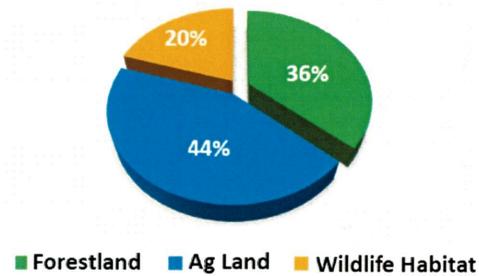




NH NRCS Conservation Statistics

Funding percentage 2005 - 2015



USDA NRCS Performance Results System (PRS)

Total Acres of Land with Conservation Plans Written 2005-2015:	387,993¹
Total Acres of Land with Conservation Applied 2005-2015	831,135¹
Forest Land 2007-2015	302,038 ¹
Ag. Land (Soil and Water Quality) 2005-2015	361,913 ¹
Wildlife Habitat Improvement 2005-2015	167,184 ¹
Conservation Nutrient Management Plans Written 2005- 2015	134¹
Conservation Nutrient Management Plans Applied 2005-2015	100¹
Wetland Reserve Program and Easements 1993-2015	
Conservation Easements	122 ²
Wetland Acres Protected	9,824 ²
Wetland Acres Restored	4,438 ²
Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program and Agricultural Land Easements 1996-2015	
Conservation Easements	131 ²
Agricultural Acres Protected	8,666 ²

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¹ USDA NRCS Performance Results System (PRS) 9/30/15

² USDA NRCS Easement Staging Tool (NEST) with current year updates from NRCS NH Programs Staff 9/30/15

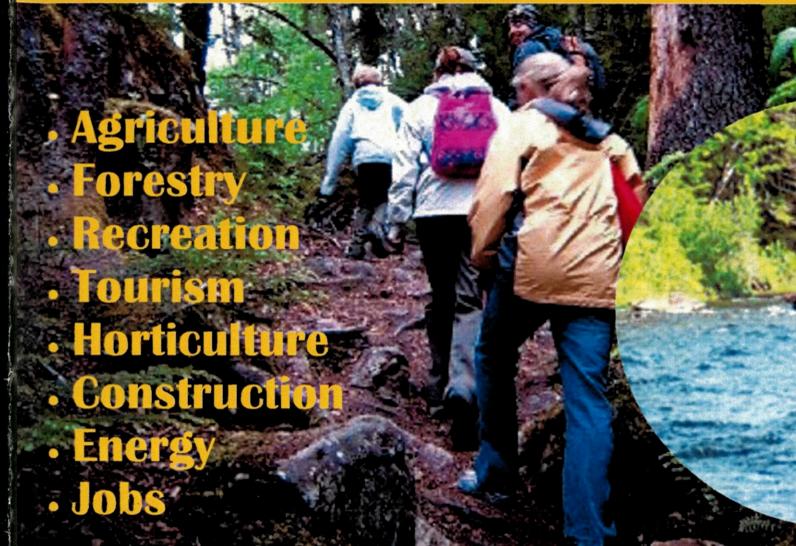


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- Agriculture
- Forestry
- Recreation
- Tourism
- Horticulture
- Construction
- Energy
- Jobs



The NRCS helps maintain New Hampshire's quality of life with technical and financial assistance for: soil, water, and air quality, healthy plants and wildlife, and sustainable forestry and agriculture.

2015

\$1,353,750¹
to Protect
Farmland from
Development

\$1,712,296²
to Protect and
Restore Wetlands

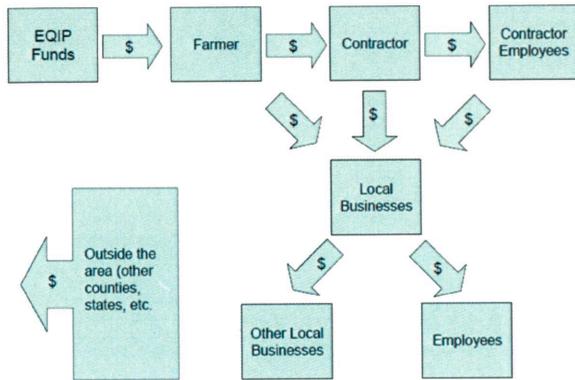
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to Support
Agriculture and
Forestry and to
Protect Plants
and Wildlife

