

**CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production**

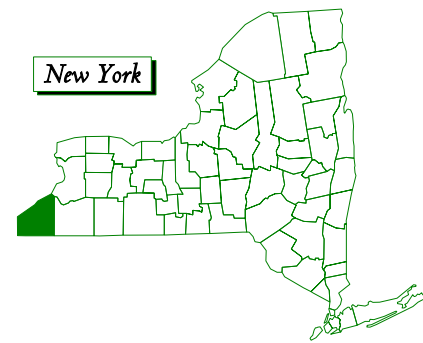
Year	All Planted <i>Acres</i>	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested <i>Acres</i>	Yield <i>Bushels</i>	Production <i>Bushels</i>	Harvested <i>Acres</i>	Yield <i>Tons</i>	Production <i>Tons</i>
1940	20,956	6,751	35	233,185	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	16,073	4,201	44	185,207	11,307	10.3	116,729
1959	13,696	3,349	54	181,470	10,123	10.8	109,338
1969	17,600	3,100	97	300,700	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	28,500	7,200	91	655,200	20,900	13.5	282,150
1982	28,400	7,900	87	684,900	20,100	13.3	266,500
1987	24,000	6,800	108	734,400	16,900	15.0	253,500
1992	24,800	4,900	103	504,700	18,800	13.2	248,200
1997	24,700	7,600	109	828,400	16,900	14.6	246,700
2002	24,400	9,200	113	1,042,900	15,100	16.3	245,700
2003	23,100	5,100	111	563,900	17,700	16.8	297,800
2004	22,400	6,700	86	576,400	15,400	15.2	233,900
2005	21,300	10,100	62	623,500	11,000	16.1	177,000
2006	20,400	9,300	129	1,197,300	10,900	21.8	238,100
2007	20,900	8,000	127	1,019,100	12,800	17.4	222,600
2008	21,700	11,500	137	1,572,500	10,000	19.5	197,400

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**HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production**

Year	Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay			Total Hay		
	Harvested <i>Acres</i>	Yield <i>Tons</i>	Production <i>Tons</i>	Harvested <i>Acres</i>	Yield <i>Tons</i>	Production <i>Tons</i>	Harvested <i>Acres</i>	Yield <i>Tons</i>	Production <i>Tons</i>
1940	2,332	2.3	5,426	83,796	1.5	128,776	86,128	1.6	134,202
1950	2,622	2.0	5,269	90,336	1.5	137,303	92,958	1.5	142,572
1959	12,013	2.6	30,889	69,401	2.0	135,900	81,414	2.0	166,789
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	65,233	2.3	151,729
1978	17,100	3.1	53,000	66,000	1.9	125,400	83,100	2.1	178,400
1982	17,400	2.9	50,500	59,000	2.1	123,900	76,400	2.3	174,400
1987	20,500	2.6	52,600	59,000	2.2	127,300	79,500	2.3	179,900
1992	13,600	2.3	31,300	44,600	2.1	92,400	58,200	2.1	123,700
1997	11,300	2.9	32,300	35,200	2.7	96,500	46,500	2.8	128,800
2002	6,600	2.4	15,900	41,200	2.2	88,600	47,800	2.2	104,500
2003	6,600	2.9	18,900	44,100	1.7	73,900	50,700	1.8	92,800
2004	6,000	4.0	24,000	32,400	3.7	120,000	38,400	3.8	144,000
2005	5,700	1.3	7,200	50,200	1.7	85,400	55,900	1.7	92,600
2006	6,800	3.2	21,600	44,100	2.2	98,600	50,900	2.4	120,200
2007	6,100	2.2	13,700	32,600	1.9	62,500	38,700	2.0	76,200
2008	6,800	3.2	21,600	28,900	1.9	55,500	35,700	2.16	77,100

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# Chautauqua County

## Farm Statistics

August 2009

Chautauqua County is the southwestern most county in New York bordering Pennsylvania and Lake Erie. In 2008, there were 235,858 acres in farms, 35 percent of the county's total 678,552 acres. There were 1658 farms in the county averaging 142 acres per farm. Chautauqua County ranks 1st in the state for number of farms and 5th for land in farms.

In 2007, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$138.5 million. Total sales averaged \$83,581 per farm. The leading products sold were: Milk & Dairy, Fruits & Nuts, Cattle & Calves, Nursery & Floriculture, and Vegetables & Potatoes.

The average value of land and buildings per farm was \$280,124. Machinery and equipment was valued at \$80,228 per farm. Total production expenses in 2007 were \$105.3 million for an average of \$63,534 per farm. The Census showed 53 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 56.6 years. The U.S.D.A.'s Economic Research Service showed the median household income in 2007 was \$38,926.

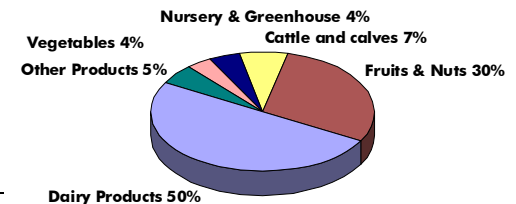
**LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Product	2007 Sales <i>(\$1,000)</i>	Percent of Total	State Rank
Dairy Products	69,704	50	12
Fruits & Nuts	41,001	30	3
Cattle and Calves	9,674	7	14
Nursery & Greenhouse	6,010	4	13
Vegetables	4,895	4	18
Other Products	7,294	5	
<b>TOTAL SALES</b>	<b>138,578</b>		<b>10</b>

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**Leading Agricultural Products**

Percent of Total Sales



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**FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, AND LAND USE**

