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1992 NEW ENGLAND MAPLE SYRUP PRICES DROP AS PRODUCTION INCREASES

Average prices received by New England maple syrup producers were 10 percent lower than last year while production rose 30 percent over 1991. The average price of \$23.30 per gallon for retail, wholesale and bulk sales was down \$2.48 from the 1991 average of \$25.78. The largest overall price decrease of 14 percent occurred in Vermont followed by 5 percent in Maine. New Hampshire's average price remained relatively stable while Massachusetts's producers experienced a 3 percent average price increase.

Comparative data was not available for Connecticut. Approximately 62 percent of 1992 New England syrup was sold by October 1 compared to 75 percent last year. The lower prices were offset by higher production increasing the total production value of the crop. Production value was up 17 percent to 20.5 million dollars for the 5 New England states. Production values increased 30, 17, 16, and 11 percent for Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont, respectively.

MAPLE SYRUP: Prices, by Type of Sales and Size of Container, 1991 - 1992

TYPE OF SALE & CONTAINER SIZE	Connecticut		Maine		Massachusetts		New Hampshire		Vermont	
	1991 ^{1/}	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
Dollars										
RETAIL:										
Gallons	-	33.20	34.00	31.60	33.60	32.40	32.20	31.40	29.80	26.70
½ Gallons	-	19.60	18.70	17.90	18.60	18.70	18.00	18.00	17.10	16.00
Quarts	-	10.20	10.20	9.75	10.10	10.80	10.30	10.80	9.75	9.50
Pints	-	6.30	6.00	5.50	6.50	6.40	6.15	6.30	5.95	6.00
½ Pints	-	4.00	3.70	3.55	4.10	3.75	3.70	3.70	3.75	3.70
WHOLESALE:										
Gallons	-	2/	26.70	19.40	27.00	21.90	28.70	21.70	24.80	21.80
½ Gallons	-	15.70	15.30	14.00	15.20	17.60	15.40	12.30	14.40	13.40
Quarts	-	9.20	8.35	7.85	8.85	8.50	8.75	6.85	8.30	7.15
Pints	-	5.10	4.65	4.20	5.05	5.10	5.05	4.10	4.70	4.65
½ Pints	-	3.05	2.85	2.60	2.90	2.90	2.90	2.90	2.90	2.75
BULK (pounds):										
Grade A Light Amber	-	-	1.45	1.30	1.75	1.20	1.60	1.25	1.70	1.20
Medium Amber	-	-	1.25	1.20	1.55	1.15	1.50	1.15	1.55	1.15
Dark Amber	-	-	1.20	1.10	1.35	1.05	1.30	1.10	1.20	1.10
Grade B & C	-	-	0.85	0.95	1.15	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.05	1.05
ALL SALES:										
equivalent per gallon	-	42.00	16.70	15.90	33.90	34.80	32.80	32.90	26.00	22.30

^{1/} Data not available in 1991.

^{2/} Data withheld to prevent disclosure of individual operations.

MAPLE SYRUP: Sales Percentages, 1991 - 1992

TYPE OF SALE	Connecticut		Maine		Massachusetts		New Hampshire		Vermont	
	1991 ^{1/}	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
	Percent									
Retail	-	90	7	8	65	70	60	55	30	31
Wholesale	-	10	3	2	10	10	20	30	22	16
Bulk	-	-	90	90	25	20	20	15	48	53

^{1/} Data not available in 1991.

MAPLE SYRUP: Production, Price and Value, New England and New York, 1991 - 1992

STATE	Production		Average Price per Gallon		Value of Production	
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
	1,000 Gallons		Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Connecticut	1/	12	1/	42.00	1/	504
Maine	112	153	16.70	15.90	1,870	2,433
Massachusetts	44	50	33.90	34.80	1,492	1,740
New Hampshire	81	94	32.80	32.90	2,657	3,093
Vermont	440	570	26.00	22.30	11,440	12,711
5 NEW ENGLAND STATES	1/	879	1/	23.30	1/	20,481
New York	308	400	23.30	23.40	7,176	9,360

^{1/} Data not available in 1991.

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