## Appendix A. Explanatory Materials <br> DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

## 1. HISTORY OF THE CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

The 1969 census is the 19th nationwide census of agriculture. The first agricultural census was taken in 1840 as part of the Sixth Decennial Census. From 1840 to 1920, an agricultural census was taken every 10 years as part of each decennial census.

With increased application of scientific findings and growing use of mechanization in agriculture, farming practices were changing so rapidly that early in this century it was evident that facts collected at 10 -year intervals were no longer adequate. Aware of the need for more accurate and timely information, the Congress, in 1909 (36 Stat. 10, Sec. 31), provided for a census of agriculture to be taken in 1915 and every 10 years thereafter, in addition to the census of agriculture taken at the time of the decennial census. However, the census was not taken in 1915 because of the abnormal conditions created by World War I. Beginning in 1920, a national agricultural census has been taken every five years.

## 2. HOW THE 1969 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE WAS TAKEN

## Enumeration Method

For the first time in a nationwide census of agriculture, farmers were asked to fill out and mail back their census forms. In earlier censuses, enumerators called on all farm operators. Beginning with the 1950 census, copies of the report form were mailed prior to the enumeration starting date and farmers were asked to fill them out and have them ready for the enumerator to pick up. The enumerators going from door to door in rural areas would pick up and review any forms that had been completed; they would also fill out or complete forms for those places classified as farms which did not have forms ready for review.

Use of the mailout/mailback approach had been considered earlier and some aspects had been included in pretests for the 1964 Census of Agriculture as well as in the evaluation surveys measuring the accuracy of the earlier censuses. A coverage check of the 1964 census was especially pertinent in the final decision to adopt the mailout/mailback method for the 1969 census. A brief description of the study, called the "EPA-IRS Match" appears on page 38 of volume III, part 7, Evaluation Surveys, of the 1964 Census of Agriculture.

## The Mailing List

The starting point for the enumeration of the 1969 Census of Agriculture was a mailing list comprised of all persons and organizations that could be readily identified as associated with the direction of agricultural operations in 1969. Only the more comprehensive sets of administrative records containing information related to agricultural activities were used initially.

The list was assembled primarily from the records of other Government agencies and from the 1964 Census of Agriculture lists of addresses. Internal Revenue Service records were particu-
larly significant in developing the mailing list, since most farm operators of any importance could be identified in these records. Specifically, the IRS supplied lists of people and organizations who filed Form 1040, Schedule F (farm operators and farm landiords). The IRS also supplied lists of businesses showing, on Form 1040-Schedule C, Form 1065 (partnerships), and Form 1120 (small business corporations), that more than 50 percent of their income was from agriculture. A listing of employers of agricultural workers filing agriculture employment tax reports on Social Security Administration Form 943 was also used. The Bureau supplemented these lists with the names of Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service participants in the south and selected States in the remainder of the country where there appeared to be a significant number of persons with limited agricultural operations who had not filed IRS Schedule F.

The Bureau amended the basic list by conducting a precanvass early in 1969, covering about 100,000 of the larger more complex farms. The precanvass identified separate farm units of multifarm operations, farms with significant acreages in more than one county, and abnormal operations such as Indian reservations and farms operated by institutions.

The master list, constructed by merging and unduplicating the various source lists on the basis of Social Security or Employer Identification numbers, contained the names and addresses of persons or organizations associated with agricultural operations, and an indication of the size of the operation so that the Bureau could determine which of two versions of the census form to send.

Lists of specialized operations, such as nurseries and broiler operations, which might not be identified in the administrative records as associated with agricultural operations were obtained and a supplemental mailing was made to the names and addresses on these lists.

Duplicate names not identified prior to mailing were removed during office processing.

## The Census Forms and Their Distribution

The regular 12 -page form (A1) was sent to farms with an expected volume of sales of agricultural products in 1969, of $\$ 2,500$ or more.

A four-page form (A2) was sent to a 50 -percent sample of operators whose 1969 sales were expected to total less than $\$ 2,500$. This form covered all major items-land use, crops, livestock and poultry, equipment, expenditures, and income-but omitted much of the detail found in the regular form.

Both forms are reproduced in appendix B.
Why the two forms? Emphasis in this census was placed on obtaining more detailed information for those farms with annual sales of farm products of $\$ 2,500$ or more. In 1964, the $1,817,000$ farms in this group, which made up 58 percent of the total farms, accounted for more than 96 percent of the total value of all farm products sold.

It was agreed that the operators of the smaller places need not be burdened with the extensive detail required from the operators who are responsible for virtually all of our commercial farm production. Hence, the short form was developed for the operators whose 1969 sales were expected to be less than $\$ 2,500$.

## The Initial Mailings

During the last week of December 1969, the report forms were mailed to all farm operators on the mailing list. Approximately $3,700,000$ forms were mailed at this time $-2,900,000$ regular forms (A1) and 800,000 short forms (A2).

The A2 form was not used in Alaska and Hawaii; A1's were mailed to all names on the address list. The A1 form used in Alaska was the same as the one used in the other continental States. The A1 form used in Hawaii differed primarily in the crops section, since Hawaiian agriculture has significant differences from the mainland in the crops produced.

During the first part of 1970, lists of persons or firms filing 1969 tax returns showing agricultural operations were obtained from the Internal Revenue Service. The Bureau checked these names against the original mailing list to find individuals and organizations who had not reported agricultural operations in their 1968 income tax reports or who, for some other reason, had not been included in the December 1969 mailing. These operators were sent the appropriate regular or short form in a supplementary mailing in July 1970.

All potential farm operators who were sent the regular form, received with it a Leaflet Guide which carried on the cover a letter from the Chief of the Agriculture Division explaining the purpose of the census and asking the recipient to fill out the form and return it in the envelope enclosed. The leaflet provided descriptions and definitions for the various items in more detail than was shown on the form, as well as instructions regarding some of the more common problem situations that were anticipated and lists of what should be included or excluded in reporting the more complex items.

A reproduction of this Leaflet Guide appears in appendix B.
Potential operators who received the short form were sent the cover letter, but not the leaflet. Instructions for this relatively simple form were provided on the form itself.

It was intended that the regular form would be filled out by the operators of all farms with $\$ 2,500$ or more in sales of farm products. When recipients of the short form reported sales in 1969 substantially above this breaking point, it was necessary to go back to them for the additional detail needed for the regular form. If the recipient of the regular form reported less than $\$ 2,500$ in sales, data were tabulated for only those items which were on the short form.

## Coverage of Outlying Areas

The mailout/mailback procedure was not used in taking the agriculture census in Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. Discussion of the methods used appears in the reports for the outlying areas.

## Followup Procedures

In the United States, a reminder card dated January 10, 1970, was sent to all recipients of the regrlar form, urging prompt
response and expressing thanks 'if your response is already in the mail."

The first followup letter was mailed early in March to all those on the original mailing list from whom we had not received either the completed form or other correspondence by February 25th.

After the first mail followup, telephone and field followup was started early in March to be sure that data were collected from the previously identified very large and/or very complex operations.

Over a period of the next three months, three other followup letters were sent to the other nonrespondents to achieve a response over the 90 -percent level by July 1, 1970.

After the mailing of the fourth followup letter, data collection efforts continued, but on a selective basis. Field enumeration by personal interview was used to collect the data from nonrespondents in 371 counties where response rates were below acceptable limits.

The collection of missing reports continued, as necessary, into the office processing phase. Lists of farms with substantial production of specific farm products had been obtained from various sources. These lists were used during data review as a check in counties having significant differences between the expected and the tabulated amounts of one or more agricultural products. Farms appearing on the lists for which a report was not found in the file of census reports being processed were contacted, usually by telephone. If it was determined that a farm had indeed been missed, a report was obtained.

The processing system provided for the possibility of incorporating reports as late as the final tabulation of county data for each State.

The telephone and field followup was performed either by the permanent staff of the Bureau's regional field offices assisted by staff held over from the population census enumeration or, in the case of the very large and complex agricultural operations, by Agriculture Division staff members.

## 3. STATISTICAL ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURES

Report forms were completed and tabulated for all the indentifiable larger places. In a few instances where the required information could not be obtained from the operator, data were obtained from secondary sources.

