

NJORFB Needs Assessment Survey — Initial Look Farm Owner Responses

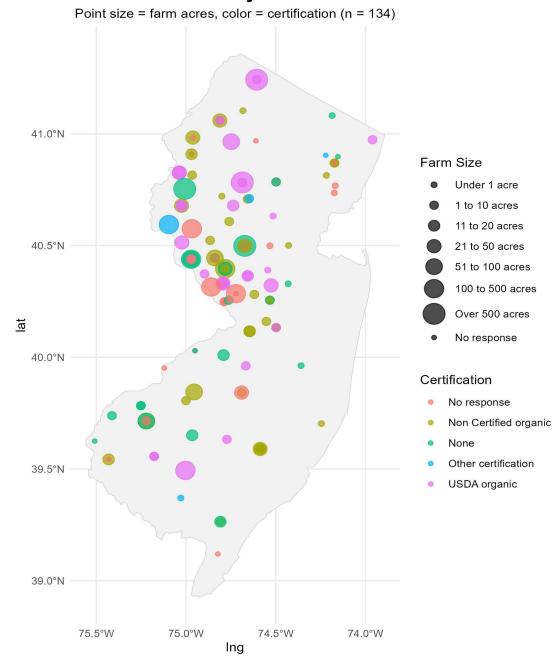
Results compiled by Meredith Melendez, Agricultural Agent and Kelline Muo, Rutgers University



