

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

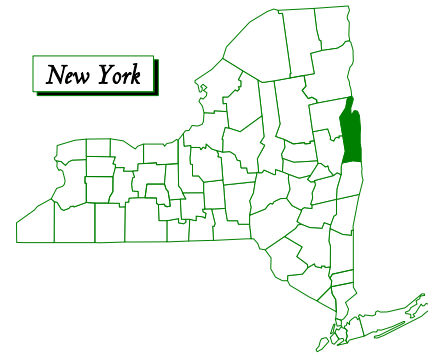
Year	All Planted Acres	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested Acres	Yield Bushels	Production Bushels	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	22,442	8,032	37	296,593	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	20,493	4,372	44	190,172	15,617	8.6	134,801
1959	19,660	2,406	48	115,652	17,109	8.2	140,035
1969	27,200	3,300	91	300,300	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	40,600	9,000	96	863,800	31,000	14.4	447,150
1982	44,200	14,300	102	1,452,900	29,700	12.9	382,100
1987	40,500	12,700	110	1,397,000	26,800	15.0	402,000
1992	41,500	12,600	110	1,386,000	27,100	15.2	411,900
1997	35,700	8,700	104	904,800	26,700	14.0	373,800
2002	33,100	7,500	98	735,500	25,600	13.4	344,200
2003	31,900	8,300	138	1,143,300	23,200	18.2	423,000
2004	31,500	12,200	114	1,385,900	18,900	16.2	306,000
2005	29,500	12,600	107	1,348,000	16,500	19.2	316,500
2006	27,200	3,900	94	367,700	23,000	16.4	376,100
2007	31,700	5,700	134	761,800	25,900	15.7	406,700
2008	33,100	6,600	125	824,600	26,500	20.5	539,900

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

Year	Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay			Total Hay		
	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	4,278	1.8	7,836	7,836	1.1	110,480	105,935	1.1	118,316
1950	11,214	1.7	19,440	19,440	1.2	97,102	89,970	1.3	116,542
1959	27,322	1.8	50,061	50,061	1.4	84,677	88,636	1.5	134,738
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	65,766	2.0	132,598
1978	27,900	2.7	75,300	75,300	1.8	76,700	70,500	2.2	152,000
1982	30,500	2.3	70,200	70,200	1.7	70,000	71,700	2.0	140,200
1987	21,000	2.7	57,700	57,700	2.2	90,600	63,000	2.4	148,300
1992	19,900	2.5	49,700	49,700	1.8	46,200	45,500	2.1	95,900
1997	18,700	2.5	46,500	46,500	1.9	40,700	40,400	2.2	87,200
2002	15,400	2.2	33,200	31,400	2	62,400	46,800	2	95,600
2003	15,300	3.7	56,000	38,300	1.6	61,000	53,600	2.2	117,000
2004	13,800	2.4	33,400	22,100	1.5	32,800	35,900	1.8	66,200
2005	12,800	1.9	24,300	33,700	1.8	59,400	46,500	1.8	83,700
2006	13,000	1.8	22,800	14,100	1.5	20,900	27,100	1.6	43,700
2007	11,800	1.9	22,100	27,000	1.8	48,300	38,800	1.8	70,400
2008	15,400	3.05	47,300	22,300	1	22,000	37,700	1.84	69,300

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# Washington County

## Farm Statistics

August 2009

Washington County is located in eastern New York bordering the eastern Adirondack mountains and Vermont. In 2008, there were 202,877 acres in farms, 38 percent of the county's total 531,958 acres. There were 843 farms in the county averaging 241 acres per farm. Washington County ranks 16th in the state for number of farms and 8th for land in farms.

In 2007, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$112.2 million. Total sales averaged \$133,166 per farm. The leading products sold were: Milk & Dairy, Cattle & Calves, Vegetables & Potatoes, Hay, and Grains & Dry Beans.

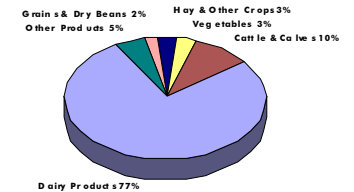
The average value of land and buildings per farm in 2007 was \$512,622. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$104,900 per farm. Total production expenses in 2007 were \$92.9 million for an average of \$110,314 per farm. The Census showed 50 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 54.4 years. The U.S.D.A.'s Economic Research Service showed the median household income in 2007 was \$44,043.

**LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Product	2007 Sales (\$1,000)	Percent of Total	State Rank
Dairy Products	85,630	77	9
Cattle & Calves	11,207	10	9
Vegetables	3,900	3	20
Hay & Other Crops	3,606	3	14
Grains & Dry Beans	2,770	2	26
Other Products	5,146	5	
<b>TOTAL SALES</b>	<b>112,259</b>		<b>16</b>

2007 Census of Agriculture

Leading Agricultural Products  
Percent of Total



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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	2,934	410,391	N/A	N/A	78,440	N/A
1950	2,349	384,889	208,448	72,377	87,664	16,400
1959	1,625	351,043	166,351	80,504	81,416	22,772
1969	1,038	267,339	149,946	N/A	63,866	N/A
1978	932	258,586	160,781	20,128	62,217	15,460
1982	948	256,796	156,372	23,555	58,371	18,498
1987	960	249,100	152,200	21,900	59,200	15,800
1992	875	226,000	135,700	22,900	50,400	17,000
1997	885	209,500	129,800	16,900	47,900	14,900
2002	880	206,200	130,695	14,194	47,088	13,823
2003	865	214,700	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2004	840	211,900	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2005	830	207,900	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2006	815	205,600	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2007	845	203,600	112,016	23,713	51,383	16,488
2008	850	200,800	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	440	425
\$10,000to\$49,999	184	200
\$50,000 to \$99,999	67	38
\$100,000 or more	196	180
Farms Reporting	887	843

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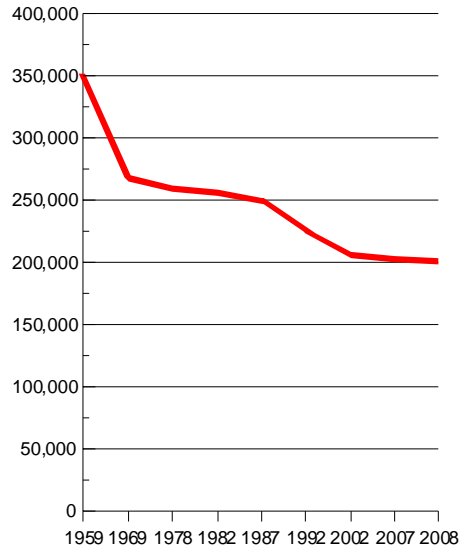
**RESIDENT POPULATION**

In 2008, Washington County's population ranked 40th in the state.

Year	Total	Population Per Sq Mile
1940	46,700	56
1950	47,100	56
1960	48,500	58
1970	52,700	63
1980	54,800	66
1990	59,330	71
2000	61,402	73
2008	62,804	75

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**Land in Farms (Acres)**



**CATTLE-Number on Farms Jan 1**

**MILK Cows & Production**

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	Milk Cows	Year	Annual Avg Milk Cows	Avg Production Per Cow	Total Milk Production
	<i>Number on Farms</i>				<i>No Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million Lbs</i>
1940	45,874	N/A	N/A	1940	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	50,038	482	29,258	1950	N/A	N/A	N/A
1959	55,006	493	32,497	1959	N/A	N/A	N/A
1969	51,939	2,055	28,410	1969	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	57,000	1,700	31,000	1978	31,200	12,500	390
1982	61,000	2,500	32,000	1982	32,000	12,600	403
1987	60,000	1,800	31,500	1987	31,000	13,800	428
1992	56,000	1,800	27,500	1992	27,500	15,000	413
1997	54,000	2,000	24,500	1997	24,500	16,100	394
2002	47,000	1,400	22,000	2002	22,700	16,800	381
2003	53,100	1,600	22,300	2003	23,000	16,000	368
2004	52,000	1,500	23,300	2004	23,400	17,100	399
2005	59,000	1,500	23,500	2005	23,700	18,300	434
2006	57,700	1,500	23,800	2006	23,000	19,600	450
2007	59,500	2,500	23,300	2007	23,000	20,000	460
2008	50,700		22,800	2008	22,800	20,500	467
2009	49,100	1,600	22,800	2009	N/A	N/A	N/A

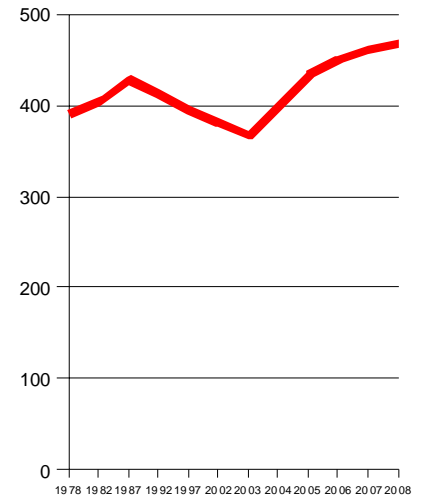
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**OATS-Acreage, Yield & Production**

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>
1940	N/A	11,640	28	321,218
1950	N/A	8,120	28	225,957
1959	N/A	8,942	48	427,871
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	2,000	1,500	53	79,500
1982	2,200	1,300	58	75,400
1987	2,100	500	56	44,800
1992	1,100	500	56	28,000
1997	500	500	50	25,000
2002	500	200	53	10,600
2003	700	600	52	31,400
2004	600	100	39	3,900
2005	700	600	37	22,000
2006	600	500	43	21,600
2007	700	400	54	21,400
2008	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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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	2,005	13	275	\$617,000