The smaller operations for which data were not obtained are represented in the statistics by replication of reports for farms having similar characteristics in the same county.

The majority of the farms represented by replication are among those having a total value of agricultural products sold in 1969 of less than $\$ 5,000$. For Texas, data were imputed for about 10 percent of the State's farms, accounting for about 5 percent of the State's total value of agricultural products sold.

All report forms were subjected to a computer edit where adjustments using detailed programed specifications were made for incomplete or internally inconsistent data. The procedures provided for printouts of the computer changes for those farm reports if the change exceeded specified limits for the item. These changes were then reviewed for reasonableness by Agriculture Division staff members.

## 4. OFFICE PROCESSING

The reports for all farms were reviewed prior to keying the data to magnetic tape. Records for large agricultural operations, including all places of 50,000 acres or more, or having $\$ 100,000$ sales of agricultural products or more in 1969, were reviewed by a professional employee (agricultural statistician or economist). Omissions, inconsistencies, and other problems that could not be resolved by reference to other information on the report were resolved by contact (usually telephone) with the respondent. Reports for smaller operations were subjected to a clerical editing review, during which significant problems were referred to the professional analysts for solution.

During processing, the data for each report form were subjected to a detailed review which required almost the full capacity of one of the very large electronic computers. The program provided comprehensive tests and instructions which were used to correct data found to be in error or inconsistent, to supply missing data, and to make classifications of the farm necessary for tabulation of data.

## 5. COMPLETENESS OF THE CENSUS

Although a complete and fully accurate count of farms, farm land, and farm production is the aim of each general, nationwide census of agriculture, it has never been reached. The causes of incompleteness and inaccuracies are a part of the complex structure of America's agriculture. Among the elements involved are the large number of places to be enumerated, the variety of arrangements under which farms are operated, the continuing changes in the relationship of farm operators to the land they operate, the expiration of leases and the making or renewal of other leases, the problems of obtaining a complete unduplicated listing of all agricultural operators, the difficulties of locating and identifying places that might be farms, the absence from their farms of some farmers during the period of the mail effort and followup procedures, the opinions of some operators that some or all of their agricultural operations should not be included in the census, etc.

Preliminary results of a check of coverage in the State indicate that about 98 percent of the farms with a total value of agricultural products sold in 1969 of $\$ 2,500$ and over, are included in the census. The 1969 coverage of part-time, part-retirement, and other low-income operations is probably less complete than for 1964 and earlier censuses. These types of operations are most likely to have been missing in the administrative records used in assembling the basic mailing list. The farms included are estimated to account for more than 98 percent of the total value of agricultural production for the State.

A more detailed statement regarding the differences in coverage between the 1969 and 1964 censuses of agriculture is provided in the Introduction to volume II of the reports for the 1969 and 1964 censuses. In addition, a detailed report on coverage of the 1969 census is scheduled to be published separately.

## 6. COMPARABILITY OF DATA

A factor affecting comparability, in addition to those mentioned in the introduction, was the procedure for assigning a farm to a specific geographic area.

For 1964 and earlier censuses, each enumerator was assigned to enumerate all farms in a specific geographic area, and farms were allocated to the area in which their "headquarters" was located.

Each of the 1969 farms was assigned to a "most probable" county and that county name was listed on the mailing label before the form was sent to the address on the mailing list. The assignment was based upon factors such as records of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, the location of the post office, and county of location of the majority of rural route patrons. The respondent was asked to check if all his agricultural operations were located in the county shown on the address label, otherwise to identify the "principal" county in which his agricultural operations were conducted, and to name all other counties in which he had agricultural operations. If he failed to do this correctly, and especially if the preassigned "most probable" county was incorrect, the acres in the farm may have been tabulated for a different county than in 1964 and earlier censuses. In addition, even when the respondent replied correctly, if two counties or more were involved, his concept of the principal county where his agricultural operations were located might well have differed from the location of his "headquarters" as determined by the enumerator in the earlier census.

## 7. THE "SEE TEXT" REFERENCES AND OTHER NOTES FOR THE TABLES

Those items in the State tables which carry the note "see text" are identified in this section by being enclosed in quotation marks. Explanations and notes are shown for additional items.

## Table 1

Total cropland may be overstated for 1969 as compared to earlier censuses due largely to the respondent (in most cases the farm operator) reporting his land in a different classification than that reported by the enumerators in earlier censuses.

Cropland used only for pasture and grazing may be overstated for 1969, due in part to a tendency of operators to report all pasture in replying to the first question regarding pasture (item 1 b in section 3 of the regular form, and item 2 in section 5 of the short form).
"All other cropland" includes cropland used for soilimprovement crops, crop failure, cultivated summer fallow, and idle cropland.
"All other land" includes pastureland other than cropland and woodland pasture, rangeland, and land in house lots, barn lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.

## Table 2

Irrigation. Data on method of irrigation and source of water, along with additional irrigation data will be available in chapter 14, volume II, U.S. Summary, and in volume IV, Irrigation, 1969 Census of Agriculture.

## Table 3

The 1964 and 1959 data reported in the columns headed "Negro operated farms" include the farms of all nonwhite operators.

Users may notice that data for managers are not shown separately in the report of farm operators by tenure. Discussion of this change from the 1964 and earlier reports will be found in section 8 , immediately following this section.
Tenure data for 1964 and 1959 do not include farms operated by managers, and to this extent are not comparable to the 1969
figures in which the managers have been distributed according to the reported ownership of the land.

Additional information regarding farm operators will be reported in volume II. This volume will include data reporting year the operator began operation, detailed data regarding race, and average date the census form was completed.

Data on ownership of land rented from others, type of rental arrangements, and farms with grazing permits will be reported in volume II, with totals for each State.

## Table 4

"Class 6 farms" have a value of farm products sold of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ and a farm operator under 65 years of age who did not work off the farm 100 days or more in the census year.
"Part-time farms" have a value of farm products sold of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ and a farm operator under 65 years of age who worked off the farm 100 days or more in the census year.
"Part-retirement farms" have a value of farm products sold of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ and an operator 65 years old or over.
"Abnormal farms" include institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian reservations. Institutional farms include those operated by hospitals, penitentiaries, schools, grazing associations, government agencies, etc.
"Market value of all agricultural products sold" represents the market value, before taxes and expenses, of all agricultural products sold in the census year, including livestock and poultry and their products, crops including nursery products and hay, forest products, and all miscellaneous farm products. The figures include landiords' and contractors' shares.

## Table 5

Farm production expenses, total-both farms and dollars. These figures for 1969 are heavily weighted by the effect of the reporting of "all other expenditures." The 1964 and 1959 totals are reported only for the items specifically covered in all three censuses.

Commercially mixed formula feeds. Feed ingredients purchased separately which were included for 1964 and 1959 are excluded for 1969; they are reported separately for 1969 (table 14) for farms with sales of $\$ 2,500$ and over.

Commercial fertilizer. Data for 1969 include the cost of rock phosphate and gypsurn; these items were not included in the 1964 or 1959 figures.
"Other agricultural chemica/s" includes all herbicides, fungicides, other pesticides, growth control chemicals, and defoliants used for crops, and insecticides for livestock and poultry in the census year.

All other production expenses. This item is subject to some errors in reporting. Operators failed, in some cases, to follow the instructions as to the types of expenditures which were to be included or excluded. Obvious errors were corrected during the processing, but the dollar figures for this item should be used with caution.

Table 7
The 1964 and 1959 figures on broilers and other meat-type chickens are based on questions which had no specification regarding age.

## Table 8

Farms reporting acres and quantity harvested for soybeans for beans are underreported. The format of the regular report form (the A1) provided for related crops to be grouped in one of 12 sections each of which had an introductory general question and instructions for the respondent to skip the entire section whenever he answered "No." The introductory question to section 11, where soybeans for beans should have been reported, was "Were any dry beans, dry peas, or peanuts harvested from this place in 1969?" A limited number of respondents who had harvested soybeans apparently did not classify soybeans as dry beans and skipped the entire section. Some of these reported the crop in section 23, "Other crops," while others failed to report them. In instances where there was a sizeable difference on an individual report form between the acres of cropland harvested and the sum of the acres reported for individual crops harvested, telephone calls made to check on the difference determined that it was frequently due to failure to report either soybean or hay acreages. The missing data were then obtained and the reports corrected. Consequently such underreporting tends to be limited to smaller acreages. Studies of available check data indicate the shortages to be about 5 percent or less for farms reporting and somewhat lower for acres and quantity harvested.

