

NATIONAL HONEY MARKET NEWS

No. 12

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Agricultural Marketing Service
Fruit and Vegetable Division
2015 South 1st Street - Rm 4
Yakima, WA. 98903

MONTHLY REPORT

Date January 10, 1992

Phone: (509) 575-2494
Fax: (509) 457-7132

HONEY MARKET FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1991 IN VOLUMES OF 10,000 POUNDS OR GREATER

Prices paid to beekeepers for extracted, unprocessed honey in major producing states by packers, handlers and other large users, cents per pound, f.o.b. or delivered nearby, containers exchanged or returned, prompt delivery and payment unless otherwise stated.

- ARKANSAS
 - Soybean, extra light amber, 52 cents
 - Soybean, light amber, 50 cents

- CALIFORNIA
 - Alfalfa, white, 53 1/2 cents (delivered to Utah)
 - Alfalfa/Buckwheat/Cotton, light amber, 49 cents
 - Orange & Sage, white, 52 - 54 cents

- COLORADO
 - Alfalfa, extra light amber, 51 - 52 cents
 - Clover, white, 52 cents

- FLORIDA
 - Brazilian Pepper, light amber, 50 cents
 - Brazilian Pepper, amber (non-table), 48 - 50 1/2 cents
 - Clover, extra light amber, 51 cents
 - Gallberry, extra light amber, 50 cents
 - Mangrove, light amber (non-table), 49 cents
 - Orange Blossom, white, 51 cents
 - Orange Blossom, extra light amber, 50 cents
 - Orange Blossom, light amber, 49 cents
 - Sage, white, 52 cents
 - Saw Palmetto, light amber, 49 cents
 - Cut Comb, \$1.20

- IDAHO
 - Alfalfa, light amber, 48 1/2 cents
 - Alfalfa, amber, 46 1/2 cents
 - Clover, white, 55 cents (delivered)
 - Clover, white, 54 cents
 - Clover, extra light amber, 54 cents

- IOWA
 - Clover, white, 53 cents

- LOUISIANA
 - Chinese Tallow, light amber, 49 cents

- MINNESOTA
 - Clover, white, 53 cents

- MONTANA
 - Clover, white, 57 cents (delivered to Utah)
 - Clover, white, 52 cents

- NORTH DAKOTA
 - Clover & Alfalfa, white, 52 cents

- OREGON
 - Alfalfa, water white, 51 cents

- SOUTH DAKOTA
 - Clover/Alfalfa, white, 52 cents

- WYOMING - Clover, white, 52 cents
- UTAH - Alfalfa, extra light amber, 52 cents
- WYOMING - Clover/Alfalfa, extra white & white, 53 cents

Prices paid to importers for bulk honey, duty paid, containers included, cents per pound ex-dock or point of entry unless otherwise stated.

- WEST COAST CHINA - Wild Flowers, extra light amber, 48 1/2 cents
- Mixed Flowers, light amber, 47 3/4 cents
(previously contracted)

Prices paid to Canadian beekeepers for unprocessed bulk honey by packers and importers in U.S. currency, f.o.b. shipping point, containers included unless otherwise stated. Duty and crossing charges extra. Cents per pound.

- Alfalfa/Clover, extra light amber, 54 cents (delivered to Utah)



**LIST PRICES OF EXTRACTED PACKAGED HONEY FOR DECEMBER
PACKERS SALES TO WHOLESALERS AND OTHER LARGE USERS**

(Prices subject to various trade and promotional discounts delivered per case in jars unless otherwise stated). Various floral sources.

NORTHEAST REGION - extra light & dark amber		SOUTHEAST REGION - extra light & light amber	
12 - 1 lb.	\$12.00-15.00	12 - 2 lb.	\$24.00
12 - 2 lb.	\$21.76-36.00	24 - 1 lb.	\$26.40
24 - 1 lb.	\$27.60-37.20	6 - 5 lb.	\$25.80
6 - 5 lb.	\$25.50-32.00	60 # cans - dark	\$32.40
24 - 8 oz.	\$19.00	- light	\$39.00
24 -12 oz. squeeze	\$23.40-29.00	Wax - per pound	
55 -60 lb. plastic	\$45.00-52.00	- dark	\$1.20
		- light	\$1.25

CALIFORNIA BEESWAX MARKET SITUATION

(unbleached, raw beeswax, delivered to handler's warehouse)

Available supplies increased during December but not as much as some handlers anticipated last month. Business was better, especially the first of the month when holiday orders continued to come in. The quality of the wax was reported to be very good. Slightly higher prices were being quoted for choice or select grades.

Prices for wax in Northern and Central California remained fairly steady last month with light colored material quoted at \$1.05-1.20 per pound. Darker colored wax was reported at \$.95-1.05 per pound.

