Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals, and happiness.

- Thomas Jefferson

Secondary Education

- 10,617 students enrolled in grades 7-12
- 98 agriculture teachers
- 87 agriculture education programs
- 122 students enrolled per program on average

Top 5 Agriculture Courses (by enrollment)
1. Exploring Ag (Grades 7-8): 2886 Students
2. Intro to Ag (9th Grade): 1494 students
3. Foundations of Ag (10th Grade): 860 students
4. Ag Mechanics/Technology: 755 students
5. Botany/Horticulture: 509 Students

North Dakota Farm Management

- 16 instructors
- 984 young adults enrolled

North Dakota Farm Management programs are designed to provide education to farm owners, operators, or persons interested in farming. The purpose of the program is to assist clients in meeting their business and personal goals. This is best accomplished through the use of quality records and sound business decisions.

8 University and Postsecondary schools teach agriculture!

- Lake Region State College
- Dakota College at Bottineau
- Williston State College
- Dickinson State University
- Bismarck State College
- Valley City State University
- North Dakota State College of Science
- North Dakota State University

50-60 Students are majoring in Agricultural Education @ NDSU

Post Secondary

- Agriculture is the leading revenue-producing industry in North Dakota, accounting for about one-fourth of the state’s economic base.
- Wheat is North Dakota’s chief agricultural commodity. Other chief contributors to North Dakota farm revenue are cattle, 16 percent; feed crops, 12 percent; soybeans, 13 percent; sugar beets, 4 percent; and sunflower, 4 percent.
- North Dakota is number one in the production of two wheat classes: hard red spring and durum. On average, the state’s farmers grow nearly half of the nation’s hard red spring wheat (250 million bushels) and two-thirds of the durum (50 million bushels).
- North Dakota also is the leading U.S. producer of sunflower, barley, dry edible beans, navy and pinto beans, canola, flax, oats, honey, lentils and dry peas. The state also is a major producer of sugar beets, potatoes, hay and specialty crops such as mustard seed, buckwheat and crambe.
- North Dakota has about 30,300 farms, averaging 1,300 acres (526 hectares) each. The national average is 436 acres (177 hectares).

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