

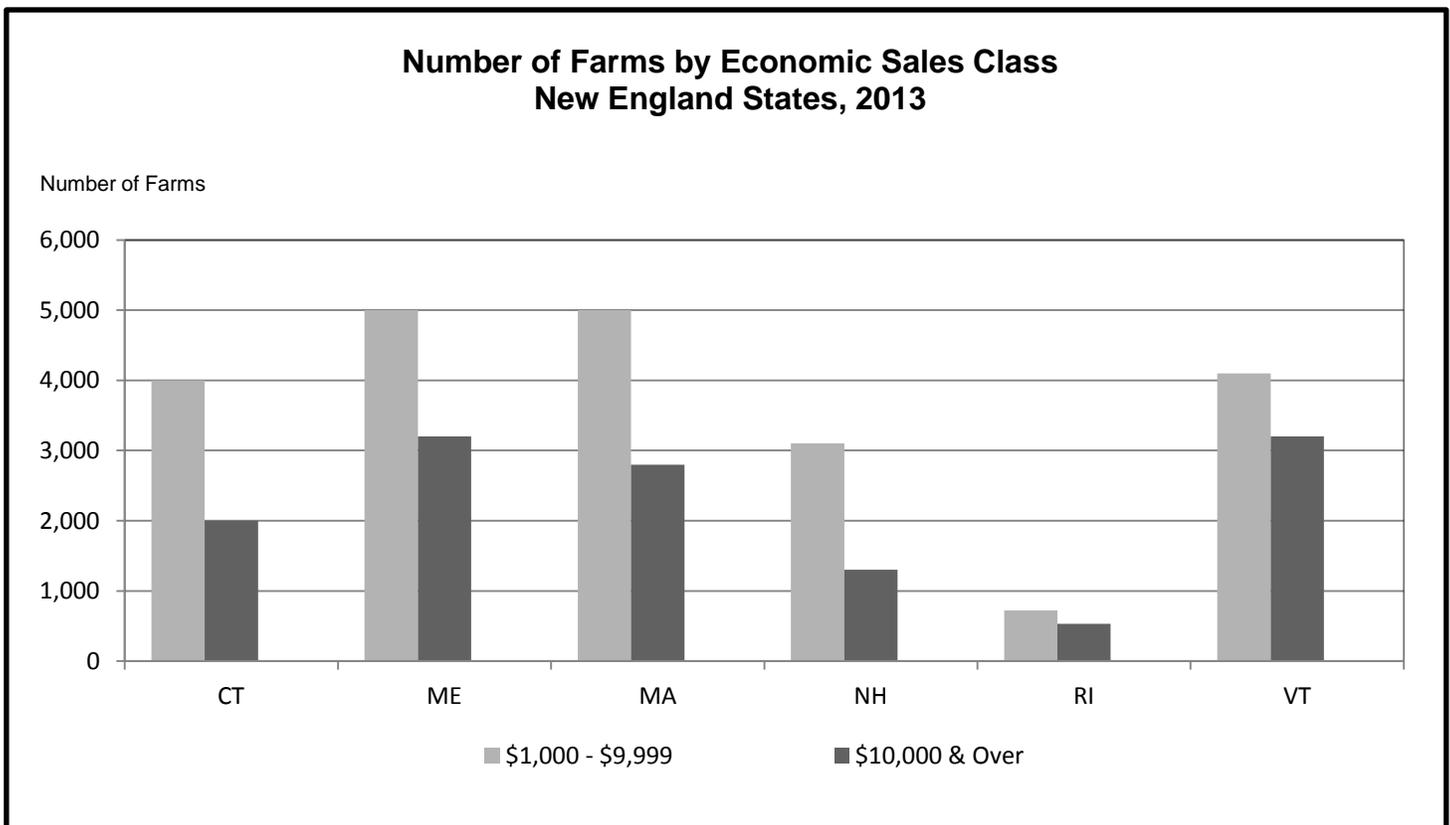
**FARM NUMBERS**

The number of farms across the six New England States in 2013 totaled 34,950, unchanged from the revised 2012. Of the total farms, 21,920 farms had less than \$10,000 in sales. Land in farms in the 6-State region, at 4.250 million acres, is also unchanged from a year earlier. The average size of a farm in New England was 122 acres in 2013, ranging from 56 acres per farm in the highly populated Rhode Island to 183 acres per farm in Maine. Farm real estate values, a measurement of the value of all land and buildings on farms, averaged \$4,808 per acre in 2013 in New England, down slightly from \$4,813 per acre 2012.

