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## **USDA Reports Strong Vermont Maple Crop**

### **Vermont producers make 53% of US crop in 2026**

LYNDONVILLE, VT – The USDA released their June crop report this afternoon, showing that Vermont producers had a strong season and still make over 50% of the US maple syrup crop. USDA's June crop report notes total 2026 US maple syrup production of 5.877 million gallons and total Vermont production of 3.091 million gallons, or almost 53% of the US total. These values represent a slight 3% increase over the reported 2025 US maple production and a 2.7% increase over the reported 2025 Vermont maple production. According to USDA reporting, Vermont maple production has grown a staggering 572% over the last two decades - growth that is fairly unique among most agriculture and forestry sectors.

Mother Nature put on another show this sugaring season—another winter with lots of snow, a really warm March, and a season bookended by wind storms in some counties. Another reason Vermont's sugar makers are continuous innovators and optimists! By March, Vermont had already experienced temperatures that were below average for December, January and February, making this the coldest winter since 2014-2015. By the end of January, Jay Peak had recorded over 300" of snow and plenty of sugar makers pulled out their snowshoes for tapping.

In stories from sugar makers across Vermont, there are some similarities between the 2025 and 2026 seasons - a late start for many, lots of snow while tapping, and no snow while pulling taps. In data gleaned from VMSMA's annual member crop survey, producers reported an average crop year across the state. Given the amount of snow that kicked off the season and the limited number of warm, spring-like days in March, that's pretty good news. Tuesday, March 10th stands out as a record breaker in many areas and when folks across the state experienced really strong sap flows as the temps soared up to 70 degrees.

Through VMSMA's survey, 41% of responding sugar makers reported an average crop year, but almost as many reported either an above average or record breaking year (37%). About 23% reported a below-average year, down from 25% last year. That variation is often due to the intersection of specifics like location, temperature, slope, and the microclimates of individual sugarbushes. It's interesting to note that once again those reporting above-average crops came from 10 different counties - Windsor, Franklin, Chittenden, Caledonia, Orleans, Lamoille, Washington, Windham, and Bennington —a geographically wide swath of the state. Meanwhile, 24% of respondents noting a below average year were in Chittenden county, with Washington and Lamoille not far behind at 16%. Compare that to folks who reported record breaking crops this year - 36% of which were in Chittenden county (the same county that reported most of the below average crops).



Many Vermont producers noted changing up equipment or trying “new to them” set ups this season, with good results - from sap ladders and filter presses and vacuum sensors, to pumps and getting started with vacuum and RO. Some producers transitioned from sap only to syrup production or were on their own in the sugarhouse for the first time. Lots of changes, lots of optimism and curiosity about those changes, and opportunity in between sap runs to tinker. In general, Vermont producers noted big sap runs with freeze ups in between, with things loosening up on that really warm day across the state in March. Many noted making darker syrup first this year. One producer summed it up nicely, “This season was fast and furious!”

Many survey respondents also noted strong sap runs and high-quality syrup production this year. Best practices for sugarbush health and syrup quality will continue to be a major focus of VMSMA’s work with producers and research partners. Looking ahead, VMSMA’s efforts will emphasize climate resilience, syrup quality and food safety, forest health, and operational best practices grounded in current and ongoing research.

A few anecdotes from around the state:

“Very cold, long winter meant extended periods with no runs (all of January and February) then in March it would run for several days straight with no break and then freeze up for several days straight, making it challenging from a schedule and sleep standpoint. Also as a result of the deep cold we experienced more frozen lines and equipment than normal including lines buried underground. Otherwise pleased with the sap quality and sugar content.” - *Sugar maker from Addison County*

“Had some of the biggest runs ever in a 24 hour period.” - *Sugar maker from Orleans County*

“Extreme snow depth, later start, big runs then no activity, input costs up vs price paid for syrup sales” - *Sugar maker from Caledonia County*

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The Vermont Maple Sugar Makers’ Association (VMSMA), founded in 1893, is one of the oldest agricultural organizations in the United States and represents over 750 members. The VMSMA helps to promote and protect the branding and quality of pure Vermont maple products and to serve as the official voice for Vermont sugar makers. Our members take great pride in maintaining a prosperous maple industry, diverse and healthy forests, and a working landscape that future generations will enjoy. Vermont sugar makers produce over 3 million gallons of maple syrup annually (generally over one half of the production in the United States). More information at [www.VermontMaple.org](http://www.VermontMaple.org).

