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## USDA CONDUCTING MAPLE SYRUP SURVEY

[HARRISBURG, PA] – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will conduct the 2016 Maple Syrup Survey for the Northeastern Region. The survey will collect information from more than 2,100 Northeastern producers.

The Northeastern region produced 2.96 million gallons of maple syrup in 2015. Vermont was the top Maple Syrup state with 41 percent of the United States’ maple syrup, according to King Whetstone, Director of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Field Office. Taps in the Northeastern Region totaled 10.2 million and accounted for 86 percent of the Nation’s maple taps. The 2016 survey will ask about the 2015 and 2016 taps and production as well as price information on the syrup produced in 2015.

Producers selected for the survey can fill out the survey online via a secure website, [www.agcounts.usda.gov](http://www.agcounts.usda.gov), or return their form by mail. Federal law (Title 7, U.S. Code) requires NASS to keep all individual information confidential.

Recipients are requested to respond by May 15, 2016. NASS will publish the results on June 10<sup>th</sup> in the Crop Production Report at 12:00 pm. For more information about the Maple Syrup Survey call (717)787-3904.

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