



CLINTON COUNTY

FARM STATISTICS

April 2000

Clinton county lies in the north eastern part of the state bordering Canada and Lake Champlain. In 1998, there were 161,100 acres in farms, 24 percent of the county's total 664,960 acres. There were 590 farms in the county averaging 273 acres per farm. Clinton county ranks 33rd in the state for number of farms and 21st for land in farms.

In 1997, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$69.3 million. Total sales averaged \$142,066 per farm. The leading products sold were: dairy products, poultry products, fruit and berries, cattle and calves, and nursery and greenhouse.

The average value of land and buildings per farm was \$274,816. Machinery and equipment was valued at \$72,410 per farm. Total production expenses in 1997 were \$53.3 million for an average of \$108,724 per farm. The Census showed 55 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 53.6 years. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the average personal income for all wage earners in the county in 1996 was \$18,386.

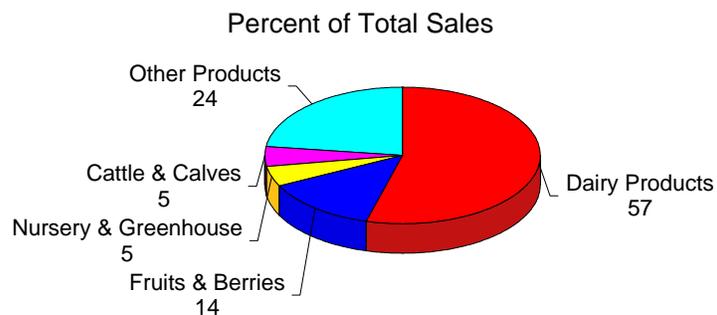
LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Product	1997 Sales Thous. Dol.	Percent of Total	County Rank
Dairy Products	39,584	57	15
Poultry Products	D	0	2
Fruits & Berries	9,856	14	6
Nursery & Greenhouse	3,173	5	19
Cattle & Calves	3,654	5	24
Other Products	16,715	24	
TOTAL SALES	69,328		18

1997 Census of Agriculture

D: Cannot be disclosed-included in "Other Products"

LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS



FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, AND LAND USE

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms Acres	Total Cropland 1/ Acres	Permanent Pasture 2/ Acres	Total Woodland 3/ Acres	Other Land 4/ Acres
1940	2,753	402,493	5/	5/	80,719	5/
1950	2,275	400,390	159,408	60,872	163,617	16,493
1959	1,494	327,897	122,800	44,747	147,650	12,700
1969	917	243,388	127,706	5/	82,847	5/
1978	681	208,037	108,874	15,965	72,712	10,486
1982	705	206,396	101,189	15,744	80,191	9,272
1987	660	178,600	93,100	12,300	66,000	7,200
1992	575	174,200	90,200	24,500	51,700	7,800
1993	585	172,100	89,400	23,600	50,900	8,200
1994	585	166,300	86,300	20,300	51,800	7,900
1995	580	164,700	84,600	17,800	54,300	8,000
1996	585	161,400	83,500	15,300	55,200	7,400
1997	585	159,800	80,900	13,000	57,400	8,500
1998	590	161,100	74,900	14,200	62,400	9,600

1940-1982 U.S. Census of Agriculture 1/ Includes cropland pastured. 2/ Excludes cropland and woodland pastured. 3/ Includes woodland pastured. 4/ Land in house lots, ponds, wasteland, etc. 5/ Not available.

FARMS BY SALES CLASS

Sales Class	1992	1997
Number of Farms		
Under \$10,000	177	221
\$10,000 to \$49,999	75	92
\$50,000 to \$99,999	63	34
\$100,000 or more	173	141
Farms Reporting	488	488

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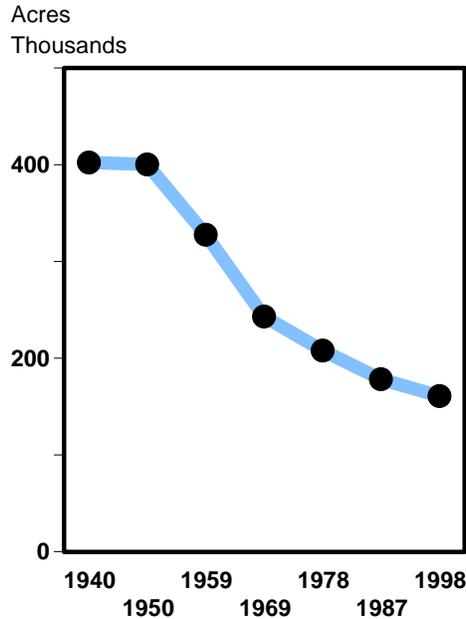
RESIDENT POPULATION

In 1998, County's population ranked 35th in the state

Year	Total	Population Per Square Mile
1940	54,000	52
1950	53,600	52
1960	72,700	70
1970	72,900	70
1980	80,800	78
1990	86,000	83
1998	79,970	77

U.S. Census of Population

Land in Farms



CATTLE: Number on Farms, January 1

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Number on farms	
		Beef Cows	Milk Cows
1940	44,606	1/	1/
1950	45,903	444	28,338
1959	43,077	524	26,182
1969	41,358	2,085	23,049
1978	39,000	900	20,500
1982	39,000	900	19,000
1987	39,000	700	19,500
1992	36,000	700	20,000
1993	36,000	900	19,000
1994	36,000	1,100	19,000
1995	36,000	1,100	19,500
1996	38,000	800	20,500
1997	37,000	700	21,000
1998	36,000	700	19,500

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1/ Not available.