In Southern California, prices rose slightly on light colored wax to \$1.20-1.25 per pound. Darker colored material remained fairly steady at \$.90-1.10 per pound with most being reported at \$1.10.

COLONY, HONEY PLANT AND MARKET CONDITIONS DURING DECEMBER



ARIZONA - - - not available this month...

ARKANSAS - - - unavailable this month...

CALIFORNIA - - -

Record lows were toppled in parts of California as temperatures dropped to 29 degrees in Bakersfield and as low as the mid-20's in the Imperial Valley of Southern California. Several storm systems moved into the state bringing as much as 2-4 inches of rain to parts of Northern California while areas of Southern California exceeded one inch. A Pacific storm hurled 55 mph winds at Central California the end of the month again stirring up dust. The moisture was a welcome sight but did slow citrus and vegetable harvesting in some areas.

The bees are reported to be in good condition with many days warm enough for cleansing flights. Basically no floral sources were available but the manzanita was just beginning to pop through the soil in the foothills. Some beekeepers were adding feeders to colonies to stimulate brood and maintain colonies before they go into the almonds in February. Prices for pollination services remained about the same as last year at \$30.00-32.50 per colony with some growers paying slightly more.

The movement of honey slowed as the holidays approached. Some beekeepers continued to hold their honey hoping for higher prices.

COLORADO - - -

Colonies continued to be in good shape for this time of year. Weather in the North and East points of Colorado was unseasonably mild with very little snowfall reported in December, while in the San Luis Valley most of the month was bitter cold with morning temperatures reported anywhere from minus 10 to 30 degrees below zero. Western Slope weather was seasonable with mild temperatures reported in the afternoon hours.

CONNECTICUT - - -

Temperatures for December were mild to normal with rainfall bringing below normal to normal moisture. Beekeepers report bees having a good year and detect having any problems at the present time. Most beekeepers report Bees wintering well. The mites are still within the area but beekeepers report no problems with them. Beekeepers report bees in good condition. Demand for honey was very good. Prices remain steady.

FLORIDA - - -

Very little rainfall was reported over the peninsula during the month of December. Extreme low temperatures reached the upper 20's in the panhandle and Big Bend, with some low 20's in colder locations, to 40's central, to low and middle 50's along the southeast coast. High temperatures ranged from the 50's in north Florida to middle 80's in south Florida.

Most colonies throughout the state are dormant, except for extreme south Florida where willow and maple are being worked to rear brood for the spring honey crop.

The demand for honey on the wholesale market was very good.

GEORGIA - - -

Colonies around the state were in good to excellent condition. In the central and northern portions of the state, colonies have more than ample stores. Beekeepers to the south continue to be involved in some supplemental feeding. There was little activity around the state in December. Package producers were getting cages ready for shipping. Beekeepers were putting together equipment and cleaning up beeyards.

IDAHO - - -

Migratory beekeepers in Idaho completed transport of bees to California during December. Hives were stored in holding yards awaiting placement in almond orchards. Rental contracts were negotiated at \$30.00-32.00 per hive. Beekeepers reported bees were in good condition with ample winter stores. Bees that were wintered over in Idaho were also reported to be in good condition. There were no weather related problems with hives stored outside as temperatures were relatively mild during December. Precipitation was slight throughout the month. Optimistic views were expressed on the current honey market.

ILLINOIS - - -

Most beekeepers reported colonies were generally clustered throughout the state. Except for a few days of cleansing flights, activities was limited. More beekeepers had started supplemental feeding with most requiring feeding by years end.

The first half of the month generally averaged 1 to 5 degrees above normal. Highs averaged in the upper 30's to mid 40's cross the north and upper 40's to mid 50's in Southern Illinois. Southern areas received over 3 inches of rain while northern areas was one to two inches. Several snow falls occurred in extreme northern areas while southern sections had reported light dustings.

Honey sales were good due to holiday demand supply of honey remained fairly tight due to low yields.

INDIANA - - -

Most colonies were in generally good condition. Weather condition have been generally average with the monthly high temperature occurring the 8th of the month 65 degrees and low temperature of 8 degrees on the 4th. Three days were reported warm for cleansing flights.

Most beekeepers reported losses were very low thus far and some additional beekeepers had begun supplemental feeding.

Precipitation was near normal in northern areas while southern sections were wetter than normal.

Demand for honey remained good due to the holidays.

KENTUCKY - - -

Colonies were generally in good condition however, winter loss of 15-20% is probable. A few locations are experiencing weakened and dying colonies from Tracheal Mites. The full extent of these losses will not be determined for about six weeks. Small amounts of feeding was necessary during the month. Temperatures during December were above normal with a few colonies securing small amounts of pollen from dandelion. Heavy rainfall has fully recharged subsoil moisture levels.