All zip code responses by acreage, certification, and location

*All participants who provided a zip code

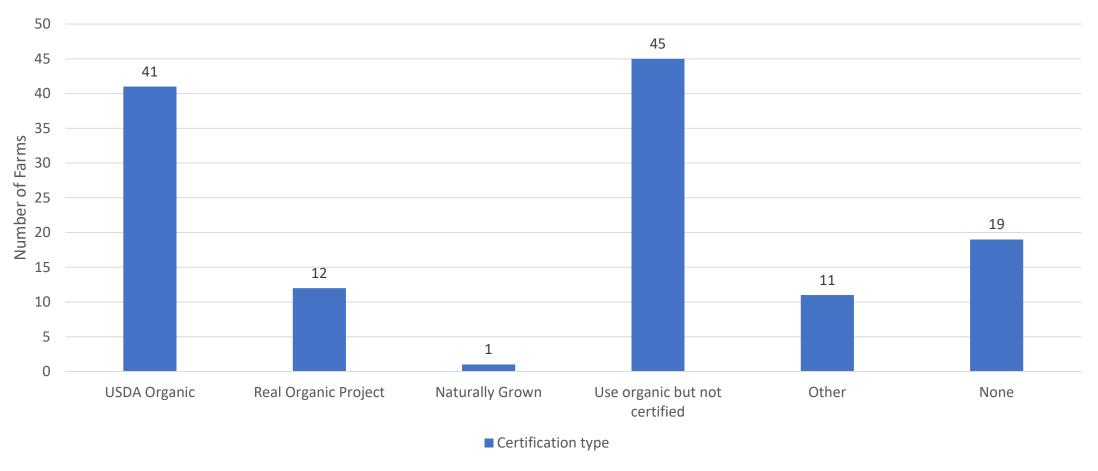
New Jersey Farms





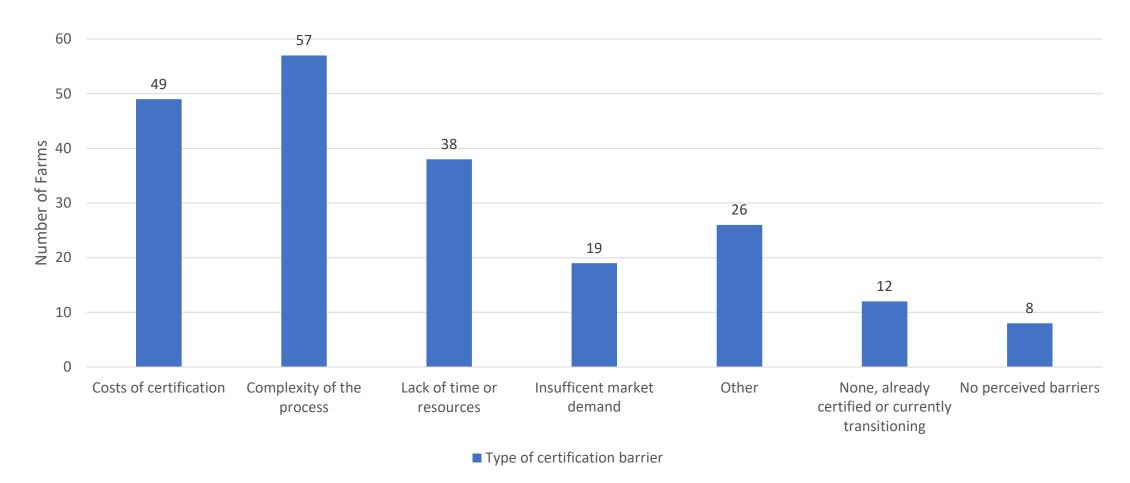
Farm certification type (n=103)