MILK: Cows & Production

Year	Annual Avg. Milk Cows	Average Production Per Cow	Total Milk Production
	No. Head	Pounds	Million lbs.
1940	1/	1/	1/
1950	1/	1/	1/
1959	1/	1/	1/
1969	1/	1/	1/
1978	20,600	9,900	203.9
1982	19,000	11,800	224.2
1987	19,500	13,600	265.2
1992	19,500	15,400	300.3
1993	19,000	15,200	288.8
1994	19,000	15,000	285.0
1995	20,000	15,700	314.0
1996	20,500	15,400	315.7
1997	21,000	15,500	325.5
1998	20,500	15,600	319.8

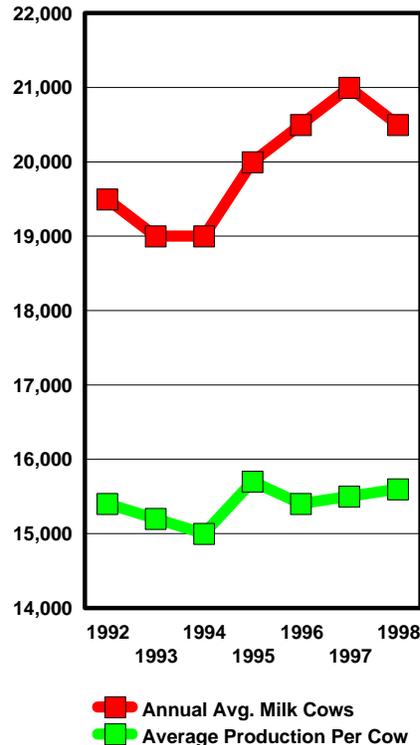
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OATS: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres	Acres	Bushels	Bushels
1940	1/	12,110	32.5	393,815
1950	1/	4,165	24.8	103,129
1959	1/	5,978	48.9	292,182
1969	1/	1/	1/	1/
1978	1,600	900	50.0	45,000
1982	2,200	1,100	56.0	61,600
1987	2,700	700	46.0	32,200
1992	1,100	600	62.0	37,200
1993	1,000	600	75.0	45,000
1994	2,200	2,000	67.0	134,000
1995	1,300	1,000	50.0	50,000
1996	400	300	47.0	14,000
1997	400	400	55.0	22,000
1998	500	400	57.0	22,800

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MILK: Cows & Production



EQUINE: Inventory and Value, 1997 Census of Agriculture

Total Equine	Rank in State	Inventory Value	Rank in State
645	35	\$59,000	46

CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	All Planted Acres	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested Acres	Yield Bushels	Production Bushels	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	8,217	730	36.2	26,423	1/	1/	1/
1950	11,090	192	37.8	7,262	10,458	9.6	100,130
1959	7,198	25	40.6	1,015	7,125	9.1	64,767
1969	12,300	300	68.0	20,400	1/	1/	1/
1978	20,600	1,600	90.3	144,400	18,700	12.1	226,400
1982	21,400	6,600	106.0	699,600	14,600	13.3	194,300
1987	19,500	5,300	119.0	630,700	13,900	16.0	222,400
1992	23,000	6,100	111.0	677,100	15,900	15.9	252,800
1993	20,300	6,300	108.0	680,400	13,800	15.1	208,400
1994	20,500	6,600	110.0	726,800	13,900	15.3	212,200
1995	20,400	6,900	96.0	661,200	13,400	12.7	170,400
1996	20,400	6,800	94.0	639,400	13,300	14.1	187,100
1997	20,700	6,500	113.0	734,500	14,000	15.9	222,400
1998	19,300	6,000	108.0	648,000	13,300	15.4	204,800

1940-1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

1/ Not available

HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production 1/

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	3,360	2.5	8,526	85,992	1.3	113,602	89,352	1.4	122,128
1950	4,919	1.4	7,056	87,687	1.0	89,502	92,606	1.0	96,558
1959	12,949	1.9	24,815	62,271	1.4	86,448	75,220	1.5	111,263
1969	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	55,757	2.0	109,042
1978	22,900	2.4	55,000	32,600	1.8	58,700	55,500	2.0	113,700
1982	21,100	2.2	46,400	31,400	1.9	59,700	52,500	2.0	106,100
1987	19,000	2.8	53,600	34,000	2.0	68,300	53,000	2.3	121,900
1992	14,700	2.3	33,100	16,300	1.7	27,800	31,000	2.0	60,900
1993	11,700	2.5	29,700	19,300	1.6	31,200	31,000	2.0	60,900
1994	10,300	3.1	31,700	19,100	1.8	35,200	29,400	2.3	66,900
1995	10,800	2.7	29,200	18,300	2.0	36,600	29,100	2.3	65,800
1996	11,400	3.0	34,200	16,600	2.0	33,600	28,000	2.4	67,800
1997	12,000	2.8	33,700	14,200	1.9	26,300	26,200	2.3	60,000
1998	11,300	2.6	29,800	12,700	1.9	24,400	24,000	2.3	54,200

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1/ Dry hay only - excludes silage and green chop

2/ Not available