

Maple Sugar and Syrup.—Maple syrup is produced in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario. The bulk of the crop comes from the Eastern Townships of Quebec, a district famous both in Canada and the United States as the centre of the maple-products industry. Virtually all of the maple products exported are sent to the United States with the larger proportion moving as sugar, although substantial quantities of syrup are also shipped.

Most of the syrup sold in Canada is marketed in one-gallon cans direct to the consumer from the producer but a considerable amount of both sugar and syrup is sold each year to processing firms.

38.—Estimated Production of Maple Sugar and Maple Syrup, by Province, 1950-53, with Average for 1945-49

Province and Year	Maple Sugar			Maple Syrup			Total Value, Sugar and Syrup
	Quantity	Average Price per lb.	Value	Quantity	Average Price per gal.	Value	
	lb.	cts.	\$	gal.	\$	\$	\$
Nova Scotia—							
Av. 1945-49 ¹	16,000	44·0	7,000	7,000	3·85	25,000	33,000
1950.....	13,000	47·0	6,000	7,000	3·76	26,000	32,000
1951.....	15,000	52·0	8,000	5,000	4·18	21,000	29,000
1952.....	11,000	54·0	6,000	6,000	4·13	25,000	31,000
1953.....	6,000	53·0	3,000	2,000	4·24	8,000	11,000
New Brunswick—							
Av. 1945-49 ¹	91,000	46·0	42,000	12,000	4·12	49,000	91,000
1950.....	86,000	43·0	37,000	14,000	4·00	56,000	93,000
1951.....	90,000	46·0	41,000	10,000	4·27	43,000	84,000
1952.....	114,000	50·0	57,000	12,000	4·30	52,000	109,000
1953.....	38,000	47·0	18,000	5,000	4·85	24,000	42,000
Quebec—							
Av. 1945-49 ¹	2,270,000	32·0	736,000	1,863,000	3·34	6,224,000	6,960,000
1950.....	1,692,000	37·0	626,000	2,273,000	3·44	7,819,000	8,445,000
1951.....	1,500,000	39·0	585,000	1,750,000	3·55	6,212,000	6,797,000
1952.....	2,020,000	42·0	848,000	2,777,000	3·33	9,247,000	10,095,000
1953.....	1,266,000	39·0	494,000	1,688,000	3·69	6,229,000	6,723,000
Ontario—							
Av. 1945-49 ¹	29,000	38·0	11,000	373,000	3·82	1,422,000	1,433,000
1950.....	33,000	40·0	13,000	507,000	4·05	2,053,000	2,066,000
1951.....	44,000	43·0	19,000	379,000	4·29	1,626,000	1,645,000
1952.....	16,000	47·0	8,000	459,000	4·21	1,932,000	1,940,000
1953.....	14,000	52·0	7,000	121,000	4·32	523,000	530,000
Totals—							
Av. 1945-49 ¹	2,407,000	33·1	796,000	2,254,000	3·42	7,721,000	8,517,000
1950.....	1,824,000	37·4	682,000	2,501,000	3·55	9,954,000	10,636,000
1951.....	1,649,000	39·6	653,000	2,144,000	3·69	7,902,000	8,555,000
1952.....	2,161,000	42·5	919,000	3,254,000	3·46	11,256,000	12,175,000
1953.....	1,324,000	39·4	522,000	1,816,000	3·74	6,784,000	7,306,000

¹ Five-year average prices are derived from actual figures, but quantities and values are rounded to the nearest thousand.

Fibre Flax.—The demand for fibre flax was heavy during World War II when exports increased to many times the pre-war volume. After the War, however, exports of fibre flax to Canada's principal market, the United Kingdom, dropped sharply and acreage devoted to this crop decreased; in 1950 it was at the lowest level since 1931. In 1951 and 1952 acreage and production increased but both declined again in 1953.