Farm owner responses



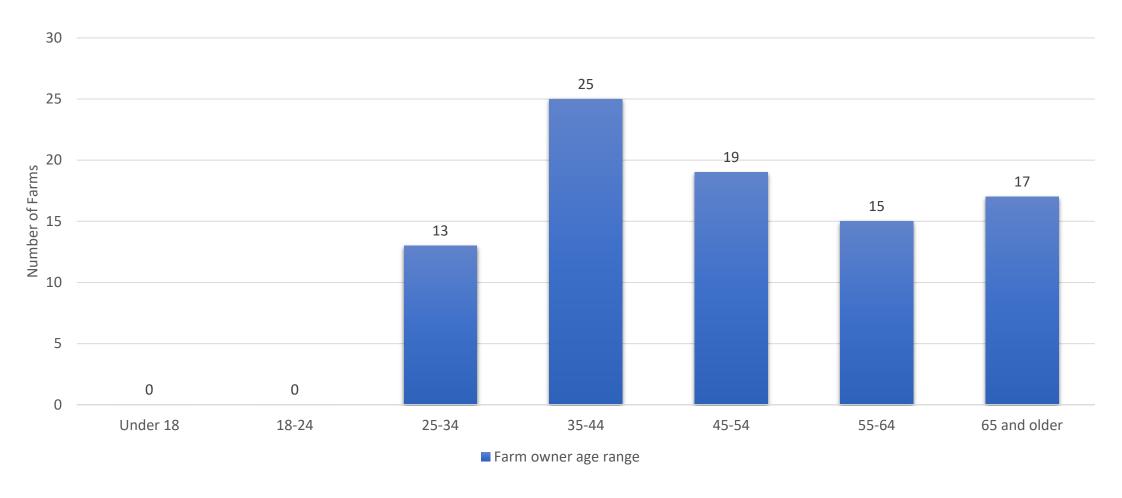


Barriers to USDA organic certification (n=102) Farm owner responses



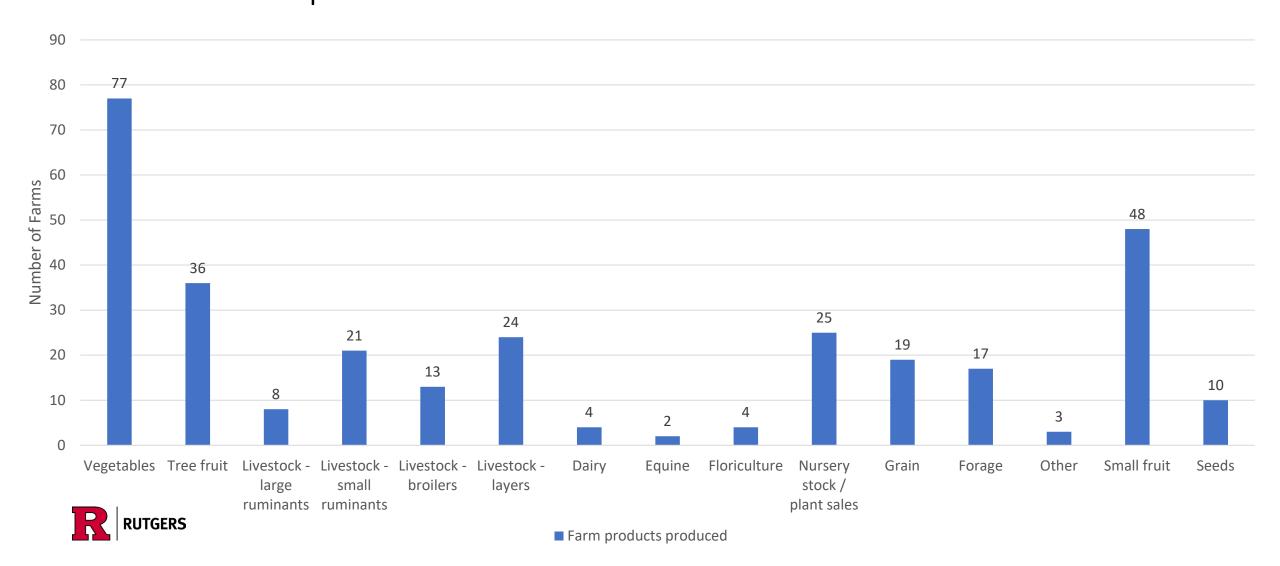


Farm owner respondent age (n=89)



