

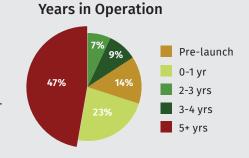
2016 Incubator Farm Projects (IFPs)

Incubator Farm

A land-based, multi-grower project that provides training and technical assistance to aspiring and beginning farmers. New Entry Sustainable Farming Project works to coordinate the National Incubator Farm Training Initiative (NIFTI). We conduct a yearly survey of incubator farm projects (IFPs), for 2016 data, 43 IFPs completed the survey.

The average plot size ranges from 0.88 to 4.73 acres of land with 8 businesses being run on the land; 51% have 2 or fewer full and part-time staff memebers.

More info: www.nesfp.org/nifti

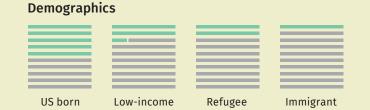


Approximately
6631 people
participated in
programs such
as continuing
education, CSA,
land-based
training and/or
other programs.

Participants

Participants range in age from 18–73 with the average between 25–57. Most IFPs limit the amount of time the participant can stay on the land-with the average being 5 years.

of past farming participants are still farming.



Top Supported Services



86% Irrigation Infrastructure75% Access to Greenhouse or Hoop House70% Post Harvest Handling Sites70% Discounted Rent for Incubator Plots

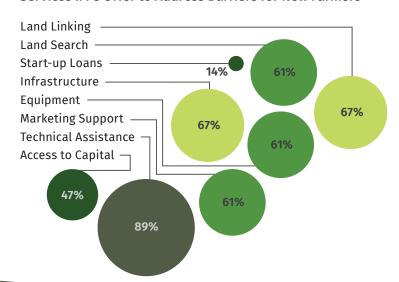
Top Production Items



70% of farming participants use food to feed their families.

Services IFPs Offer to Address Barriers for New Farmers

55% Free Access to Farm Tools



Funding

Each bar represents the percentage of IFPs who receive funding from each source.

59% FOUNDATION GRANTS

On average, IFPs receive 33% of their funding from foundation grants.

51% FEDERAL GRANTS

On average, IFPs receive 52% of their funding from federal grants.

53% FARMER FEES

On average, IFPs receive 52% of their funding from federal grants.

41% INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING

On average, IFPs receive 9% of their funding from individual fundraising.

41% STATE/LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS

On average, IFPs receive 10% of their funding from state/local government sources.

18% REVENUE FROM FARM PRODUCTS

On average, IFPs receive 3% of their funding from earned revenue.