

A Cornerstone Since 1887

For more than 130 years, we've served New Hampshire as the agricultural, food and natural resource research arm of the UNH land-grant mission.





High-Stakes Issues

We provide science-based answers to critical issues in New Hampshire: resilient food production, effective forest management and sustainable natural resources for future generations.

World-Class Science

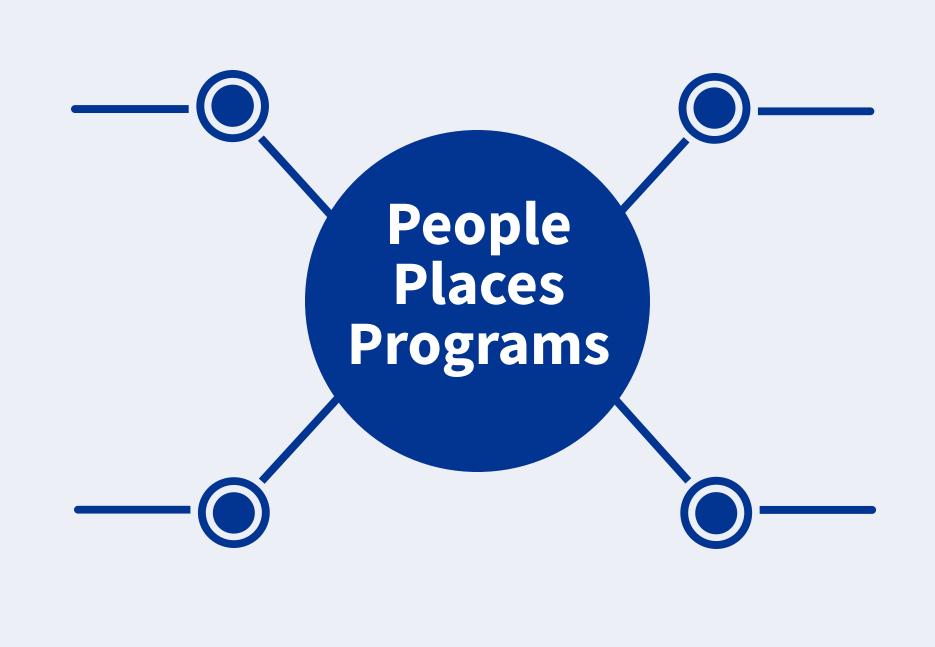
From the lab to the field, forest, and sea, our researchers push scientific frontiers and develop data-informed solutions to help the economic, environmental and societal well-being of New Hampshire's many diverse communities.

New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station Science for the Public Good: Locally Inspired. Globally Important.



University of New Hampshire College of Life Sciences and Agriculture

Our innovative research is supported by essential funds from the U.S. Congress and the New Hampshire State Legislature.



Our scientists represent more than 50 programs conducting research and communicating novel solutions across New Hampshire communities.

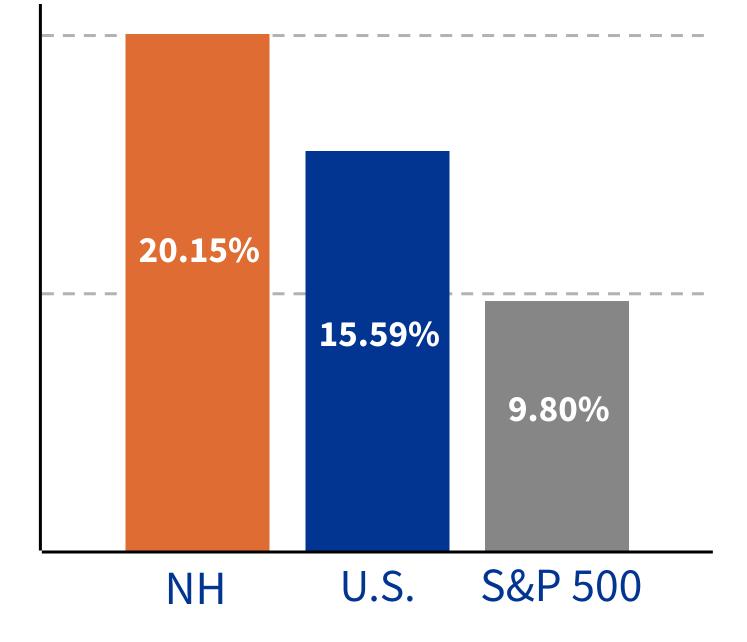
We leverage essential support to secure additional research funds from federal and state agencies and industry partnerships. We maintain two farms, two dairies, greenhouse space, and farm service operations to enable the success of our diverse, practical research.

The Experiment Station Supports:

- 52 Scientists
- 38 Graduate students,postdoctoral fellows
- 810 Research farm and forest acres
- 304 Research dairy cows
- 1,359,711 Stakeholders across New Hampshire

By the Numbers

Annual Rate of Return on Agricultural R&D Investment



Source: Data from Plastina (2012), "Rates of return to public agricultural research in 48 states."

\$23.8 million

in competitive federal, state, and industry grants awarded to Station scientists to further support locally important research.

> A nearly **400%** return on essential federal and state investment.



Table grape vines at the Woodman Horticultural Research Farm.

Fruit, vegetable, and ornamental plant breeding programs help growers identify and overcome current and new production uncertainties. Research on cool-climate table grapes and kiwiberries is helping the state's and region's producers make data-driven decisions to broaden their production portfolio and be more resilient to market and weather risks.

Sustainable aquaculture is a growth industry in New Hampshire and across New England. Ten years ago, our scientists began to conduct research for expanding the state's oyster farming industry. In 2013, only four oyster farmers operated on Great Bay. Today, there are 32 commercial mollusk operations with \$419,000 in sales. Many of these operations rely on the Station's science-based recommendations.



Dr. Ray Grizzle demonstrating farmed oyster research on Great Bay.



As the longest continuous cucurbit breeding program in North America, the research has led to 80 new varieties of squash, pumpkins, gourds and melons. The varieties are grown in home gardens and commercial operations throughout New England and the world. These varieties provide more consistent, cold-hearty and disease-tolerant crops benefiting the food and agricultural sectors.

Home to the first organic research dairy farm at a land-grant university, our researchers develop new techniques for boosting milk productivity, quality and economic profits. Finding the right balance among cost-effective

feed production, animal

characteristics is critical to

disciplinary research efforts

health and milk quality

the integrated, multi-

across the state and

and knowledge sharing

the New England region.



Dr. J. Brent Loy (1941–2020) with squash plants at the MacFarlane Research Greenhouses.

Student with a Jersey calf at the Organic Dairy Research Farm.

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