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Pennsylvania Honey Production Up 15 Percent

HARRISBURG, PA --- Honey production in 2015 from Pennsylvania producers with five or more colonies totaled 901 thousand pounds, up 15 percent from 2014, according to King Whetstone, Director of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Field Office. There were 17 thousand colonies producing honey in 2015, unchanged from 2014. Yield per colony averaged 53 pounds, up 15 percent from the 46 pounds in 2014. Producer honey stocks were 225 thousand pounds on December 15, 2015, up 11 percent from a year earlier.

Honey prices increased during 2015 to 363 cents per pound, up 25 percent from 291 cents per pound in 2014.

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