

# 2008 STATE AGRICULTURE OVERVIEW

Connecticut

## Farms

Number of Farms	4,900
Land in Farms (acres)	400,000
Average Farm Size (acres)	82

## Livestock Inventory

Cattle and Calves - All (Jan. 1, 2009)	52,000
Hogs & Pigs - All ( Dec. 1, 2008)	3,100

## Milk

Milk Cows (Average head)	19,000
Milk Production per Cow (lbs)	19,105
Production (lbs)	363,000,000

## Crops - Planted, Harvested, Yield, Production, Price (MYA), Value of Production

Commodity	Planted All Purpose Acres	Harvestd Acres	Yield	Production	Price per Unit	Value of Production Dollars
Field & Misc Crops						45,643,000
Hay All (Dry)		55,000	2.2 tons	120,000 tons	226.000 dols/ton	27,177,000
Hay Other (Dry)		46,000	2.1 tons	97,000 tons	219.000 dols/ton	21,243,000
Tobacco Cigar Binder Conn Valley Broadleaf (Type 51)		1,700	1,650.0 lbs	2,805 lbs	6.000 dols/lb	16,830,000
Hay Alfalfa (Dry)		9,000	2.5 tons	23,000 tons	258.000 dols/ton	5,934,000
Principal Crops	93,000					
Corn For Grain	27,000					
Alfalfa & Alfalfa Mixtures - New Seedings	1,000					
Corn For Silage		23,000	21.5 tons	495,000 tons		
Tobacco All (All Classes)		2,600	1,546.0 lbs	4,020 lbs		
Tobacco Cigar Wrapper Conn Valley Shade-Grown (Type 61)		900	1,350.0 lbs	1,215 lbs		
Maple Syrup			0.2 gals	15 galts		

# 2007 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture, Connecticut Agricultural Statistics Service  
Connecticut - Ranked items within U.S. 2007

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	551,553	44	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	401,372	39	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	150,181	44	50
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,316	46	50
Tobacco	56,976	7	17
Cotton and cottonseed			17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	30,230	38	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	28,641	23	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	269,221	17	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	3,840	17	49
Other crops and hay	10,148	47	50
Poultry and eggs	45,274	36	50
Cattle and calves	9,405	46	50
Milk and other dairy products from cows	72,338	35	50
Hogs and pigs	616	46	50
Sheep, goats, and their products	1,094	44	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	4,868	40	50
Aquaculture	15,142	18	50
Other animals and other animal products	1,444	45	50
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>			
Layers			50
Pullets for laying flock replacement			50
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	100,549	33	50
Pheasants	59,826	16	50
Cattle and calves	50,213	44	50
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>			
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	81,269	45	50
Corn for silage	24,174	35	48
Vegetables harvested, all	10,514	38	50
Sweet corn	4,610	21	50
Nursery stock	4,245	25	50

## Other Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:		Farms by value of sales	
Farming	2,273	Less than \$1,000	1,307
Other	2,643	\$1,000 to \$2,499	626
		\$2,500 to \$4,999	719
Principal operators by sex:		\$5,000 to \$9,999	561
Male	3,755	\$10,000 to \$19,999	499
Female	1,161	\$20,000 to \$24,999	153
		\$25,000 to \$39,999	228
Average age of principal operator (years)	58	\$40,000 to \$49,999	101
		\$50,000 to \$99,999	231
All operators 2/ by race:		\$100,000 to \$249,999	222
American Indian or Alaska Native	53	\$250,000 to \$499,999	91
Asian	36	\$500,000 or more	178
Black or African American	12		
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7	Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	469,319
White	7,579	Average per farm (\$)	95,468
More than one race	39		
		Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	123,327
All operators 2/ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	100	Average per farm (\$)	25,087

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.