

## Livestock Products

Dairy and animal production in New York provided \$3.0 billion value of production to farmers in 2012.

## Milk Production

Milk is New York's leading agricultural product and is produced all across the state. Milk sales account for one-half of total agricultural receipts. Production in 2012 was 13.2 billion pounds with a preliminary value of \$2.56 billion. New York is the nation's 4th leading producer.

## Meat Production

New York livestock producers marketed 295 million pounds of meat animals during 2012 bringing in \$333 million in cash receipts.

## Poultry Production

The combined value of eggs and the value of sales for chickens was \$93.7 million for 2012.

New York ranks 22nd among all egg producing states in value of production.

## Crop Production

Field crops, fruits and vegetables returned \$2.70 billion to New York farmers in 2012.

## NEW YORK FARMS

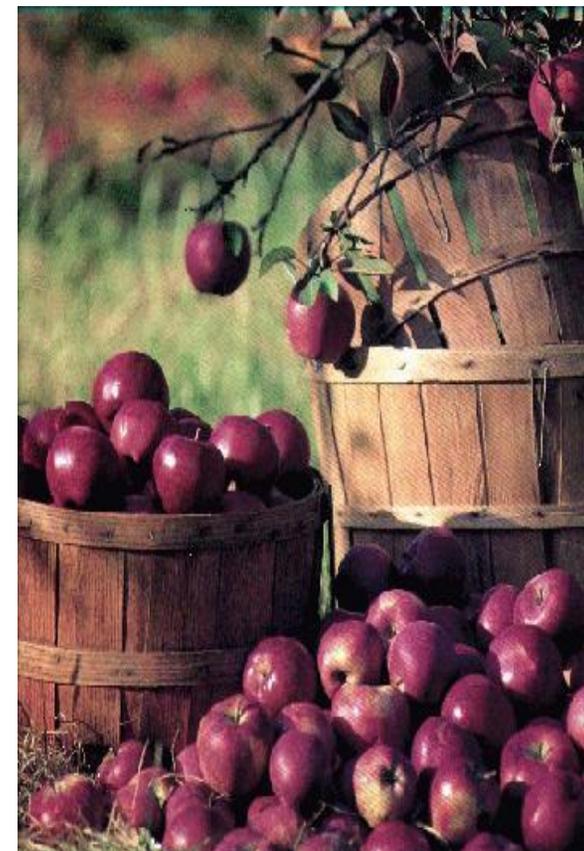
Number, Acres, and Value Selected Years

Year	No. of Farms	Acres per farm	All land in farms	Total Value Land/Buildings
	<i>(000)</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Mil. Acres</i>	<i>Million \$</i>
2008	36.6	194	7.10	16,685
2009	36.6	194	7.10	17,040
2010	36.3	193	7.00	16,800
2011	36.0	194	7.00	17,150
2012	36.0	194	7.00	18,550

## NEW YORK'S LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Products	2012 Value of Production <i>Million \$</i>
Milk	2,560
Corn for Grain	688
Hay	386
Cattle and Calves	295
Apples	250
Floriculture	169
Cabbage	106
Sweet Corn (Fresh)	68
Potatoes	64
Tomatoes	47
Onions	46
Squash	41
Snap Beans(Fresh)	33

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Agriculture is important to New York State. The value of agricultural production was over \$5.70 billion in 2012. About 23% of the state's land area, or 7.00 million acres are used by the 36,000 farms to produce a very diverse array of food products. Here are some of the items in which New York ranks high nationally:

## FRUITS

The value of New York's 2012 tree fruit, berry and grape crops totaled \$323 million, down 6 percent from the 2011 value.

### Apples

New York ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> nationally with production worth about \$249.8 million in 2012. Three general areas produce most of the apples: along the southern Lake Ontario shore, along the Hudson Valley, and along the upper Lake Champlain Valley.

### Grapes

Wine and juice grape production place New York 3<sup>rd</sup> behind California and Washington. The crop value is estimated at \$52.3 million in 2012. Grapes utilized for juice accounted for 62 percent of the total grapes utilized with 36 percent going for wine and 2 percent for fresh market. The four major producing areas are Lake Erie area, the Finger Lakes, the Hudson Valley and the eastern end of Long Island.

### Tart Cherries

Production in New York ranks 5<sup>th</sup> in the Nation. Production in 2012 totaled 2.7 million pounds with a value of \$2.84 million.

### Pears

Production ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the nation with 3,100 tons and had a value of \$2.35 million.

### Strawberries

Strawberries are the 3<sup>rd</sup> most valuable fruit in New York and places New York 8<sup>th</sup> in national production. Growers harvested 3.20 million pounds in 2012. The crop was worth \$6.88 million to growers.

## VEGETABLES

The value of vegetable production totaled \$450 million in 2012. The value of fresh market vegetable production ranks 5<sup>th</sup> among all states. Leading crops in New York are cabbage, sweet corn and onions.

### Cabbage

New York produced the largest crop of cabbage in the Nation. Cabbage is principally grown south of Lake Ontario in Monroe, Genesee, Orleans, Ontario, and Niagara counties. New York cabbage is typically stored for sale as fresh during winter months. Value of the fresh market crop in 2012 totaled \$106 million.

### Sweet Corn

Produced statewide, sweet corn had a value of \$68.4 million. Concentrations are found in the Lower Hudson Valley and around the Genesee Valley. Production of fresh market sweet corn crop ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

### Onions

An important crop with value of sales of \$46 million in 2012. Onions are grown in New York's muck soils in Orange, Orleans, Oswego, Madison and Wayne counties. The state ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in production for 2012.

### Snap Beans

Snap beans are grown in the Central and Western regions for fresh and processing. The 2012 fresh market and processing crop was valued at \$52.2 million. Fresh production accounted for 64 percent of the total value. New York ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in fresh market production.

### Other Vegetables (Ranked by value of production)

Tomatoes: \$47.2 million, 4<sup>th</sup> nationally  
Pumpkins: \$33.0 million, 1<sup>st</sup> nationally  
Cucumbers: \$25.8 million, 4<sup>th</sup> nationally  
Squash: \$41.2 million, 2<sup>nd</sup> nationally  
Cauliflower: \$4.29 million, 3<sup>rd</sup> nationally

## FIELD CROPS

New York produces a variety of field crops largely in support of its dairy industry. Corn, soybeans and wheat are most widely grown. New York ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in corn silage production with a value of \$532 million. Grain corn ranked 21<sup>st</sup> in production and was worth \$688 million. Soybeans were valued at \$195 million. The state placed 8<sup>th</sup> in oat production, 34<sup>th</sup> in wheat and 23<sup>rd</sup> for soybean production. Hay value of production put New York 22<sup>nd</sup> and was valued at \$386 million in 2012. Most hay is used on farms and its value is realized through the sale of milk and livestock. Potato production reached a value of \$64.4 million in 2012 and made New York the 14<sup>th</sup> leading producer.

## MAPLE SYRUP

At \$15.7 million, New York ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> behind Vermont in value. New York also ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> behind Vermont in 2012 production with 360,000 gallons.

## FLORICULTURE CROPS

In 2012, New York floriculture products were valued at \$169 million. Bedding and garden plants top the list of commodities. The wholesale value of New York's floriculture output ranks 9<sup>th</sup> nationally. A variety of crops are produced in 25.2 million square feet of covered area and on 607 acres of open ground.