

FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL OVERVIEW

Florida's 44,400 **farms and ranches**, utilized 9.70 million acres, and continue to produce a wide variety of safe and dependable food products. From the **citrus groves** and the **nurseries** in central and southern Florida, to the **vegetables** in various regions around the State, to the **cattle and calves** throughout the State, these farms and ranches provide Florida with a large and stable economic base.

In 2023 Florida ranked:

First in the United States in the value of production **Floriculture, Valencia oranges, sugarcane, watermelons, and sweet corn.**

Second in value of production for **bell peppers, all oranges, strawberries, tomatoes grown in the open, and non-Valencia oranges.**

Florida commodities ranked third nationally in **cabbage and grapefruit.**

Florida commodities ranked fourth nationally in **peanuts.**

In 2023, in terms of agricultural value of production, Florida accounted for:

51 percent of the total U.S. value for **Valencia oranges** (\$124 million phd equivalent)

34 percent of the total U.S. value for **watermelons** (\$264 million)

31 percent of the total U.S. value for **fresh market bell peppers** (\$188 million, in the open)

28 percent of the total U.S. value for **grapefruit** (\$46.7 million phd equivalent)

25 percent of the total U.S. value for **sweet corn** (\$253 million)

20 percent of the total U.S. value for **all oranges** (\$197 million phd equivalent)

18 percent of the total U.S. value for **Floriculture** sales (\$1.21 billion)

18 percent of the total U.S. value for **tomatoes in the open** (\$494 million)

13 percent of the total U.S. value for **strawberries** (\$434 million)

12 percent of the total U.S. value for **cabbage** (\$69.2 million)

10 percent of the total U.S. value for **non-Valencia oranges** (\$73.2 million phd equivalent)

9 percent of the total U.S. value for **peanuts** (\$137 million)

7 percent of the total U.S. value to **tame blueberries** (\$75 million)

Florida citrus growers in 2022-2023 produced 15.8 million boxes of **oranges** (93 percent of which were used for **orange juice**) and 1.81 million boxes of **grapefruit** (51 percent of which were used for **grapefruit juice**). All citrus fruit on-tree sales exceeded \$194 million.

Florida growers harvested **vegetables for fresh market, potatoes, strawberries, and blueberries** from 231,600 acres in 2023. The value of vegetables and melons was \$2.26 billion.

Milk in 2023 produced **cash receipts** of \$482 million, while **cattle and calves** produced \$775 million in cash receipts. On January 1, 2024, there were 1.56 million head of **cattle** on farms and ranches in Florida, including 862,000 head of **beef cows** and 98,000 head of **milk cows**.

Poultry farms generated a value of production totaling \$283 million from **broilers** and produced 62.9 million **broilers**. Poultry data for layers and eggs are not available due to confidentiality restrictions.

Florida Cash Receipts - 2022

The USDA - Economic Research Service (ERS), reports receipts from Florida agricultural products in 2022 totaled to \$8.88 billion. This is up 12 percent from last year's \$7.94 billion.

All crops accounted for 77 percent of total cash receipts. The leading crop commodities were floriculture (13.2 percent of all cash receipts), sugarcane for sugar and seed (8.9 percent), oranges (6.5 percent), and strawberries (5.4 percent). Cattle and calves in addition to dairy products comprised 6.3 percent of total cash receipts.

Cash Receipts, by Commodity Groups and Selected Commodities – Florida: 2022

[2022 preliminary as of February 7, 2024. Percents for individual commodities may not add to totals in some groups because of rounding]

Commodity	Cash receipts (1,000 dollars)		Commodity	Cash receipts (1,000 dollars)	
	2022	Percent of total		2022	Percent of total
Total Cash Receipts from Farm Marketings	8,878,808	100	Field Crops	323,155	3.6
All Crops.....	6,867,423	77.3	Corn	65,700	0.7
Citrus	671,940	7.6	Cotton.....	68,451	0.8
Grapefruit	70,410	0.8	Cotton lint, Upland	60,442	0.7
Oranges	577,896	6.5	Cottonseed	8,009	0.1
Tangerines and Tangelos.....	23,634	0.3	Hay.....	56,501	0.6
Other Fruits	595,663	6.7	Peanuts	132,503	1.5
Avocados	14,289	0.2	All Other Crops	3,540,359	39.9
Blueberries.....	104,042	1.2	Sugarcane for sugar and seed....	787,216	8.9
Strawberries, Winter.....	477,332	5.4	Floriculture.....	1,170,434	13.2
Vegetables and Melons	1,736,306	19.6	Other Crops	1,582,709	17.8
Cabbage, Fresh	226,373	2.5	Animals and Products	2,011,385	22.7
Cucumbers, Fresh.....	51,449	0.6	Cattle and calves	561,912	6.3
Peppers, Bell.....	280,800	3.2	Dairy products, Milk	561,048	6.3
Potatoes.....	110,256	1.2	Honey.....	23,888	0.3
Snap Beans, Fresh.....	130,385	1.5	Other animal and products.....	864,537	9.7
Squash.....	46,334	0.5			
Sweet Corn, Fresh	219,842	2.5			
Tomatoes, Fresh	355,025	4.0			
Watermelons	231,810	2.6			
Miscellaneous Vegetables.....	84,032	0.9			