Hay, excluding sorghum hay. There was also underreporting for hay since the introductory general question for section 14 on the regular form which reads "Was any hay or grass silage harvested from this place in 1969?" was misunderstood in some instances. Additionally, it has always been difficult to obtain correct reporting of acreage cut for hay involving, as it frequently does, two or more cuttings from the same acreage, hay cut and seed harvested from the same acreage, or a hay crop following some other crop harvested.
"Land in orchards" includes land in bearing and nonbearing fruit orchards, citrus or other groves, vineyards, and nut trees of all ages, including land on which the fruit crop failed. It does not include acres in abandoned plantings or data for places with less than 20 fruit or nut trees.

## Table 9

"All other cropland." See note for table 1.
"All other land." See note for table 1.
"Farms by type." Explanation of this classification is shown in section 8.

Livestock ranches. See classification of farms in section 8.
"Market value of all agricultural products sold." See note for table 4.

Forest products sold. As in previous censuses, the data obtained in the 1969 census relate only to the forest products cut on farms. Commercial logging, timber operations, and forest products cut and sold from nonfarm places are excluded.
"Other agricultural chemicals." See note for table 5.
"Land in orchards." See note for table 8.

## Table 10

"All other land." See note for table 1.

## Table 13

"Market value of all agricultural products sold." See note for table 4.
'\$1 to $\$ 2,499$." In the processing, certain farms were identified whose operations would normally have a sale of farm products of $\$ 2,500$ or more, but had actual sales of less than \$2,500 in 1969. These farms are grouped with class 1-5 farms for the more detailed tabulations reported in tables 9 through 30, and are included in class 5 whenever figures are shown separately by class. They are included in the appropriate value groups having sales of less than $\$ 2,500$, in table 4.

## Table 14

"Other agricultural chemicals." See note for table 5.
Hired farm labor and Contract labor. Some operators may not have clearly distinguished these two types of farm labor. Some reported expenditures for contract labor although the workers were not hired through a contractor, a crewleader, a cooperative, etc.

Number working less than 150 days. Some of these workers may have worked on more than one farm during the year, and therefore be reported by two or more operators. The number of workers reported here is likely to exceed the actual number of agricultural workers.

## Table 16

"Chickens 4 months old or older" for 1964 and 1959. Note the age break at 4 months for these earlier censuses. This was changed to " 3 months old or older" for the 1969 census.

Table 21
Grass silage. 1964 and 1959 figures include grass silage and hay cut green.

Soybeans for beans. See note for table 8.
All hay. See note for table 8.
"Land in orchards." See note for table 8.
Table 22
Forest products. See note for table 9.
Table 24
"All other land." See note for table 1.
Artificial drainage. Only total drained acres and number of farms having such acres are reported here. More detailed data will be available in volume II, chapter 14, Irrigation and Drainage, and in volume VI, Drainage.

Farms by type. Definitions for the various types of farms are given in section 8.
"\$1 to \$2,499." See note for table 13.

Forest products sold. See note for table 9.
Farm production expenses, total. See note for table 5.
Commercially mixed formula feeds. See note for table 5.
"Other agricultural chemicals." See note for table 5.
Hired farm labor and Contract labor. See note for table 14.
Number of persons working less than 150 days. See note for table 14.

All other production expenses. See note for table 5.
Soybeans for beans. See note for table 8.
"Land in orchards." See note for table 8.
Tables 25 to 30
See notes for table 24. The items in the left-hand margin (stub) of these tables are identical to the items in table 24, therefore the notes for this table apply to tables 25 through 30.

## 8. DEFINITIONS, EXPLANATIONS, AND CLASSIFICATION OF FARMS

## Definitions and Explanations

For exact wording of the questions and instructions in the two census forms (A1 and A2) and in the Leaflet Guide which accompanied the A1 form, see the reproductions of these three items in appendix $B$.

An analysis of the questions asked in the 1969 census forms and of the data obtained will be given in volume II, General Report, Statistics by Subject, Census of Agriculture, 1969.

Definitions of items and terms which may require additional explanation as they are used in the census are presented here. In general, processing steps and procedures were designed to develop a report as fully comparable as possible with reports of earlier censuses. The more important exceptions are noted here.

Land in farms-The acreage designated in the tables as "Land in farms" consists primarily of "agricultural" land-that is, land used for crops or pasture or grazing. It also includes considerable areas of land not actually under cultivation nor used for pasture or grazing. For example, the acreage of woodland and wasteland owned or rented by farm operators as part of their agricultural operations is included as land in farms. Large acreages of land held for nonagricultural purposes were deleted in the processing steps if identified as such.

All grazing land except for open range and grazing land used under government permit was to be included as land in farms provided the place of which it was a part was a farm. Grazing land operated by grazing associations was to be reported in the name of the person chiefly responsible for conducting the business of the association. Land used rent free was to be reported as land rented from others. All land in Indian reservations used for growing crops or grazing livestock was to be included. Land in Indian reservations that was not reported by individual Indians and that was not rented to non-Indians was to be reported in the name of the cooperative group that used the land. In some instances, an entire Indian reservation was reported as one farm.

Land area-The approximate total land area of States and counties as reported for 1969 represents the land area as determined by records and calculations updated to January 1 , 1970. Differences between the land area in the 1969 and 1964 reports reflect changes in the number or size of reservoirs, lakes, streams, etc.

Land in two or more counties-With but few exceptions, each farm was tabulated as being in the operator's principal county, usually the county in which he reported all or the largest proportion of his total land.

Some of the exceptions developed from a survey of large-scale farms carried out prior to the mailing of the census forms. This study identified about 1,000 operations having more than one separately reportable farm unit. For these, individual census reports were obtained for each location. Reports received showing land in noncontiguous counties, for which the data would significantly affect the county totals, were separated into two or more reports which were assigned to the appropriate counties during office processing.

Value of land and buildings-Data on the value of land and buildings are presented as totals and in terms of average per farm and average per acre. The value of land and buildings reported for the census was supposed to represent market value-that is, the price for which the land and buildings would sell at the time of the census.

The value of land in buildings for farms for which the value was not completely reported was estimated during office processing by using the average value per acre of land and buildings for farms of approximately the same size having similar characteristics in the same area.

Type of organization-The 1963 census is the first in which information was collected on the type of organization under which the farm operated. This information was collected for class 1.5 farms in response to the demand for data more descriptive of current farm organizational structure than the traditional tenure of farm operator classification. See State table 24.

Farm managers-In 1969, the term "manager" was dropped as a tenure concept because it was no longer descriptive of a distinct type of farm management. Farms of the kind that would have qualified as managed according to the 1964 definition were distributed among full owners, part owners, and tenants according to the reported ownership of the land in the place. Tables in this report showing 1964 tenure data do not include managed farms in the 1964 figures used, and to this extent the 1964 data are not comparable to the 1969 data.

Farm operator-The term "farm operator" is used to designate a person who operates a farm, either doing the work himself or directly supervising the work. He may be the owner, a member of the owner's household, a salaried manager, or a tenant, renter, or sharecropper. If he rents land to others or has land worked on shares by others, he is considered as operator only of the land which he retains for his own operation. In the case of a partnership, only one partner is counted as an operator. For census purposes the number of farm operators is the same as the number of farms.

For 1969, the respondent classified his own status by his answers to the acreage and ownership questions. Data on the characteristics of farm operators were obtained in section 38 of the report form where the operator was defined as the person in charge of the farm or ranch operation. In some cases the operator was not the individual named on the address label. Sometimes informa-
tion was reported for a family member, a partner, or an operator more closely connected with the farm or ranch operations.

