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CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	All	Grain		Silage			
reai	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres	Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Acres	Tons	Tons
1940	3,341	629	29	18,088	N/A	N/A	N/
1950	2,026	322	42	13,565	1,238	7.7	12,94
1959	1,746	365	33	12,143	N/A	7.0	8,7
1969	1,300	300	84	25,200	N/A	N/A	N.
1978	1,400	300	83	49,800	800	14.5	11,60
1982	1,200	400	75	30,000	800	11.5	9,20
1987	1,000	200	86	17,200	700	13.0	9,10
1992	1,400	400	89	35,400	800	15.4	12,30
1997	900	300	104	31,200	600	14.0	8,40
1998	900	300	105	31,500	600	14.7	8,80
1999	800	300	96	28,800	500	18.8	9,40
2000	600	100	81	8,100	500	11.4	5,70
2001	600	200	112	22,300	400	22.0	8,8
2002	300	N/A	N/A	N/A	300	13.0	3,90
2003	400	200	101	20,200	200	18.0	3,60

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HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production

V	Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay		Total Hay			
Year	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Tons	Tons
1940	389	1.8	699	21,097	0.9	18,751	21,486	0.9	19,450
1950	1,122	2.0	2,265	14,861	1.1	16,841	15,983	1.2	19,106
1959	1,713	1.8	3,072	11,596	1.2	13,698	13,312	1.3	16,770
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9,415	1.5	14,491
1978	1,400	2.2	3,100	9,200	1.6	14,700	10,600	1.7	17,800
1982	1,500	2.6	3,900	7,900	1.6	12,600	9,400	1.8	16,500
1987	1,100	2.1	2,300	7,000	1.6	11,200	8,100	1.7	13,500
1992	1,300	2.1	3,100	4,900	1.7	8,500	6,200	1.9	11,600
1997	1,600	2.0	3,200	4,500	1.3	5,700	6,100	1.5	8,900
1998	1,500	1.9	2,800	4,100	1.3	5,200	5,600	1.4	8,000
1999	1,600	1.8	2,800	5,000	1.5	7,300	6,600	1.5	10,100
2000	1,400	1.6	2,200	5,200	1.3	7,000	6,600	1.4	9,200
2001	1,800	1.7	3,100	5,800	1.4	8,000	7,600	1.5	11,100
2002	1,200	1.5	1,800	6,100	1.4	8,700	7,300	1.4	10,500
2003	1,200	2.4	2,900	6,800	1.8	12,400	8,000	1.9	15,300

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### Farm Statistics

Schenectady County is located in east central New York. In 2003, there were 21,700 acres in farms, 16 percent of the county's total 131,906 acres. There were 200 farms in the county averaging 109 acres per farm. Schenectady county ranks 51st in the state for number of farms and 51st for land in farms.

In 2002, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$4.0 million. Total sales averaged \$20,041 per farm. The leading products sold were: nursery & greenhouse, dairy products, vegetables, poultry products, and hay & silage.

The average value of land and buildings per farm in 2002 was \$283,611. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$121,203 per farm. Total production expenses in 2002 were \$4.7 million for an average of \$23,338 per farm. The Census showed 50 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 56.2 years. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the average personal income for all wage earners in the county in 1996 was \$26,438. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the median household income in 1999 was \$41,739.

#### LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

#### Percent State 2002 Product of Sales Rank Total (\$1,000) Dairy Products 933 23 Vegetables 843 21 38 20 46 Nursery & Greenhouse 808 Hay & Other Crops 360 Cattle and calves 217 6 Other Products 847 21 TOTAL SALES 4,008 53

## 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 Acres	Permanent Pasture N/A	Total Woodland 3/	Other Land 4/ Acres
1940	938	80,504	N/A	N/A	12,407	N/A
1950	600	60,501	40,148	5,180	10,736	4,437
1959	349	43,231	26,586	5,835	7,374	3,436
1969	274	34,552	21,098	N/A	6,765	N/A
1978	201	27,885	16,785	1,994	5,507	3,599
1982	209	24,405	15,171	1,167	5,116	2,951
1987	205	23,000	12,700	1,900	5,100	3,300
1992	180	21,100	11,800	900	6,000	2,400
1997	180	19,500	11,500	1,800	4,200	2,000
1998	175	19,400	11,500	1,700	4,100	2,100
1999	180	19,700	12,400	1,600	4,000	1,700
2000	175	19,400	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001	170	19,800	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	200	21,700	11,983	1,848	6,186	1,683
2003	200	21,700	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

#### **FARMS BY SALES CLASS**

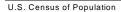
Sales Class	1997	2002
Under \$10,000	142	137
\$10,000 to \$49,999	21	46
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	7
\$100,000 or more	12	10
Farms Reporting	187	200

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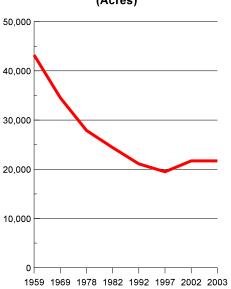
#### **RESIDENT POPULATION**

In 2002, Schenectady County's population ranked 22nd in the state

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Year	Total	Population				
i cai	rotar	Per Square Mile				
1940	122,500	595				
1950	142,500	692				
1960	152,900	742				
1970	161,100	782				
1980	149,900	728				
1990	149,300	725				
2002	146,555	711				



# Land in Farms



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

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	Milk Cows	Year
	Number Number	on farms		
1940	7,094	N/A	N/A	1940
1950	6,909	71	3,882	1950
1959	5,557	115	3,171	1959
1969	3,994	418	1,810	1969
1978	3,600	500	1,400	1978
1982	3,300	900	1,200	1982
1987	4,000	700	1,300	1987
1992	1,700	300	700	1992
1997	1,500	300	600	1997
1998	1,800	300	600	1998
1999	1,500	300	600	1999
2000	2,000	400	800	2000
2001	1,500	500	800	2001
2002	1,500	500	800	2002
2003	1,600	500	900	2003
2004	1,500	500	700	2004

MILK: Cows & Production

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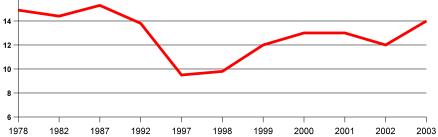
Year	Annual Avg. Milk Cows	Average Production Per Cow	Total Milk Production
	No. Head	Pounds	Million lbs.
1940	N/A	N/A	N/A
1950	N/A	N/A	N/A
1959	N/A	N/A	N/A
1969	N/A	N/A	N/A
1978	1,300	11,500	14.9
1982	1,200	12,000	14.4
1987	1,100	13,900	15.3
1992	900	15,300	13.8
1997	600	15,800	9.
1998	600	16,300	9.
1999	700	16,400	12.
2000	800	16,600	13.
2001	800	16,600	13.
2002	900	13,300	12.
2003	800	18,100	14.
2004	N/A	N/A	N/A

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## Milk Production





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

Year	Total Equine	Rank in State	Total Equine Sold	Value of Sales
2002	478	51	34	N/A