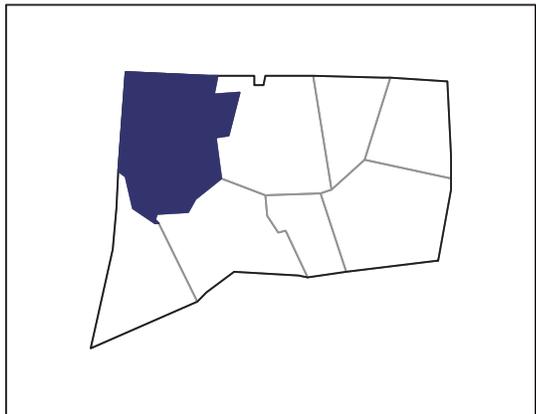


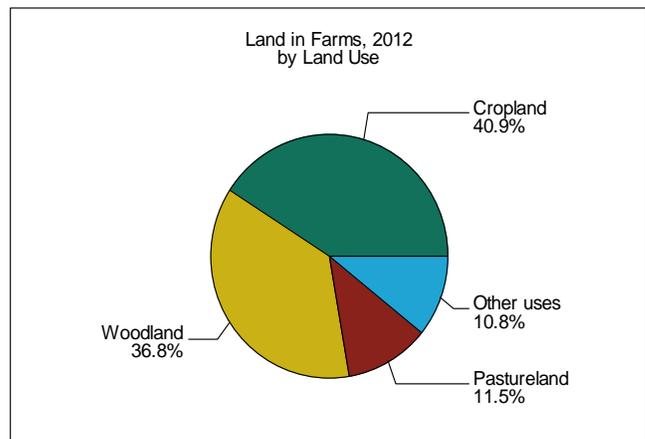
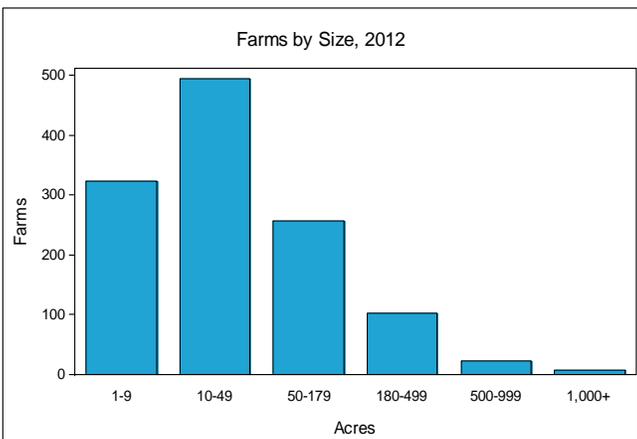
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Litchfield County Connecticut

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,207	979	+ 23
<b>Land in Farms</b>	90,963 acres	87,412 acres	+ 4
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	75 acres	89 acres	- 16
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$46,281,000	\$47,418,000	- 2
Crop Sales \$28,023,000 (61 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$18,258,000 (39 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$38,344	\$48,435	- 21
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,209,000	\$1,533,000	- 21
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$9,299	\$15,805	- 41





## Litchfield County – Connecticut

### Ranked items among the 8 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	46,281	6	8	1,825	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	28,023	6	8	1,519	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	18,258	4	8	1,679	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	4	8	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,750	4	8	518	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,717	4	8	270	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	15,415	6	8	196	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	4	8	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,418	1	8	663	3,049
Poultry and eggs	549	3	8	1,080	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,151	2	8	2,287	3,056
Milk from cows	13,792	4	8	416	2,038
Hogs and pigs	124	5	8	1,202	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	3	8	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	665	5	8	412	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	6	7	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	443	2	8	459	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,486	1	8	859	3,057
Corn for silage	4,074	4	8	452	2,237
Corn for grain	1,737	1	8	1,759	2,638
Cut Christmas trees	929	2	8	50	1,557
Vegetables harvested, all	894	4	8	505	2,801
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	11,009	2	8	1,860	3,063
Layers	7,542	2	8	730	3,040
Horses and ponies	2,925	1	8	212	3,072
Pullets for laying flock replacement	2,053	3	8	485	2,637
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,922	5	8	776	2,723

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	405	Farming	501
\$1,000 to \$2,499	178	Other	706
\$2,500 to \$4,999	172	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	135	Male	931
\$10,000 to \$19,999	101	Female	276
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	68	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	46	Asian	12
\$100,000 to \$249,999	36	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	12	White	1,819
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	63,405	More than one race	20
Average per farm (\$)	52,531	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	7
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,415		
Average per farm (\$)	-2,001		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.