2021 Floriculture Crops

About the Survey

The 2021 Commercial Floriculture Survey collected data about the number of growers, area of production, quantity sold, prices, and value of sales for floriculture crops as well as average number of agricultural workers per operation.

NASS conducted the survey among operations that annually produce and sell at least \$10,000 of fresh cut flowers, potted flowering plants, foliage plants, annual bedding and garden plants, potted herbaceous perennials, cut cultivated florist greens, and propagative (unfinished) floriculture material. Annual sales include retail and wholesale sales of items surveyed.

Access the Data

Access 2021 and earlier floriculture data through the Quick Stats database (http://quickstats.nass.usda.gov).

- In Program, select "Survey"
- In Sector, select "Crops"
- In Group, select "Horticulture"
- In Commodity, select the crop(s) for which you want data
- Select your category, data item, geographic level, and year

NASS made a number of changes to the floriculture estimating program in 2021, including expanding the survey to all 50 states. The top 28 states are published individually with the remaining states combined into an "other states" total. (Fig. 1) Care should be taken when comparing 2021 U.S. totals with the "Program States" totals from 2020 and prior years since fewer states contributed to the totals in the earlier years. More than 30 crops were added to the survey, further increasing program coverage across all crop categories.

Also in 2021, NASS began publishing sales as retail, wholesale, and total, rather than the previous practice of converting non-wholesale prices to a wholesale equivalent. This change provides estimates of price and value more directly related to the information provided by producers.

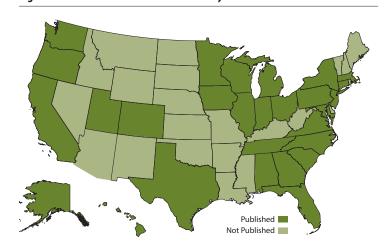


Fig. 1. States in the 2021 Floriculture Survey

Floriculture in 2021

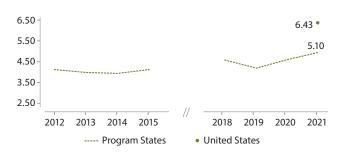
The <u>number of floriculture producers</u> totaled 9,558 in 2021. For the combined 17 states included in the program last year, the number of producers increased 8%.

The <u>total value of sales</u> across all floriculture crops totaled \$6.43 billion. For the combined 17 states included in the program in 2020, the value increased 6%.





Fig. 2 Value of Floriculture Sales, 2012-2021 (\$ billion)

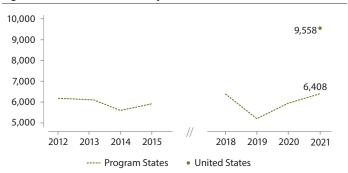


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Of the 10 largest states, Florida had the highest sales, followed by California. Combined, these two states accounted for nearly one-third of all sales in the United States.

Floriculture Sales, 2021 (\$ million)		
Florida	1,115	
California	962	
Michigan	635	
New Jersey	356	
Ohio	269	
Texas	253	
North Carolina	199	
Pennsylvania	188	
New York	181	
Connecticut	165	

Fig. 3 Number of Floriculture Operations, 2012-2021



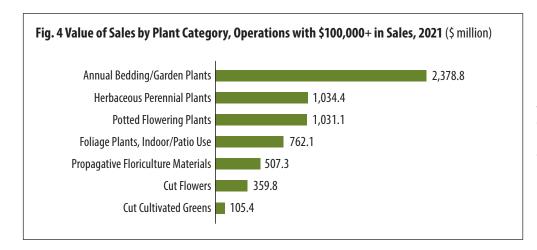
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The top six states each had more than 500 floriculture operations in 2021. Nearly 40% of all operations were in these states.

Floriculture Operations, 2021		
Pennsylvania	783	
California	651	
Florida	635	
New York	600	
Michigan	539	
Ohio	512	
Wisconsin	433	
Washington	319	
New Jersey	306	
Oregon	296	

Operations with Hired Workers in 2021

The number of operations with hired workers totaled 6,759 in 2021. For the combined 17 states included in the program in 2020, the total increased 7%. The average peak number of workers per operation was 16.9 nationally in 2021. For the 17 states included in the program in 2020, the average number declined from 18.8 to 18.5 per operation.



Sales of Annual Bedding/Garden Plants represented the largest total among all plant categories in 2021.

