

## Hokkaido Agricultural Machinery Manufacturer Association

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## About us

HAMA was established in 1958. Our purposes are promoting business concerning improvement of production technology, advancement promotion of company management and enlargement of market. Presently, the regular member is 30 agricultural machinery manufacturers, which products are potato harvester, sugar beet harvester, carrot harvester, forage harvesting implement and machinery, et al; the supporting member is 28 agricultural machinery dealers.

## Agriculture in Hokkaido\*

Hokkaido's total cultivated land area in 2015 was 1.147 million ha, accounting for nearly a quarter of the national total. Cultivated under management land area per farm household is 26.5 ha, which is about 15 times greater than that of any other prefecture.

The number of farming households (commercial farmers) in Hokkaido is 38,000, 2.9% of the national total. However, the percentage of full-time farming households is 71.0%, much higher than the national percentage of 33.3%. This means Hokkaido's

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agriculture is large-scaled, highly productive and land use-intensive, managed by full-time farmers.

Hokkaido's expansive land differs in climate and topography from one area to another. Accordingly, different

styles of farming are practiced across the region.

Intensive farming is common in southern Hokkaido, where vegetables, rice, potatoes and beans grow in the milder climate. In central Hokkaido, abundant water resources and relatively hot summer weather allow vegetables and rice to grow as the main crops of the district.

In the northeast, upland crops and dairy products are produced on the vast farmlands though mechanized and large-scale farming, comparable to the EU standard.

\*Quotation; "Hokkaido Profile" written by The Hokkaido International Affairs Division

Table. 1 Breakdown of agricultural output (2015 %)

Total output; 1 trillion 1852 billion (Yen)

Rice	Upland crops	Vegetables	Dairy cattle	Other stock	Other field
			Daily Callie	farming products	husbandry
10	15	19	36	19	1

Source: "Crop Survey," "Survey on Production of Milk and Dairy Products by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

Table. 2 Agricultural share of Hokkaido in Japan (2015, %)

Sugar Beets	Wheat	Adzuki beans	Potatoes	Onions	Carrots	Pumpkins	milk
100.0	73.1	93.4	80.6	64.8	29.9	49.8	52.5

Source: "Statistics on Agricultural Income Produced" by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries

## Production and shipment

Table.3 Shipment quantity of agricultural machinery produced by our member (2016,units)

Tillage	Crop	Harvesters	Forage	Vegetable,	Transport
implements	management		implements	Dairy cattle	equipments
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6,601	17,481	1,327	3,699	3,533	1,411

Source: Hokkaido Agricultural Machinery Association. "Production and shipment result in 2016"