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PRODUCTION OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1964 AND VALUE OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1963

The 1964 production of maple products (expressed as syrup) reached 1.8 million gallons, 37 per cent below the 1963 crop of 2.8 million gallons and 31 per cent below the 1957-61 average. The maple syrup outturn estimated at 1.7 million gallons was well below last year's figure as well as the 1957-61 average of 2.5 million gallons. Total farm-made sugar production also declined to 478,000 pounds from 720,000 in 1963.

The bulk of the maple products crop was produced in Quebec where syrup production reached 1.6 million gallons this year 37 per cent below last year's 2,488,000; sugar production also fell from 669,000 pounds to 457,000 in 1964. This sharp reduction was the result of unfavourable climatic conditions in the spring of 1964 at the time the sap was running when several days of high temperatures greatly reduced the flow. Conditions were also unfavourable in the Maritime provinces. In Eastern Ontario, however, yields per bucket were good this year due to an early run of sap. Nevertheless, the total crop was lower in 1964 than in 1963 in Ontario because fewer trees were tapped. Both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick reported smaller syrup and sugar crops this year than last.

Estimates of the farm value of the 1964 crop are not yet available. Estimated returns to farmers from the sale of maple products in 1963, with comparable figures for earlier years are shown in tables 3, 4 and 5.

The total value of production of maple products for the 1963 crop in Canada stood at \$11.4 million, about 4 per cent above the 1962 figure of \$11.0 million. Maple syrup made up \$11.0 million of the total while farm-made sugar amounted to \$394,000.

Reference to maple sugar in this report is to farm-made sugar only and does not include any maple sugar produced elsewhere.

Table 1. Production of Maple Products in Canada, 1962, 1963 and 1964 and the 1957-61 Averages

Year	Maple Syrup '000 gal.	Maple(1) Sugar '000 lb.	Total Expressed as Syrup '000 gal.
1957-1961	2,501	622	2,563
1962	2,746	750	2,821
1963	2,718	720	2,790
1964	1,722	478	1,770

(1) Sugar made on farms.

Note: The material in this release was prepared in the Crops Section of the Agriculture Division of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for all provinces except Quebec. Estimates for the Province of Quebec were prepared by the Quebec Bureau of Statistics.

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Table 2. Production of Maple Products in Canada, by Province, 1963 and 1964

Province	Production			
	Maple Syrup		Maple Sugar(1)	
	1963 gal.	1964 gal.	1963 lb.	1964 lb.
Nova Scotia	3,600	1,400	10,900	1,500
New Brunswick	7,800	4,600	32,000	11,150
Quebec	2,488,000	1,561,000	669,000	457,000
Ontario	219,000	155,000	7,800	7,960
CANADA	2,718,400	1,722,000	719,700	477,610

Table 3. Production and Value of Maple Products in Canada, 1961, 1962 and 1963 and the 1956-60 Averages

Year	Maple Syrup '000 gal.	Maple(1) Sugar '000 lb.	Total Expressed as Syrup '000 gal.	Gross Farm Value \$'000
1956-60	2,495	570	2,552	9,383
1961	2,563	831	2,646	10,432
1962	2,746	750	2,821	10,954
1963	2,718	720	2,790	11,399

Table 4. Production and Value of Maple Syrup in Canada, by Province, 1962 and 1963

Province	Production		Gross Farm Value	
	1962	1963	1962	1963
	gal.	gal.	\$'000	\$'000
Nova Scotia	3,000	3,600	16	20
New Brunswick	6,000	7,800	33	42
Quebec	2,426,000	2,488,000	8,952	9,802
Ontario	311,000	219,000	1,579	1,141
CANADA	2,746,000	2,718,400	10,580	11,005

Table 5. Production and Value of Maple Sugar(1) in Canada, by Province, 1962 and 1963

Province	Production		Gross Farm Value	
	1962	1963	1962	1963
	lb.	lb.	\$'000	\$'000
Nova Scotia	7,000	10,900	4	7
New Brunswick	32,000	32,000	19	21
Quebec	695,000	669,000	341	360
Ontario	16,000	7,800	10	6
CANADA	750,000	719,700	374	394

(1) Sugar made on farms.