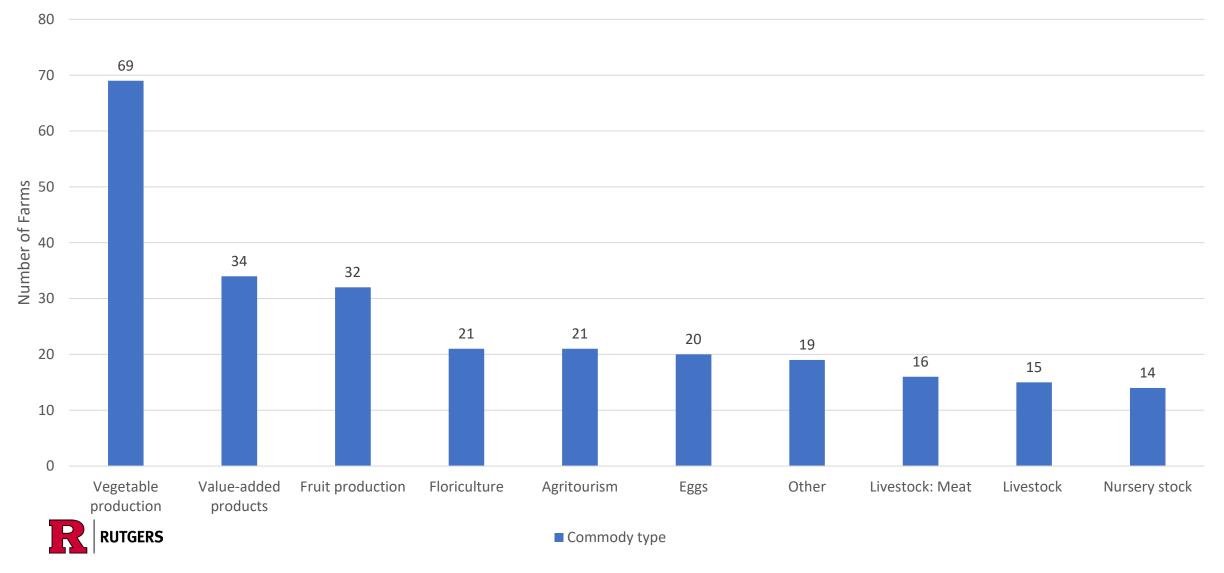


What responding farms are producing (n=103) Farm owner responses

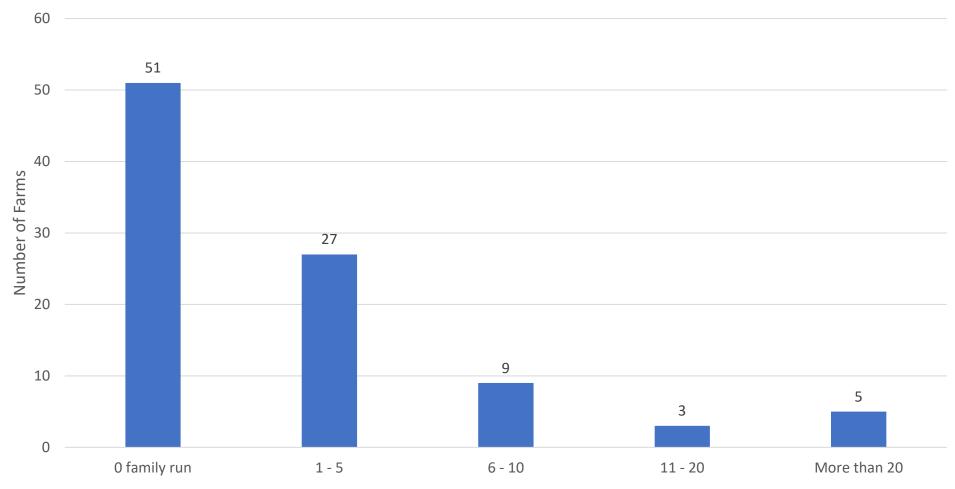


What's making money for farms (n=103)

Farm owners indicate top 4 money makers



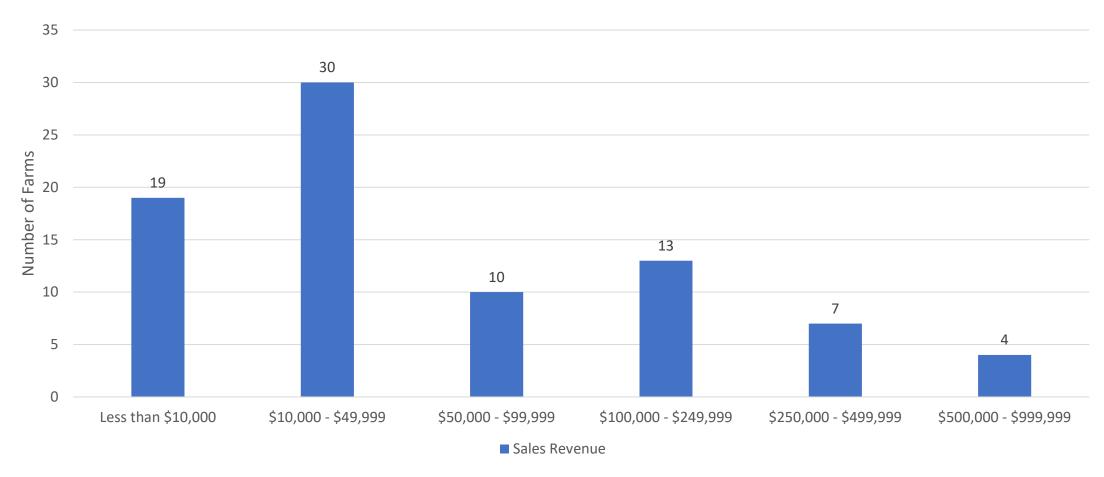
Number of full-time equivalent employees (n=95) Farm owner responses





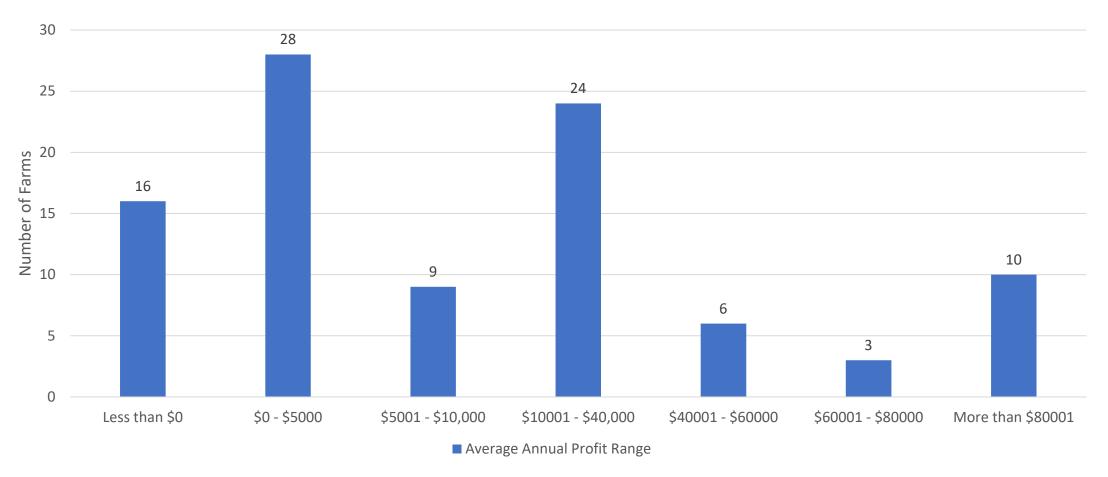
Sales revenue as reported by farm owner (n=94)

