrup '000 gal.	Gross Farm Value \$000
1947-51	2,598	2,209	2,819	10,199
1952	3,254	2,161	3,470	12,175
1953	1,816	1,324	1,948	7,306
1954	2,304	1,175	2,422	11,038

1/ Sugar made on farms.

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Table 2. - Production and Value of Maple Syrup in Canada, by Provinces, 1953 and 1954

Province	Production		Farm Price		Gross Farm Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
	gal.	gal.	\$ per gal.		\$	\$
Nova Scotia	2,000	4,000	4.24	4.34	8,000	17,000
New Brunswick	5,000	11,000	4.85	4.60	24,000	51,000
Quebec	1,688,000	2,025,000	3.69	4.60	6,229,000	9,315,000
Ontario	121,000	264,000	4.32	4.28	523,000	1,130,000
CANADA	1,816,000	2,304,000	3.74	4.58	6,784,000	10,513,000

Table 3. - Production and Value of Maple Sugar^{1/} in Canada, by Provinces, 1953 and 1954

Province	Production		Farm Price		Gross Farm Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
	lb.	lb.	cents per lb.		\$	\$
Nova Scotia	6,000	14,000	53	56	3,000	8,000
New Brunswick	38,000	32,000	47	56	18,000	18,000
Quebec	1,266,000	1,110,000	39	44	494,000	488,000
Ontario	14,000	19,000	52	56	7,000	11,000
CANADA	1,324,000	1,175,000	39	45	522,000	525,000

^{1/} Sugar made on farms.