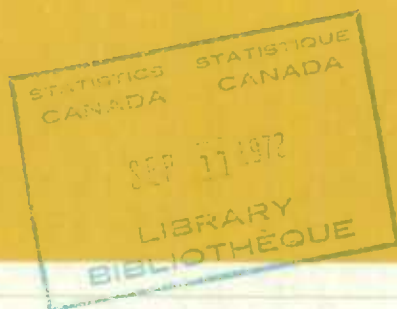




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PRODUCTION OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1972 AND VALUE OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1971

The 1972 production of maple products (expressed as syrup) stood at 2.06 million gallons a 47 per cent increase over the 1971 crop of 1.40 million. Maple syrup which makes up the bulk of the production was above last years out-turn. Total farm-made sugar production increased to 340,000 pounds in 1972. Quebec producers made 348,000 pounds of taffy this year compared with 421,000 pounds in 1971.

The bulk of the maple crop was produced in Quebec where syrup production totalled 1,788,000 gallons this year, up 54 per cent from the 1971 figures of 1,164,000 gallons. Production of syrup was higher in all provinces this year and the production of farm-made sugar was higher in all provinces except Ontario.

Estimates of the farm value of the 1972 crop are not yet available. However, estimated returns to farmers from the sale of maple products in 1971 with comparative figures for earlier years are shown in tables 3, 4 and 5.

The total value of production of maple products for the 1971 crop in Canada stood at 8.2 million dollars which is down from the 8.8 million dollars of the previous season. Maple syrup made up 7.7 million dollars of the total while farm-made sugar amounted to 232,000 dollars.

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, 1970, 1971 and 1972
and the 1965-69 Averages

Year	Maple syrup	Maple sugar (1)	Maple taffy (2)	Total expressed as syrup
	'000 gal.	'000 lb.		'000 gal.
1965-69	2,441	442	475(3)	2,537
1970	1,631	362	482	1,718
1971	1,324	288	421	1,397
1972	1,986	340	348	2,058

(1) Sugar made on farms.

(2) Quebec only.

(3) First year available.

Conversion factors:

1 gal. of syrup = 9.2 lb. of maple sugar

1 gal. of syrup = 10 lb. of maple taffy.

1 gal. of syrup weighs 13 lb. 2 oz.

Note: The material in this release was prepared in the Crops Section of the Agriculture Division of Statistics Canada 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, 1971 and 1972

Province	Production					
	Maple syrup		Maple sugar(1)		Maple taffy(2)	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	gal.		lb.		lb.	
CANADA	1,323,807	1,986,421	287,594	339,853	421,000	348,000
Nova Scotia	4,548	5,009	16,200	20,288	-	-
New Brunswick	7,634	13,121	15,736	24,516	-	-
Quebec	1,164,000	1,788,000	241,000	281,000	421,000	348,000
Ontario	147,625	180,291	14,658	14,049	-	-

(1) Sugar made on farms.

(2) Quebec only.

TABLE 3. Production and Value of Maple Products in Canada 1969, 1970 and 1971 and the 1964-68 Averages

Year	Maple syrup	Maple sugar	Maple taffy	Total expressed as syrup	Gross value
	'000 gal.	'000 lb.		'000 gal.	\$'000
1964-68	2,409	465	-	2,460	10,808
1969	1,882	364	468	1,969	9,047
1970	1,631	362	482	1,718	8,783
1971	1,324	288	421	1,397	8,222

TABLE 4. Production and Value of Maple Syrup in Canada by Province 1970 and 1971

Province	Production		Gross farm value	
	1970	1971	1970	1971
	gal.		\$'000	
CANADA	1,630,584	1,323,807	8,189	7,674
Nova Scotia	4,777	4,548	39	36
New Brunswick	7,860	7,634	57	60
Quebec	1,436,000	1,164,000	6,850	6,518
Ontario	181,947	147,625	1,243	1,060

TABLE 5. Production and Value of Maple Sugar(1) in Canada by Province 1970 and 1971

Province	Production		Gross value	
	1970	1971	1970	1971
	lb.		\$'000	
CANADA	361,599	287,594	266	232
Nova Scotia	13,827	16,200	12	16
New Brunswick	28,297	15,736	29	15
Quebec	302,000	241,000	205	183
Ontario	17,475	14,658	20	18

(1) Sugar made on farms.

TABLE 6. Production and Value of Maple Taffy in Quebec 1970 and 1971

	Production		Gross value	
	1970	1971	1970	1971
	lb.		\$'000	
Quebec	482,000	421,000	328	316