Cash Receipts by Commodity Group and Year – Florida:1982-2022

[Sub-categories may not sum, due to rounding]

Year	Crops (1,000 dollars)	Livestock (1,000 dollars)	Total cash receipts (1,000 dollars)
1982	3,326,155	1,020,062	4,346,217
1983	3,546,915	1,081,535	4,628,450
1984	3,638,231	1,098,092	4,736,323
1985	3,762,770	1,030,336	4,793,106
1986	3,747,156	1,030,336	4,777,492
1987	4,207,789	1,100,854	5,308,643
1988	4,685,891	1,146,040	5,831,931
1989	5,023,935	1,218,705	6,242,640
1990	4,326,865	1,253,903	5,580,768
1991	4,817,348	1,171,626	5,988,974
1992	4,956,617	1,263,874	6,220,491
1993	4,858,968	1,310,232	6,169,200
1994	4,826,178	1,296,603	6,122,781
1995	4,838,463	1,238,378	6,076,841
1996	5,099,829	1,312,154	6,411,983
1997	5,238,267	1,385,551	6,623,818
1998	5,830,390	1,390,311	7,220,701
1999	5,311,395	1,347,573	6,658,968
2000	5,463,634	1,315,908	6,779,542
2001	5,236,159	1,389,601	6,625,760
2002	5,362,779	1,239,055	6,601,834
2003	5,491,564	1,211,110	6,702,674
2004	5,315,049	1,469,412	6,784,461
2005	6,028,520	1,420,758	7,449,278
2006	5,994,267	1,321,940	7,316,207
2007	6,662,821	1,381,508	8,044,329
2008	6,470,446	1,407,736	7,878,182
2009	6,128,976	1,125,194	7,254,170
2010	6,371,834	1,369,365	7,741,198
2011	6,454,640	1,523,323	7,977,963
2012	6,724,783	1,865,011	8,589,794
2013	6,465,405	1,949,333	8,414,738
2014	6,235,065	2,353,245	8,588,310
2015	6,276,653	2,219,264	8,495,918
2016	6,120,959	1,598,583	7,719,542
2017	6,192,331	1,682,963	7,875,293
2018 ¹	5,555,386	1,600,865	7,156,251
2019 ¹	6,308,966	1,486,020	7,794,987
2020 ¹	6,311,541	1,463,311	7,774,852
2021 ¹	6,354,276	1,589,748	7,944,024
2022 ¹	6,867,423	2,011,385	8,878,808

¹ As of February 7, 2024

Total Cash Receipts – Leading States and United States: 2022

[As of February 7, 2024]

Rank	State	Cash receipts (1,000 dollars)	Percent of United States
1	California	58,410,387	10.9
2	Iowa.....	44,781,637	8.3
3	Nebraska	31,616,234	5.9
4	Texas	29,788,279	5.6
5	Illinois	27,956,620	5.2
6	Minnesota.....	26,018,792	4.8
7	Kansas	23,523,896	4.4
8	Indiana.....	18,342,373	3.4
9	North Carolina	16,867,296	3.1
10	Wisconsin.....	16,610,816	3.1
23	Florida	8,878,808	1.7
	United States.....	536,645,076	100.0

Vegetable and Melons Cash Receipts – Leading States and United States: 2022

[As of February 7, 2024]

