

Honey, 2002

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Honey production for 2002 by producers with 5 or more hives totaled 1,026,000 pounds. Honey producers took honey from 18,000 colonies, with an average yield of 57 pounds per colony. Honey stocks on hand as of December 15th were 513,000 pounds.

Honey producers received an average price of \$1.30 per pound for the 2002 crop.

The 2002 honey production is valued at 1,334,000 dollars. Pennsylvania ranks 26th in the nation for honey production.

A sample of honey producers were surveyed in December for information on number of colonies, honey production, honey stocks on hand for sale, and prices received for honey sold.

Pennsylvania: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Value & Stocks, 1988-2002¹

Year	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Average Price Per Pound ²	Value of Production	Stocks Dec. 15 ³
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>1,000 Dols.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>
1988	45	46	2,070	67	1,387	683
1989	41	39	1,599	62	991	560
1990	41	28	1,148	67	769	379
1991	40	45	1,800	70	1,260	594
1992	30	41	1,230	71	873	566
1993	28	40	1,120	64	717	605
1994	27	47	1,269	60	761	622
1995	25	43	1,075	73	785	376
1996	23	46	1,058	102	1,079	370
1997	22	48	1,056	100	1,056	528
1998	23	66	1,518	80	1,214	698
1999	25	60	1,500	76	1,140	705
2000	22	45	990	76	752	554
2001	17	57	969	87	843	514
2002	18	57	1,026	130	1,334	513

¹For producers with 5 or more colonies. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State. ²Prices weighed by sales. ³Stocks held by producers.

Pennsylvania & Major States: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Value & Stocks, 2002¹

State	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks December 15 ²	Value of Production
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Dols.</i>
California	440	53	23,320	3,498	30,083
Florida	220	93	20,460	2,026	22,915
Georgia	50	52	2,600	52	2,860
Idaho	100	57	5,700	1,653	7,695
Iowa	33	70	2,310	901	3,165
Louisiana	35	124	4,340	347	4,948
Michigan	72	77	5,544	1,885	7,429
Minnesota	117	73	8,541	1,110	12,128
Montana	134	63	8,442	1,097	11,397
Nebraska	43	75	3,225	1,161	4,676
New York	60	98	5,880	2,470	6,880
North Dakota	320	75	24,000	8,160	34,080
Pennsylvania	18	57	1,026	513	1,334
South Dakota	225	51	11,475	2,410	16,065
Texas	114	67	7,638	985	8,325
Wisconsin	70	95	6,650	2,461	8,645
Other States	473	63.4	29,989	8,318	39,013
U. S. Total	2,524	67.8	171,140	39,047	221,638

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