Number of farms and land in farms were revised for 2012 at the U.S. and state level based on the Census of Agriculture. The Census of Agriculture, conducted every five years, provides a base from which the annual surveys measure the change from that base. At the end of this five-year cycle, the annual estimates are revised based on inter-census trends.

The definition of a farm has remained the same since 1974: any place which produced and sold, or normally would have produced and sold, \$1,000 worth of agricultural products during the year. Activities included as agriculture, however, have undergone modifications in recent years. In the years since 1997, commodities are defined as agriculture based on the 1997 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) as jointly developed by the United States Office of Management and Budget, Statistics Canada, and the Mexican Institute of National Statistics. Land in farms includes crop and livestock acreage, wasteland, woodland, pasture, land in summer fallow, idle cropland, land enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program and other set aside or commodity acreage programs. It excludes public, industrial, and grazing association land and nonagricultural land. For further details concerning the farm definition history, please access the NASS website [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

**Number of Farms by Economic Sales Class  
New England States, 2013**



**FARMS: Number and Land in Farms by Economic Sales Class,  
and Value per Acre, 2004 – 2013**

State and Year	Farms <sup>1</sup>	Economic Sales Class <sup>2</sup>		Land In Farms	Economic Sales Class <sup>2</sup>		Average Farm Size	Farm Real Estate Value per Acre <sup>3</sup>
		\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 & Over		\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 & Over		
		Number			1,000 Acres		Acres	Dollars
<b>Connecticut</b>								
2004	4,200	2,850	1,350	380	150	230	90	10,400
2005	4,200	2,850	1,350	390	150	240	93	11,200
2006	4,200	2,850	1,350	400	160	240	95	12,100
2007 <sup>4</sup>	4,900	3,100	1,800	410	140	270	84	12,700
2008	5,100	3,200	1,900	400	130	270	78	12,700
2009	5,300	3,400	1,900	420	140	280	79	12,000
2010	5,500	3,600	1,900	410	140	270	75	11,500
2011	5,800	3,800	2,000	420	150	270	72	11,600
2012	6,000	4,000	2,000	440	150	290	73	11,200
2013	6,000	4,000	2,000	440	150	290	73	11,100
<b>Maine</b>								
2004	7,200	5,100	2,100	1,370	540	830	190	1,870
2005	7,100	5,000	2,100	1,360	530	830	192	1,990
2006	7,100	5,000	2,100	1,350	520	830	190	2,110
2007 <sup>4</sup>	8,100	5,300	2,800	1,350	480	870	167	2,230
2008	8,100	5,200	2,900	1,400	480	920	173	2,200
2009	8,100	5,200	2,900	1,400	480	920	173	2,130
2010	8,100	5,100	3,000	1,400	480	920	173	2,050
2011	8,200	5,100	3,100	1,400	480	920	171	2,080
2012	8,200	5,000	3,200	1,450	500	950	177	2,070
2013	8,200	5,000	3,200	1,500	500	1,000	183	2,100
<b>Massachusetts</b>								
2004	6,100	3,850	2,250	520	220	300	85	9,920
2005	6,100	3,850	2,250	520	220	300	85	10,500
2006	6,100	3,850	2,250	520	220	300	85	11,700
2007 <sup>4</sup>	7,700	4,800	2,900	520	210	310	68	11,900
2008	7,700	4,800	2,900	520	210	310	68	12,300
2009	7,700	4,850	2,850	520	210	310	68	12,000
2010	7,700	4,900	2,800	530	220	310	69	11,200
2011	7,700	4,900	2,800	530	220	310	69	10,900
2012	7,800	5,000	2,800	520	210	310	67	10,400
2013	7,800	5,000	2,800	520	210	310	67	10,400
<b>New Hampshire</b>								
2004	3,400	2,500	900	450	240	210	132	3,400
2005	3,400	2,500	900	460	250	210	135	3,780
2006	3,400	2,500	900	460	250	210	135	4,240
2007 <sup>4</sup>	4,150	2,900	1,250	470	230	240	113	4,800
2008	4,200	2,950	1,250	470	230	240	112	4,900
2009	4,250	3,000	1,250	470	230	240	111	4,770
2010	4,300	3,000	1,300	470	230	240	109	4,690
2011	4,300	3,000	1,300	460	230	230	107	4,560
2012	4,400	3,100	1,300	470	240	230	107	4,440
2013	4,400	3,100	1,300	470	240	230	107	4,310

<sup>1</sup> Any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or would normally be sold during the year. Commodities are defined as agriculture based on the 1997 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

<sup>2</sup> Economic sales classes are based on the gross value of sales, which include sales of agricultural products such as crops, livestock, horses, honey, furs, fish, nursery and greenhouse products, rabbits, etc. Government program payments from the previous year are also included.

