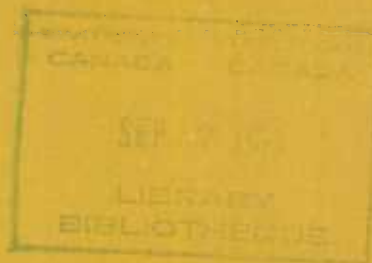




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## PRODUCTION OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1973 AND VALUE OF MAPLE PRODUCTS 1972

The 1973 production of maple products (expressed as syrup) stood at 2.1 million gallons; an approximate 20 per cent increase over the revised 1972 crop of 1.8 million. Maple syrup, which makes up the bulk of the production, was above last year's out-turn. Total farm-made sugar production decreased to 271,000 pounds in 1973. Quebec producers made 323,000 pounds of taffy this year compared with 325,000 pounds in 1972.

The bulk of the maple crop was produced in Quebec, where syrup production totalled 1,980,000 gallons this year; up 27 per cent from the 1972 figures of 1,558,000 gallons. Production of syrup was lower this year than last in all provinces except Quebec and the production of farm-made sugar was lower in all provinces.

Estimates of the farm value of the 1973 crop are not yet available. However, estimated returns to farmers from the sale of maple products in 1972 with revised comparative figures for earlier years are shown in tables 3, 4 and 5.

The total value of production of maple products for the 1972 crop in Canada was 12.6 million dollars, 5.4 million higher than the 7.2 million dollars of the previous season. Maple syrup made up 12.0 million dollars of the total while farm-made sugar amounted to 287,000 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, 1971, 1972 and 1973  
and the 1966-70 Averages

Year	Maple syrup	Maple sugar(1)	Maple taffy(2)	Total expressed as syrup
	'000 gal.	'000 lb.		'000 gal.
1966-70 .....	2,284	402	454	2,373
1971 .....	1,173	248	363	1,235
1972 .....	1,756	315	325	1,822
1973 .....	2,113	271	323	2,174

(1) Sugar made on farms.

(2) Quebec only.

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, 1972 and 1973

Province	Production					
	Maple syrup		Maple sugar(1)		Maple taffy(2)	
	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973
	gal.		lb.		lb.	
CANADA .....	1,756,421	2,113,470	314,853	271,133	325,000	323,000
Nova Scotia .....	5,009	3,266	20,288	9,579	-	-
New Brunswick .....	13,121	5,749	24,516	11,412	-	-
Quebec .....	1,558,000	1,980,000	256,000	238,000	325,000	323,000
Ontario .....	180,291	124,455	14,049	12,142	-	-

(1) Sugar made on farms.

(2) Quebec only.

TABLE 3. Production and Value of Maple Products in Canada 1970, 1971 and 1972 and the 1965-69 Averages

Year	Maple syrup	Maple sugar	Maple taffy	Total expressed as syrup	Gross value
	'000 gal.	'000 lb.		'000 gal.	\$'000
1965-69 .....	2,417	435	465	2,510	10,992
1970 .....	1,494	332	436	1,574	7,934
1971 .....	1,173	248	363	1,236	7,213
1972 .....	1,756	315	325	1,822	12,559

TABLE 4. Production and Value of Maple Syrup in Canada by Province 1971 and 1972

Province	Production		Gross farm value	
	1971	1972	1971	1972
	gal.		\$'000	
CANADA .....	1,172,807	1,756,421	6,728	12,002
Nova Scotia .....	4,548	5,009	36	43
New Brunswick .....	7,634	13,121	60	117
Quebec .....	1,013,000	1,558,000	5,572	10,454
Ontario .....	147,625	180,291	1,060	1,388

TABLE 5. Production and Value of Maple Sugar(1) in Canada by Province 1971 and 1972

Province	Production		Gross value	
	1971	1972	1971	1972
	lb.		\$'000	
CANADA .....	262,594	314,853	213	287
Nova Scotia .....	16,200	20,288	16	20
New Brunswick .....	15,736	24,516	15	25
Quebec .....	216,000	256,000	164	223
Ontario .....	14,658	14,049	18	19

(1) Sugar made on farms.

TABLE 6. Production and Value of Maple Taffy in Quebec 1971 and 1972

	Production		Gross value	
	1971	1972	1971	1972
	lb.		\$'000	
Quebec .....	363,000	325,000	272	270