Rank	State	Cash receipts (1,000 dollars)	Percent of United States
1	California.....	12,344,010	49.0
2	Florida	1,736,306	6.9
3	Washington	1,626,521	6.5
4	Arizona.....	1,559,960	6.2
5	Idaho	1,386,651	5.5
6	North Dakota	712,103	2.8
7	Michigan.....	690,996	2.7
8	Georgia	669,610	2.7
9	Wisconsin.....	669,538	2.7
10	Oregon	564,896	2.2
	United States.....	25,205,469	100.0

Crop Cash Receipts – Leading States and United States: 2022

[As of February 7, 2024]

Rank	State	Cash receipts (1,000 dollars)	Percent of United States
1	California.....	41,010,174	14.7
2	Iowa	24,479,856	8.8
3	Illinois	24,351,970	8.8
4	Nebraska.....	16,060,645	5.8
5	Minnesota.....	15,828,823	5.7
6	Indiana	11,996,003	4.3
7	Kansas	9,915,332	3.6
8	North Dakota.....	9,777,065	3.5
9	Ohio	9,238,763	3.3
10	Missouri.....	8,755,738	3.1
14	Florida	6,867,423	2.5
	United States.....	278,193,777	100.0

Leading Cash Receipts by Commodity – Florida and United States: 2022

[As of February 7, 2024]

Commodity	Florida	U.S.	Florida percent of U.S.	Florida national ranking
	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)	
Tomatoes, Fresh.....	355,025	648,390	54.8	1
Sugarcane for Sugar and Seed.....	787,216	1,569,567	50.2	1
Grapefruit.....	70,410	157,715	44.6	1
Peppers, Bell	280,800	697,435	40.3	1
Cabbage, Fresh.....	226,373	609,328	37.2	1
Cucumbers, Fresh and Processing	110,291	298,928	36.9	1
Sweet corn, Fresh.....	219,842	621,277	35.4	1
Snap Beans, Fresh and Processing	139,950	396,414	35.3	1
Watermelons	231,810	820,549	28.3	1
Squash	46,334	222,396	20.8	1
Floriculture.....	1,170,434	6,685,079	17.5	1
Oranges.....	577,896	1,529,414	37.8	2
Strawberries	477,332	3,259,100	14.6	2
Tangerines.....	23,634	705,134	3.4	2
Avocadoes.....	14,289	502,673	2.8	2
Cantaloupes	15,624	384,931	4.1	3
Honey	23,888	377,180	6.3	4
Peanuts	132,503	1,547,686	8.6	5
Blueberries	104,042	1,164,578	8.9	6
Potatoes	110,256	4,293,564	2.6	11
Cotton Lint, Upland	60,442	6,642,557	0.9	15
Cottonseed	8,009	1,371,159	0.6	17
Broilers	332,010	50,445,885	0.7	19
Dairy Products, Milk.....	561,048	57,252,795	1.0	21
Cattle/Calves	561,912	86,055,031	0.7	28
Corn	65,700	87,115,067	0.1	33
Hay.....	56,501	9,951,440	0.6	36

Sugarcane for Sugar and Seed Cash Receipts – Leading States and United States: 2022

[As of February 7, 2024]

State	Value	Percent of Total	National ranking
	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)	
Florida.....	787,216	50.2	1
Louisiana	751,399	47.9	2
Texas.....	30,952	2.0	3
United States	1,569,567	100	

Farms and Land in Farms

Florida had 44,400 commercial farms in 2023, using a total of 9.70 million acres. There were 6,400 farms with sales exceeding \$100,000. The average farm size was 218 acres. Florida ranks 16th among all States in number of farms and 29th in land in farms.

Farms and Acreage by Year and by Economic Sales Class – Florida: 2010-2023

Year	Number of farms				Total acres				Average farm size
	Total	\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 & over	Total	\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 & over	
2010	47,600	29,000	13,300	5,300	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)
2011	47,700	29,000	13,300	5,400	9,450	1,420	1,810	6,220	198
2012	47,700	28,800	13,600	5,300	9,550	1,410	1,800	6,340	200
2013	47,800	29,200	13,400	5,200	9,600	1,400	1,800	6,400	201
2014	47,800	28,300	14,200	5,300	9,600	1,300	1,900	6,400	201
2015	47,700	28,400	14,000	5,300	9,600	1,300	2,000	6,300	201
2016	47,600	28,700	13,700	5,200	9,600	1,300	2,000	6,300	202
2017	47,600	29,200	13,400	5,000	9,700	1,400	2,000	6,300	204
2018	47,300	28,800	13,500	5,000	9,700	1,300	2,100	6,300	205
2019	47,000	28,400	13,400	5,200	9,700	1,300	2,000	6,400	206
2020	46,800	28,100	13,400	5,300	9,700	1,300	2,000	6,400	207
2021	46,200	27,100	13,400	5,700	9,700	1,200	2,000	6,500	210
2022	44,700	25,300	13,200	6,200	9,700	1,100	1,850	6,750	217
2023	44,400	25,000	13,000	6,400	9,700	1,100	1,850	6,750	218