Wholesale demand and movement was strong for beekeepers who still had honey available. Prices were unchanged.

LOUISIANA - - - no report this month...

MICHIGAN & OHIO - - -

Temperatures and the level of precipitation were both above normal in December. On many days the high temperature was around freezing, while there were very few days where the temperature was 50 degrees or higher. The bees were able to make a cleansing flight in most locations during the month. Most beekeepers feel that the mild weather in December was good for the bees, but most continue to be very concerned about the potential for losses this spring. Sales of Amatrax have been good in Michigan as beekeepers prepare to treat for mites when weather conditions permit.

Honey and beeswax prices were firm, and trading was fairly active.

MISSISSIPPI - - -

Colonies around the state were in fair to good condition. Beekeepers to the north indicated colonies remain in good condition. There continues to be limited feeding as most colonies have more than ample stores. Beekeepers to the south continue to be involved in supplemental feeding in isolated locations. Some losses have been reported from tracheal mite infestation. Other activities during the month included cleaning beeyards, organizing equipment, and assembling bee cages for shipping.

MINNESOTA - - - no report this month...

MISSOURI & IOWA - - -

The weather was warm and dryer than normal. Beekeepers were busy packing holiday honey orders. A few beekeepers that did not get to move their hives from Southern Iowa fed and got them ready to spend the winter in the state. In both states, bees should have been able to take cleansing flights.

MONTANA - - -

Weather across the state was unseasonably mild during December. Very little moisture was received in either the form of snow or rain. Despite the moderate temperatures, those hives that are wintered in the state remained wrapped for the season and beekeepers were not disturbing the bees. The colonies that were taken to California in November were checked early in the month and appeared to be in excellent condition. Much needed rain fell the end of December in California and there was some concern that colonies might be in areas that are known to flood easily but no problems were reported.



NEW ENGLAND - - - (MAINE - MASSACHUSETTS - NEW HAMPSHIRE - RHODE ISLAND)

Temperatures averaged above normal throughout the New England states for the month. Moisture levels were near normal for the month in all areas of the month except Maine which was below normal. No activity was reported for the month.

NEW YORK - - -

Temperatures for the month of December were below normal to normal. Due to some rain there was below normal to normal moisture in a few areas. Beekeepers report bees in good condition. For the most part bees have stored enough honey in their chambers, while others have had cleansing flights on warm days with some supplemental feeding. Beekeepers report bees wintering well and are in good condition with no mite problems. Demand for honey was very good. Prices were steady.

NORTH CAROLINA - - -

There was little beekeeping activity during the month of December. Honey stores and hive conditions were adequate in most locations around the state.

Most colonies in the coastal plain had plenty of feed and hive populations were normal for this time of the year.

There were several reports of above average early winter losses in some mountain locations. The extent of these losses are unknown as of this writing. In other locations around the state, bees were apparently in good condition with minimal early winter mortality.

Maple buds were beginning to swell during December and the earliest blooming trees were expected to begin blooming around the first of February.

OREGON - - -

Several storm systems moved across the state during December bringing varying amounts of rain in the valleys and coastal regions and snow in the higher elevations of the Cascade Mountains. Despite the frequent rainfall, moisture levels remain slightly below normal. The snowpack in the mountains is also down, but the volume of snow normally come in January. Infestations of Varroa Mite appears to be more widespread and in larger amounts than previously thought. Many beekeepers were trying to find additional funding to begin treatments before the colonies are transported to California the end of January. Beekeepers were also using this time to make equipment repairs.

TENNESSEE - - - no report available this month...

UTAH - - -

Most hives were thought to be wintering in good shape due to the relatively mild December weather. There have been no long cold spells to cause starvation losses although foggy conditions have persisted in some eastern locales. Mountain snowpack was good but there was not much snow in eastern Utah. Many migratory beekeepers moved hives during the month or were already in California. A few beekeepers chose to stay home hoping to avoid mite infestations but giving up pollination rentals.

Demand from packers and for retail sales was good during the holidays.

VERMONT - - -

Vermont temperatures for the month of December were cold to mild, but mostly normal to above normal. A few warm days at the end of the month. There was average moisture due to periods of rainfall which now has become snowfall. Beekeepers report bees in fair to good condition. Beekeepers report bees wintering quite well with enough honey within their supers to feed themselves. Demand for honey was very good. Prices for honey were steady.

WASHINGTON - - -

Significant rainfall replenished soil moisture supplies but slowed or halted some activities. Temperatures were mostly mild with daytime highs and nighttime lows varying only 5-10 degrees. The Cascade Mountains received good amounts of snow while many of the valleys were covered with fog.

