



New Castle County Delaware

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	335	-7
Land in farms (acres)	73,507	+9
Average size of farm (acres)	219	+17
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	108,630,000	+75
Government payments	955,000	-29
Farm-related income	11,712,000	+338
Total farm production expenses	85,705,000	+56
Net cash farm income	35,593,000	+218
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	324,270	+89
Government payments ^a	20,320	+45
Farm-related income ^a	79,136	+338
Total farm production expenses	255,834	+68
Net cash farm income	106,248	+243

5 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	50
Livestock, poultry, and products	50

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	62,613
Pastureland	2,621
Woodland	4,659
Other	3,614

Acres irrigated: 4,493

6% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	24
Reduced till	20
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	18

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	150	45
\$2,500 to \$4,999	32	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	28	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	24	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	2
\$100,000 or more	71	21

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	48	14
10 to 49 acres	162	48
50 to 179 acres	50	15
180 to 499 acres	29	9
500 to 999 acres	18	5
1,000+ acres	28	8

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	108,630	3	3	1,335	3,078
Crops	53,790	3	3	1,259	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	49,433	3	3	928	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,177	3	3	792	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	87	3	3	1,568	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,463	3	3	835	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	9	3	3	523	1,274
Other crops and hay	1,621	1	3	1,645	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	54,840	3	3	1,030	3,076
Poultry and eggs	45,876	3	3	356	3,027
Cattle and calves	606	3	3	2,483	3,047
Milk from cows	2,230	3	3	700	1,770
Hogs and pigs	30	3	3	1,233	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	30	2	3	2,079	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	5,974	1	3	41	2,907
Aquaculture	64	2	3	262	1,190
Other animals and animal products	30	3	3	1,443	2,909

Producers ^d	584	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access 85	Soybeans for beans 28,887
Male 355			Corn for grain 24,832
Female 229		Farm organically -	Wheat for grain, all 8,537
Age			Forage (hay/haylage), all 3,992
<35 48		Sell directly to consumers 16	Barley for grain 2,850
35 – 64 312			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
65 and older 224		Cattle and calves 1,379	
Race		Hire farm labor 24	Goats 186
American Indian/Alaska Native 5			Hogs and pigs 70
Asian 8		Are family farms 91	Horses and ponies 1,102
Black or African American 1			Layers (D)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -			Pullets (D)
White 570			Sheep and lambs 287
More than one race -			Turkeys 459
Other characteristics			
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 5			
With military service 42			
New and beginning farmers 170			

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f 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.