



## Litchfield County Connecticut

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

|                                  | 2022        | % change since 2017 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms                  | 1,005       | -17                 |
| Land in farms (acres)            | 85,205      | -6                  |
| Average size of farm (acres)     | 85          | +14                 |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>(\$)</b> |                     |
| Market value of products sold    | 58,620,000  | +43                 |
| Government payments              | 513,000     | +41                 |
| Farm-related income              | 12,191,000  | +60                 |
| Total farm production expenses   | 66,827,000  | +26                 |
| Net cash farm income             | 4,497,000   | +210                |
| <b>Per farm average</b>          | <b>(\$)</b> |                     |
| Market value of products sold    | 58,328      | +73                 |
| Government payments <sup>a</sup> | 11,403      | +44                 |
| Farm-related income <sup>a</sup> | 39,970      | +95                 |
| Total farm production expenses   | 66,495      | +52                 |
| Net cash farm income             | 4,474       | +233                |

**8** Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops                            | 51 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 49 |

#### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

|             |        |
|-------------|--------|
| Cropland    | 33,409 |
| Pastureland | 7,874  |
| Woodland    | 34,858 |
| Other       | 9,064  |

**Acres irrigated: 641**

1% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| No till        | 12 |
| Reduced till   | 5  |
| Intensive till | 11 |
| Cover crop     | 13 |

#### Farms by Value of Sales

|                      | Number | Percent of Total <sup>b</sup> |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500    | 375    | 37                            |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999   | 139    | 14                            |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999   | 145    | 14                            |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 146    | 15                            |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 84     | 8                             |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 45     | 4                             |
| \$100,000 or more    | 71     | 7                             |

#### Farms by Size

|                  | Number | Percent of Total <sup>b</sup> |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres     | 293    | 29                            |
| 10 to 49 acres   | 366    | 36                            |
| 50 to 179 acres  | 217    | 22                            |
| 180 to 499 acres | 106    | 11                            |
| 500 to 999 acres | 18     | 2                             |
| 1,000+ acres     | 5      | (Z)                           |

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

|  | Sales (\$1,000) | Rank in State <sup>c</sup> | Counties Producing Item | Rank in U.S. <sup>c</sup> | Counties Producing Item |
|--|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>58,620</b>   | <b>5</b>                   | <b>8</b>                | <b>1,833</b>              | <b>3,078</b>            |
| <b>Crops</b>   | <b>29,836</b>   | <b>6</b>                   | <b>8</b>                | <b>1,593</b>              | <b>3,074</b>            |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas                  | (D)             | 3                          | 8                       | (D)                       | 2,917                   |
| Tobacco  | -               | -                          | 2                       | -                         | 267                     |
| Cotton and cottonseed                                  | -               | -                          | -                       | -                         | 647                     |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes           | 8,145           | 2                          | 8                       | 305                       | 2,831                   |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries                             | 2,856           | 5                          | 8                       | 330                       | 2,711                   |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod                 | (D)             | 8                          | 8                       | (D)                       | 2,660                   |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops | 557             | 6                          | 8                       | 106                       | 1,274                   |
| Other crops and hay                                    | 5,236           | 1                          | 8                       | 655                       | 3,035                   |
| <b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>                | <b>28,783</b>   | <b>3</b>                   | <b>8</b>                | <b>1,513</b>              | <b>3,076</b>            |
| Poultry and eggs                                       | (D)             | 5                          | 8                       | (D)                       | 3,027                   |
| Cattle and calves                                      | 3,704           | 2                          | 8                       | 1,850                     | 3,047                   |
| Milk from cows   | 21,843          | 2                          | 7                       | 339                       | 1,770                   |
| Hogs and pigs  | (D)             | (D)                        | 8                       | (D)                       | 2,814                   |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk                       | 252             | 2                          | 8                       | 762                       | 2,967                   |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys                 | 1,649           | 2                          | 8                       | 164                       | 2,907                   |
| Aquaculture  | (D)             | (D)                        | 7                       | (D)                       | 1,190                   |
| Other animals and animal products                      | 422             | 5                          | 8                       | 451                       | 2,909                   |

|                                  |              |                               |   |       |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---|-------|
| <b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>    | <b>1,753</b> | <b>Percent of farms that:</b> | <b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>    |       |
| <b>Sex</b>                       |              | Have internet access          | 84  |       |
| Male                             | 1,015        |                               |   |       |
| Female                           | 738          |                               |   |       |
| <b>Age</b>                       |              | Farm organically              | 3   |       |
| <35                              | 113          |                               |   |       |
| 35 – 64                          | 785          |                               |   |       |
| 65 and older                     | 855          |                               |   |       |
| <b>Race</b>                      |              | Sell directly to consumers    | 26  |       |
| American Indian/Alaska Native    | -            |                               |   |       |
| Asian                            | 3            |                               |   |       |
| Black or African American        | 3            |                               |   |       |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | -            | Hire farm labor               | 25  |       |
| White                            | 1,738        |                               |   |       |
| More than one race               | 9            |                               |   |       |
| <b>Other characteristics</b>     |              | Are family farms              | 95  |       |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 21           |                               |   |       |
| With military service            | 140          |                               |   |       |
| New and beginning farmers        | 498          |                               |   |       |
|                                  |              |                               | <b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b> |       |
|                                  |              |                               | Broilers and other meat-type chickens     | 5,099 |
|                                  |              |                               | Cattle and calves                         | 9,870 |
|                                  |              |                               | Goats                                     | 623   |
|                                  |              |                               | Hogs and pigs                             | 487   |
|                                  |              |                               | Horses and ponies                         | 1,922 |
|                                  |              |                               | Layers                                    | 9,323 |
|                                  |              |                               | Pullets                                   | 1,150 |
|                                  |              |                               | Sheep and lambs                           | 843   |
|                                  |              |                               | Turkeys                                   | 500   |

<sup>a</sup> Average per farm receiving. <sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>c</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>d</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>e</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>f</sup> Position below the line does not indicate rank. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.