¹ USDA FEMI 9/30/15: ALE

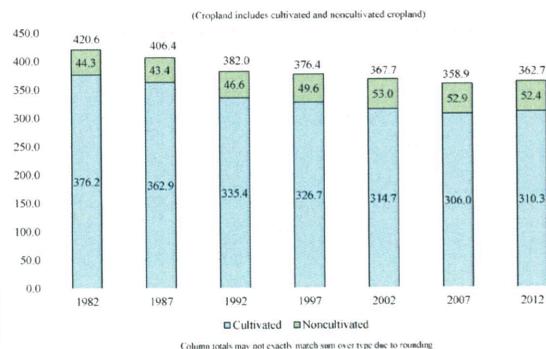
² USDA FEMI 9/30/15: WRE

³ USDA FEMI 9/30/15: EQIP, CTA, AMA, CSIP

Circulation of Dollars in a Local Economy



Cropland, by Year
Millions of Acres



NRCS PROGRAMS SUPPORT NEW HAMPSHIRE'S ECONOMY:

- ⇒ **\$665 million of agriculture, horticulture, and agriculture-related tourism supporting 26,052 jobs.**
(Daniel S. Lee and Mark Okrant, March 2015: Economic Impact of the Agriculture Industry in NH 9n 2013)
- ⇒ **Travel and Tourism: #2 industry and second highest employment sector.**
(Vital Signs 2011, Economic and Social Indicators in NH 2006-2009, State of New Hampshire)
- ⇒ **\$2.26 billion of forest-based components employing 1,300 logging workers and supporting 8,160 other jobs.**
(Economic Importance of NH's Forest-Based Economy 2011, UNH Cooperative Extension)
- ⇒ **\$30 million in timber sales in 2009 with \$3 million in taxes paid to local communities.**
(Economic Importance of NH's Forest-Based Economy 2011, UNH Cooperative Extension)
- ⇒ **\$1.35 billion in recreation-related sales with \$1.12 billion related to forestry supporting 11,401 jobs.**
(Economic Importance of NH's Forest-Based Economy 2011, UNH Cooperative Extension)
- ⇒ **\$191 million of crop and livestock sales in 2012.** (USDA 2012 Census of Agriculture Report)
- ⇒ **\$4.03 million in revenue from hunting licenses sold to 59,154 people.** (USFWS 2011 data)
- ⇒ **\$4.96 million in revenue from fishing licenses sold to 144,933 people.** (USFWS 2011 data)
- ⇒ **\$1.5 thousand of economic benefit for every acre of open space contributed to local economies.**
Open space and agricultural lands cost less than residential development due to the relative tax revenues and the costs of services to maintain them.
(The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests)
- ⇒ **Low comparable cost of NRCS programs. In 2015, the Federal Government spent \$9.15 billion in NH, or \$6,896 per person (USDA Agricultural Statistics); \$11 of that total came from NRCS programs. In 2015, NRCS total budget was \$15 million.**

NRCS PROGRAMS SUPPORT NEW HAMPSHIRE'S SECURITY:

- ⇒ **NH produces 6% of the total food demand in the state.** (UNH "Home Grown" report by Magnusson, Gittell and Carter, 2010)
- ⇒ **NH currently has approximately a four-day supply of food in an emergency.** (Lorraine Merrill, NH Commissioner of Agriculture)
- ⇒ **Developed land in New Hampshire nearly doubled from 402,100 acres to 728,700 acres between 1982 and 2012.**
(USDA Natural Resources Inventory)
- ⇒ **Cropland decreased in NH from 158,000 acres in 1982 to 118,000 acres in 2012.** (USDA Natural Resources Inventory)
- ⇒ **One in twelve NH homes use wood as a primary heating source.**
(U.S. Energy Information Administration, May 21, 2015)
- ⇒ **Local food production reduces fuel consumption by eliminating the need for long-distance transport.**