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2014 Northwest Region Honey Production up 23 Percent from 2013

Idaho's 2014 honey production, at 3.40 million pounds, was 28 percent higher than 2013. There were 100,000 honey producing colonies, 17,000 more than the previous year. The yield per colony averaged 34.0 pounds compared with 32.0 pounds per colony in 2013. Idaho's value of honey production, at \$6.90 million was 29 percent higher than 2013.

Oregon's 2014 honey production, at 2.84 million pounds, was 31 percent higher than 2013. There were 71,000 honey producing colonies, 9,000 more than the previous year. The yield per colony averaged 40.0 pounds compared with 35.0 pounds per colony in 2013. Oregon's value of honey production, at \$6.22 million was 20 percent higher than 2013.

Washington's 2014 honey production, at 2.99 million pounds, was 11 percent higher than 2013. There were 68,000 honey producing colonies, 1,000 less than the previous year. The yield per colony averaged 44.0 pounds compared with 39.0 pounds per colony in 2013. Washington's value of honey production, at \$7.42 million was 20 percent higher than 2013.

Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks, Price, and Value — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2013 and 2014

[Producers with 5 or more colonies. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State]

	Honey producing colonies ¹	Yield per colony	Production	Stocks December 15 ²	Average price per pound ³	Value of production ⁴
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(cents)	(1,000 dollars)
Idaho						
2013	83	32	2,656	1,036	202	5,365
2014	100	34	3,400	850	203	6,902
Oregon						
2013	62	35	2,170	456	239	5,186
2014	71	40	2,840	767	219	6,220
Washington						
2013	69	39	2,691	1,023	230	6,189
2014	68	44	2,992	1,167	248	7,420
Other States						
2013 ⁵	33	39	1,295	186	383	4,960
2014 ⁶	31	45	1,404	202	358	5,026
United States						
2013	2,640	56.6	149,499	38,160	214.1	320,077
2014	2,740	65.1	178,270	41,192	216.1	385,241

¹ Honey producing colonies are the maximum number of colonies from which honey was taken during the year. It is possible to take honey from colonies which did not survive the entire year.

² Stocks held by producers.

³ Average price per pound based on expanded sales.

⁴ Value of production is equal to production multiplied by average price per pound.

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