Total value of farms agricultural output and government payments



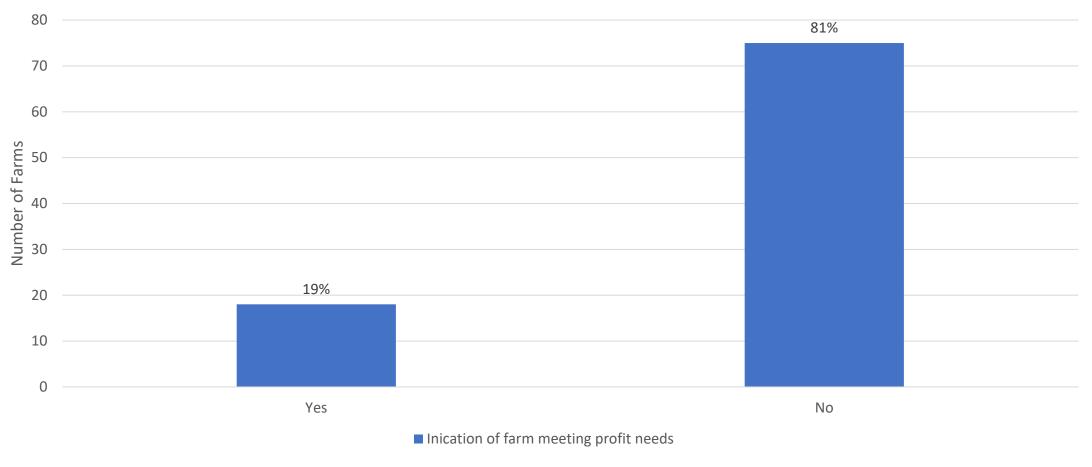


Average profitability range over the past 3 years (n=96) Income after expenses as reported by farm owner





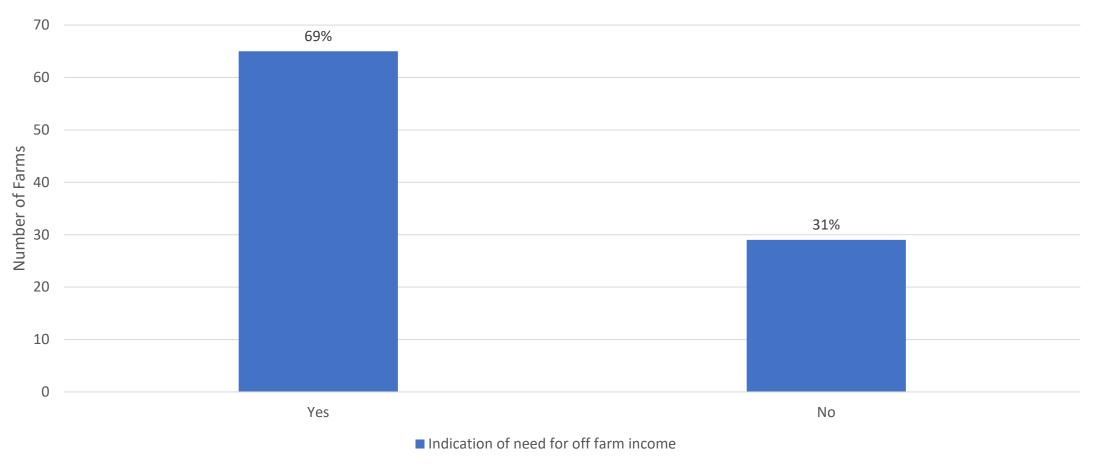
Does profitability of farm meet their needs? (n=93) Farm owner responses