## Maple Syrup Acreage, Taps, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2024-2026

State	Acreage			Number of taps			Yield per tap			Production		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(1,000 taps)	(1,000 taps)	(1,000 taps)	(gallons)	(gallons)	(gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)
Connecticut .....	2,800	2,300	2,600	60	61	65	0.186	0.148	0.191	11	9	12
Indiana .....	3,300	4,000	4,000	95	90	80	0.228	0.272	0.278	22	24	22
Maine .....	21,500	19,900	19,700	1,900	1,760	1,750	0.369	0.312	0.366	701	549	641
Massachusetts .....	4,600	4,600	5,100	200	180	180	0.244	0.248	0.273	49	45	49
Michigan .....	11,300	9,800	10,400	650	660	620	0.308	0.298	0.327	200	197	203
Minnesota .....	3,700	3,300	3,300	96	80	77	0.271	0.308	0.315	26	25	24
New Hampshire .....	11,200	11,500	12,100	520	520	480	0.286	0.292	0.307	149	152	147
New York .....	60,000	55,500	51,000	2,800	2,700	2,600	0.302	0.307	0.340	846	829	884
Ohio .....	12,300	10,200	10,500	400	410	410	0.240	0.245	0.233	96	100	96
Pennsylvania .....	13,700	13,400	14,400	790	760	790	0.231	0.251	0.244	182	191	193
Vermont .....	141,000	141,000	144,000	8,400	8,200	8,200	0.370	0.367	0.377	3,108	3,009	3,091
West Virginia .....	2,200	2,200	1,900	70	68	68	0.171	0.215	0.158	12	15	11
Wisconsin .....	31,100	30,500	31,800	1,140	1,200	1,150	0.402	0.463	0.438	458	556	504
United States .....	318,700	308,200	310,800	17,121	16,689	16,470	0.342	0.342	0.357	5,860	5,701	5,877

## Maple Syrup Price and Value – States and United States: 2024-2026

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

State	Average price per gallon			Value of production		
	2024	2025	2026 <sup>1</sup>	2024	2025	2026 <sup>1</sup>
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Connecticut .....	81.70	77.80		899	700	
Indiana .....	41.00	48.20		902	1,157	
Maine .....	39.50	34.70		27,690	19,050	
Massachusetts .....	57.30	57.60		2,808	2,592	
Michigan .....	40.30	42.00		8,060	8,274	
Minnesota .....	48.50	50.40		1,261	1,260	
New Hampshire .....	53.50	50.10		7,972	7,615	
New York .....	34.20	36.70		28,933	30,424	
Ohio .....	41.30	45.70		3,965	4,570	
Pennsylvania .....	38.40	35.80		6,989	6,838	
Vermont .....	30.70	33.80		95,416	101,704	
West Virginia .....	47.50	48.00		570	720	
Wisconsin .....	32.60	32.70		14,931	18,181	
United States .....	34.20	35.60		200,396	203,085	

<sup>1</sup> Price and value for 2026 will be published in *Crop Production* released June 2027.

## Maple Syrup Sales by Type – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Retail		Wholesale		Bulk		Value Added	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)	(1,000 gallons)
Connecticut .....	6	6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1	1
Indiana .....	9	13	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1	-
Maine .....	46	19	43	34	602	492	10	4
Massachusetts .....	23	22	15	12	6	6	5	5
Michigan .....	50	45	59	58	87	92	4	2
Minnesota .....	8	7	7	4	10	13	1	1
New Hampshire .....	26	26	92	89	27	33	4	4
New York .....	124	138	115	123	575	544	32	24
Ohio .....	38	46	25	25	32	26	1	3
Pennsylvania .....	39	51	32	29	99	102	12	9
Vermont .....	203	165	144	153	2,726	2,660	35	31
West Virginia .....	4	6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1	1
Wisconsin .....	46	54	35	51	371	439	6	12
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	14	14	9	7	-	-
United States .....	622	598	581	592	4,544	4,414	113	97

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data withheld above.

