

**CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production**

Year	All Planted Acres	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested Acres	Yield Bushels	Production Bushels	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	16,396	4,044	35	141,444	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	16,973	5,308	45	240,640	11,314	8.5	96,153
1959	13,960	4,330	61	265,199	9,428	10.9	102,805
1969	20,700	4,600	83	381,800	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	20,800	8,000	99	792,000	12,500	14.5	181,250
1982	20,200	9,400	95	893,000	10,600	13.7	145,200
1987	13,500	6,100	96	585,600	6,900	14.0	96,600
1992	11,200	7,100	106	752,600	3,600	16.0	57,600
1997	10,100	5,500	110	605,000	4,500	15.5	69,800
1998	9,900	5,300	106	561,800	4,600	15.8	72,600
1999	10,500	6,100	90	548,900	4,400	14.3	63,000
2000	9,100	7,000	85	595,400	2,100	13.9	29,200
2001	8,900	6,900	115	795,400	2,000	18.7	37,400
2002	9,500	5,900	99	584,300	3,600	14.2	51,200
2003	8,400	4,000	114	456,700	4,200	16.1	67,700

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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	7,061	1.7	12,326	54,425	1.1	61,791	61,486	1.2	74,117
1950	9,831	1.9	18,629	48,713	1.5	73,260	58,544	1.6	91,889
1959	29,736	2.1	63,553	20,287	1.6	32,945	50,023	1.9	96,498
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	33,545	2.3	77,103
1978	17,800	3.0	53,400	19,000	1.9	36,100	36,800	2.4	89,500
1982	17,900	2.8	50,100	15,100	2.1	31,700	33,000	2.5	81,800
1987	15,000	2.8	41,800	19,000	1.9	35,800	34,000	2.3	77,600
1992	10,900	2.4	26,000	9,900	2.0	20,100	20,800	2.2	46,100
1997	10,700	2.6	28,100	13,700	1.5	20,700	24,400	2.0	48,800
1998	10,000	2.5	24,800	12,300	1.6	19,300	22,300	2.0	44,100
1999	9,700	1.8	17,500	15,100	1.5	22,400	24,800	1.6	39,900
2000	7,400	2.4	18,100	16,700	1.7	28,900	24,100	2.0	47,000
2001	9,300	2.3	21,700	16,600	1.9	32,100	25,900	2.1	53,800
2002	12,100	2.3	27,700	15,500	1.5	23,700	27,600	1.9	51,400
2003	11,400	2.6	29,200	18,400	1.3	24,200	29,800	1.8	53,400

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# Dutchess County

## Farm Statistics

Dutchess county lies in the eastern part of the state in the Hudson Valley region. In 2003, there were 112,300 acres in farms, 22 percent of the county's total 513,021 acres. There were 660 farms in the county averaging 170 acres per farm. Dutchess county ranks 26th in the state for number of farms and 34th for land in farms.

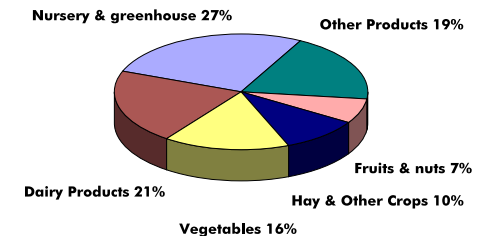
In 2002, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$31.7 million. Total sales averaged \$47,544 per farm. The leading products sold were: nursery & greenhouse, dairy products, vegetables, hay & other crops, and fruits & nuts.

The average value of land and buildings per farm in 2002 was \$766,660. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$58,787 per farm. Total production expenses in 2002 were \$35.6 million for an average of \$53,226 per farm. The Census showed 58 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 55.5 years. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the median household income in 1999 was \$53,086.

**LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Product	2002 Sales (\$1,000)	Percent of Total	State Rank
Nursery & greenhouse	8,488	27	7
Dairy Products	6,556	21	42
Vegetables	5,243	16	19
Hay & Other Crops	3,028	10	12
Fruits & nuts	2,342	7	14
Other Products	6,055	19	
<b>TOTAL SALES</b>	<b>31,712</b>		<b>39</b>