<sup>3</sup> Average farm real estate is the value of farmland and buildings.

<sup>4</sup> 2007: New base for farm numbers that will be used to anchor the annual estimates for 2008 and beyond. SOURCE: 2007 Census of Agriculture.

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and Value per Acre, 2004 – 2013**

State and Year	Farms <sup>1</sup>	Economic Sales Class <sup>2</sup>		Land In Farms	Economic Sales Class <sup>2</sup>		Average Farm Size	Farm Real Estate Value per Acre <sup>3</sup>
		\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 & Over		\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 & Over		
	Number				1,000 Acres		Acres	Dollars
<b>Rhode Island</b>								
2004	850	490	360	70	32	38	82	10,900
2005	850	490	360	70	30	40	82	12,800
2006	850	490	360	70	30	40	82	15,300
2007 <sup>4</sup>	1,220	750	470	70	30	40	57	16,400
2008	1,200	730	470	70	30	40	58	16,800
2009	1,250	740	510	70	30	40	56	15,800
2010	1,250	730	520	70	30	40	56	14,600
2011	1,250	730	520	70	30	40	56	14,400
2012	1,250	720	530	70	30	40	56	13,800
2013	1,250	720	530	70	30	40	56	13,800
<b>Vermont</b>								
2004	6,400	3,950	2,450	1,250	390	860	195	2,150
2005	6,300	3,850	2,450	1,250	390	860	198	2,320
2006	6,300	3,850	2,450	1,250	390	860	198	2,480
2007 <sup>4</sup>	7,000	4,000	3,000	1,230	350	880	176	2,740
2008	7,100	4,050	3,050	1,230	340	890	173	2,900
2009	7,100	4,050	3,050	1,230	340	890	173	2,880
2010	7,200	4,100	3,100	1,240	340	900	172	2,900
2011	7,300	4,100	3,200	1,240	340	900	170	2,980
2012	7,300	4,100	3,200	1,250	340	910	171	3,060
2013	7,300	4,100	3,200	1,250	340	910	171	3,200
<b>New England</b>								
2004	28,150	18,740	9,410	4,040	1,572	2,468	144	4,122
2005	27,950	18,540	9,410	4,050	1,570	2,480	145	4,462
2006	27,950	18,540	9,410	4,050	1,570	2,480	145	4,912
2007 <sup>4</sup>	33,070	20,850	12,220	4,050	1,440	2,610	122	5,230
2008	33,400	20,930	12,470	4,090	1,420	2,670	122	5,282
2009	33,700	21,240	12,460	4,110	1,430	2,680	122	5,147
2010	34,050	21,430	12,620	4,120	1,440	2,680	121	4,938
2011	34,550	21,630	12,920	4,120	1,450	2,670	119	4,942
2012	34,950	21,920	13,030	4,200	1,470	2,730	120	4,813
2013	34,950	21,920	13,030	4,250	1,470	2,780	122	4,808

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**FARMS: Agricultural Land Value per Acre, 2004 – 2013**

Region and Year	Farm Real Estate Value per Acre <sup>1,2</sup>	Cropland Value per Acre <sup>2</sup>	Pastureland Value per Acre <sup>3</sup>
<b>New England</b>			
2004	4,122	6,270	4,350
2005	4,462	6,770	4,740
2006	4,912	7,370	5,290
2007	5,230	7,690	6,360
2008	5,282	7,930	6,370
2009	5,147	7,620	6,060
2010	4,938	7,220	5,800
2011	4,942	7,170	5,730
2012	4,813	7,120	5,760
2013	4,808	7,060	5,840

\* Revised.

<sup>1</sup> Average farm real estate is the value of farmland and buildings.

<sup>2</sup> Farm real estate and cropland values include CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.

<sup>3</sup> Pastureland values include CT, DE, MD, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.