In the 1964 census, the farm operator was located and defined by the enumerator who generally obtained the report from the person in charge at the farm or ranch location.

Farms or farms reporting-Figures for farms or farms reporting for a specified item represent the number of farms for which the item was reported. For example, if there were 1,922 farms in a county and 465 had chickens 3 months old and over on hand December 31, 1969, the figure for farms or farms reporting for the item "Chickens 3 months old and over" would be 465.

Value of crops harvested-Data for value of crops harvested were developed by applying estimated unit values to the operators' reports of acres or quantity harvested. Generally, harvested units of production (bushels, bales, etc.) when reported, were multiplied by State estimates of price per unit. In some instances only acres harvested were reported, and these were multiplied by State estimates of value of production per acre. A combination of the two calculations was used when only acres havested were reported by small farms, but units of production were supplied by larger farms. The State average production price and production value per acre figures used in these calculations, were supplied by the Statistical Reporting Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

For vegetables and for nursery and greenhouse products, value of sales were obtained from farm operators and used in the calculation of total value of crops harvested.

Value of livestock on farms-Data for value of livestock on farms were obtained by multiplying the number of each class of livestock or poultry on hand by the State average price for 1969 as furnished by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The 1964 and 1959 data were developed in similar fashion.

Value of farm products sold-Data for the value of farm products sold in 1969 were obtained by direct questioning in both the regular and short forms.

This is a departure from the method used in previous censuses, in which data on value of sales were obtained by enumeration for some products and by estimation for others. A discussion of the methods used in the 1964 census will be found on pages A7 to A9 of the appendix in each State report (volume 1) of the 1964 census.

Total value of farm products sold-For 1969, this item excludes income which the farm operator and members of his family received from providing hunting, fishing, picnicking, camping, boarding and lodging, or other recreational services on his farm; for 1964, the total included such income.

The total value of farm products sold does not include government payments received by farm operators for participation in wheat, feed grains, and other government programs. As indicated by the data in State table 4, farm operators receive considerable farm-related income from sources other than the farm operated. Data in State table 27 indicate, for the various economic classes of farms, the number of farms on which the farm operator received income from specified sources other than the farm operated, and the amount of such income.

Total income the farm operator and members of his family received from sources other than the farm operated is not available from the 1969 Census of Agriculture. Tabulations are being made from the 1970 Census of Population to provide such
information which may be useful in this regard in a separate report.

Differences in totals for some items-The totals given in one table for an item may differ slightly from the total given for the same item in another table because of the rounding of fractions for the several groups of farms, counties, etc.

Floating point system-In preparation for showing comparative figures from the 1964 Census of Agriculture, the 1964 published figures were keyed to magnetic tape using a floating point system. The system used provides for showing the first five digits of a number, the sixth is rounded to a five and all subsequent digits are shown as zero. Thus, the figure $17,256,423$ would appear as $17,256,500$. Differences from the 1964 published figures may appear in the least significant digits for any number having six or more digits as a result of using this procedure.

## Classification of Farms

State table 9 presents detailed data for all farms classified by selected economic class groups; State tables 24 to 29 present detailed data for class 1.5 farms classified by tenure of operator, type of organization, age of operator, size (in acres), economic class, and type. In addition, the report contains a number of counts of farms according to various characteristics as well as frequency distribution of farms classified by size of each of the principal farm enterprises.

Farms by tenure of operator-As mentioned earlier in this section, the term "manager" as a tenure concept, is not used in the 1969 census. Information regarding managers was not obtained separately as the concept has become increasingly difficult to define and identify, especially with the change to enumeration by mail. The classifications by type of organization should provide more meaningful information. Detailed data by tenure of operator and type of organization are shown in State table 24.

The classifications of tenure as used in this census are-
a. Full owners, who operate only land they own;
b. Part owners, who operate land they own and also land they rent from others; and
c. Tenants, who operate only land they rent from others, or work on shares for others.

Farms by type of organization-This is the first census of agriculture in which the classification by type of organization has been used. The classifications used are-
a. Individual or family farms, excluding partnership and corporation,
b. Partnership,
c. Corporation, including family owned-

With 10 or fewer shareholders,
With more than 10 shareholders,
d. Other-includes estates, trusts, cooperatives.

The farms were classified according to the information provided in section 37 on the A1 form. Thus there may be data shown for corporate farms in States where there are regulations affecting the extent to which corporations are permitted to engage in farming operations.

Many of the reports which showed "other" as the type of organization are institutional farms, Indian reservations, or other operations classified as "abnormal" and consequently are not included in the tabulations for class 1-5 farms.

Farms by size-All farms were classified by size according to the total land area established for each farm. Detailed data by size of farm are presented for class $1-5$ farms in State table 26. The same classification was used for all States. According to definition, a farm is essentially an operating unit, not an ownership tract. All land operated by one person or partnership represents one farm. In the case of a landlord who has assigned land to other tenants, the land assigned to each tenant is considered a separate farm even though the landlord may consider the entire landholding as one unit in respect to supervision, equipment, rotation practice, purchase of supplies, or sale of products.

Farms by economic class-Data from the 1969 census are reported for "All farms" and for "Farms with sales of $\$ 2,500$ and over (economic classes 1 to 5)."

In the 1964 and earlier censuses a classification called "commercial farms" was used which included the first six economic classes; this grouping is not comparable to the "class 1-5" grouping used in the 1969 report.

To help bridge this gap, State table 9 shows data for the "class $1-6^{\prime \prime}$ group, in addition to data for all farms, class 6 farms, part time, part retirement, and abnormal farms.

The economic classes used in this report are defined as follows:
Class 1 . . . . . . . \$40,000 or more of farm product sales
Class 1a . . . . . . \$100,000 or more of farm product sales
Class 1b . . . . . . \$40,000 to \$99,999 of farm product sales
Class 2 . . . . . . . . \$20,000 to $\$ 39,999$ of farm product sales
Class 3 . . . . . . . . \$10,000 to $\$ 19,999$ of farm product sales
Class 4 . . . . . . . \$5,000 to $\$ 9,999$ of farm product sales
Class $5 \ldots \ldots . . \$ 2,500$ to $\$ 4,999$ of farm product sales or having a value of products sold of less than $\$ 2.500$ provided they had the acreage or livestock operations which normally would have had sales in excess of $\$ 2,500$. These would include new farm operations, farms having crop failure, and farms with large inventories and small 1969 sales. For a count of these farms, see county table 13 or State table 22.

Class $6 \ldots . . .$. . $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ of farm product sales and a farm operator who is under 65 years of age and did not work off the farm 100 days or more in the census year.

Part time . . . . . \$50 to $\$ 2,499$ of farm product sales and a farm operator who is under 65 years of age and worked off the farm 100 days or more in the census year.

Part retirement. . \$50 to $\$ 2,499$ of farm product sales and a farm operator who is 65 years old or over.

Abnormal ..... Includes institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian reservations. Institutional farms include those operated by hospitals, penitentiaries, schools, grazing associations, government agencies, etc.

Large-scale farms-Farms with a value of farm products sold of $\$ 100,000$ or more (class 1a) have been designated as large-scale farms. Data for these farms classified by type of farm are presented in State table 30.

Change in the classification of farms by economic classes-The above definitions of economic classes apply to the 1964 census as well as to 1969 . There was a change from 1959 to 1964 which affected only class 6 and part-time farms. Discussion of this change can be found on page A14 of appendix A of volume I of the 1964 census. In 1959, a farm was classified as class 6 if it had a value of sales of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$, the operator was under 65 years of age and did not work off the farm 100 days or more in the census year, and the income from sources other than the farm operated did not exceed the value of farm products sold. Other conditions being the same, if the income from other sources exceeded the value of farm products sold, the farm was classified as part-time.

Farms by type-The type of farm represents a description of the major source of income from farm sales. To be classified as a particular type, a farm must have sales of a particular product or group of products amounting in value to 50 percent or more of the total value of all farm products sold during the year.

The count of farms by type is shown in State table 9, for all farms, for several groups of farms with sales of less than $\$ 2,500$, and for abnormal farms. It is shown by county for class 1-5 farms in chapter 3 of section 1 of this volume.