Number of Farms – Leading States and United States: 2023

State	Number of farms	Total acres in farms	Average size of farm
		(1,000 acres)	(acres)
Texas	231,000	125,000	541
Missouri.....	87,600	27,000	308
Iowa	86,800	30,000	346
Ohio	75,800	13,700	181
Illinois	70,700	26,300	372
Oklahoma.....	70,300	32,900	468
Kentucky	69,100	12,400	179
Minnesota.....	65,300	25,400	389
Tennessee.....	63,100	10,700	170
California.....	62,900	23,800	378
Florida	44,400	9,700	218
United States.....	1,894,950	878,560	464

Number of All Hired Farm Workers and Hours Worked – Florida: 2023-2024

[Exclude agricultural service workers]

Date	Number of workers	Hired			Number of hours (Gross) worked per week	
		Expected to be employed		149 days or less		
		150 days or more				
2024						
April 7-13, 2024.....	26		21	5	40.7	
January 7-13, 2024	25		21	4	39.6	
2023						
October 8-14, 2023	28		25	3	43.4	
July 9-15, 2023.....	26		23	3	42.6	
April 9-15, 2023.....	27		23	4	41.6	
January 8-14, 2023	25		23	2	41.7	

Wage Rates by Type of Worker – Florida: 2023-2024

[Exclude agricultural service workers]

Date	Type of worker			Wage rates for all hired workers
	Field	Livestock	Field and livestock combined	
	(gross dollars per hour)	(gross dollars per hour)	(gross dollars per hour)	(gross dollars per hour)
2024				
April 7-13, 2024.....	15.75	16.50	15.82	16.87
January 7-13, 2024	15.80	15.90	15.81	16.75
2023				
October 8-14, 2023	14.65	16.25	14.80	15.75
July 9-15, 2023.....	15.00	16.55	15.19	16.04
April 9-15, 2023.....	14.50	14.30	14.48	15.36
January 8-14, 2023	14.60	14.75	14.62	15.59

Value Added to the U.S. Economy by the Agricultural Sector – Florida: 2020-2022

[Data as of February 7, 2024]

Item	2020 (thousand dollars)	2021 (thousand dollars)	2022 (thousand dollars)
Value of crop production.....	6,303,613	6,295,185	6,890,280
Value of animals and products production	1,494,749	1,525,279	2,031,254
Farm-related income	899,564	1,348,976	1,720,653
Intermediate product expenses ¹	4,802,562	3,946,915	4,352,616
Farm origin	1,508,059	1,272,566	1,537,082
Other intermediate expenses ¹	2,162,010	1,502,198	1,536,199
Contract labor.....	291,511	262,768	290,128
Net government transactions	551,985	-46,039	-17,858
Direct government payments	761,000	293,872	196,243
Property taxes and fees ¹	209,016	337,911	214,101
Gross value added	4,155,838	4,915,719	5,981,585
Capital consumption ¹	452,376	337,375	278,899
Net value added	3,703,462	4,578,344	5,702,686
Factor payments to stakeholders ²	1,985,111	2,739,932	2,156,944
Hired labor and non-cash employee compensation	1,718,489	2,467,232	1,809,872
Net rent paid to operator landlords.....	-13,112	-13,000	-11,951
Net rent paid to non-operator landlords.....	-22,293	-22,103	-20,320
Total interest expenses ¹	302,026	307,802	379,342
Net Farm Income	1,718,351	1,838,412	3,545,743

¹ Includes expenses associated with operator dwellings.

² Prior to 2009 estimates, factor payments to stakeholders only includes net rent paid to non-operator landlords.