## Maple Syrup Retail and Wholesale Price – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Retail		Wholesale	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(dollars per gallon)	(dollars per gallon)	(dollars per gallon)	(dollars per gallon)
Connecticut .....	91.20	82.20	(D)	(D)
Indiana .....	47.00	50.50	(D)	(D)
Maine .....	68.30	71.40	52.00	51.60
Massachusetts .....	67.80	68.50	50.80	52.10
Michigan .....	57.30	61.50	45.80	45.80
Minnesota .....	71.60	70.80	51.60	63.90
New Hampshire .....	67.40	65.60	57.70	53.50
New York .....	56.70	60.00	48.70	45.50
Ohio .....	50.50	53.60	43.60	47.50
Pennsylvania .....	60.40	50.60	45.80	41.00
Vermont .....	58.30	51.40	42.30	50.30
West Virginia .....	62.10	56.90	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	59.30	51.40	49.50	47.00
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(X)	(X)	48.00	51.50
United States .....	59.50	56.70	48.20	48.70

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## Maple Syrup Bulk Price – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Bulk all grades		Bulk all grades	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(dollars per pound)	(dollars per pound)	(dollars per gallon)	(dollars per gallon)
Connecticut .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maine .....	3.30	2.91	36.40	32.10
Massachusetts .....	3.04	2.62	33.50	28.90
Michigan .....	2.42	2.72	26.70	30.00
Minnesota .....	2.52	3.20	27.80	35.30
New Hampshire .....	2.32	2.61	25.60	28.80
New York .....	2.40	2.61	26.40	28.80
Ohio .....	2.60	2.72	28.70	30.00
Pennsylvania .....	2.48	2.44	27.30	26.90
Vermont .....	2.54	2.89	28.00	31.80
West Virginia .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	2.51	2.60	27.70	28.70
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	3.10	3.10	34.40	34.10
United States .....	2.60	2.80	28.90	31.00

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## Maple Syrup Grade – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Grade A		Processing Grade	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(gallons)	(gallons)	(gallons)	(gallons)
Connecticut .....	9,400	7,680	600	320
Indiana .....	19,950	23,280	1,050	720
Maine .....	666,124	521,020	24,876	23,980
Massachusetts .....	41,052	37,960	2,948	2,040
Michigan .....	187,572	187,980	8,428	7,020
Minnesota .....	24,750	20,640	250	3,360
New Hampshire .....	140,070	145,780	4,930	2,220
New York .....	765,974	777,630	48,026	27,370
Ohio .....	86,450	94,672	8,550	2,328
Pennsylvania .....	163,370	178,360	6,630	3,640
Vermont .....	2,986,956	2,900,572	86,044	77,428
West Virginia .....	10,912	13,664	88	336
Wisconsin .....	442,960	516,800	9,040	27,200
United States .....	5,545,540	5,426,038	201,460	177,962

## Maple Sap Sales and Price – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Sap Sales		Sap Price	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(gallons)	(gallons)	(dollars per gallon)	(dollars per gallon)
Connecticut .....	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Indiana .....	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Maine .....	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Massachusetts .....	42,500	29,200	0.33	0.28
Michigan .....	(D)	32,000	(D)	0.35
Minnesota .....	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
New Hampshire .....	322,000	(D)	0.24	(D)
New York .....	475,000	657,000	0.17	0.25
Ohio .....	101,000	(D)	0.36	(D)
Pennsylvania .....	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Vermont .....	10,363,000	10,732,000	0.29	0.30
West Virginia .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	1,760,000	2,221,000	0.32	0.32
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	383,400	411,700	0.30	0.27
United States .....	13,446,900	14,082,900	0.30	0.30

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