

decreases in the following seven States: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. (See table 18.)

It should be noted that class 1-5 farms do not account for all of the lime used for farm purposes. About 94,000 farms with sales of farm products of less than \$2,500 in 1969 reported the purchase of \$9.6 million of lime and liming materials. Using the average price paid for lime on class 1-5 farms, it is estimated that these farms with sales of less than \$2,500 probably used about 1.9 million tons of lime in 1969.

Data for expenditures for all farms in 1969 indicated that 356 thousand farms purchased lime or liming materials. Adding the

tons of lime reported on class 1-5 farms and the estimated tons as calculated from expenditures for lime reported on the remaining farms, it is estimated that 20.6 million tons of lime were used on farms in 1969.

Table 18. Lime and Liming Materials Used: 1954 to 1969

Class 1-5 Farms	Farms reporting		Tons of lime and liming materials	
	Number	Percent increase or decrease (-) over preceding census	Total	Percent increase or decrease (-) over preceding census
1969	262,122	-27.0	18,650,044	-12.9
1964	359,193	6.9	21,402,874	28.2
1959	336,017	-5.7	16,697,436	16.1
1954	356,152	-	14,382,368	-