"The USDA Farm Service Agency delivered nearly \$17.7 million in federal program payments and loans to New Jersey farmers and ranchers during fiscal year 2012. New Jersey agriculture benefits greatly from the tireless efforts of our dedicated employees and locally elected County Committees."

- Paul Hlubik, State Executive Director

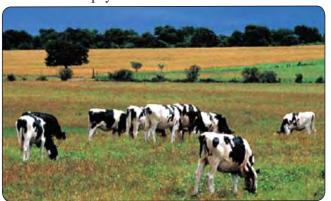
## Commodity Program Payments: \$3,991,897

New Jersey producers received substantial monetary support during FY 2012 in the form of commodity and price support program payments.

\$2,288,207 - Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP) Direct payments provide income support to producers of eligible commodities based on production history (acreage and yields) and do not depend on the current production choices. Counter-cyclical payments are made when the effective price for eligible commodities is less than the target price.

**\$4,588 - Average Crop Revenue Election Program** (ACRE) provides revenue-based payments as an alternative to receiving price-based counter-cyclical (CC) payments.

**\$734,862 - Price Support** - provides financial assistance to producers when the commodity prices are low. This includes price support loans, LDPs, and market loss assistance payments.



**\$603,926** - Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) provides compensation to dairy producers when domestic milk prices fall below a specified level.

**\$4,000- Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)** provides technical assistance and cash payments to producers of products that were adversely affected by imports.

**\$356,314- Farm Storage Facility Loans (FSFL)** The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), through FSA, may make loans to producers to build or upgrade farm storage and handling facilities for eligible commodities.

Top 5 agriculture commodities, 2011					
	Value of	Percent of	Percent of		
	receipts	state total	US value		
	thousand	farm receipts			
1. Greenhouse/ nursery	453,632	40.5	2.9		
2. Blueberries	94,700	8.4	11.0		
3. Horses/mules	46,000	4.1	5.4		
4. Corn	44,385	4.0	0.1		
5. Peaches	36,600	3.3	6.2		
All commodities	1,121,396		0.3		

Top 5 agriculture exports, estimates, 2011				
	Rank among states	Value million \$		
1. Other products	27	261.1		
2. Fruits, fresh	9	54.9		
3. Vegetables, processed	17	42.5		
4. Fruits, processed	9	35.0		
5. Vegetables, fresh	17	26.2		
Overall rank	38	467.8		

## **Conservation:** \$801,410

FSA made significant investments toward conserving and improving soil, water, and wildlife resources in New Jersey. Conservation investments in FY 2012 include:

### \$611,436 - Conservation Reserve Program

(**CRP**) provides financial incentives, cost-share and rental payments to producers who convert highly erodible cropland or environmentally sensitive acreage to long-term vegetative cover.

\$104,533 - Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) provides emergency funding for farmers and ranchers to rehabilitate farmland damaged by natural disasters, and to carry out emergency water conservation measures during periods of severe drought.

**\$85,441 - Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)** is a voluntary program designed to protect grasslands from conversion to cropland or other uses.



# Disaster Assistance: \$2,488,111

From drought to flood, freeze and tornadoes - FSA was financially responsive to New Jersy producers following natural disasters.

\$1,332,928 - Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory, or prevented planting occurs due to natural disasters.

**\$977,080** - Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payment (SURE) provides benefits for 2008 through 2011 crop year farm revenue losses due to natural disasters. It is the 2008 Farm Bill's successor to prior ad hoc crop disaster programs.

**\$58,519 - Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)** provides partial reimbursements to eligible livestock owners for livestock losses suffered due to a natural disaster or other emergency.

\$1,554 - Emergency Livestock Assistance Program (ELAP) provides emergency assistance to eligible producers that have livestock losses due to disease, adverse weather or other conditions, including losses due to blizzards and wildfires.

\$118,030 - Tree Assistance Program (TAP) provides financial assistance to qualifying orchardists and nursery tree growers to replant or rehabilitate eligible trees, bushes and vines damaged by natural disasters.



### Farm Loans: \$10,412,000

FSA offers various loan options to New Jersey farmers and ranchers who manage family-sized operations and who were temporarily unable to obtain private or commercial credit.

**\$4,461,000- Guaranteed Loan Program** FSA guarantees loans made by conventional agricultural lenders for up to 95 percent of any loss if the loan fails. In FY 2012, FSA guaranteed **8** farm ownership loans and **12** operating loans.

**\$1,723,000 - Emergency Loan Program** helps producers who own or operate a farm in declared disaster area.

**\$4,228,000** - **Direct Loan Program** FSA provides assistance to those unable to obtain guaranteed loans. In FY 2012, FSA funded **5** farm ownership loans and **59** operating loans.

Included in the direct and guaranteed direct loans are youth loans, loans to beginning farmers and loans to socially disadvantaged producers.

#### New Jersey FSA Program Payments by County

(Includes commodity, farm loan, conservation, and disaster payments)

Atlantic	\$	398,852
Burlington	\$	928,168
Camden	\$	246,996
Cape May	\$	1,163
Cumberland	\$	542,981
Gloucester	\$	545,717
Hunterdon	\$	544,736
Mercer	\$	212,070
Middlesex	\$	106,526
Monmouth	\$	335,560
Morris	\$	48,949
Ocean	\$	24,703
Salem	\$2	,149,545
Somerset	\$	228,662
Sussex	\$	245,060
Warren	\$	721,730