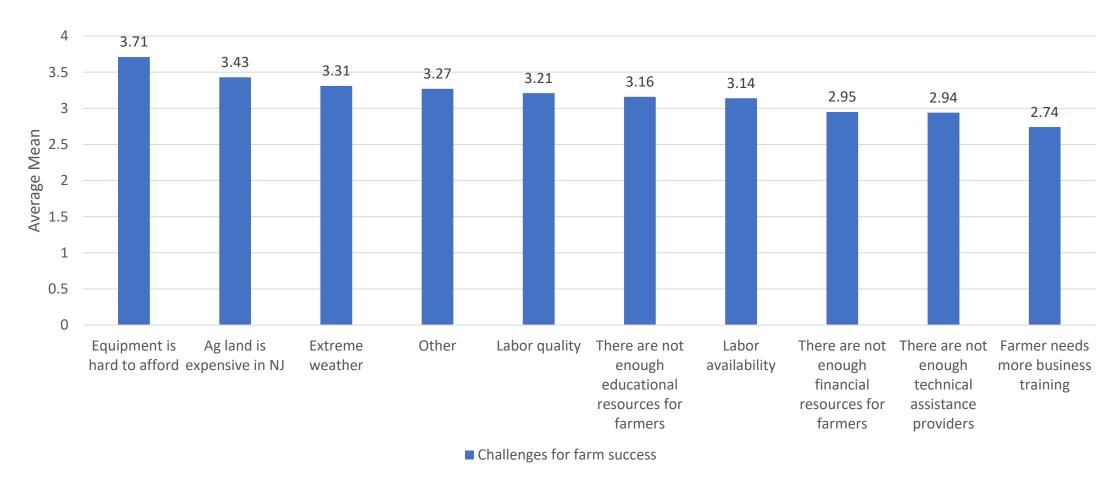
Reliance on off-farm income (n=94)

Farm owner responses





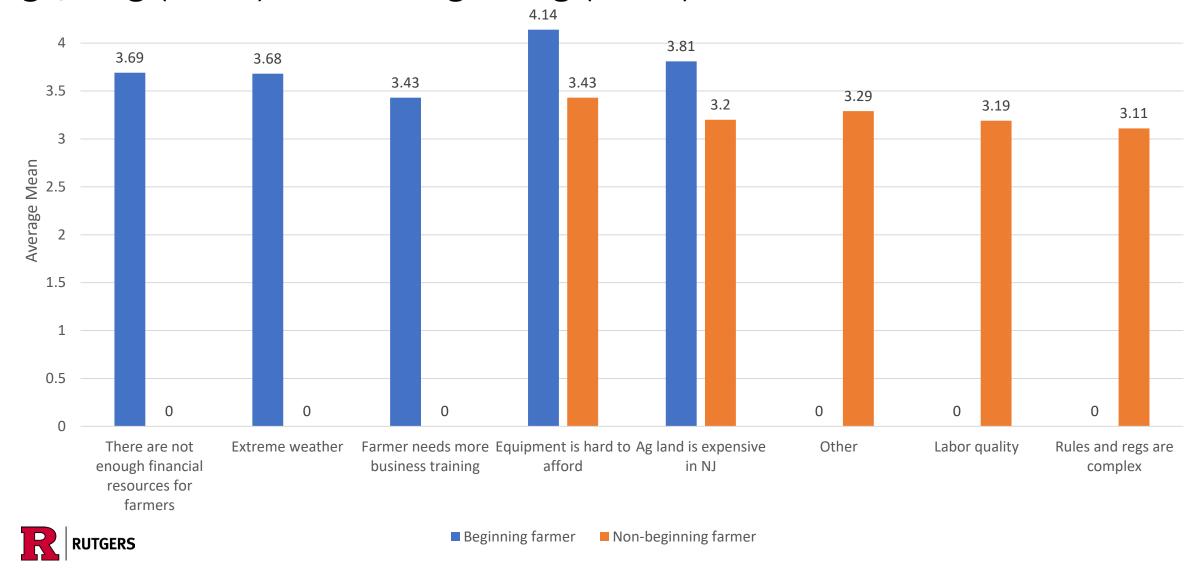
Challenges impacting success (n=104) Farm owner responses