Type-of-farm breakdowns are reported in detail for class 1-5 farms in State tables 28 and 29.

The types of farms, together with the products (value of sales reported representing 50 percent or more of total value of all farm products sold during the year) on which type classification is based, are as follows:

Cash-grain-Corn, sorghums, small grains, soybeans for beans, cowpeas for peas, dry field and seed beans and peas.

Tobacco-Tobacco.

## Cotton-Cotton and cottonseed.

Other field crop-Peanuts, potatoes (Irish and sweet), sugarcane for sugar or sirup, sweet sorghums for sirup, broomcorn, popcorn, sugar beets, mint, hops, sugar beet seed, and pineapples.

## Vegetable-Vegetables.

Fruit and nut-Berries, other small fruits, tree fruits, grapes, nuts, and coffee.

Poultry-Chickens, chicken eggs, turkeys, and other poultry products.
Dairy-Dairy products-milk, cream, etc. The criterion of 50 percent of total sales was modified in the case of dairy farms. A farm having value of sales of dairy products amounting to less than 50 percent of the total value of farm products sold was classified as a dairy farm, if-
a. Dairy products sold accounted for more than 30 percent of the total value of products sold, and
b. Milk cows represented 50 percent or more of total cows, and
c. The value of dairy products sold plus the value of cattle and calves sold amounted to 50 percent or more of the total value of all farm products sold.

Livestock other than dairy and poultry-Cattle, calves, hogs, sheep, goats, wool, and mohair except for farms in the 17 western States, Louisiana, Florida, Hawaii, and Alaska that qualified as livestock ranches.

Livestock ranches-Farms in the 17 western States, Louisiana, Florida, Hawaii, and Alaska were classified as livestock ranches if the sales of livestock, wool, and mohair represented 50 percent or more of the total value of farm products sold, and if pastureland or grazing land amounted to 100 acres or more and was 10 times or more the acreage of cropland harvested.

General-Field seed crops, hay, grass, and silage. A farm was also classified as general if it had cash income from three or more sources and did not meet the criteria for any other type.

Miscellaneous-Nursery and greenhouse products, forest products, mules, horses, colts, ponies, fur-bearing animals, bees, honey, goat milk, and farms with no value of farm products sold. Also all institutional farms and Indian reservations.

Stability in the classification of farms by type of farm-The type of farm classification for the 1964 census was the same as in 1969. Only one minor change was made from 1959 to 1964. In the 1959 listing of miscellaneous farms, fur-bearing animals, bees, honey, goat milk, and farms with no value of farm products sold were not listed as a part of this group.

Detailed comparative data for farms classified by type of farm for 1959 may be obtained from State table 18 of volume I of the reports for the 1959 Census of Agriculture.

## 9. DATA BASED ON REPORTS FOR A SAMPLE OF FARMS

Published data for all farms combine the data for the 50 -percent sample of small farms, weighted by " 2 ," with the data for larger farms. Small farms are generally those with a total value of farm products sold in the year of less than $\$ 2,500$. In addition to economic class 6, they include those farms classified as part time and part retirement.

Farms orginally defined as "small" by the mailing list sources, but reporting a total value of farm products sold in 1969 of $\$ 10,000$ and over, were tabulated with a weight of " 1 ."

For Texas, about 31 percent of the total farms were subjected to sampling. By final census classification, about 63 percent of the small farms, as defined above, were subjected to sampling.
For economic classes 4 and 5, the percentages subject to sampling were 7 and 11 percent, respectively. The remaining farms in these economic classes as well as all farms in economic classes 1,2 , and 3 were selected with certainty.

The proportion of total value of farm products sold from farms which were represented in the census by the sample was less than 3 percent.

All of the published data are subject to sampling and/or nonsampling error. Sampling errors, in general, do not significantly affect totals since a very large proportion of the data were reported for economic classes 1 to 3 farms, for which there is no sampling error.

Nonsampling errors, resulting from incomplete coverage, response errors, processing errors, and other sources are discussed in section 10.

The sampling error for any published estimate can be approximated through the use of tables $A, B$, and $C$.

Table A indicates a "level" of sampling error for the number of farms reporting an item, and for magnitude items in broad categories for State and county tables. This table is used to determine sampling errors for State estimates.

Table B classifies each county within the State as having "high," "medium," or "low" sampling errors, for the county as a whole and for small farms within the county. This table must be consulted first to determine sampling errors for county estimates.

Table C presents the relative standard errors for estimated totals by number of farms reporting the item, according to the levels determined from tables A and B.

Table C shows percentage limits such that the chances are 68 out of 100 that the difference between an estimate based wholly or in part on a sample of farms and the figure that would have been obtained if the information had been collected and tabulated for all farms would be no more than the percentage specified. The chances are about 99 out of 100 that the difference would be less than $21 / 2$ times the percentage given in table C . The percentage given in table C takes into account the fact that data for the items listed were collected for all farms with a value of farm products sold of $\$ 10,000$ or more.

The use of the tables may be illustrated by the following example: In a hypothetical State, 1,900 farms reported 5,068,000 bushels of corn harvested for grain on 62,100 acres. Table A shows that, for the State, measures for cropland harvested and for bushels of corn harvested have sampling reliability at level "1."

Since table C for our hypothetical State doesn't show a value for 1,900 farms reporting, we use straight-line interpolation to obtain a relative standard error of $7 / 10$ percent. The standard error of the estimate of $5,068,000$ bushels is then about 36,000 bushels. For the number of acres of corn harvested, the standard error is about 435 acres for an estimate of 62,100 acres. The number of farms reporting corn harvested is also a sample estimate, and its level from table A ("Farms having the item") is level " 2 ," so that the standard error on an estimate of 1,900 farms is about $9 / 10$ percent (using the line for 2,000 farms) or 17 farms.

At the 99 -percent confidence level, the estimate of 5,068,000 bushels of corn harvested for grain may have an error of as much as 90,000 bushels ( $21 / 2$ times 36,000 ) which means that the production determined in a complete census would most likely be between $4,978,000$ and $5,158,000$ bushels. For the number of farms reporting corn harvested, the 99 -percent level corresponds to an estimate with a standard error of 42 farms, so that the number of farms actually having corn harvested is probably between 1,858 and 1,942.

Table A. Level of Sampling Reliability of State and County Totals for Selected Items

|  | State tables |  |  |  |  |  | Part returement | County tables |  |  |  |  | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total farms |  | Economic class |  |  |  |  | Total larms |  | Low | Small farms |  |  |
|  |  | Small <br> farms | $\underline{4}$ |  |  | Part time |  | Hug | Medium |  | High | Medium |  |
| Farms having the item.....................all farms.. | 3 1 | 4 - | 1 |  |  | 4 - | 4 - | 4 1 | 3 1 | 2 1 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Land in farms.................................. ${ }_{\text {acres.. }}$ | 1 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Value of land and buildings................dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 |
| Owned and rented land.........................acres.. | 1 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Cropland.........................................acres.. | 1 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Harvested cropland.............................acres.. | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Woodland........................... . . . . . . . . . .acres. . | 1 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Irrigated land.................................acres.. | 1 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Total value of products sold..............dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Crops. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . dollars. . | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Forest products.......................... dollars.. | 1 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 5 | G | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Livestock products.......................dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Farm production expenses...................dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Commercial feed..........................dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Commercial fertilizer....................dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Fuel......................................dollars.. | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Hired labor. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . dollars.. | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 5 | $\mathfrak{G}$ | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
|  | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Estimated market value.................dollars.. | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| I, ivestock: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cattle and calves..........................number.. | 1 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | $\varepsilon$ | 5 | 4 |
|  | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Poultry..... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . number . . | 1 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| Crops harvested: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corn. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . bushels. | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| Soybeans. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . bushels. . | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Cotton. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . bushels. | 1 | $\cdot 5$ | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 |

