



Orleans County Vermont

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	545	-2
Land in farms (acres)	121,559	-5
Average size of farm (acres)	223	-3
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	116,677,000	+27
Government payments	794,000	+240
Farm-related income	4,013,000	+26
Total farm production expenses	89,495,000	+25
Net cash farm income	31,990,000	+36
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	214,086	+30
Government payments ^a	9,026	-23
Farm-related income ^a	17,758	+38
Total farm production expenses	164,211	+28
Net cash farm income	58,696	+39

11 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	24
Livestock, poultry, and products	76

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	49,472
Pastureland	10,191
Woodland	52,370
Other	9,526

Acres irrigated: 87

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	10
Reduced till	8
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	161	30
\$2,500 to \$4,999	55	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	52	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	52	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	63	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	54	10
\$100,000 or more	108	20

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	36	7
10 to 49 acres	148	27
50 to 179 acres	198	36
180 to 499 acres	111	20
500 to 999 acres	41	8
1,000+ acres	11	2

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	116,677	3	14	1,280	3,078
Crops	27,574	4	14	1,642	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	2,582	3	13	1,983	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,122	11	14	809	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	983	9	14	601	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	807	9	14	1,002	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	567	2	13	105	1,274
Other crops and hay	21,514	3	14	149	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	89,103	3	14	738	3,076
Poultry and eggs	(D)	5	14	836	3,027
Cattle and calves	7,534	3	14	1,449	3,047
Milk from cows	79,534	3	14	152	1,770
Hogs and pigs	159	7	13	798	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	609	6	14	323	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	19	10	13	2,120	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	6	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	(D)	5	14	(D)	2,909

Producers ^d

1,066

Sex	
Male	632
Female	434
Age	
<35	128
35 – 64	590
65 and older	348
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	8
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,041
More than one race	17
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	13
With military service	59
New and beginning farmers	305

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	77
Farm organically	13
Sell directly to consumers	21
Hire farm labor	34
Are family farms	97

Top Crops in Acres ^e

Forage (hay/haylage), all	30,206
Corn for silage/greenchop	9,195
Corn for grain	(D)
Cultivated Christmas trees	794
Rye for grain	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	41,864
Cattle and calves	29,246
Goats	1,049
Hogs and pigs	245
Horses and ponies	332
Layers	3,858
Pullets	633
Sheep and lambs	969
Turkeys	205

^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.