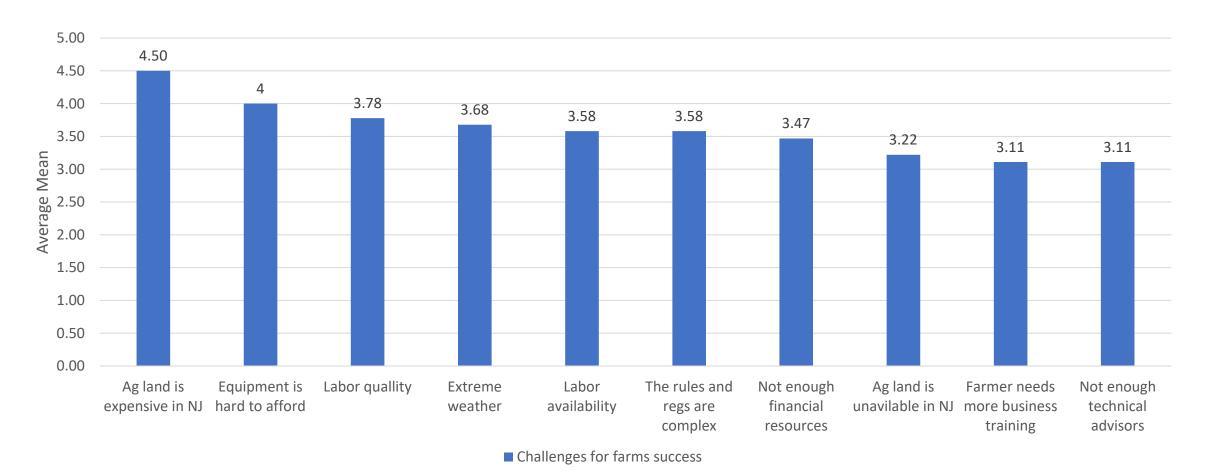


Challenges impacting success

Beginning (n=38) vs non-beginning (n=66) farm owner

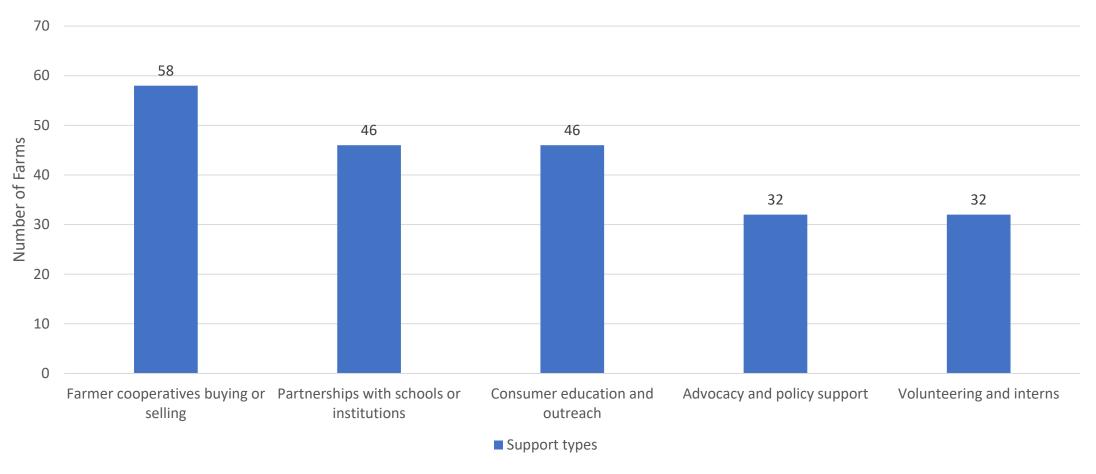


Challenges impacting success (n=20) Farm owners who identified as socially disadvantaged





Organizational support needed (n=101) Farm owner responses





Top 5 service types utilized by farm owners (n=104)

