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## **Indiana Honey Production**

Indiana honey production for 2022 totaled 567 thousand pounds, up 9 percent from 2021. This estimate included honey from producers with 5 or more colonies. Yields from Indiana's 9,000 honey producing colonies averaged 63 pounds in 2022, up 11 pounds from the previous year. Indiana honey price averaged \$5.11 per pound, up \$1.02 per pound from last year. Value of production totaled \$2.90 million, up 36 percent from 2021. Honey stocks totaled 261 thousand pounds, up 47 percent from 2021.

Nationally, honey production in 2022 totaled 125 million pounds, down 1 percent from 2021. There were 2.67 million colonies producing honey in 2022, down 1 percent from 2021. Yield per colony averaged 47.0 pounds, unchanged from 2021. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State where the honey was produced. Therefore, at the United States level yield per colony may be understated, but total production would not be impacted. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 23.3 million pounds on December 15, 2022, down 1 percent from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude those held under the commodity loan program.

United States honey prices increased 12 percent during 2022 to \$2.96 per pound, compared to \$2.65 per pound in 2021. United States and State level prices reflect the portions of honey sold through cooperatives, private, and retail channels. Prices for each color class are derived by weighting the quantities sold for each marketing channel. Prices for the 2021 crop reflect honey sold in 2021 and 2022. Some 2021 crop honey was sold in 2022, which caused some revisions to the 2021 crop prices.

Year	Honey producing colonies	Honey				
		Yield per colony	Production	Average price per pound	Value of production	Stocks Dec. 15 <sup>2</sup>
	Thousands	Pounds	1,000 pounds	Dollars	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds
2018	7	46	322	3.58	1,153	106
2019	9	55	495	3.78	1,871	188
2020	9	55	495	3.91	1,935	149
2021	10	52	520	4.09	2,127	177
2022	9	63	567	5.11	2,897	261

## Colonies, Yield, Stocks, Price, and Value - Indiana: 2018 - 2022<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Includes only producers with five colonies or more.

<sup>2</sup> Stocks held by producers.

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