



Maple Syrup

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1991 NEW ENGLAND MAPLE SYRUP PRICES DOWN 1 PERCENT, BUT PRODUCTION VALUES UP 18 PERCENT DUE TO LARGE CROP

The prices received by New England maple syrup producers averaged \$25.78 per gallon for retail, wholesale and bulk sales of the 1991 maple syrup crop, down 29 cents per gallon from the 1990 average. In New Hampshire and Vermont, prices dropped 3 and 2 percent, respectively. Maine syrup prices were off 6 percent from last year, but the price in Massachusetts rose 6 percent. The prices for most container sizes in 1991 were lower than those in 1990. By October 1, about 75 percent of the 1991 maple syrup in New England had been sold.

Even though syrup prices were off slightly, the value of New England's 1991 crop was up significantly. A 20 percent larger maple crop resulted in production value up 18 percent to 17.5 million dollars for the 4 northern New England states. Production values were up 60, 25, 15 and 7 percent for Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine, respectively.

MAPLE SYRUP: Prices, by Type of Sales and Size of Container, 1990 - 1991

TYPE OF SALE & CONTAINER SIZE	Maine		Massachusetts		New Hampshire		Vermont	
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
dollars								
RETAIL:								
Gallons	35.40	34.00	33.90	33.60	33.30	32.20	30.90	29.80
½ Gallons	19.10	18.70	18.60	18.60	18.70	18.00	17.60	17.10
Quarts	10.60	10.20	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.30	10.10	9.75
Pints	6.25	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.30	6.15	6.10	5.95
½ Pints	3.80	3.70	4.20	4.10	3.75	3.70	3.75	3.75
WHOLESALE:								
Gallons	27.90	26.70	26.70	27.00	28.50	28.70	28.40	24.80
½ Gallons	15.40	15.30	15.60	15.20	16.00	15.40	15.70	14.40
Quarts	8.90	8.35	8.70	8.85	8.95	8.75	8.75	8.30
Pints	4.90	4.65	4.90	5.05	5.25	5.05	5.15	4.70
½ Pints	2.80	2.85	3.10	2.90	2.75	2.90	3.10	2.90
BULK (pounds):								
	1.35							
Grade A Light Amber		1.45	2.35	1.75	1.85	1.60	1.95	1.70
Medium Amber		1.25	2.10	1.55	1.70	1.50	1.65	1.55
Dark Amber		1.20	1.60	1.35	1.20	1.30	1.25	1.20
Grade B & C		0.85	1.20	1.15	0.90	1.00	0.85	1.05
ALL SALES:								
equivalent per gallon	17.80	16.70	31.80	33.70	33.70	32.80	26.50	26.00

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MAPLE SYRUP: Sales Percentages, 1990 - 1991

TYPE OF SALE	Maine		Massachusetts		New Hampshire		Vermont	
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
	percent							
Retail	9	7	58	65	60	60	33	30
Wholesale	3	3	20	10	29	20	22	22
Bulk	88	90	22	25	11	20	45	48

MAPLE SYRUP: Production, Price and Value, New England and New York, 1990 - 1991

STATE	Production		Average Price per Gallon		Value of Production	
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
	1,000 gallons		dollars		1,000 dollars	
Maine	98	112	17.80	16.70	1,744	1,870
Massachusetts	29	44	31.80	33.70	922	1,483
New Hampshire	63	81	33.70	32.80	2,123	2,657
Vermont	375	440	26.50	26.00	9,938	11,440
4 NEW ENGLAND STATES	565	677	26.07	25.78	14,727	17,450
New York	249	308	23.20	23.60	5,777	7,269

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