In Western Washington, many days were warm enough for cleansing flights. The bees are reported to be in good condition with little or no supplemental feeding necessary.

The bees that are in Northern California holding yards are also reported to be in good condition. Most colonies were left with more than adequate levels of feed to get them through until almond pollination.

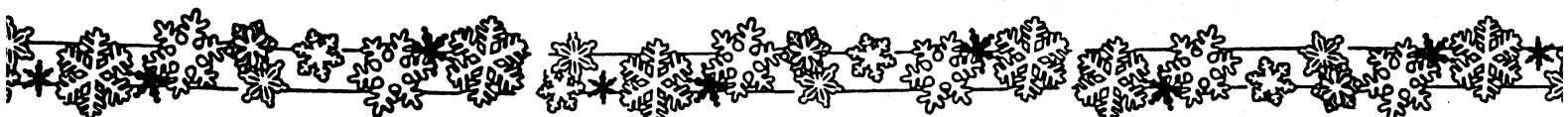
State officials were convinced at the November 6th meeting that the industry wants to abolish the current mite regulations. Under the state law, another public hearing must be held before the law is officially changed but the meeting will be nothing more than a formality.

WISCONSIN - - -

Beekeepers reported colonies were in generally good condition. Bees were generally clustered with supplemental feeding taking place.

Northern areas were snow covered due to earlier storms while central & southern Areas were inseasonable warm during the last two weeks of the month.

Honey sales were reported good due to holiday demand.

**EXPORT BRIEFS****POLLEN (KOREA)...**

SIC NUMBER: 20998000 USDA REFERENCE NUMBER: 2853-911224-580T0213.
 Quantity: 1,000 boxes (case of 12 x 100 tablet). Quality: first grade
 approved by FDA. Packaging: negotiable, especially, protective packing.
 Delivery: the end of January, 1992. Other Requirements: Certificate of
 origin, FDA approval certification, colour printed pamphlet and company
 introduction. Quote: CIF. Bank Reference: Bank of Korea Exchange Bank; 87
 Samsung-dong; Kangnam-ku, Seoul. Contact: Mr. Lee, Ha Woo; Korea Medical
 Center Co., Ltd; Seong-hak Building; 70-17, Cheongdam-dong; Kangnam-ku,
 Seoul, Korea. Phone: (01) 516-1277. Fax: (02) 516-1280.
 (wk 1/TOFAS 0213)

PRODUCTION, SUPPLY, AND DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Commodity Name: Centrifugal Sugar (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 11 / 89 11 / 90 11 / 91
 MEXICO Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	605	605	750	750	990	1190
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	3100	3100	3400	3600	3450	3450
TOTAL Sugar Production	3100	3100	3400	3600	3450	3450
Raw Imports	200	200	200	200	100	200
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	900	900	1200	1200	400	100
TOTAL Imports	1100	1100	1400	1400	500	300
TOTAL SUPPLY	4805	4805	5550	5750	4940	4940
Raw Exports	17	17	10	10	10	10
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	310	310	30	30
TOTAL EXPORTS	17	17	320	320	40	40
Human Dom. Consumption	4038	4038	4240	4240	4400	4280
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	4038	4038	4240	4240	4400	4280
Ending Stocks	750	750	990	1190	500	620
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	4805	4805	5550	5750	4940	4940

Commodity Name: Centrifugal Sugar (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 04 / 89 04 / 90 04 / 91
 SOUTH AFRICA Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	216	216	265	238	210	220
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	2289	2289	2165	2282	2265	2330
TOTAL Sugar Production	2289	2289	2165	2282	2265	2330
Raw Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	2505	2505	2430	2520	2475	2550
Raw Exports	710	710	700	746	700	700
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	190	217	100	154	150	200
TOTAL EXPORTS	900	927	800	900	850	900
Human Dom. Consumption	1320	1320	1400	1380	1405	1410
Feed Dom. Consumption	20	20	20	20	20	20
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1340	1340	1420	1400	1425	1430
Ending Stocks	265	238	210	220	200	220
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	2505	2505	2430	2520	2475	2550

Global Economic Data Exchange System

Commodity: Centrifugal Sugar (0612000) (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 11 / 89 11 / 90 11 / 91
 EL SALVADOR Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	20	20	15	15	0	15
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	213	211	310	270	0	250
TOTAL Sugar Production	213	211	310	270	0	250
Raw Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	213	211	310	270	0	250
Raw Exports	51	52	135	89	0	70
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPORTS	51	52	135	89	0	70
Human Dom. Consumption	167	164	178	181	0	181
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	167	164	178	181	0	181
Ending Stocks	15	15	12	15	0	14
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	233	231	325	285	0	265

