

# Maple Inspection Data (January-May 2021)

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## Inspection Trends

- Color darkening in plastic containers was the #1 issue.
- Missing batch codes is common as the #2 issue.
- Mislabeling across a variety of maple products and artificial maple flavored products was the #3 issue.
- Moldy syrup was #4.
- Flavor issues were relative uncommon and primarily relate to syrup darken in plastic containers.
- Issues with clarity and density were uncommon.

## Mislabeling examples

- Missing product name, volume, or packer address.
- Missing batch code(s).
- Inappropriate use of the term “Vermont maple.”
- Inappropriate use of the term “maple syrup” to describe an artificial maple flavored product.
- Ingredients lists missing the percentage of maple syrup or maple sugar used in maple flavored products.

Inspection Data (Jan to May 2021)	
Routine retail inspections	16
Complaint follow-up inspections	2
Producers/packers inspected	43
Unique products sampled	57
Maple syrup products inspected	411
Other maple products inspected	84
Maple flavored products inspected	164
Artificial maple flavored products	3
Compliance notices issued	15

Compliance Issues (Jan-May 2021)