Table B. Classification of Counties Into Sampling-Error Category


Table C. Sampling Reliability Based on Number of Farms in Sample and Level of Reliability

|  | Relative standard error (percent) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Level 1 | Leve! 2 | Level 3 | $\underline{\text { Level } 4}$ | Level 5 | Level 6 | Level 7 | Level 8 | Leve! 9 |
| Number of farms for 1 tem: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 farms............... | 10 | 13 | 18 | 24 | 32 | 43 | 56 | 75 | 100 |
| 20 farms................. | 7.1 | 9.0 | 13 | 17 | 22 | 30 | 40 | 53 | 71 |
| 50 farms................ | 4.5 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 11 | 14 | 19 | 25 | 33 | 45 |
| 100 farns............... | 3.2 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 7.5 | 10 | 13 | 18 | 24 | 32 |
| 200 farms................ | 2.2 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 5.3 | 7.1 | 9.0 | 13 | 17 | 22 |
| 500 farms............... | 1.4 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 11 | 14 |
| 1,000 farms............ | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 7.5 | 10 |
| 2,000 farms............ | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 5.3 | 7.1 |
| 5,000 farms............ | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 4.5 |
| 10,000 farms........... | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 |
| 20,000 farms............ | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 2.2 |
| 50,000 farms........... | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.4 |

## 10. NONSAMPLING ERRORS IN THE REPORT

Errors from causes other than those related to sampling are present in any census or survey. These can arise from a variety of reasons, such as inability to obtain any response from some farmers on the mailing list, incorrect reporting, processing errors, etc.

One source of nonsampling error is present in the failure of some respondents to provide all the information requested. Special studies using a small national sample indicate that, on questions such as total value of farm products sold, the nonresponse rate may be of the order of 12 percent. It is usually possible to develop a figure for value of sales based on other entries such as production of crops, livestock sold, etc., but the figure so produced may not be as reliable as a direct report from the farmer.

There is considerable undercoverage of small farms, due to the fact that a large number of these were either not included or not identified as associated with agricultural operations in any of the administrative records and consequently were not on the final mailing list. On the other hand, some farms were on the mailing list more than once, and while duplication was eliminated to a very large extent in the processing, some duplication remains, particularly for new farms or farms whose ownership status changed during the period when the list was being developed.

The total error of the census is a combination of the sampling and nonsampling errors. When the sampling errors are small, as in the case of economic classes 1 to 3 which have no sampling error, or for the whole State, for most counties, and for most magnitude items, the nonsampling error is usually the larger part of the total error.

## 11. AVAILABILITY OF DATA FOR AREAS OTHER THAN COUNTIES AND STATES

This report presents data only for the State and for counties within the State.

Summary data for the United States, regions, divisions, and States will be shown in volume II.

Unpublished tabulations of some of the data in State tables 24 through 29 can be obtained for State parts of 99 agricultural subregions to which the counties in the conterminous States have been allocated. A charge will be made for the cost of review for consistency and disclosure of data for individual farms. Information regarding the availability of unpublished data may be obtained by writing to the Chief, Agriculture Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE/Bureau of the Census

## COUNTY REPORT TEXT

PLEASE KEEP THIS SHEET. It provides background information, definitions, and explanations including those for the "see text" notes in the tables.

## Individual County Reports

Separate eight-page reports are published for all counties in the United States with 10 farms or more. Data are reported for the year 1969, with inventory (on place) figures as of December 31, 1969. Comparable figures from the 1964 census are also reported.

Information covering all farms in the county is presented in the first eight tables.

Information covering farms with sales of farm products in 1969 amounting to $\$ 2,500$ or more (economic classes 1 to 5 ) is reported in substantially greater detail in tables 9 through 26 .

The same format is used for every county and State; the crop and livestock items reported in these tables are those which are relatively important in a majority of the counties in the United States.

## County Data for Miscellaneous Crop and Livestock Items

Data for additional crop and livestock items, not common to a large number of counties, are reported in a separate set of county tables for each State.

## State Reports (Volume I)

State totals of the data in the county reports are published for each State.

In addition, data for each State are shown in a separate reporl consisting of one book or more. Chapter 1 of section 1 presents lindings at the State level in much more detail than is published at the county level.

County data appear in the State reports as follows:

- A limited amount of county data are reported in summary form in chapter 2 of section 1. These tables list the counties in alphabetical order and report selected items for each.
- Ihe county data for miscellaneous crop and livestock items and the number of tarms by "type of farm" for all class 1.5 farms are reported in chapter 3 of section 1.
- A complete set of county reports makes up section 2.


## How the 1969 Census of Agriculture Was Taken

The Mailing List-During the last week of December 1969, the 1969 Census of Agriculture forms were mailed to a list representing, as nearly as possible, all persons and firms associated with the direction of agricultural aperations in 1969. The list included land owners, tenants, renters, sharecroppers, and hired managers, but excluded hired farm laborers.
The mailing list was assembled from various administrative records including names and addresses from the 1964 Census of Agriculture, the Internal Revenue Service, the Social Security Administration, and the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

The final list was constructed by merging and unduplicating the various source lists. Additional duplicates not identified in this process were removed during data processing. Coverage is more fully discussed in the text for volume 1 .

The Census Forms and Their Distribution-A standard 12-page form was sent to all operators expected to have 1969 sales of all agricultural products of $\$ 2,500$ and over.

A four-page form went to a 50 percent sample of the operators whose 1969 sales were expected to total less than $\$ 2,500$. Data in the "All Farms" tables are, consequently, subject to a small sampling variation. Tables of sampling variation will be included in volume 1 .

Followup Procedures-A series of followup letters brought response to well over the 90 percent level by July 1, 1970. At th is point, field followup enumeration was conducted in 370 counties having low response rates to complete the collection of data for those counties.

To insure receiving reports from all large operations, telephone and fieid followup was started early in March. This work was continued until reports were obtained.

Standard statistical procedures were used, when possible, to deal with inconsistencies or inadequate information in filled-out forms, including any short forms reporting sales of $\$ 2,500$ or more. When these methods were not adequate, letters and phone calls were used to secure the needed information.

A more detailed description of procedures and definitions will appear in volume 1 .

## Comparability of Data

This is the first census of agriculture conducted primarily by mail. The mailings were made just before January 1, 1970, and the information collected was intended to cover the full year, 1969. The data collection phase lasted through September 1970.

Prior censuses were taken by enumerators; the field work for 1964 was largely completed in November and December of the census year.

These two differences (use of mail and timing) affect the comparability of data from the 1969 census with data from earlier censuses. In a number of tables, 1969 inventory figures are shown; respondents were asked to report these as of December 31, 1969. Where similar figures from the 1964 census are shown, they are as of the time of enumeration.
"Farms," defined in the 1969 census exactly as in 1964, are places on which agricultural operations were conducted at any time during the census year under the control of an individual management. Places of less than 10 acres were counted as farms if the sales of agricultural products for the year amounted, or normally would amount, to at least $\$ 250$. Places of 10 or more acres were counted as farms if the sales of agricultural products for the year amounted, or normally would amount, to at least $\$ 50$.

Farms in the top five economic classes (separately reported in tables 9 through 26) are those for which the sales of farm products in 1969 amounted, or normally would amount, to at least $\$ 2,500$. Abnormal farms are excluded.

## Abbreviations and Symbols

The following abbreviations and symbols may occur in the tables.

| X | Not applicable. |
| ---: | :--- |
| NA | Not available. |
| Z | Reported in small fractions. |
| D | Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for |
|  | individual farms. |

## The "See Text" References in the Tables

Table 1. "All other cropland" includes cropland used for soil-improvement crops, crop failure, cultivated summer fallow, and idle cropland.
"All other land" includes pastureland other than cropland and woodland pasture, rangeland, and land in house lots, barn lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.

Table 3 for Southern States. For 1964, the data reported in the columns headed "Negro operated farms" include all nonwhite operators.

Table 4. "Class 6 farms" have a value of farm products sold of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ and a farm operator under 55 years of age who did not work off the farm 100 days or more in the census year.
"Part-time farms" have a value of farm products sold of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ and a farm operator under 65 years of age who worked off the farm 100 days or more in the census year.
"Part-retirement farms" have a value of farm products sold of $\$ 50$ to $\$ 2,499$ and an operator 65 years old or over.
"Abnormal farms" include institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian reservations. Institutional farms include those operated by hospitals, penitentiaries, schools, grazing associations, government agencies, etc.
"Market value of all agricultural products sold" represents the market value, before taxes and expenses, of all agricultural products sold in the census year, including livestock and poultry and their products, crops including nursery products and hay, forest products, and all miscellaneous farm products. The figures include landiord's and contractor's shares.

