

CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	All Planted Acres	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested Acres	Yield Bushels	Production Bushels	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	19,323	10,692	38	402,795	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	14,372	6,455	42	267,862	6,551	6.7	43,592
1959	19,777	13,690	48	660,234	5,794	8.2	47,288
1969	17,600	10,300	80	824,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	34,000	25,800	85	2,193,000	7,600	12.5	95,000
1982	36,400	29,500	87	2,551,700	6,400	12.8	81,900
1987	30,000	25,100	111	2,786,100	4,600	16.5	75,900
1992	29,600	24,500	84	2,058,000	3,800	14.0	53,200
1997	36,600	29,700	107	3,177,900	6,600	15.0	99,000
1998	36,800	29,800	120	3,571,000	7,000	16.1	112,700
1999	41,700	36,800	112	4,121,900	4,900	19	90,900
2000	32,300	20,300	95	1,928,900	12,000	14	162,400
2001	37,300	29,900	88	2,641,700	7,300	13	95,600
2002	33,200	25,500	86	2,186,800	7,100	13	94,300
2003	29,300	21,100	115	2,418,000	8,200	18	148,300

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HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay			Total Hay		
	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	5,605	1.6	9,228	45,032	0.8	36,659	50,637	0.9	45,877
1950	5,309	1.7	9,111	36,251	1.1	41,522	41,560	1.2	50,633
1959	15,890	2.0	32,410	16,135	1.5	24,054	32,025	1.8	56,464
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	29,827	2.3	67,521
1978	18,000	2.3	41,400	16,600	1.9	31,500	34,600	2.1	72,900
1982	12,300	2.9	35,700	15,800	2.1	33,200	28,100	2.5	68,900
1987	10,000	2.9	28,500	15,000	2.7	40,200	25,000	2.7	68,700
1992	13,400	2.5	33,600	13,900	2.0	28,300	27,300	2.3	61,900
1997	11,800	2.9	34,300	11,400	2.3	25,900	23,200	2.6	60,200
1998	11,100	2.7	30,300	10,100	2.4	24,100	21,200	2.6	54,400
1999	11,500	3.1	36,100	12,200	1.9	23,000	23,700	2.5	59,100
2000	9,400	1.9	17,700	13,300	1.7	22,900	22,700	1.8	40,600
2001	12,100	2.3	27,500	13,900	1.8	24,400	26,000	2.0	51,900
2002	13,200	3.1	40,800	13,800	2.1	28,300	27,000	2.6	69,100
2003	13,100	3.1	41,200	16,800	1.7	27,900	29,900	2.3	69,100

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Niagara County

Farm Statistics

Niagara County is located in the northwest portion of the state bordering Canada and Lake Ontario. In 2003, there were 147,800 acres in farms, 44 percent of the county's total 334,687 acres. There were 795 farms in the county averaging 186 acres per farm. Niagara County ranks 15th in the state for number of farms and 25th for land in farms.

In 2002, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$59.9 million. Total sales averaged \$74,789 per farm. The leading products sold were: dairy products, vegetables, fruits & nuts, grains & dry beans, and cattle & calves.

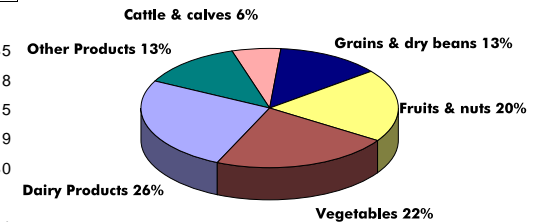
The average value of land and buildings per farm in 2002 was \$315,855. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$101,356 per farm. Total production expenses in 2002 were \$54.2 million for an average of \$67,165 per farm. The Census showed 60 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 54 years. The Department of Commerce showed the median household income in 1999 was \$38,136.

LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Product	2002 Sales (\$1,000)	Percent of Total	State Rank
Dairy Products	15,572	26	35
Vegetables	13,456	22	8
Fruits & nuts	11,770	20	5
Grains & dry beans	7,815	13	9
Cattle & calves	3,717	6	30
Other Products	7,576	13	
TOTAL SALES	59,906		21

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Leading Agricultural Products
Percent of Total



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FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, AND LAND USE

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms	Total Cropland	Permanent Pasture	Total Woodland	Other Land
		<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
1940	3,871	274,687	N/A	N/A	15,416	N/A
1950	3,362	247,904	206,593	7,509	14,941	18,861
1959	2,456	208,806	168,892	6,315	12,889	20,710
1969	1,654	171,937	140,259	N/A	11,858	N/A
1978	1,129	158,720	135,051	2,092	10,737	10,840
1982	1,093	150,411	127,055	1,904	10,253	11,199
1987	1,030	151,400	128,800	2,000	11,900	8,700
1992	880	149,000	123,400	4,600	12,000	9,000
1997	825	136,900	118,100	1,200	8,000	9,600
1998	830	139,400	119,200	1,300	8,400	10,500
1999	855	141,100	127,500	1,200	8,200	4,200
2000	830	133,200	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001	820	141,300	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	795	148,000	123,600	3,139	12,319	8,742
2003	795	147,800	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

