

Honey Production, 2010

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Pennsylvania honey production in 2010 (from producers with five or more hives) totaled 1,110,000 pounds, up 270,000 pounds from 2009. There were an estimated 30,000 colonies statewide, which was up 9,000 colonies from the previous year.

The average yield was 37 pounds per colony compared to 40 pounds in 2009. Total stocks of honey, as of

December 15, 2010, were 377,000 pounds, 58,000 pounds more than the previous year.

Honey producers in Pennsylvania received an average price of 205 cents per pound for the 2010 crop. Total value of honey produced in 2010 is estimated at 2,276,000 dollars for Pennsylvania production.

Pennsylvania: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Value and Stocks, 1970-2010

Year	Honey producing colonies ¹ (1,000)	Yield per colony (pounds)	Production (1,000 pounds)	Stocks December 15 ² (1,000 pounds)	Average price per pound ³ (cents)	Value of production ⁴ (1,000 dollars)
1970	96	39	3,744	1,385	20	756
1980	80	41	3,280	1,181	70	2,296
1990	41	28	1,148	379	67	769
2000	25	45	1,125	630	76	855
2003	27	50	1,350	419	144	1,944
2004	30	54	1,620	810	142	2,300
2005	28	56	1,568	800	112	1,756
2006	28	40	1,120	605	163	1,826
2007	25	42	1,050	326	170	1,785
2008	23	48	1,104	276	165	1,822
2009	21	40	840	319	203	1,705
2010	30	37	1,110	377	205	2,276

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.

Pennsylvania and Major States: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Value and Stocks, 2010

State	Honey Producing Colonies ¹ (1,000)	Yield Per Colony (pounds)	Production ² (1,000 pounds)	Stocks Dec 15 ³ (1,000 pounds)	Value of Production ⁴ (1,000 dollars)
CA	410	67	27,470	6,318	42,853
FL	200	69	13,800	1,794	21,666
GA	55	46	2,530	152	4,255
ID	98	27	2,646	1,191	3,969
MI	70	58	4,060	1,502	6,658
MN	126	66	8,316	1,746	12,807
MT	157	74	11,618	2,905	18,008
NE	44	55	2,420	1,041	3,606
NY	47	64	3,008	1,173	5,354
ND	510	91	46,410	12,995	70,079
OR	59	39	2,301	874	3,728
PA	30	37	1,110	377	2,276
SD	265	59	15,635	4,847	24,078
TX	100	72	7,200	792	11,016
WA	71	37	2,627	1,077	3,993
WI	68	64	4,352	1,654	7,268
US	2,684	65.5	175,904	45,307	281,974

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