Table 5. "Farm production expenses, total" for 1964 is the sum of specified expenditures and does not include those listed as "NA" in the table.
"Other agricultural chemicals" includes all herbicides, fungicides, other pesticides, growth-control chemicals, and defoliants used for crops, and insecticides for livestock and poultry in the census year, including any of these materials paid for by landlords, contractors, and custom operators.

Table 7. 1964 figures on sales of broilers are based on a question which had no specification regarding age.

Table 8. "Land in orchards" includes land in bearing and nonbearing fruit orchards, citrus or other groves, vineyards, and nut trees of all ages, including land on which the fruit crop failed. It does not include acres in abandoned plantings or data for places with less than 20 fruit or nut trees.

Table 9. "All other land" includes house lots, barn lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.

Table 13. "Market value of all agricultural products soid." See note for table 4.
" $\$ 1$ to $\$ 2,499$." In the processing, certain farms were identified whose operations would normally have a sale of farm products of $\$ 2,500$ or more, but had actual sales of less than $\$ 2,500$ in 1969. These farms are grouped with class 1.5 farms for the more detailed tabulations reported in tables 9 through 26, and are included in class 5 whenever figures are shown separately by class. They are included in the appropriate vaiue groups having sales of less than $\$ 2,500$, in table 4.

Table 14. "Farm production expenses, total" and "Other agricultural chemicals." See notes for table 5.

In 1964, contract labor was included with machine hire and customwork.

Table 16. See note for table 7.
Table 20. "Land in orchards." See note for table 8.
Table 24. "Land in orchards." See note for table 8.

9. If you rented land fromothers (item 2), give the following information by sype of land ownership.


## Please read...

You may be able co skip mosc of this form if -
a. All the land you own or rent is rented to someone else
b. There were no crops or livestock in 1969 on the land reported in item 4
Before continuing please read "SHOULD YOU COMPLETE THIS FORMR" in Leaflet, Section 1, Part C.

## Section 2-LOCATION of agricultural activity in 1969

1. Are all of your agricultural operations located in the county shown in the apper right corner of the address label?
[ No'- Complete this item

Write name and acres for principal county on the first line; $\square$ Yes - write names and acres for additional counties in spaces | Go to | provided. If necessary, continue in Remarks on page 12. |  |  |  |
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| Item 2 |  | Nome of county | State | Acras |

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2i Loeacion within county of your principal agticultural operations.
Township, district, precinct, otc. - Soe Leaflet, section 2 .

## Regular Report Form-Continued



Section 4 - Has any LAND in this place heen IRRIGATED at any time during the 5 years since January 1,1965 ?
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Give name and adaress of each warer supplier,
Use "Remarks"' page it if more space is nee
ose Remarks, page it if more space is needed.

## Estimated quantity of water used in 1960


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 pumptho to pontrol pater．Explude dictinage solely for the removal of irrigation wasie water．See Leaflet．section 5 ．
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|  | 1．A fatm syistemi whict tis independent of an organized drainage distict or other public agency | 071 | 072 |
| \％ | 2．A farm system which drains into the system of an organized drainage district of ocher pablic agency | 073 | 1074 |
|  | 3．A syste⿻口一 installed entirely by an organized drainage district of other public agency | 075 | 076 |

Section 6 －Was any commercial FERTLLIZER applied on PASTGRELAND in 1969 ？
（Do not include land from which crops were hareested or hay cut．）

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|  <br> No－ Go to Section 7 |  |
|  |  |
|  | 1．Cropland used only for pasture reported in gection 3．item 10）fertilized |
|  | 2，Other pastureland（reported in |
|  | section 3，item 3a）fertilized． |



Section 7 －Has Contour PLANTING，Stripcropping，ot TErracing in use on this place in 1969？


Section 8 －Was any FIELD CORN barvested for any purpose trom this place in 1969 ？


Section 9 －Mere my SORGHUMS harvested for my purpose from this place in 1969？（Include both grain and sweet varieties． Do not regoit sorohum－sudan crosses in this section．）



| Acres fertilized | Fertilixor used |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Dry |  | Liquid or gas |  |
|  | Whole tons | 1 Tenths | Whole tans | Tonths |
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|  |  | $1 / 10$ |  | 110 |

Section 10 - Were any SMALL GRAINS harvested for graln from this place in Isg9?


Section 11 - Were any DRY BEANS, DRY. PEAS, or PEANUTS hiovastad frami this place in $1869 ?$





Seetlon 15 - Were ainy FIELU SEevS haryested lrom his place in 1969 (See Leaflet, section 15.)



| Name | No. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Name |  |
| Namb - Hia. | Name No. |
| Austrian winter peas .. 197 | White clover seed . . . . . . 204 |
| Bohia grass seed., . . . 19 198 | Fescue seed: |
| Bentgrass seed. . . . . . , 199 | Chawings . . . . . . . . . . . 205 |
| Birdsfoot trefotl seed, , 200 |  |
| Alsike clover seed .... 201 | Tall (Ky. 37 and alta) . . 207 |
| Crimson clover seed. 202 | Merion Kentucky ${ }^{\text {a }}$. ${ }^{\text {a }}$. 208 |
| Ladino clover seed . . . 203 | bluegrass seed . . . . . . . 209 |


| Acres harvestad | Quantity <br> harvested |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aeros } \\ \text { irrigotod } \end{gathered}$ |
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| 151 | 1 | Pounds, <br> clean seed | 2 |
| 192 | ' | Pounds, clean seed | 2 |
| 198 | , | Pounds, <br> clean seed | 2 |
| 194 | 1 | Pounds, cleon sead | 2 |
| ${ }^{995}$ | 1 | Pounds, <br> clean seed | 2 |
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| Name | No. | Name | Na. |
| Kentucky bluegrass seed other than Merion ..... 210 |  | Vetch seed, other than hairy..... | $\text { . . . . . . . . } 216$ |
| Lupine seed.......... . 211 |  | Wheatgrass seed. | ....... 217 |
| Redtap seed............ 212 |  | All other seeds. | $\ldots . . .{ }^{218}$ |
|  |  | (milley (foxtail). |  |
| Suden grass seed ......, 214 |  | bluestem, cana | rygrats. |
| Hairy vetch seed....... . 215 |  |  |  |

9. Combercial fercilizer used on field seeds (See Leaflet, section 15.)


## Regular Report Form-Continued




Report any other nonctitrus fruit. trees in the space provided at the end of section 19.
Section 18 - Were there any CITRUS FRUIT TREES on this place in 1969?' (See Leaflet, section 18.)


Report any other citrus fruit trees in the space provided at the end of section 19.
Section 19 - Here there any NUT TREES on this place in 1969? (See Leaflet, section 19.)

| [ Yes - Completo this section |  | Tress of all ages |  |  |  | Quantity harvestod |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Acres | 1 Tonths | Number not of bearing age | Number of bearing ago |  |  |
| No Go to Section 20 | 1. Walnuts, English or Persian | 290 | - 10 | T | 2 | 3 | 10 Tons |
|  | 2. Almonds. . | 281 | 1 10 |  | 2 | 3 | 10 Tons |
|  | 3. Pecans, improved | 282 | 1710 |  | 2 | 3 | Pounds |
|  | 4. Pecans, wild and seedling. | 293 | $1-10$ |  | 2 | 9 | Pounds |
|  | 5. Filberts and hazelnuts | 新4 | 1 T10 |  | 2 | 3 | Pounds |
|  | 6. Tung nuts | 285 | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline 1 & 7 \\ i & 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 2 | 5 | Pounds in husk |
|  | 7. Other fruit and nut trees - Give name | 296 |  |  | 2 | ${ }^{3}$ | Pounds |



Section 21 - Wers any VEGETABLES, SWEET CORN, or MELONS harvested for sale from this place in iges? /Tnclude crops harnested for fresh morket, conning, freezing, or other processing. See Leaflet, section 21.)