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms <i>Acres</i>	Total Cropland <i>Acres</i>	Permanent Pasture <i>Acres</i>	Total Woodland <i>Acres</i>	Other Land <i>Acres</i>
1940	5,573	499,027	N/A	N/A	91,985	N/A
1950	5,336	499,746	241,639	113,676	124,110	20,321
1959	3,784	429,836	201,291	83,071	114,720	30,754
1969	2,392	322,237	174,736	N/A	85,744	N/A
1978	2,220	320,429	188,147	26,534	79,825	25,923
1982	2,143	306,860	173,634	26,710	76,761	29,755
1987	2,185	299,600	175,000	22,000	77,400	25,200
1992	1,975	285,400	166,300	24,300	67,200	27,600
1997	1,865	263,200	152,900	26,900	60,700	22,700
2002	1,725	255,900	149,985	15,737	62,496	27,382
2003	1,685	249,500	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2004	1,640	246,200	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2005	1,620	241,600	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2006	1,595	239,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2007	1,660	236,700	127,248	25,399	59,539	24,514
2008	1,670	233,400	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

1940 - 1982 and all land breakouts after 1999 are U.S. Census of Agriculture

**FARMS BY SALES CLASS**

Sales Class	2002	2007
Under \$10,000	939	789
\$10,000to\$49,999	374	424
\$50,000 to \$99,999	159	159
\$100,000 or more	262	286
<b>Farms Reporting</b>	<b>1,734</b>	<b>1658</b>

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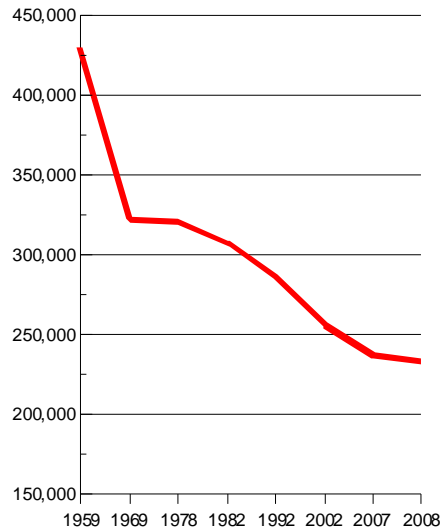
**RESIDENT POPULATION**

In 2002, Chautauqua County's population ranked 23rd in the state.

Year	Total	Population Per Sq Mile
1940	123,600	116
1950	135,200	127
1960	145,400	137
1970	147,300	139
1980	146,900	138
1990	141,900	134
2000	139,750	132
2008	133,789	126

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**Land in Farms  
(Acres)**



**CATTLE-Number on Farms Jan 1**

**MILK Cows & Production**

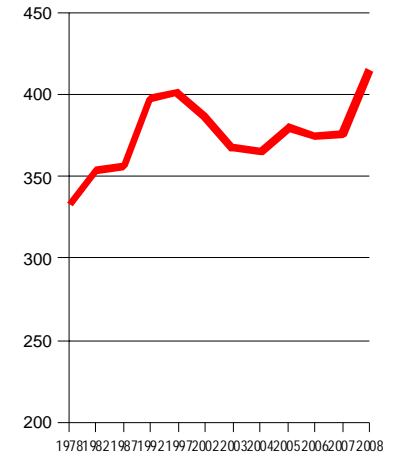
Year	All Cattle & Calves <i>Number on Farms</i>	Beef Cows	Milk Cows	Year	Annual Avg Milk Cows <i>No Head</i>	Avg Production Per Cow <i>Pounds</i>	Total Milk Production <i>Million Lbs</i>
1940	61,806	N/A	N/A	1940	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	68,438	1,085	38,580	1950	N/A	N/A	N/A
1959	68,941	1,666	36,964	1959	N/A	N/A	N/A
1969	59,151	3,267	29,901	1969	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	61,000	2,500	32,000	1978	31,700	10,500	333
1982	72,000	3,000	33,500	1982	32,500	10,900	354
1987	59,000	3,500	28,000	1987	26,000	13,700	356
1992	58,500	3,000	26,000	1992	26,500	15,000	398
1997	54,000	2,500	23,500	1997	24,000	16,700	401
2002	49,000	2,500	23,000	2002	22,000	17,600	387
2003	51,600	2,900	23,000	2003	22,800	16,100	367
2004	50,500	2,800	22,600	2004	22,600	16,200	365
2005	52,000	2,900	22,600	2005	22,600	16,800	380
2006	52,400	2,900	24,100	2006	21,200	17,700	375
2007	52,900	4,000	22,700	2007	20,900	18,000	376
2008	43,900	3,300	19,000	2008	21,900	18,900	415
2009	41,800	2,800	18,900	2009	N/A	N/A	N/A

**OATS-Acreage, Yield & Production**

Year	Planted <i>Acres</i>	Harvested <i>Acres</i>	Yield <i>Bushels</i>	Production <i>Bushels</i>
1940	N/A	21,611	35	744,981
1950	N/A	16,283	30	480,735
1959	N/A	14,208	55	773,930
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	5,300	3,300	50	165,000
1982	5,500	3,800	58	220,400
1987	4,800	2,800	58	162,400
1992	3,300	1,500	80	120,000
1997	1,000	900	60	54,000
2002	1,000	1,000	59	58,600
2003	1,300	1,000	67	73,600
2004	1,300	1,100	51	51,300
2005	1,800	1,000	42	58,200
2006	1,600	1,400	64	70,500
2007	1,700	1,100	65	45,400
2008	1,400	700	63	82,400

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**Milk Production  
(Million Pounds)**



**EQUINE: Inventory and Value, Census of Agriculture, 2007**

Year	Total Equine	Rank in State	Total Equine Sold	Value of Sales
2007	2,739	4	350	\$368,000