

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

Year	All Planted Acres	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested Acres	Yield Bushels	Production Bushels	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons	Production Tons
1940	13,701	1,329	42	55,849	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	11,234	736	50	36,408	10,249	10.3	105,648
1959	10,366	631	56	35,486	9,645	10.6	102,120
1969	13,100	1,700	86	146,200	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	20,200	3,000	95	285,000	17,000	14.5	246,500
1982	22,300	6,600	86	567,600	15,500	13.6	210,800
1987	21,000	7,500	99	742,500	13,300	15.0	199,500
1992	19,300	5,700	92	524,400	12,800	13.6	174,000
1997	19,400	5,600	111	621,600	13,600	14.5	197,200
1998	17,900	5,100	109	555,900	12,800	14.7	188,200
1999	17,800	7,100	97	688,700	10,700	15.1	161,400
2000	15,000	2,800	83	232,300	12,200	11.8	143,900
2001	14,600	3,900	121	470,100	10,700	16.2	173,400
2002	15,600	4,500	108	484,000	11,000	13.0	143,200
2003	14,400	5,000	117	586,800	9,300	14.5	134,900

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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	5,389	1.8	9,435	73,940	1.3	99,313	79,329	1.4	108,748
1950	7,034	1.9	13,489	65,503	1.5	98,877	72,537	1.5	112,366
1959	24,639	2.2	53,750	45,463	1.8	80,646	70,102	1.9	134,396
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	55,354	2.2	123,384
1978	35,500	2.4	85,200	29,200	2.0	58,400	64,700	2.2	143,600
1982	34,200	2.9	99,200	24,100	2.1	50,600	58,300	2.6	149,800
1987	35,500	2.9	104,000	24,000	2.2	53,400	59,500	2.6	157,400
1992	22,500	2.5	56,000	18,800	2.1	39,500	41,300	2.3	95,500
1997	19,300	2.7	52,700	17,100	2.0	34,200	36,400	2.4	86,900
1998	18,100	2.6	46,600	15,200	2.1	31,900	33,300	2.4	78,500
1999	15,700	2.3	35,900	21,000	2.0	42,100	36,700	2.1	78,000
2000	12,800	2.7	34,600	22,800	2.0	46,100	35,600	2.3	80,700
2001	16,300	2.7	44,500	21,900	2.2	49,100	38,200	2.5	93,600
2002	20,600	2.3	47,400	20,600	1.7	35,300	41,200	2.0	82,700
2003	19,600	2.8	55,400	20,700	1.8	38,100	40,300	2.3	93,500

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# Herkimer County Farm Statistics

Herkimer County is located in the north central part of the state in the Adirondack mountains. In 2003, there were 159,100 acres in farms, 18 percent of the county's total 903,200 acres. There were 685 farms in the county averaging 232 acres per farm. Herkimer county ranks 24th in the state for number of farms and 22nd for land in farms.

In 2002, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$49.8 million. Total sales averaged \$72,213 per farm. The leading products sold were: dairy products, cattle & calves, vegetables, hay & other crops, and nursery & greenhouse.

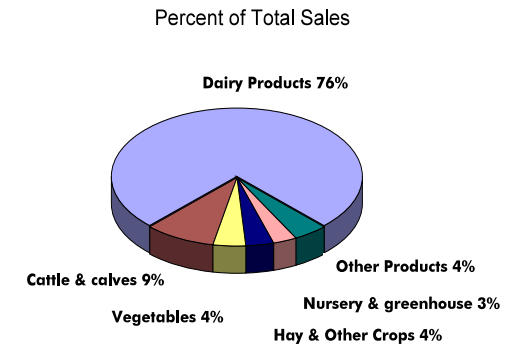
The average value of land and buildings per farm in 2002 was \$258,994. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$68,458 per farm. Total production expenses in 2002 were \$37.1 million for an average of \$53,862 per farm. The Census showed 66 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 54.1 years. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the median household income in 1999 was \$32,924.

**LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Product	2002 Sales (\$1,000)	Percent of Total	State Rank
Dairy Products	37,751	76	17
Cattle & calves	4,492	9	27
Vegetables	2,122	4	28
Hay & Other Crops	1,829	4	31
Nursery & greenhouse	1,508	3	38
Other Products	2,125	4	
<b>TOTAL SALES</b>	<b>49,827</b>		<b>30</b>

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**Leading Agricultural Products**



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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	2,316	292,786	N/A	N/A	38,365	N/A
1950	1,869	282,277	149,155	74,691	45,324	13,107
1959	1,383	261,028	130,956	76,123	43,134	10,815
1969	885	197,903	121,289	N/A	32,256	N/A
1978	850	200,966	127,413	24,276	37,576	11,701
1982	796	194,363	122,310	22,927	36,837	12,289
1987	790	181,700	113,900	22,100	33,900	11,800
1992	750	179,300	106,300	21,900	37,800	13,300
1997	700	152,400	95,200	20,700	28,900	7,600
1998	710	154,600	97,600	20,700	28,800	7,500
1999	730	156,100	95,600	19,800	28,200	12,500
2000	710	154,200	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001	700	149,500	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	685	159,300	97,022	17,638	29,380	15,060
2003	685	159,100	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	283	330
\$10,000 to \$49,999	110	115
\$50,000 to \$99,999	108	80
\$100,000 or more	160	165
<b>Farms Reporting</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>690</b>

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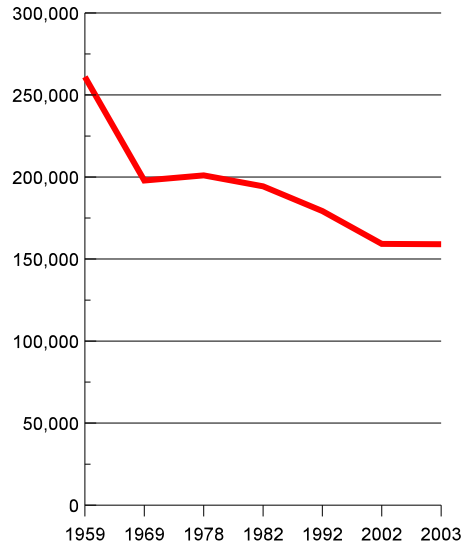
**RESIDENT POPULATION**

In 2002, Herkimer County's population ranked 38th in the state.

Year	Total	Population Per Square Mile
1940	59,500	42
1950	61,400	43
1960	66,400	47
1970	67,400	48
1980	66,700	47
1990	65,800	47
2002	64,427	46

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**Land in Farms (Acres)**



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

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	Milk Cows
1940	49,499	N/A	N/A
1950	50,495	474	34,189
1959	53,060	700	34,761
1969	41,738	1,843	25,103
1978	47,000	1,400	26,500
1982	55,000	1,500	26,000
1987	44,500	900	26,000
1992	41,000	900	22,500
1997	38,000	1,300	18,500
1998	37,000	1,200	18,500
1999	36,000	900	18,500
2000	36,000	900	18,500
2001	31,000	900	16,000
2002	31,000	900	16,000
2003	34,000	1,600	17,300
2004	33,300	1,500	16,000

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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	26,500	12,000	318
1982	26,500	12,900	315
1987	26,500	14,200	376
1992	22,500	15,800	356
1997	18,500	16,100	298
1998	18,500	16,200	300
1999	18,500	16,500	305
2000	18,000	16,700	301
2001	16,900	16,300	275
2002	16,900	16,300	275
2003	16,200	14,300	232
2004	N/A	N/A	N/A

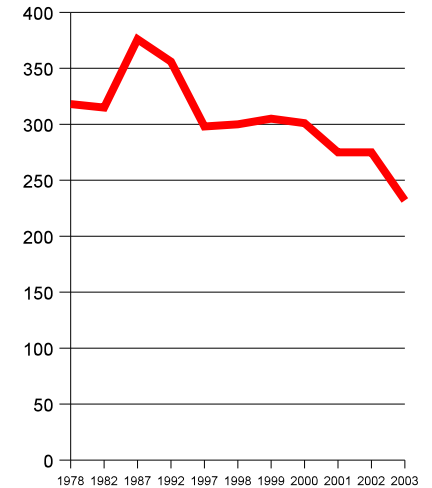
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**Oats: Acreage, Yield, and Production**

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
1940	N/A	8,986	31	282,280
1950	N/A	8,496	29	248,421
1959	N/A	11,903	51	609,576
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	6,900	5,500	65	357,500
1982	7,100	5,800	66	382,800
1987	5,600	2,900	59	171,100
1992	2,300	1,800	70	126,000
1997	2,100	1,900	62	117,800
1998	2,400	2,100	63	132,300
1999	1,800	1,200	62	74,100
2000	1,400	1,100	70	76,500
2001	1,300	1,100	76	83,800
2002	1,800	1,400	66	92,400
2003	2,000	1,300	60	77,800

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**Milk Production (Million Pounds)**



**EQUINE: Inventory and Value, Census of Agriculture, 2002**

Year	Total Equine	Rank in State	Total Equine Sold	Value of Sales
2,002	1,017	31	87	\$109,000