

Overview of the Results of the 2023 USVI Agriculture Census Data

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What is a “farm”?

- The U.S. Virgin Islands Census of Agriculture defines a farm as any place from which \$500 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the census year



VI Farmers Demographics

2023 (%)

▣ **Sex:** Male 68 Female 32

Age

<35	1
35 - 44	8
45 - 54	12
55 - 64	34
65+	45



VI Farmers Demographics 2023 (%)

□ Lived on farm	59
□ Years on Farm	
<10	28
10+	72

VI Farmers Demographics 2023 (%)

▣ 1Days worked off farm

▣ None	34
▣ 1 - 199	37
▣ 200+ 290+	72

VI Farmers Demographics 2023 (%)

□ **Primary occupation**

□ Farming 62 Other 38

□ Hispanic 12

□ **Race**

□ Black 83

□ White 15

□ Other 5

Farms and Land

	2018	2023	% change
Number of farms	565	619	10
Land in farms (acres)	9,324	8,092	-13
Average farm size (acres)	6.5	13.1	-21

Farms and Land

Farm Counts by Size

	2018	2023
Less than 3 acres	268	325
3 - 9.9 acres	139	146
10 - 19.9 acres	77	72
20 - 49.9 acres	44	42
50 - 99.9 acres	23	20
100 acres or more	14	14

Commodity Group by Value of Sales \$

	2018	2023
Vegetables	1,130,809	2,166,470
Fruits and nuts	544,305	798,249
Other livestock	465,247	379,632
Cattle and calves	100,439	207,516
Honey	(NA)	141,987



Commodity Group by Value of Sales (\$)

	2018	2023
Hogs and pigs	83,590	107,310
Chicken eggs	35,503	79,234
Poultry	109,662	48,974
Field and forage crops	128,692	(D)
Nursery crops and hemp	(NA)	(D)
Total	3,334,652	4,201,172

Top Commodities by Number of Farms, 2023

Coconuts
Mangoes
Bananas
Avocados
Papayas

No. of Farms

301

293

292

253

193

For more information

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