



# Minnesota Ag News – Maple Syrup

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Minnesota's 2016 **maple syrup** production was 14,000 gallons according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. The number of taps setup in 2016 was 76,000. This resulted in a yield of 0.184 gallons per tap.

The 2016 Minnesota maple syrup season began on February 15. The season ended on April 24. This year's season averaged 31 days. This is Minnesota's first year in the maple estimating program. Price data will be published in 2017.

## Maple Syrup Taps, Yield, and Production – Selected States and United States: 2014-2016

State	Number of taps			Yield per tap			Production		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
	(1,000 taps)	(1,000 taps)	(1,000 taps)	(gallons)	(gallons)	(gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)
Connecticut .....	83	85	86	0.193	0.224	0.221	16	19	19
Indiana .....	(NA)	(NA)	60	(NA)	(NA)	0.200	(NA)	(NA)	12
Maine .....	1,850	1,850	1,860	0.295	0.299	0.363	545	553	675
Massachusetts .....	290	310	315	0.210	0.242	0.244	61	75	77
Michigan .....	430	470	400	0.244	0.270	0.225	105	127	90
<b>Minnesota .....</b>	<b>(NA)</b>	<b>(NA)</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>(NA)</b>	<b>(NA)</b>	<b>0.184</b>	<b>(NA)</b>	<b>(NA)</b>	<b>14</b>
New Hampshire .....	490	560	545	0.229	0.275	0.310	112	154	169
New York .....	2,200	2,310	2,515	0.248	0.260	0.281	546	601	707
Ohio .....	450	440	370	0.289	0.261	0.189	130	115	70
Pennsylvania .....	588	620	660	0.248	0.266	0.217	146	165	143
Vermont .....	4,350	4,550	4,850	0.310	0.310	0.410	1,350	1,410	1,990
West Virginia .....	(NA)	(NA)	48	(NA)	(NA)	0.125	(NA)	(NA)	6
Wisconsin .....	700	760	765	0.286	0.283	0.307	200	215	235
United States .....	11,431	11,955	12,550	0.281	0.287	0.335	3,211	3,434	4,207

(NA) Not available.

## UNITED STATES SUMMARY

Maple syrup: The 2016 United States maple syrup production totaled 4.21 million gallons, up 23 percent from the previous year. The number of taps is estimated at 12.6 million, up 5 percent from the 2015 total. Yield per tap is estimated to be 0.335 gallon, up 17 percent from the previous season's yield. Pennsylvania reported a record high number of taps in 2016, while Massachusetts and Vermont reported record high production.

Producers were encouraged to tap earlier this season by the warmer than normal temperatures. The earliest sap flow reported was January 1 in Pennsylvania, Vermont and West Virginia. The latest sap flow reported to open the season was February 15 in Minnesota. On average, the season lasted 33 days, compared with 26 days in 2015.

The 2015 United States average price per gallon was \$36.70, up \$0.30 from 2014. Value of production, at \$126 million for 2015, was up 8 percent from the previous season. Beginning in 2016, Indiana, Minnesota, and West Virginia were added to the maple syrup estimating program.