PRODUCTION, SUPPLY, AND DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Commodity Name: Centrifugal Sugar (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 11 / 89 11 / 90 11 / 91
 CHINA (TAIWAN) Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	281	281	239	239	205	155
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	511	511	530	438	550	460
TOTAL Sugar Production	511	511	530	438	550	460
Raw Imports	1	1	10	0	10	50
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Imports	1	1	10	0	10	50
TOTAL SUPPLY	793	793	779	729	765	665
Raw Exports	18	18	24	24	25	16
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPORTS	18	18	24	24	25	16
Human Dom. Consumption	536	536	550	550	560	550
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	536	536	550	550	560	550
Ending Stocks	239	239	205	155	180	99
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	793	793	779	729	765	665

Global Economic Data Exchange System

Commodity: Centrifugal Sugar (0612000) (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 09 / 89 09 / 90 09 / 91
 HONDURAS Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	15	15	16	16	12	12
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	199	199	186	186	208	201
TOTAL Sugar Production	199	199	186	186	208	201
Raw Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	214	219	202	202	220	213
Raw Exports	30	30	20	20	20	13
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPORTS	30	30	20	20	20	13
Human Dom. Consumption	168	173	170	170	175	175
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	168	173	170	170	175	175
Ending Stocks	16	16	12	12	25	25
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	214	219	202	202	220	213

PRODUCTION, SUPPLY, AND DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Commodity Name: Centrifugal Sugar (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 01 / 90 01 / 91 00 / 92
 EGYPT Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	50	50	150	150	150	150
Beet Sugar Production	70	70	95	95	98	98
Cane Sugar Production	887	887	890	890	874	874
TOTAL Sugar Production	957	957	985	985	972	972
Raw Imports	80	80	80	100	80	105
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	515	515	520	500	525	500
TOTAL Imports	595	595	600	600	605	605
TOTAL SUPPLY	1602	1602	1735	1735	1727	1727
Raw Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPORTS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Dom. Consumption	1452	1452	1585	1585	1577	1577
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1452	1452	1585	1585	1577	1577
Ending Stocks	150	150	150	150	150	150
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	1602	1602	1735	1735	1727	1727

Global Economic Data Exchange System

Commodity: Centrifugal Sugar (0612000) (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 01 / 90 01 / 91 01 / 92
 PERU Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	63	63	56	34	56	49
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	580	620	600	560	600	600
TOTAL Sugar Production	580	620	600	560	600	600
Raw Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	150	130	180	200	0	150
TOTAL Imports	150	130	180	200	0	150
TOTAL SUPPLY	733	813	836	794	56	799
Raw Exports	77	79	80	65	0	80
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPORTS	77	79	80	65	0	80
Human Dom. Consumption	660	700	700	680	0	680
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	660	700	700	680	0	680
Ending Stocks	56	34	56	49	56	39
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	793	813	836	794	56	799

Global Economic Data Exchange System

Commodity: Centrifugal Sugar (0612000) (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 01 / 90 01 / 91 01 / 92
 MALAYSIA Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	166	166	177	177	152	162
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	105	105	95	95	100	100
TOTAL Sugar Production	105	105	95	95	100	100
Raw Imports	841	841	860	870	930	930
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Imports	841	841	860	870	930	930
TOTAL SUPPLY	1112	1112	1132	1142	1182	1192
Raw Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPORTS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Dom. Consumption	710	710	740	740	770	770
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	710	710	740	740	770	770
Ending Stocks	177	177	152	162	162	172
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	1112	1112	1132	1142	1182	1192

PRODUCTION, SUPPLY, AND DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Commodity Name: Centrifugal Sugar (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 09 / 89 09 / 90 09 / 91
 UNITED KINGDOM Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	343	343	300	300	388	350
Beet Sugar Production	1322	1322	1348	1360	1370	1360
Cane Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Sugar Production	1322	1322	1348	1360	1370	1360
Raw Imports	1200	1200	1200	1300	1200	1200
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	130	120	150	130	130	130
TOTAL Imports	1320	1320	1350	1430	1330	1330
TOTAL SUPPLY	2985	2985	2998	3010	3188	3040
Raw Exports	10	10	10	10	10	10
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	375	375	300	320	320	320
TOTAL EXPORTS	385	385	310	330	330	330
Human Dom. Consumption	2300	2300	2300	2350	2400	2310
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	2300	2300	2300	2350	2400	2310
Ending Stocks	300	300	388	350	458	400
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	2985	2985	2998	3010	3188	3040

