



2002 Census of Agriculture House District Profile

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House District 8, Pennsylvania

Number of farms	670
Land in farms (acres)	87,239
Average size of farm (acres)	130
Irrigated Acres	150
Total Number of Farm Operators	1,017
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Market Value of Production (dollars)	19,903,000
Market Value of Production, average per farm (dollars)	29,706
Government Payments (dollars)	603,000
Government Payments, average per farm (dollars)	4,402
Gross Income from Farms Related Sources (dollars) 1/	374,000

FARMS BY SIZE

1-9 Acres/Farm	62
10-49 Acres/Farm	179
50-179 Acres/Farm	307
180-499 Acres/Farm	98
500-999 Acres/Farm	16
1,000+ Acres/Farm	8

LAND USE

Farms with Cropland	605
Farms with Woodland	437
Farms with Other	464
Farms with Pasture and Rangeland	272

	Quantity	State rank	Universe 2/
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	19,903	53	179

VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) 3/

Grains and oilseeds	1,813	42	147
Tobacco	-		30
Cotton and cottonseed	-		
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	547	63	152
Fruit, tree nuts, and berries	84	97	144
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod crops	3,863	31	166
Cut Christmas trees and woody crops	343	21	132
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Poultry and eggs	40	80	129
Cattle and calves	3,830	33	146
Milk products	6,896	47	126
Hogs and pigs	84	74	127
Sheep, goats, and their products	61	35	134
Horses, ponies, mules	262	20	130
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	86

House District 8, Pennsylvania (continued)

	Quantity	State rank	Universe 2/
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Cattle and calves	14,257	36	150
Sheep and lambs	1,695	20	140
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,435	69	137
Horses and ponies	1,167	34	153
All Goats	706	13	133
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TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and green chop	25,110	24	158
Corn for grain	8,794	34	141
Oats	3,462	8	131
Corn for silage	3,212	45	134
Soybeans	2,703	42	124
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FARMS BY VALUE OF SALES			
Less than \$1,000	210		
\$1,000 to \$2,499	91		
\$2,500 to \$4,999	93		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71		
\$10,000 to \$19,999	69		
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10		
\$25,000 to \$39,999	25		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20		
\$50,000 to \$99,999	38		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	25		
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10		
\$500,000 or more	8		
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	18,739		
Average per farm (dollars)	31,708		
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (\$1,000)	3,854		
Average per farm (dollars)	6,520		
PRINCIPAL OPERATORS BY PRIMARY OCCUPATION			
Farming	353		
Other	317		
PRINCIPAL OPERATORS BY GENDER			
Male	591		
Female	79		
Average age of principal operator (years)	55		
ALL OPERATORS BY RACE 4/			
White	996		
Black or African American	-		
American Indian or Alaska Native	4		
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-		
Asian	-		
More than one race	-		
All operators with Spanish, Hispanic or Latino Origin 4/	6		

(D) Cannot be disclosed.

1/ Custom work, farm rent, forest products, recreational services, cooperative dividends, animal boarding, tax refunds, etc.

2/ Universe is the number of house districts in the state with the item. Pennsylvania has 203 house districts.

3/ Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

4/ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

5/ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line. Position in the table does not indicate rank.