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## NORTH DAKOTA HONEY PRODUCTION

**FARGO, N.D. March 15, 2024** - Honey production in 2023 from North Dakota producers with five or more colonies totaled 38.3 million pounds, up 23% from 2022, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. North Dakota ranked first in the nation for honey production for the twentieth consecutive year.

There were 511,000 honey producing colonies in North Dakota during 2023, down 2% from 2022. Average yield was 75 pounds per colony, up 15 pounds from 2022. Producer stocks were 9.20 million pounds on December 15, 2023, up from 4.68 million pounds a year earlier.

Prices for the 2023 crop averaged \$1.77 per pound, down from \$2.60 per pound in 2022. Prices were based on retail sales by producers and sales to private processors and cooperatives. Total value of honey produced in 2023 was \$67.8 million, down 16% from 2022.

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