Net Farm Income, State Ranking – 2022

State	Net farm income (thousand dollars)
1. California	20,601,024
2. Iowa	15,356,090
3. Texas	12,753,026
4. Illinois	11,303,045
5. Minnesota.....	9,710,334
6. North Dakota	6,818,022
7. Indiana	6,748,550
8. Nebraska.....	6,565,531
9. South Dakota.....	6,405,408
10. Ohio	5,783,977
11. North Carolina	5,212,336
12. Missouri	4,935,978
13. Georgia	4,866,920
14. Wisconsin.....	4,509,004
15. Idaho	4,215,786
16. Arkansas	4,178,172
17. Pennsylvania.....	4,153,865
18. Kansas	3,961,890
21. Florida	3,545,743
United States.....	185,544,324

Cash Rents for Pasture Land and Cropland by County – Florida: 2022 and 2023

County	Pasture land		Non-irrigated cropland		Irrigated cropland	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(dollars per acre)	(dollars per acre)	(dollars per acre)	(dollars per acre)	(dollars per acre)	(dollars per acre)
Alachua.....	23.00	30.00	44.00	37.00	160.00	164.00
Bradford.....	(D)	(D)	24.50	(D)	(D)	(D)
Brevard.....	8.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Broward.....	21.00	45.50	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Calhoun.....	(D)	(D)	87.00	60.50	(D)	(D)
Charlotte.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	40.50	(D)	(D)
Citrus.....	(D)	13.50	17.00	19.00	(D)	(D)
Collier.....	6.30	6.60	(D)	(D)	(D)	312.00
Columbia.....	22.50	30.00	52.00	59.00	(D)	129.00
DeSoto.....	14.50	16.50	33.50	(D)	(D)	(D)
Escambia.....	(D)	(D)	86.00	116.00	(D)	(D)
Gadsden.....	31.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Gilchrist.....	49.00	48.00	67.00	51.50	213.00	130.00
Glades.....	15.00	26.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hamilton.....	(D)	(D)	60.50	55.50	(D)	(D)
Hardee.....	10.00	12.50	30.00	27.50	(D)	(D)
Hernando.....	10.50	(D)	(D)	30.00	(D)	(D)
Highlands.....	22.50	26.50	(D)	51.50	(D)	(D)
Hillsborough.....	11.00	16.50	60.00	50.00	(D)	607.00
Holmes.....	23.00	16.50	58.50	60.00	(D)	(D)
Jackson.....	19.50	35.50	73.50	75.50	(D)	164.00
Jefferson.....	(D)	23.00	64.00	67.50	(D)	(D)
Lafayette.....	(D)	(D)	59.00	67.00	161.00	166.00
Lake.....	14.00	18.50	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Lee.....	23.00	27.50	69.50	(D)	(D)	(D)
Levy.....	40.00	43.50	61.00	74.50	207.00	133.00
Madison.....	12.50	13.00	26.50	27.50	(D)	(D)
Manatee.....	6.70	12.00	(D)	62.50	(D)	(D)
Marion.....	17.50	22.50	27.00	20.50	(D)	(D)
Martin.....	8.80	6.50	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Miami-Dade.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	568.00
Okaloosa.....	(D)	(D)	65.50	53.50	(D)	(D)
Okeechobee.....	19.50	25.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Cash Rents for Pasture Land and Cropland by County – Florida: 2022 and 2023 (continued)

County	Pasture land		Non-irrigated cropland		Irrigated cropland	
	2022 (dollars per acre)	2023 (dollars per acre)	2022 (dollars per acre)	2023 (dollars per acre)	2022 (dollars per acre)	2023 (dollars per acre)
Orange.....	9.50	11.50	(D)	(D)	(D)	164.00
Osceola.....	7.00	7.70	(D)	(D)	(D)	200.00
Palm Beach.....	(D)	(D)	50.50	(D)	421.00	535.00
Pasco.....	18.50	27.00	38.50	40.00	(D)	(D)
Polk.....	11.00	13.50	(D)	26.00	147.00	190.00
Putnam	20.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
St. Johns.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	267.00	223.00
St. Lucie.....	25.00	22.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Santa Rosa.....	(D)	51.50	101.00	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sarasota	(D)	27.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sumter.....	23.50	20.50	36.00	58.50	(D)	(D)
Suwannee.....	27.00	22.00	47.00	44.00	229.00	(D)
Taylor.....	14.00	6.70	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Union	(D)	23.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Volusia.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	390.00	(D)
Walton	22.00	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington.....	(D)	34.00	45.50	70.00	(D)	(D)
Other Counties.....	23.50	15.00	36.00	35.00	271.00	265.00
State Total	17.50	16.50	57.00	52.00	248.00	267.00

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.