



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION



Women in Ag Day at the Capitol 2025

Monday, March 24, 2025

Minnesota has a broad and diverse agricultural sector, involving women in all facets of agriculture including, but not limited to, conventional crop production (including row crops, sugar beets, wild rice production), livestock husbandry, dairy production, specialty crops, organic farming, viticulture, pasture-based production, poultry, horticulture, direct marketing and agritourism.

Women speaking at the Senate Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development Committee Hearing:



Gail Donkers, Donkers Family Farm

Faribault/Kenyon area

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The Donkers Family Farm raises "kids, corn and cows," as well as soybeans, alfalfa, dairy steers, finishing hogs and sheep.



Jeanne Anderson, Simple Living Farm

Montevideo area

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At Simple Living Farm, the Andersons direct market beef, pork, eggs, produce and fresh herbs to local customers.



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Jessica Westbrook & Trista Gareri, Sunflower Farm

New London area

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Sunflower Farm raises turkeys. Minnesota ranks #1 in turkey production in the U.S.