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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 <i>Acres</i>	Total Cropland <i>Acres</i>	Permanent Pasture <i>Acres</i>	Total Woodland <i>Acres</i>	Other Land <i>Acres</i>
1940	1,958	306,865	N/A	N/A	61,546	N/A
1950	1,729	303,763	162,910	46,221	69,572	25,060
1959	1,027	238,690	124,285	36,653	57,725	20,027
1969	683	162,095	89,696	N/A	34,706	N/A
1978	593	140,368	80,063	14,507	31,455	14,343
1982	635	137,963	79,816	12,910	29,756	15,481
1987	685	128,600	72,200	11,300	30,100	15,000
1992	650	120,600	63,100	14,200	28,500	14,800
1997	645	114,700	66,400	13,100	25,200	10,000
1998	635	112,000	64,100	13,000	25,000	9,900
1999	650	114,000	68,300	12,400	24,500	8,800
2000	635	113,300	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001	625	108,700	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	660	112,400	59,255	12,492	26,197	14,356
2003	660	112,300	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	341	417
\$10,000 to \$49,999	192	142
\$50,000 to \$99,999	39	49
\$100,000 or more	89	59
<b>Farms Reporting</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>667</b>

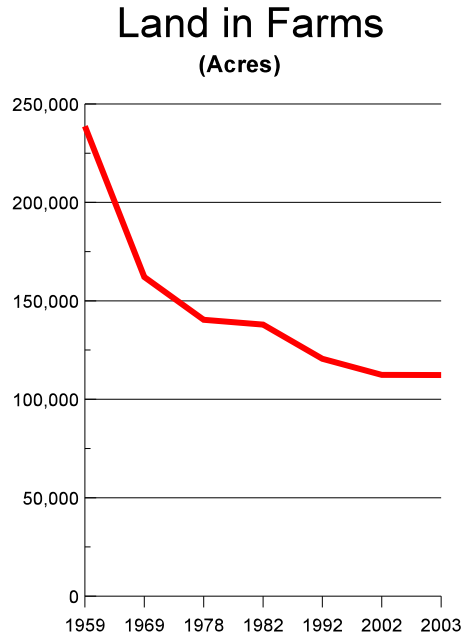
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**RESIDENT POPULATION**

In 2002, Dutchess County's population ranked 15th in the state.

Year	Total	Population Per Square Mile
1940	120,500	150
1950	136,800	171
1960	176,000	219
1970	222,300	277
1980	245,100	306
1990	259,500	324
2002	280,150	350

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**CATTLE: Number on Farms, January 1**

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	Milk Cows
1940	35,311	N/A	N/A
1950	41,780	1,922	23,422
1959	41,000	2,691	22,017
1969	43,091	3,836	16,422
1978	29,000	3,300	13,500
1982	34,000	4,100	13,000
1987	22,500	2,900	8,700
1992	15,000	2,400	5,000
1997	12,000	2,100	3,500
1998	13,000	2,000	3,500
1999	12,000	1,800	3,000
2000	12,500	1,600	3,300
2001	10,000	1,700	2,500
2002	10,000	1,700	2,500
2003	8,900	1,700	2,900
2004	8,700	1,600	3,400

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**MILK: Cows & Production**

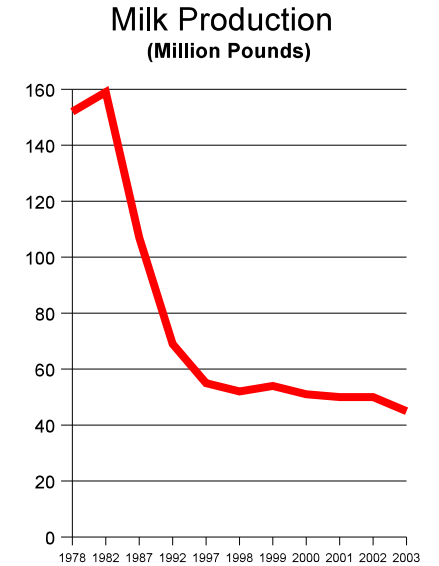
Year	Annual Avg. Milk Cows	Average Production Per Cow	Total Milk Production
1940	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	N/A	N/A	N/A
1959	N/A	N/A	N/A
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	12,700	12,000	152
1982	13,000	12,200	159
1987	7,800	13,700	107
1992	4,500	15,400	69
1997	3,500	15,700	55
1998	3,200	16,200	52
1999	3,200	16,900	54
2000	3,000	17,000	51
2001	2,800	17,700	50
2002	2,800	17,700	50
2003	3,200	14,100	45
2004	N/A	N/A	N/A

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**Oats: Acreage, Yield, and Production**

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
1940	N/A	7,568	29	220,211
1950	N/A	8,390	37	309,678
1959	N/A	8,234	46	374,804
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	2,500	1,300	50	65,000
1982	2,300	1,800	54	97,200
1987	2,100	1,500	54	81,000
1992	1,200	1,000	67	67,000
1997	700	700	50	35,000
1998	900	800	56	44,800
1999	800	600	54	32,600
2000	700	500	64	32,000
2001	600	400	50	20,000
2002	600	500	57	28,400
2003	500	500	47	23,700

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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	3,201	8	429	\$1,178,000