

MAPLE

New York maple syrup 2005 production decreased 15 percent from 2004. Syrup production is estimated at 222,000 gallons, down from the 255,000 gallons produced in 2004. Only two states, Vermont and Maine, produced more syrup.

The number of taps, 1.42 million, increased 5 percent from last year. Syrup produced per tap averaged 0.156 gallons, down from 0.190 gallons in 2004. The final value of the 2004 crop is \$7.19 million.

The decrease in maple production from the 2004 season was due to lower yields per tap. The season opened on March 13 and closed on April 5. Most producers ended with an average crop. Tapping and running tubing was very difficult. Producers were unable to tap as many trees as they had planned due to heavy snow cover. Weather conditions were generally unfavorable for good sap flow.

Later, the weather was good for a short time before becoming extremely warm, therefore limiting sap flow. After the warm spell, conditions returned to near normal and producers enjoyed a period of good sap flow. Even though temperature fluctuations during the season were not consistent, the syrup quality of this year's crop was very good.

Table 38. **MAPLE SYRUP:** Production and Value, New York, 1995-2005

Crop	Syrup made <u>1/</u>	Average date		Gallons of sap per gallon of syrup	Average price per gallon	Value of production
		First run made	Last run made			
	<u>1,000 gals.</u>			<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>1,000 dollars</u>
1995	208	Mar. 4	Apr. 1	47	23.50	4,888
1996	343	Mar. 5	Apr. 10	40	25.50	8,747
1997	269	Mar. 4	Apr. 7	48	25.10	6,752
1998	263	Feb. 25	Mar. 28	41	26.85	7,062
1999	222	Feb. 27	Apr. 2	43	27.30	6,061
2000	239	Feb. 27	Mar. 24	49	29.00	6,931
2001	220	Mar. 11	Apr. 7	40	29.50	6,490
2002	260	Feb. 22	Mar. 30	44	26.80	6,838
2003	210	Mar. 13	Apr. 9	44	26.80	5,628
2004	255	Mar. 4	Apr. 3	44	28.20	7,191
2005	222	Mar. 13	Apr. 5	41	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>

1/ Includes syrup later made into sugar.

2/ Available June 2006.

Table 39. **MAPLE SYRUP:** Price by Type of Sales and Size of Container, New York, 2004-2005

Type	Gallons		½ Gallon		Quarts		Pints		½ Pint			
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005		
	<u>Dollars</u>		<u>Dollars</u>		<u>Dollars</u>		<u>Dollars</u>		<u>Dollars</u>			
Retail	30.20	32.20	17.80	17.80	10.40	10.50	6.50	6.50	4.30	3.90		
Wholesale	25.50	25.60	14.70	16.70	8.00	7.80	4.80	4.90	3.00	3.00		
	Bulk All Grades				Bulk All Grades				All Sales			
	2004		2005		2004		2005		2004		2005	
	<u>Dollars per pound</u>				<u>Dollars per gallon</u>				<u>Equivalent per gallon</u>			
Bulk	1.30		1.40		14.50		15.30		26.80		28.20	