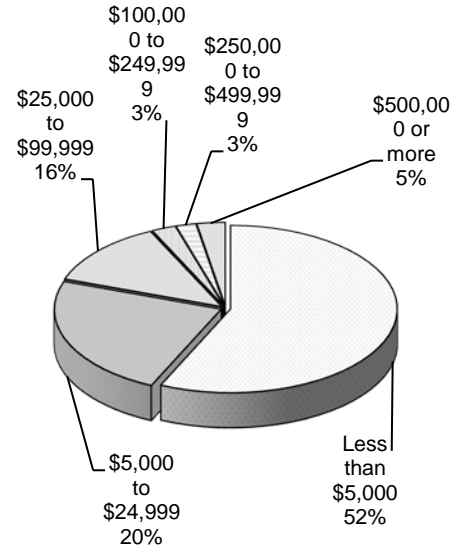


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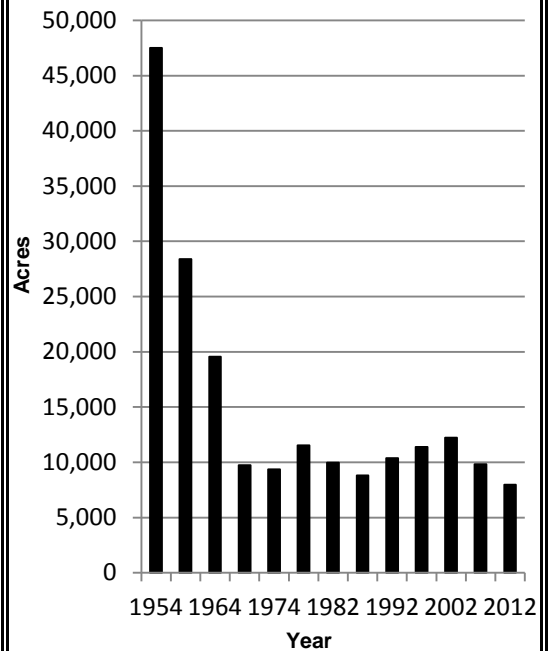
Annual Farm Sales 2007 & 2012				
	2007		2012	
Product	No. of Farms	Product Value	No. of Farms	Product Value
Grains	17	\$222,000	12	\$358,000
Vegetables	31	\$2,059,000	25	\$3,067,000
Fruits	29	\$1,236,000	15	\$301,000
Nursery	45	\$5,645,000	32	\$5,922,000
Christmas Trees	23	\$74,000	14	\$28,000
Other Crops/Hay	33	\$81,000	17	\$54,000
Poultry & Eggs	39	\$185,000	25	\$153,000
Cattle	14	\$182,000	10	\$110,000
Dairy	2	N/A		
Hogs	10	\$27,000	8	N/A
Sheep & Goats	32	\$40,000		
Equine	32	\$649,000	14	\$102,000
Aquaculture	15	N/A	15	\$934,000
Other Animals	14	\$103,000	22	\$106,000
Total Sales	255	\$11,515,000		

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold 2012
(Percent of Farms)



2012 Ocean County Farm Profile	
Number of Active Farms:	178
Land in Farms:	7,969
Average Farm Size:	45 acres
Median Farm Size:	13 acres
Percentage of Land in Agriculture:	Under 5%
Market Value of Production:	\$11,550,000
Average Market Value Per Farm:	\$64,885
Acres of Preserved Farmland:	3,331
Farms Preserved:	52

Land in Farms 1954 - 2012



Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operator by primary occupation:	
Farming	91
Other	87
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	125
Female	53
Total Number of Operators	178
Average age of principal operators (years)	59.4

Notes: n/a *Data is not available, or data has been withheld and included in other counties to avoid disclosure for individual farms.
 Sources: * "2012 Census of Agriculture," May 2014, issued every 5 years. Farms as per 2007, and 2012 Censuses of Agriculture." National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), May 2010, in cooperation with the NJ Department of Agriculture.
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