



Arizona Agriculture

- Arizona alfalfa yield led the nation at 8.3 tons per acre, compared to 3.4 tons nationally with hay representing 5% of farm receipts.
- Arizona ranks second in the U.S. in head and leaf lettuce, romaine, spinach, cauliflower, cantaloupe, honeydew and broccoli production.
- Arizona has more than 15,000 farms and ranches across the state with the average farm size totaling 1,670 acres.
- Beef is Arizona's leading agricultural product with approximately 1 million head of cattle producing 386 million pounds of beef annually—enough beef to feed over 4.6 million Americans.
- Yuma, Arizona is the winter lettuce capital of the world.
- Nationally, Arizona ranks second in the production of lemons and third in tangerine production. Arizona grows 170 oranges for every resident.
- Apple growers over the last 5 years average 20 million pounds per year.
- In 2010, there was an average of 186,000 milk cows in Arizona with a yearly milk production of 23,441 pounds per cow.
- Dairy goods are one of Arizona's most valuable products, representing 20% of total farm receipts each year.
- Arizona has over 165,000 hogs, and 150,000 head of sheep and lambs.
- The state has 1,600,000 laying hens producing over 5.8 billion eggs yearly.
- Arizona grows enough cotton each year(553,950) bales to make more than one pair of jeans for every man, woman and child in the US. With each bale of Arizona cotton, 215 pairs of jeans can be made.
- Nearly 26.1 million acres of land are used for Arizona farms.
- Arizona accounts for 2/3 of the nations Copper supply.
 - Yuma County grows more than 150 types of crops annually during their 350 day growing season.
 - Arizona Agriculture is a \$10.3 billion industry—Yuma County is responsible for 57.3% of that.

