Connecticut

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	5,521	-8
Land in farms (acres)	381,539	-13
Average size of farm (acres)	69	-5
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	580,114,000	+5
Government payments	1,850,000	-62
Farm-related income	61,499,000	+9
Total farm production expenses	560,973,000	-4
Net cash farm income	82,490,000	+223
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	105,074	+14
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,551	-19
Farm-related income	36,390	+33
Total farm production expenses	101,607	+4
Net cash farm income	14,941	+249

Number of Farms, 1997-2017

Year	Number of Farms
1997	4,905
2002	4,191
2007	4,916
2012	5,977
2017	5,521
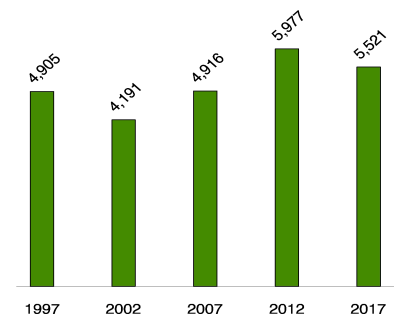
Average Farm Size, 1997-2017 (acres)

Year	Average Farm Size
1997	83
2002	85
2007	83
2012	73
2017	69
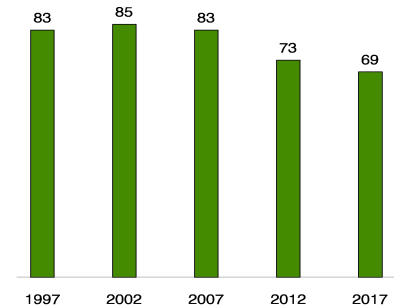
Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	2,464	45
$2,500 to $4,999	749	14
$5,000 to $9,999	658	12
$10,000 to $24,999	608	11
$25,000 to $49,999	338	6
$50,000 to $99,999	241	4
$100,000 or more	463	8

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	1,765	32
10 to 49 acres	2,152	39
50 to 179 acres	1,181	21
180 to 499 acres	323	6
500 to 999 acres	63	1
1,000 + acres	37	1

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Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales ($1,000)	Rank in U.S. [b]	States Producing Item
Total	**580,114**	**45**	**50**
Crops	**420,043**	**39**	**50**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	11,140	46	50
Tobacco	26,817	8	18
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	40,612	37	50
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	25,095	27	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	298,432	17	50
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	4,885	12	50
Other crops and hay	13,062	46	50
Livestock, poultry, and products	**160,071**	**44**	**50**
Poultry and eggs	(D)	36	50
Cattle and calves	11,701	44	50
Milk from cows	81,038	34	50
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	50
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,532	47	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	5,184	41	50
Aquaculture	23,180	19	50
Other animals and animal products	1,889	45	50

(Z) Percent of U.S. agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	72
Livestock, poultry, and products	28

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	148,609
Pastureland	31,923
Woodland	113,355
Other	87,652

Top Counties: Land in Farms (acres)

Litchfield	90,322
New London	60,122
Fairfield	52,245
Windham	51,990
Hartford	47,858

Total Producers [c]	**9,526**

Sex

Male	5,634
Female	3,892

Age

<35	926
35 – 64	5,554
65 and older	3,046

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	12
Asian	44
Black or African American	25
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	6
White	9,392
More than one race	47

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	134
With military service	940
New and beginning farmers	2,897

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**82**
Farm organically	**2**
Sell directly to consumers	**23**
Hire farm labor	**26**
Are family farms	**95**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Forage (hay/haylage), all	69,933
Corn for silage or greenchop	20,826
Vegetables harvested, all	9,250
Corn for grain	5,953
Cultivated Christmas trees	4,149

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	30,563
Cattle and calves	49,949
Goats	5,524
Hogs and pigs	3,538
Horses and ponies	11,392
Layers	(D)
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	6,049
Turkeys	3,294

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.
[a] May not add to 100% due to rounding. [b] Among states whose rank can be displayed. [c] Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.
[d] Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. [e] Position below the line does not indicate rank.
(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.