Agriculture is one of the most thriving industries in Delaware. There are approximately 2,300 farms spread across over 530,000 acres of agricultural land.

**CASH RECEIPTS (2019)**

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<tr>
<th>COMMODITY</th>
<th>RECEIPTS ($1000)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Broilers</td>
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<td>Corn</td>
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<td>All Other Crops</td>
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<td>Soybeans</td>
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<td>Dairy Products, Milk</td>
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<td>Hogs</td>
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<td>Cattle and Calves</td>
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<td>Other Animals and Products</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL CROPS</strong></td>
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**MAJOR COMMODITIES AS A PERCENT TOTAL (2019)**

- Broilers: 81.3%
- Corn: 8.3%
- Soybeans: 4.9%
- Other: 0.4%

**MILK PRODUCTION (2020)**

- Dairy Products: 16,056,000 Lb/Herd
- All Other Dairy: 12,056,000 Lb
- All Other Dairy: 70,500,000 Lb

**LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (2020-2021)**

- Cattle, Cows: 1,800
- Cattle, Cows: 3,700
- Cattle, Incl Calves: 13,000
- Hogs: +7,000

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In 2020, the Delaware Poultry industry was responsible for as much as $7.23 billion in total economic activity throughout the state, creating or supporting as many as 29,085 total jobs.

Not only does the chicken industry create jobs, it also generates sizeable tax revenues. In Delaware, the industry, and its employees pay about $389.58 million in federal taxes and $198.66 million in state and local taxes.

The number of broiler/roaster/Cornish hen houses is approximately 2,460.
The Delaware State farm real estate value, a measurement of the value of all land and buildings on farms, averaged $8,950 per acre for 2020, up slightly from 2019. The cropland value averaged 8,600 per acre, no change from the previous year.

**FARM FACTS (2019)**

- **Number of Farms**: 2,300
- **Acres of Farmland**: 530,000
- **Net Farm Income**: $588,170,000
- **Government Payments**: $36,758,000
- **Federal Insurance Premia**: $3,793,000
- **Federal Insurance Indemnities**: $5,504,000

**Cropland Average Value Per Acre (2010-2020)**

- **2010**: $7,750
- **2011**: $7,900
- **2012**: $8,000
- **2013**: $8,050
- **2014**: $8,100
- **2015**: $8,150
- **2016**: $8,200
- **2017**: $8,250
- **2018**: $8,300
- **2019**: $8,350
- **2020**: $8,400

Cropland average value has increased by 2.4% in the last 10 years.

**Top States: Farm Real Estate Value $ Per Acre (2020)**

- Rhode Island: $16,000
- New Jersey: $13,600
- Connecticut: $12,000
- Massachusetts: $11,300
- California: $10,000
- Delaware: $8,950
- Maryland: $8,080
- Illinois: $7,400
- Iowa: $7,070
- Indiana: $6,600
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