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**United States Honey Production Down 1 Percent**

United States 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. 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.

**Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks, Price, and Value – States and United States: 2021 and 2022**

[Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each state.]

State	Honey producing colonies <sup>1</sup>		Yield per colony		Production		Stocks December 15 <sup>2</sup>		Average price per pound <sup>3</sup>		Value of production <sup>4</sup>	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(\$1,000)	(\$1,000)
Alabama .....	8	10	40	40	320	400	112	84	5.22	4.85	1,670	1,940
Florida .....	193	210	44	35	8,492	7,350	849	368	2.58	3.25	21,909	23,888
Georgia.....	96	103	34	32	3,264	3,296	261	99	2.72	3.07	8,878	10,119
South Carolina....	15	13	42	39	630	507	63	91	5.93	5.78	3,736	2,930
United States <sup>5</sup> ...	2,697	2,667	47.0	47.0	126,744	125,331	23,532	23,309	2.65	2.96	335,872	370,980

<sup>1</sup> Honey producing colonies are the maximum number of colonies from which honey was harvested during the year. It is possible to harvest honey from colonies which did not survive the entire year.

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

<sup>3</sup> Average price per pound based on expanded sales.

<sup>4</sup> Value of production is equal to production multiplied by average price per pound.

<sup>5</sup> Due to rounding, total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Honey](#), March 2023

**Honey Production and Yield – Florida: 2013-2022**

Million pounds

Pounds per colony