Commodity: Centrifugal Sugar (0612000) (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 10 / 89 10 / 90 10 / 91
 INDIA Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	1820	1315	2620	2376	0	3570
Beet Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cane Sugar Production	12000	12088	12500	13241	0	13603
TOTAL Sugar Production	12000	12088	12500	13241	0	13603
Raw Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refined Imp. (Raw Val)	200	259	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Imports	200	259	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	14020	13662	15120	15617	0	17173
Raw Exports	100	0	250	0	0	0
Refined Exp. (Raw Val)	0	25	0	198	0	749
TOTAL EXPORTS	100	25	250	198	0	749
Human Dom. Consumption	11300	11261	11600	11849	0	12434
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	11300	11261	11600	11849	0	12434
Ending Stocks	2620	2376	3270	3570	0	3990
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	14020	13662	15120	15617	0	17173

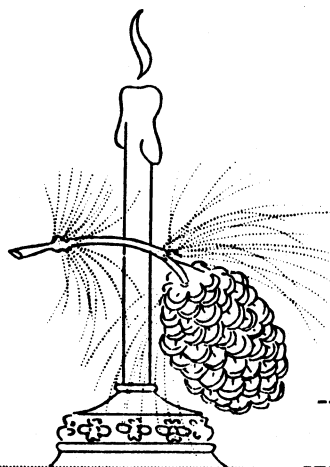
Global Economic Data Exchange System

Commodity: Centrifugal Sugar (0612000) (1000 MT) (1000 MT RAW VALUE)
 Beg. Month/Year of Marketing Year: 09 / 89 09 / 90 09 / 91
 ITALY Revised 1990 Prelim 1991 Forecast 1992

	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Beginning Stocks	332	332	458	458	284	284
Beet Sugar Production	1880	1880	1587	1587	1700	1650
Cane Sugar Production	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Sugar Production	1880	1880	1587	1587	1700	1650
Raw Imports	0	0	5	5	5	5

U. S. D. A. -- Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service
PRICE SUPPORT LOAN ACTIVITY AS OF DECEMBER 17, 1991
 ALL DATA IN 1,000 POUND UNITS

STATE	QUANTITY PUT UNDER LOAN			LOANS REPAID		DEL. TO CCC		LOANS OUTSTANDING		
	FARM	WHSE	TOTAL	FARM	WHSE	FARM	WHSE	FARM	WHSE	TOTAL
1991 CROP HONEY										
AL	387		387	241				146		146
AZ	2,109		2,109	678				1,431		1,431
AR	2,283		2,283	439				1,844		1,844
CA	14,946		14,946	3,435				11,511		11,511
CO	2,212		2,212	697				1,515		1,515
FL	8,103		8,103	5,516				2,587		2,587
GA	1,560		1,560	1,242				318		318
HI	373		373	135				238		238
ID	2,996		2,996	379				2,617		2,617
IL	211		211	17				194		194
IN	207		207	77				130		130
IA	2,781		2,781	1,218				1,563		1,563
KS	598		598	120				478		478
LA	1,060		1,060	796				264		264
ME	210		210	83				127		127
MI	2,669		2,669	749				1,920		1,920
MN	4,864		4,864	1,314				3,550		3,550
MS	719		719	351				368		368
MO	322		322	53				269		269
MT	4,449		4,449	638				3,811		3,811
NB	4,769		4,769	1,213				3,556		3,556
NV	17		17					17		17
NJ	115		115	37				78		78
NM	109		109	88				21		21
NY	1,208		1,208	376				832		832
NC	118		118	57				61		61
ND	8,508		8,508	3,122				5,386		5,386
OH	485		485	42				443		443
OK	336		336	98				238		238
OR	1,454		1,454	258				1,196		1,196
PA	208		208	42				166		166
SC	326		326	121				205		205
SD	12,722		12,722	3,185				9,537		9,537
TN	110		110	19				91		91
TX	4,232		4,232	19,20				2,312		2,312
UT	514		514	40				474		474
VT	4		4					4		4
VA	24		24	10				14		14
WA	1,229		1,229	198				1,031		1,031
WV	260		260					260		260
WI	3,700		3,700	1,023				2,677		2,677
WY	401		401	38				363		363
TOTAL	93,908		93,908	30,065				63,843		62,843



U. S. D. A. -- Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service
PRICE SUPPORT LOAN ACTIVITY AS OF DECEMBER 17, 1991
 ALL DATA IN 1,000 POUND UNITS

