

Agriculture, Department of

[**Agency Website**](#)

Statutory Authority

Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 22-1

Agency History

1866, Chapter 45 (Public Acts)

Connecticut State Board of Agriculture established

1925, Chapter 111 (Public Acts)

Replaced by **Commissioner of Agriculture** and **Department of Agriculture**

1947, Public Act 47-401

Department of Farms and Markets formed by consolidating the following:

- Department of Agriculture
- [Commissioner of Domestic Animals](#)
- [Farm Coordinator](#)
- [Dairy and Food Commissioner](#) (dairy industry section)

1953, Public Act 53-407

Department of Farms and Markets is replaced by the **Department of Agriculture**

1959, Public Act 59-637

Name is changed to **Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources**

1961, Public Act 61-67

Name changed to **Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources**

1971, Public Act 71-872

Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources was split into the **Department of Agriculture** and the new [Department of Environmental Protection](#)

Published Histories/Articles

Jenkins, E. H. *A History of Connecticut Agriculture*. New Haven, Conn.: Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, 1924. pp. 358-361. [CSL Call Number ConnDoc Ag88nh hico]

Archived Department of Agriculture [website](#) as harvested by the Connecticut State Library, Connecticut Digital Archive.

Agency Documents

Check the State Library catalog for availability of publications by the agency:

[Connecticut. State Board of Agriculture](#)

[Connecticut. Dept. of Agriculture](#)

[Connecticut. Dept. of Farms and Markets](#)

[Connecticut. Dept. of Agriculture and Natural Resources](#)

Annual or Biennial Reports are located in:

- 1867-1925, [CSL Call Number ConnDoc Ag82 ar]
- 1926-1942, *Public Documents of the State of Connecticut*.
- 1947-2001, *Digest of Administrative Reports to the Governor* [CSL Call Number ConnDoc F40]
- 2002-, [online version](#)

State Archives Record Group: RG 098

List of Agency Heads

Name	Years of Service
Gov. J. R. Hawley	1866-1867
Gov. James E. English	1867-1869
Gov. Marshall Jewell	1869-1870
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Gov. Marshall Jewell	1871-1872
Gov. Charles R. Ingersoll	1873-1877
Gov. Richard D. Hubbard	1877-1879
Gov. Charles B. Andrews	1879-1881
Gov. Hobart B. Bigelow	1881-1883
Gov. Thomas M. Waller	1883-1885

Name	Years of Service
Gov. Henry B. Harrison	1885-1887
Gov. Phineas C. Lounsbury	1887-1889
Gov. Morgan G. Bulkeley	1889-1893
Gov. Luzon B. Morris	1893-1895
Gov. Vincent Coffin	1895-1897
Gov. Lorrin A. Cooke	1897-1899
Gov. George E. Lounsbury	1899-1901
Gov. George P. McLean	1901-1903
Gov. Abiram Chamberlain	1903-1905
Gov. Henry Roberts	1905-1907
Gov. Rollin S. Woodruff	1907-1909
Gov. George L. Lilley	1909
Gov. Frank B. Weeks	1909-1911
Gov. Simeon E. Baldwin	1911-1915
Gov. Marcus H. Holcomb	1915-1921
Gov. Everett J. Lake	1921-1923
Gov. Charles A. Templeton	1923-1925
Gov. Hiram Bingham	1925
Gov. John H. Trumbull	1925
Philo T. Platt, 1st Commissioner	1925-1927
Leonard Holmes Healey	1927-1928
S. McLean Buckingham	1928-1932
Olcott F. King	1932-1944
Frank H. Peet	1944-1946
John Christensen	1946-1954
Joseph N. Gill	1954-1970
John T. Macdonald	1970-1973
Fenton P. Futtner	1973-1974
George M. Wilber	1974-1977
Leonard E. Krogh	1977-1982
H. Earl Waterman	1982-1983
Kenneth B. Andersen	1983-1990

Name	Years of Service
John J.C. Herndon	1990-1991
John R.H. Blum	1991-1995
Shirley Ferris	1995-2002
Bruce H. Gresczyk (Acting)	2002-2003
Bruce H. Gresczyk	2003-4/15/2005
F. Philip Prelli	2005-2011
Steven K. Reviczky	2011-present

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