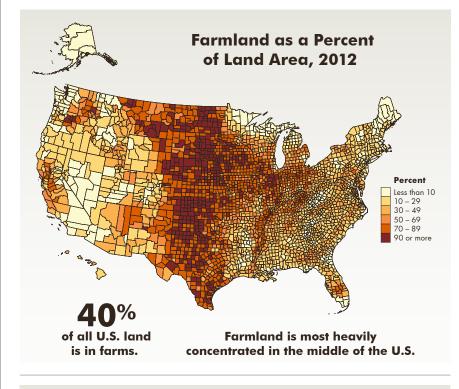


Geography of U.S. Agriculture

The 2012 Census of Agriculture lets us know where food, feedstocks, and fiber are grown and sold in the United States – from where crops are harvested and marketed directly to consumers, to where rice and peanuts are grown. Census data provide a foundation to create programs and initiatives to improve access to local and regional food.



The number of farms in both Middlesex County, MA and Lancaster County, PA that marketed products through community-supported agriculture programs.

88

Tied as the #1 counties in the U.S. for CSA farms, Middlesex County and Lancaster County bring locally raised products to the Boston and Philadelphia areas.

Top 5 States by Number of Farms that Sold Value-Added Products, 2012



U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service

7,775

The number of farms in Texas with income from agritourism and recreational services in 2012.

Ranked #1 in the U.S., Texas accounts for 19% of U.S. farm income from activities like hunting, hay rides, and farm tours.

2,833



The number of farms in Georgia that harvested peanuts in 2012.

Ranking #1 in the U.S., Georgia producers grew 3.2 billion pounds of peanuts.

646

The number of farms in Hawaii County that marketed products directly to retail outlets.

It is the #1 county in the nation for farms marketing products directly to restaurants, grocery stores, and other businesses. Aloha!



2,345



The number of farms in Arkansas that harvested rice in 2012.

Ranking #1 in the nation, Arkansas farmers grew nearly 1.3 million acres of rice.

5,845

The number of farms in California that reported a renewable energy producing system in 2012.



Ranking #1 in the nation, California accounts for 10% of green energy producing systems on U.S. farms.