STATE	QUANTITY PUT UNDER LOAN			LOANS REPAYED		DEL. TO CCC		LOANS OUTSTANDING		
	FARM	WHSE	TOTAL	FARM	WHSE	FARM	WHSE	FARM	WHSE	TOTAL
	<u>1 9 9 0 C R O P H O N E Y</u>									
AL	167	904	1,071	119	904	39		9		9
AZ	239	2,675	2,914	227	2,671	5	3	7	1	8
AR	1,258	2,214	3,472	1,243	2,214	11		4		4
CA	2,424	17,706	10,130	2,338	17,706	41		45		45
CO	378	2,623	3,001	368	2,623	10			58	58
CT	6		6	6						
FL	564	20,600	21,164	473	20,600	13		78		78
GA	462	4,417	4,879	406	4,416	50		6	1	7
HI	43	1,396	1,439	43	1,396					
ID	537	4,463	5,000	417	4,463	17		103		103
IL	321	339	660	310	339	11				
IN	286	102	388	281	102	4		1		1
IA	1,540	2,361	3,901	1,495	2,361	44		1		1
KS	374	1,499	1,873	373	1,498			1		1
KY	23	33	56	12	33			11		11
LA	394	3,052	3,446	388	3,052	6				
ME	184	168	352	184	168					
MD		16	16		16					
MA	109		109	109						
MI	2,445	4,852	7,297	2,427	4,841	16		2	11	13
MN	1,323	10,567	11,890	1,273	10,567	45		5		5
MS	266	1,291	1,557	190	1,291	76				
MO	302	1,052	1,354	277	1,052	22		3		3
MT	942	8,650	9,592	913	8,650	25		4		4
NB	825	6,239	7,064	744	6,239	41		40		40
NV	130	42	172	130	42					
NH	1	21	22		21			1		1
NJ	39	52	91	39	52					
NM	151	777	928	151	777					
NY	605	2,540	3,145	571	2,540	27		7		7
NC	143	269	412	136	250	2		5	19	24
ND	2,508	12,260	14,768	2,302	12,260	183		23		23
OH	1,127	1,039	2,166	1,078	1,039	4		45		45
OK	226	195	421	209	195			17		17
OR	755	940	1,695	755	940					
PA	333	619	952	331	619	1		1		1
SC	115	424	539	108	424			7		7
SD	2,369	16,119	18,488	2,362	16,080	4	40	3	1-	2
TN	139	255	394	113	255	5		21		21
TX	1,616	7,574	9,190	1,563	7,574	37		16		16
UT	945	954	1,899	940	954	2		3		3
VT	224	11	235	224	11			2		2
VA	253	87	340	253	87					
WA	950	3,789	4,739	826	3,789	95		29		29
WV	236	310	546	199	310			37		37
WI	1,709	6,184	7,893	1,633	6,184	48		28		28
WY	251	1,500	1,751	251	1,500	1		1-		1-
TOTAL...	30,237	153,180	183,417	28,790	153,106	885	43	562	31	593
TOTAL										
1989....	15,050	146,696	161,746	12,568	146,223	2,323	465	159	8	167
1987....	61,700	156,316	218,016	17,862	147,497	43,822	8,818	16	1	17

**U. S. EXPORTS OF HONEY BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION, QUANTITY & VALUE
OCTOBER, 1991 AND YEAR TO DATE TOTALS FOR 1991**

COUNTRY	OCTOBER 1991		YEAR TO DATE 1991	
	QUANTITY kilograms	VALUE dollars	QUANTITY kilograms	VALUE dollars
- - - HONEY, NATURAL, PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE - - -				
Martinique	--	--	6,682	12,440
Brazil	--	--	1,492	3,248
Sweden	--	--	31,503	57,945
Denmark	--	--	62,704	123,515
Netherlands	--	--	54,718	88,877
Belgium	--	--	1,548	2,720
France	--	--	44,816	67,604
Germany, FR	--	--	16,467	35,280
Lebanon	--	--	5,966	13,100
Jordan	--	--	6,292	13,644
Kuwait	--	--	54,768	116,042
Saudi Arabia	16,889	26,400	436,835	713,045
Arab Emirates	10,534	24,885	120,914	250,522
South Yemen	22,453	50,000	273,580	420,341
Oman	--	--	32,658	48,670
Bahrain	--	--	17,521	9,302
Malaysia	2,292	5,445	2,292	5,445
Singapore	--	--	4,718	9,483
Brunei	--	--	1,383	3,253
Philippines	44,920	25,292	85,805	91,584
Hong Kong	3,878	8,922	19,619	42,818
China, Taiwan	--	--	6,833	8,951
Japan	--	--	7,729	15,060
TOTAL	100,966	140,944	1,296,843	2,152,889
- - - HONEY, NATURAL, NOT ELSEWHERE INDICATED OR SPECIFIED - - -				
Canada	94,434	127,270	336,519	507,183
Mexico	--	--	21,232	27,850
N. Antilles	--	--	1,300	2,739
Guadalupe	--	--	9,273	12,252
Martinique	--	--	4,863	12,293
Venezuela	--	--	1,986	7,146
Sweden	--	--	2,449	8,707
Finland	--	--	59,754	99,566
United Kingdom	--	--	55,094	75,132
Netherlands	--	--	18,014	27,303
Belgium	--	--	10,160	16,128
France	--	--	37,120	60,696
Germany, FR	--	--	585,166	758,636
Switzerland	--	--	4,195	6,750
Portugal	--	--	6,334	13,422
Italy	--	--	6,077	14,654
Saudi Arabia	72,493	46,737	436,573	675,768
Qatar	--	--	17,146	24,920
Arab Emirates	53,616	86,093	216,753	328,294
South Yemen	13,880	33,000	121,706	219,550
Bahrain	--	--	2,722	7,093
Thailand	10,259	18,080	10,259	18,080
Malaysia	--	--	1,293	2,890
Singapore	--	--	39,841	110,808
Philippines	--	--	2,654	6,865
China, Mainland	--	--	6,777	11,205
Korea	--	--	7,339	6,006
Hong Kong	13,935	26,701	58,850	84,735
China, Taiwan	--	--	42,930	63,640
Japan	22,367	135,860	201,712	320,226
New Zealand	--	--	4,881	6,403
TOTAL	280,984	373,741	2,330,972	3,536,940

