

## HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay			Total Hay		
	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Tons	Tons
1940	518	2.1	1,073	8,676	1.1	9,214	9,194	1.1	10,287
1950	816	2.1	1,675	6,454	1.4	8,917	7,270	1.5	10,592
1959	1,702	2.1	3,585	3,382	1.3	4,475	5,084	1.6	8,060
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,179	2.4	2,859
1978	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1982	200	3.0	600	2,200	1.8	4,000	2,400	1.9	4,600
1987	200	3.0	600	1,700	2.2	3,700	1,900	2.3	4,300
1992	300	2.3	700	600	1.3	800	900	1.7	1,500
1997	200	2.5	500	800	1.9	1,500	1,000	2.0	2,000
1998	200	2.5	500	700	1.9	1,300	900	2.0	1,800
1999	200	2.0	400	800	1.5	1,200	1,000	1.6	1,600
2000	200	1.5	300	900	1.2	1,100	1,100	1.3	1,400
2001	300	3.0	900	900	1.4	1,300	1,200	1.8	2,200
2002	100	2.0	200	900	1.7	1,500	1,000	1.7	1,700
2003	100	2.0	200	1,000	1.3	1,300	1,100	1.4	1,500

1940-1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

## Putnam County Census of Agriculture Facts

Number of Farms	52
Land in Farms	6,720 acres
Average size of Farm	129 acres
Market Value of Production	\$2.4 million
Crop Sales	\$2.3 million
Livestock	\$.1 million
Average Age of Operator	56.2



## Putnam County Farm Statistics

Putnam County is located in southern New York in the Hudson River Valley region. In 2003, there were 6,700 acres in farms, 5 percent of the county's total 148,021 acres. There were 50 farms in the county averaging 134 acres per farm. Putnam county ranks 55th in the state for number of farms and 53rd for land in farms.

In 2002, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$2.4 million. Total sales averaged \$46,653 per farm.

The average value of land and buildings per farm in 2002 was \$1,185,971. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$56,224 per farm. Total production expenses in 2002 were \$3.7 million for an average of \$69,186 per farm. The Census showed 54 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 56.2 years. The U.S. Department of Commerce showed the median household income in 1999 was \$72,279.

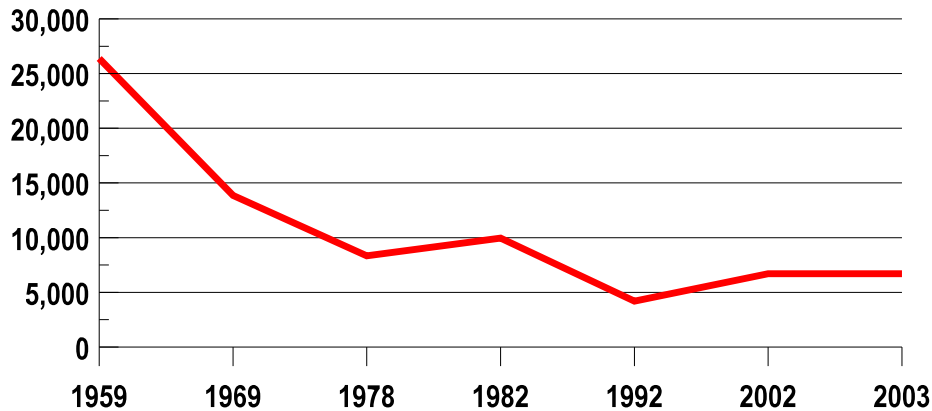
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**FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, AND LAND USE**

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms	Total Cropland	Permanent Pasture	Total Woodland	Other Land
		Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
1940	346	49,872	N/A	N/A	17,222	N/A
1950	319	42,935	22,448	4,731	12,510	3,246
1959	156	26,372	11,360	7,782	5,273	1,957
1969	69	13,854	4,503	N/A	5,515	N/A
1978	58	8,347	4,777	1,125	1,682	763
1982	56	9,968	4,755	969	4,129	N/A
1987	55	5,100	1,700	500	2,600	300
1992	50	4,200	1,900	400	1,500	400
1997	60	3,700	1,700	300	1,100	600
1998	50	3,600	1,600	300	1,000	700
1999	55	3,700	1,600	300	1,000	800
2000	55	3,600	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001	55	4,100	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	50	6,700	1,780	290	4,023	607
2003	50	6,700	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

**Land in Farms**  
(Acres)



**FARMS BY SALES CLASS**

Sales Class	1997	2002
Under \$10,000	35	34
\$10,000 to \$49,999	18	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2	3
\$100,000 or more	6	4
<b>Farms Reporting</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>52</b>

U. S. Census of Agriculture

**RESIDENT POPULATION**

In 2002, Putnam County's population ranked 30th in the state.

Year	Total	Population
1940	16,600	72
1950	20,300	88
1960	31,700	137
1970	56,700	244
1980	77,200	333
1990	83,900	362
2002	95,745	414

U.S. Census of Population

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

Year	Total Equine	Rank in State	Total Equine Sold	Value of Sales
2002	360	53	19	\$40,000