1940 - 1982 and all land breakouts after 1999 are U.S. Census of Agriculture

FARMS BY SALES CLASS

Sales Class	1997	2002
Under \$10,000	490	461
\$10,000 to \$49,999	209	189
\$50,000 to \$99,999	44	55
\$100,000 or more	112	96
Farms Reporting	855	801

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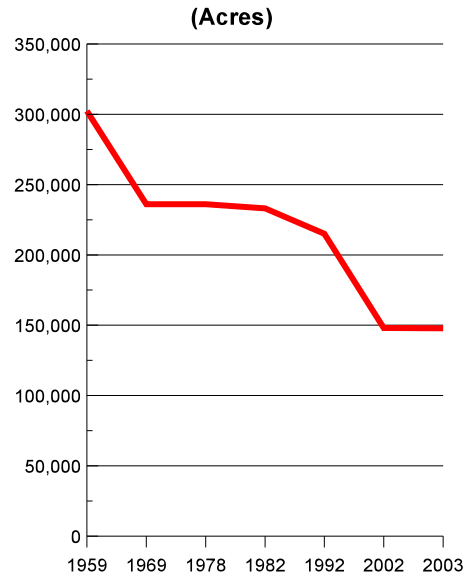
RESIDENT POPULATION

In 2002, Niagara County's population ranked 17th in the state.

Year	Total	Population Per Square Mile
1940	160,100	306
1950	190,000	363
1960	242,300	463
1970	235,700	451
1980	227,400	435
1990	220,800	422
2002	219,846	420

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Land in Farms



CATTLE: Number on Farms, January 1

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	Milk Cows
	<i>Number on farms</i>		
1940	18,785	N/A	N/A
1950	20,196	662	11,027
1959	22,393	1,353	10,046
1969	23,085	2,359	8,498
1978	19,000	1,800	8,200
1982	16,500	1,900	7,500
1987	20,500	2,000	7,800
1992	17,000	1,700	6,300
1997	18,000	1,500	7,500
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2000	19,000	1,700	8,000
2001	18,000	1,700	7,500
2002	18,000	1,700	7,500
2003	17,600	1,900	8,000
2004	17,200	1,800	7,500

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MILK: Cows & Production

Year	Annual Avg. Milk Cows	Average Production Per Cow	Total Milk Production
	<i>No. Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million lbs.</i>
1940	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	N/A	N/A	N/A
1959	N/A	N/A	N/A
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	7,700	13,000	100
1982	7,300	12,700	93
1987	7,600	13,500	103
1992	6,500	16,200	105
1997	7,500	17,000	128
1998	7,500	17,200	129
1999	8,000	17,300	138
2000	8,000	17,600	141
2001	8,300	20,000	166
2002	8,300	20,000	166
2003	8,000	21,300	170
2004	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Oats: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>
1940	N/A	20,015	28	560,148
1950	N/A	17,473	30	515,810
1959	N/A	16,075	51	825,634
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	9,100	8,300	57	473,100
1982	8,800	8,500	71	603,500
1987	6,700	6,400	60	384,000
1992	3,800	2,900	64	185,600
1997	4,400	3,900	75	292,500
1998	4,700	4,600	59	271,400
1999	5,700	4,700	89	420,200
2000	3,600	3,400	61	206,200
2001	3,800	3,700	73	269,300
2002	2,500	2,500	69	172,800
2003	3,100	2,600	71	185,400

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Wheat: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>
1940	N/A	24,102	23	564,876
1950	N/A	25,488	25	645,256
1959	N/A	19,180	29	560,442
1969	10,700	9,900	37	366,300
1978	6,200	5,400	34	183,600
1982	8,800	6,600	42	277,200
1987	5,300	4,900	43	210,700
1992	10,400	9,700	55	533,500
1997	6,800	6,500	54	351,000
1998	7,100	6,600	52	343,200
1999	7,300	7,200	66	472,100
2000	8,900	8,800	50	443,800
2001	9,200	8,800	56	492,700
2002	8,900	8,700	57	494,900
2003	10,300	9,600	54	519,100

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EQUINE: Inventory and Value, Census of Agriculture, 2002

Year	Total Equine	Rank in State	Total Equine Sold	Value of Sales
2002	1,698	18	84	\$124,000