**U.S. IMPORTS OF HONEY BY COUNTRY, QUANTITY AND VALUE,
OCTOBER 1991 AND YEAR TO DATE TOTALS FOR 1991**

COUNTRY	OCTOBER 1991			YEAR TO DATE 1991		
	QUANTITY kilograms	CUSTOMS VALUE dollars	C.I.F. VALUE dollars	QUANTITY kilograms	CUSTOMS VALUE dollars	C.I.F. VALUE dollars
NATURAL HONEY, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE - - - EXTRA LIGHT AMBER AND LIGHTER						
Canada	473,817	636,288	647,210	4,109,725	4,833,616	4,884,542
Mexico	160,297	135,439	140,713	811,821	656,388	687,888
Guatemala	40,688	37,674	40,862	40,688	37,674	40,862
Salvador	-	-	-	36,279	29,033	33,129
Bahamas	-	-	-	6,600	2,970	2,970
Chile	-	-	-	381,173	37,132	41,447
Argentina	1,007,739	952,516	1,062,257	6,455,663	5,978,754	6,687,936
Hungary	-	-	-	713,420	543,190	614,664
USSR	-	-	-	31,334	24,936	27,055
China M.	961,905	796,530	884,411	9,467,218	7,689,630	8,713,508
Hong Kong	-	-	-	15,660	12,890	14,127
Japan	-	-	-	145,734	243,423	257,975
TOTAL	2,603,758	2,520,773	2,734,591	21,872,315	20,089,636	22,006,103

NATURAL HONEY, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE - - - LIGHT AMBER AND DARKER						
Canada	73,610	122,411	123,651	542,734	737,601	753,316
Mexico	194,726	181,758	186,191	2,214,218	1,895,390	1,961,719
Guatemala	-	-	-	32,599	29,049	32,843
Salvador	-	-	-	114,989	95,692	111,178
Dominican Rep.	-	-	-	70,263	31,300	39,830
Uruguay	20,117	19,367	21,525	20,117	19,367	21,525
Argentina	77,297	76,987	88,725	784,415	683,931	764,464
United Kingdom	975	4,639	4,762	1,485	7,982	8,377
Germany, F.R.	-	-	-	86,154	204,383	216,445
Hungary	-	-	-	399,546	310,860	355,724
USSR	-	-	-	32,860	24,575	28,364
China M.	245,094	208,184	239,853	6,144,336	4,968,029	5,655,163
China T.	-	-	-	900	3,134	3,317
Japan	-	-	-	34,800	29,899	32,886
Australia	-	-	-	41,285	32,065	36,710
New Zealand	-	-	-	1,000	3,005	3,666
Tanzania	-	-	-	1,200	2,395	2,754
TOTAL	611,819	613,346	664,707	10,522,901	9,078,657	10,028,281

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Agricultural Marketing Service
Fruit and Vegetable Division
2015 South First Street - Rm 4
YAKIMA, WA. 98903

National Honey Market News

#12

Jan. 10, 1992

CHANGE OF ADDRESS---
Indicate correction on
old address & return.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES ---
First Class or Air Mail
Service United States,
Canada & Mexico \$24.00
per year...
Other countries \$48.00
per year...



POSTAGE AND FEES PAID
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGR 101

First Class

USDA780 550173030 1991 01/14/92
NOTIFY SENDER OF NEW ADDRESS
IUSDA AND P4 V MARKET
1888 E AD ST
PHOENIX AZ 85007-2617

