



## Region 7 - Lares Puerto Rico

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022

|                                | 2022       | 2022 Island |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Number of farms                | 1,299      | 7,602       |
| Land in farms (cuerdas)        | 41,902     | 494,481     |
| Average size of farm (cuerdas) | 32.3       | 65.0        |
| <b>Total</b>                   | (\$)       |             |
| Market value of products sold  | 49,647,630 | 703,255,498 |
| Government payments            | 3,042,351  | 23,211,254  |
| Farm-related income            | 7,495,176  | 60,482,328  |
| <b>Per farm average</b>        | (\$)       |             |
| Market value of products sold  | 38,220     | 92,509      |
| Government payments            | 25,143     | 24,103      |
| Farm-related income            | 17,636     | 23,271      |

**7** Percent of island agricultural sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops                            | 65 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 35 |

#### Land in Farms by Use (cuerdas)

|             |        |
|-------------|--------|
| Cropland    | 34,179 |
| Pastureland | 2,448  |
| Woodland    | 3,543  |
| Other       | 1,732  |

#### Farms by Value of Sales

|                      | Number | Percent of Total <sup>a</sup> |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$1,000    | 251    | 19                            |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499   | 156    | 12                            |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999   | 175    | 13                            |
| \$5,000 to \$7,499   | 115    | 9                             |
| \$7,500 to \$19,999  | 315    | 24                            |
| \$20,000 to \$59,999 | 175    | 13                            |
| \$60,000 or more     | 112    | 9                             |

#### Farms by Size

|                      | Number | Percent of Total <sup>a</sup> |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than 10 cuerdas | 398    | 31                            |
| 10 to 19 cuerdas     | 423    | 33                            |
| 20 to 49 cuerdas     | 270    | 21                            |
| 50 to 99 cuerdas     | 108    | 8                             |
| 100 to 174 cuerdas   | 41     | 3                             |
| 175 to 259 cuerdas   | 38     | 3                             |
| 260 cuerdas or more  | 21     | 2                             |

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

|   | Sales (\$)        | Number of Farms |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>49,647,630</b> | <b>1,299</b>    |
| <b>Crops</b>                              | <b>32,404,140</b> | <b>1,055</b>    |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod | 1,144,030         | 14              |
| Plantains                                 | 8,964,760         | 420             |
| Coffee                                    | 5,157,089         | 796             |
| Vegetables or melons                      | 3,609,044         | 108             |
| Fruits and coconuts                       | 5,288,948         | 317             |
| Pineapples                                | 364,371           | 49              |
| Bananas                                   | 6,382,565         | 361             |
| Root crops or tubers                      | 1,341,889         | 167             |
| Grains or field crops                     | 132,644           | 63              |
| Grasses                                   | 18,800            | 3               |
| <b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>   | <b>17,243,490</b> | <b>193</b>      |
| Poultry and poultry products              | (D)               | 29              |
| Cattle and calves                         | 1,401,135         | 129             |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows   | 15,580,506        | 40              |
| Hogs and pigs                             | 200,109           | 20              |
| Aquaculture                               | (D)               | 2               |
| Other livestock and livestock products    | (D)               | 28              |

**Total Principal Operators 1,299**

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| <b>Sex</b>                                |       |
| Male                                      | 1,145 |
| Female                                    | 154   |
| <b>Age</b>                                |       |
| < 35                                      | 62    |
| 35 – 64                                   | 677   |
| 65 and older                              | 560   |
| <b>Primary occupation</b>                 |       |
| Farming                                   | 842   |
| Other                                     | 457   |
| <b>Highest level of school attended</b>   |       |
| None                                      | 25    |
| Elementary                                | 257   |
| Secondary                                 | 337   |
| High school diploma/GED                   | 240   |
| Technical/vocational school               | 77    |
| Some college                              | 120   |
| Bachelor's degree                         | 185   |
| Master's/PhD                              | 58    |
| <b>Other characteristics</b>              |       |
| With military service                     | 43    |
| Less than 10 years operating present farm | 316   |
| <i>Average age (years)</i>                | 60.7  |

**Selected Crops in Cuerdas**

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Bananas                                   | 1,672 |
| Coffee                                    | 6,553 |
| Grasses, all                              | 56    |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod | 37    |
| Pineapples                                | 83    |
| Plantains                                 | 2,477 |
| Vegetables and melons, all                | 122   |

**Percent of farms that:**

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Have internet access       | <b>42</b> |
| Sell directly to consumers | <b>23</b> |
| Hire farm labor            | <b>69</b> |
| Are family farms           | <b>84</b> |

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)**

|                   |        |
|-------------------|--------|
| Cattle and calves | 10,990 |
| Chickens          | 1,780  |
| Goats             | 296    |
| Hogs and pigs     | 2,350  |
| Horses            | 77     |
| Rabbits           | 180    |
| Sheep             | 382    |

**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.

<sup>a</sup> 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.