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## 2012 HONEY PRODUCTION

LINCOLN, NE, March 18, 2013 -- Honey production in 2012 from Nebraska producers with five or more colonies totaled 2.9 million pounds, up 18 percent from 2011, according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office.

There were 44,000 honey producing colonies in Nebraska during 2012, up 7 percent from 2011. Yield per colony was 65 pounds per colony, up from 59 pounds per colony in 2011. Producer stocks were 1.17 million pounds on December 15, 2012 up from 653,000 pounds a year earlier.

Prices for the 2012 crop averaged 191 cents per pound, up from 175 cents in 2011. Prices were based on retail sales by producers and sales to private processors and cooperatives. Total value of honey produced in 2012 was 5.5 million dollars, up 29 percent from 2011.

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