

Historical Statistics & Rankings

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Pennsylvania: Record Highs and Lows in PA Agriculture ¹

Field Crops and Vegetables	Year Estimates Started	Record	Acreage		Yield			Production	
			Harvested (1,000)	Year	Unit	Per Acre	Year	Total (1,000)	Year
Corn for grain.....	1866	High	1,590	1918	Bu.	143	2009	151,800	1985
		Low	672	1966					
Corn for silage	1919	High	590	1999	Ton	19.5	2009	8,325	2008
		Low	156	1921					
Wheat	1866	High	1,610	1901	Bu.	64	2008	26,565	1901
		Low	135	2004					
Oats	1866	High	1,330	1888	Bu.	70	1985	44,165	1918
		Low	80	2009					
Barley.....	1866	High	245	1955	Bu.	81	2006	9,900	1967
		Low	7	1915					
Soybeans.....	1924	High	445	2009	Bu.	46	2009	20,470	2009
		Low	2	1935					
Dry hay, all	1866	High	3,300	1892	Ton	2.93	2006	5,302	1985
		Low	1,550	2009					
Dry hay, alfalfa.....	1919	High	850	1987	Ton	3.30	1985	2,772	1985
		Low	31	1919					
Potatoes.....	1866	High	308	1917	Cwt.	310	2009	19,662	1934
		Low	9.5	2009					
Tobacco	1866	High	49.0	1918	Lbs.	2,318	2007	72,275	1918
		Low	3.0	1869					
Mushrooms.....	1966	High	-	-	Lbs.	-	-	524,587	2009
		Low	-	-					
Cabbage, fresh	1992	High	2.0	1996	Cwt.	270	2007	513	1992
		Low	1.2	2009					
Cantaloup, fresh	1992	High	1.2	2003	Cwt.	170	2009	156	1996
		Low	0.9	2009					
Pumpkins ²	2000	High	8.1	2004	Cwt.	185	2008	1,313	2005
		Low	6.1	2007					
Snap beans, proc.	1918	High	13.5	2004	Ton	3.95	2009	46.8	2004
		Low	.1	1921					
Sweet corn, fresh.....	1939	High	29.4	1944	Cwt.	85	1989	1,454	1989
		Low	10.9	1972					
Sweet corn, proc ³ ..	1918	High	16.7	1943	Ton	8.45	1992	44.9	1956
		Low	.8	2003					
Strawberries.....	1918	High	4.1	1937	Cwt.	66	2001	125.3	1937
		Low	1.1	2009					
Tomatoes, fresh.....	1918	High	5.0	1987	Cwt.	220	2008	840	2000
		Low	.5	1926					

¹ In some cases, the record high and/or low is identical for more than one year. In such cases, the year shown is the latest year of occurrence. ² Added to vegetable program in 2000. ³ Sweet corn processed discontinued in 2007 to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

