



Region 4 - Ponce Puerto Rico

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022

	2022	2022 Island
Number of farms	659	7,602
Land in farms (cuerdas)	56,784	494,481
Average size of farm (cuerdas)	86.2	65.0
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	156,955,940	703,255,498
Government payments	2,163,605	23,211,254
Farm-related income	11,047,254	60,482,328
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	238,173	92,509
Government payments	24,310	24,103
Farm-related income	49,762	23,271

22 Percent of island agricultural sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	80
Livestock, poultry, and products	20

Land in Farms by Use (cuerdas)

Cropland	41,120
Pastureland	9,172
Woodland	3,342
Other	3,151

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$1,000	102	15
\$1,000 to \$2,499	62	9
\$2,500 to \$4,999	78	12
\$5,000 to \$7,499	51	8
\$7,500 to \$19,999	142	22
\$20,000 to \$59,999	113	17
\$60,000 or more	111	17

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than 10 cuerdas	172	26
10 to 19 cuerdas	110	17
20 to 49 cuerdas	153	23
50 to 99 cuerdas	60	9
100 to 174 cuerdas	83	13
175 to 259 cuerdas	34	5
260 cuerdas or more	47	7

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$)	Number of Farms
Total	156,955,940	659
Crops	125,135,731	436
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod	870,854	25
Plantains (D)	(D)	119
Coffee	1,145,056	154
Vegetables or melons	13,876,434	125
Fruits and coconuts	30,060,456	92
Pineapples	793,200	5
Bananas	6,544,611	51
Root crops or tubers	169,968	46
Grains or field crops (D)	(D)	70
Grasses	1,372,444	58
Livestock, poultry, and products	31,820,209	252
Poultry and poultry products	17,626,036	33
Cattle and calves	2,134,736	118
Milk and other dairy products from cows	233,766	6
Hogs and pigs	344,820	15
Aquaculture	-	-
Other livestock and livestock products	11,480,851	104

Total Principal Operators

659

Sex	
Male	571
Female	88
Age	
< 35	26
35 – 64	329
65 and older	304
Primary occupation	
Farming	370
Other	289
Highest level of school attended	
None	3
Elementary	64
Secondary	111
High school diploma/GED	137
Technical/vocational school	43
Some college	74
Bachelor's degree	156
Master's/PhD	71
Other characteristics	
With military service	71
Less than 10 years operating present farm	197
<i>Average age (years)</i>	61.7

Selected Crops in Cuerdas

Bananas	689
Coffee	1,424
Grasses, all	3,908
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod	42
Pineapples	195
Plantains	2,421
Vegetables and melons, all	3,499

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	52
Sell directly to consumers	19
Hire farm labor	70
Are family farms	76

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)

Cattle and calves	12,028
Chickens	702,995
Goats	993
Hogs and pigs	4,977
Horses	2,464
Rabbits	1,728
Sheep	1,483

About the Puerto Rico Census of Agriculture

The Census of Agriculture is conducted once every five years. The 2022 Puerto Rico Census of Agriculture includes places that produced and sold, or normally would have produced and sold, \$500 or more of agricultural products during the 12-month period between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022. Results from 2022 and earlier censuses are available on Quick Stats, in downloadable PDF reports, maps, and a variety of topic-specific products on the NASS website.

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See [2022 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. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available.

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.