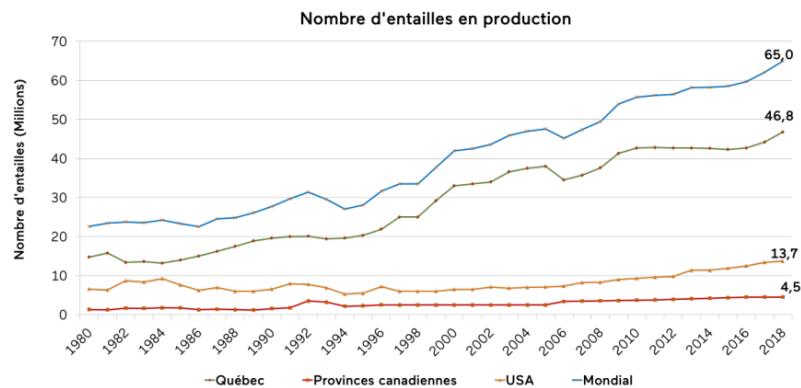


MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCTION IN QUEBEC: FACTS AND FIGURES

- There are **11,300** maple syrup producers (24% are women).
- **7,400 maple syrup businesses** across 12 regions in Quebec generate 10,500 FTE jobs. Maple syrup contributes to regional vitality and is a real boon to rural economies. The village of Saint-Robert-Bellarmin in the Beauce-Sud riding has the most taps in Quebec, with nearly one million taps for its 575 inhabitants.
- Some **675 new producers** have joined the industry since 2008.
- For 2019, some **48 million** taps will produce an average of **140 million pounds** of maple syrup.

Number of taps in production



- Quebec maple syrup **contributes \$800 million to the Canadian economy** with no government financial assistance.
- It accounts for **72% of the world's maple syrup production** and 92% of Canada's.
- **\$12 million in federal and provincial investments** have been made over the past 14 years to finance more than **100 research projects** to advance our knowledge of maple syrup and promote maple products around the world.
- Quebec maple products are exported **to some 60 countries**, with a total export value of **\$400 million** in 2018. The biggest markets are the United States, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and Australia.
- **250,000 barrels of maple syrup** are inspected every year in Quebec by an independent organization according to a stringent inspection and grading process.
- **Quebec is home to the world's only strategic maple syrup reserve**, created in 2000 as part of a PPAQ initiative and fully funded by PPAQ.