NASS Highlights

2021 Floriculture Crops

About the Survey

The 2021 Commercial Floriculture Survey collected data about the number of growers, area of production, quantity sold, prices, and value of sales for floriculture crops as well as average number of agricultural workers per operation.

NASS conducted the survey among operations that annually produce and sell at least \$10,000 of fresh cut flowers, potted flowering plants, foliage plants, annual bedding and garden plants, potted herbaceous perennials, cut cultivated florist greens, and propagative (unfinished) floriculture material. Annual sales include retail and wholesale sales of items surveyed.

Access the Data

Access 2021 and earlier floriculture data through the Quick Stats database (http://quickstats.nass.usda.gov).

- In Program, select "Survey"
- In Sector, select "Crops"
- In Group, select "Horticulture"In Commodity, select the
- crop(s) for which you want data
- Select your category, data item, geographic level, and year

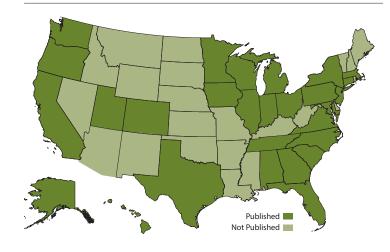


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NASS made a number of changes to the floriculture estimating program in 2021, including expanding the survey to all 50 states. The top 28 states are published individually with the remaining states combined into an "other states" total. (Fig. 1) Care should be taken when comparing 2021 U.S. totals with the "Program States" totals from 2020 and prior years since fewer states contributed to the totals in the earlier years. More than 30 crops were added to the survey, further increasing program coverage across all crop categories.

Also in 2021, NASS began publishing sales as retail, wholesale, and total, rather than the previous practice of converting non-wholesale prices to a wholesale equivalent. This change provides estimates of price and value more directly related to the information provided by producers.

Fig. 1. States in the 2021 Floriculture Survey

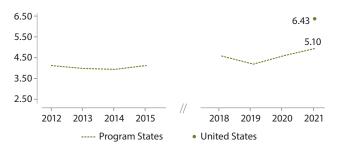


Floriculture in 2021

The **<u>number of floriculture producers</u>** totaled 9,558 in 2021. For the combined 17 states included in the program last year, the number of producers increased 8%.

The **total value of sales** across all floriculture crops totaled \$6.43 billion. For the combined 17 states included in the program in 2020, the value increased 6%.

Fig. 2 Value of Floriculture Sales, 2012-2021 (\$ billion)



Estimates suspended in 2016 and 2017. 2021 reflects 17 comparable states as program states.

Of the 10 largest states, Florida had the highest sales, followed by California. Combined, these two states accounted for nearly one-third of all sales in the United States.

The top six states each

had more than

500 floriculture

operations in 2021.

Nearly 40% of all

these states.

operations were in

Top States Floriculture Sales, 2021 (\$ million) Florida 1,115 California 962 635 Michigan **New Jersey** 356 Ohio 269 253 Texas North Carolina 199 Pennsylvania 188 New York 181 Connecticut 165

Floriculture Operations, 2021

783

651

635

600

539

512

433

319

306

296

Top States

Pennsylvania

California

New York

Michigan

Wisconsin

Washington

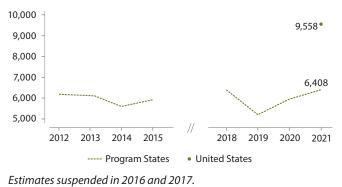
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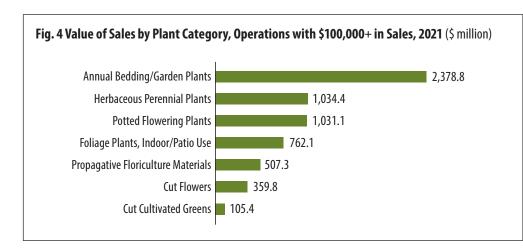
Fig. 3 Number of Floriculture Operations, 2012-2021



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Operations with Hired Workers in 2021

The **number of operations** with hired workers totaled 6,759 in 2021. For the combined 17 states included in the program in 2020, the total increased 7%. The **average peak number** of workers per operation was 16.9 nationally in 2021. For the 17 states included in the program in 2020, the average number declined from 18.8 to 18.5 per operation.



Sales of Annual Bedding/Garden Plants represented the largest total among all plant categories in 2021.



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