## Regular Report Form-Continued

Section 22 - Ware any NURSERY or GREENHOUSE PRQDuCTS grown for sale on this place in igegn see Leafletu section 22.Yes - Complofe this section Section 23

Section 23 - Here any OTHER CROPS barvestad Tron this place in 19697 (see Leaflet, section 23 .)



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Section 26 - Bid you of niyade else have any CATTLE or CALVES on this place on Decenber 31, 1969, or were any soid from this place in 1969 ?


Section 27 - Dli you or anyone else have any hogs or Rigs on this place on December 31, 1969, or were any sold from this place in $1969 ?$
, see Leatlet, section 27. )


Section 28 - Did you or anyone olse have any SHEEP or LAMBS on this place on December 31, 1969, or were any sold from this place in 1969?


1. Sheep and lambs of all ages
(Thtal of $a, b$, and $s) .$.
a. Lambs under 1 year old
b. Ewes i year old or older.
c. Rams and wethers 1 year old or older


## Regular Report Form-Continued




Section 30 - Did you have any CONTRACT or BINDING AGREEMENT to produce of market any farm products from this place in 1969 ? Did you have any CORTRAC
(See Leaflet, section 30.)Yes - Complete this section
$\square \mathrm{Na}_{\mathrm{Go} \text { to }}$ plete this section
For each group of products, mark ( $X$ ) the
column which best describes the purpose
of the contract or agreemenc and the type
of contractor. If both production and,
marketing for the product, mark under
production. Also mark the iterns furnished
and report the amount received.

7. Dther crops-sugà beets, peanurs, et

8. For each product for which you had a contract or agreement, and indicate whecher product tract was wtiten, otal, or both.


Section 31 - MACHINERY and EQUIPMENT on thls place on Dectmber 31, 1969. CInclude only equipmeni used in 1968 or 1969. See Leaflet, section 31.)


Section 32 - Were any HIRED WORKERS employed to do larm or ranch work on this place in 1969 ? (Do not include emplovees of labor contractors who performed customwork for vou. See Leaflet, section 32.)
[ Yes - Complete this section

$\qquad$ | No - | 1. Of the hired workets, how many worked - |
| :--- | :--- |
| Go to |  |

$\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { a. } 150 \text { days or more on this place? } \\ \text { b. Less than } 150 \text { days on this place? }\end{array}\right.$

| Number of workera |
| :--- |
| 600 |

Setion - HHECTICEES, HERBICIDES, FUNGCJES, OTHER PESTICIDES, LIME and OTHER CHEMCALS used on thís place in 1969.


Section 34 - Production EX PENSES for this place in 1969.

laclude your best estimate of. expenses phid by others - Your. landlord, contractors, buyers, etc. - for grops, livestrack or Ivestock praduct produced on this" place.
(See Leaftet.
sention 34 )


## Regular Report Form-Continued

Section 35 - MARKET VALUE, before taxes and expenses, of agitultural products sold lion this place lio 196g-ciops, livestocki, livestogk products, etc.


## Short Report Form

|  |  | Budgzt Bureou No. 41-S68075 Approval Expires December 1970 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  <br>  | Responge to this inquiry is required by law (Title 3 , , Code). By the same Baw yu is repart to hieconfidencial. It may be seen only by sworn Census employees and may be used only for statistical parposes. |  |
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|  | ${ }^{203}$ | 804 |
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## Tleate nedi...

This form is being used in all parts of the United States. Please answer the questions that apply to yout operations and teturn this forin in the enclosed envelope.
Please put your answers in the unshaded answer spaces. Explatations and comments may be writren in the shaded areas o the left of the answer spaces or in the "Remaths" space on page 4.
If you do hot have exact figures, please give yout best estimate. You may mark the andswet "est.". (for estimate), if you wish.
Do not inclade fractions in your answers except in section 4 , items 11 through 16 .
For dollar items, cents are not required. If you prefer ko report both dollars and eints please wite the cents in the "Centrs" columa,
IF the answer to ancitem is " $\mathrm{No}^{\prime \prime}$ or "More "t please leque the answer or None, please leave the answer space blank, unless a: snall answer box is provided, as in sectiog 1. Please mark answers of "Yes, "iNo" or "None
by lacine an X an the small answe box

## Section 1 - AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITY in 1969

1. At any time during 1969, did you have or produce any:
a. Livestock, poultry, or their products?
b. Cora, sorghums, small grains, hay, cotton, tobacco, soybeans, peanuts, poratoes, or sugar crops?. . . .
c. Vegetables, sweet corn, melons, or berries for sale? $\square \square$
d. A combined total of 20 or more fruit trees (including citrus), nut trees, and grape vines?
e. Nursery or greenhouse products or sod?
f. Any other crops?
2. Othèr agricultural products - horses, furbearing animals, bees, honey, maple products, naval stores, Christmas trees or timber for sale, erc.? . . . . . . .

What products? $\qquad$
2. At any time in 1969, did you own any land that was used by someone else for agricultural purposes? . .

If you answerad "No" to ALL of the quesfions above, please skip to page 4, complete section 13, and return this form.

## Section $2-$ CREAGE in 1969 and OWNERSHIP

1. Land owned
2. Iand renced or leaged from phers - Inolude land worked on shares or shareciopped for otheis; Ileased Eederat, state, and railroad land; and land used rent Tree. (Do not melude tand used on a per-head basis ander a graxing permit.). . .
3. Lada rented or leased to others - Inchude land subleased and land worked an shares or sharesecroppey by others.

5.Afowminy actes in THIS PLACE were diverted under soil biank or other None Federal programs such as those for feed grains, wheat, etc.?
4. Were shere any real estate mortgages, deeds of trust, or land purchase contracts on any part of the land and buildings you own?. . . . . . . . . . . .
5. How many persons rented or leased land from you in 1969? - Include those working land on shares.
Honenay acros of the Taid you rented or leased from others (item 2) did you subrent of dublease to otherss. - Melude land rented or leased by you widich was waiketi on shanet by others.
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$1 \square$ Yes $2 \square$ No
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6. Tetal geres - Plage ADD acres owned (item 1) to acres rented (item 2), then Totar eres - Prase AoD acres owned (item ) to acres rented (item 2), then
UBTRACT acres rented to others (ftem 3), ond enter your unswer in this space. SUBTRACT Geres rented to others (item 3", ond enter your unswe
These afe the ACRES in "THIS RLACE", for this census raport.

Then If you repormed un acreage in leom 4, but had no crops or livestock on that land in 1969 or if the answer nutw to item 4 was "O because the land was rented out, sold, or for another reason, please skip to page 4 ,

Sation 3 - LOCATION of agnieulfural activity in 1969

- Are yout pringipal agtruthual aperations located in the county shown in the upper right comer of the address label?

7 No - Gide county and State
$\square$
2. Lacation within county of your principal agricultural operations $\qquad$

Section 4 - CROPS harvested for any purpose from this place in 1969 - Report ahl eraps: harvested. Inchude erops grown whder contruct, Be stire to inctude loindlord's share.



Section 7 - Produrtion EXPENSES for this place in 1969 - Report expenses paid by you and by others - your landlord, contractors; buyers, etc- for crops, Hiestock, or livescock products produced on this place. Use estimates if exact figures are not available.


Section 8 - MARKET VALAE, before taxe and expenswis of agricultural products gold from thit place in 1969 -


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| 922 | , |
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| 18! 8 | ! |

1. Livestock, poultry, and their products
2. Crops including nutsery products axd hay sold

3. Toted market value of ald agtieultual products sold befote uaxes and expenses - Add dotlats for items 1 throughis and ertet totalinetes
Section 9 - FARMRELATED INCOME received In 1969 - Eeport amount received before toves and eapenses:


Section 12 - FARM OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS

5. Number of days operator worked off this place in 1969- Thelude work at a nonjarm job, business or profession, or on someone else's farm. (Do not include exchange work.) Mark ( $X$ ) the approptiate box.
$974 \quad \square$ None $2 \square] 1-49$ days $\quad 3 \square 50-99$ days $\quad 4 \square 100-199$ days $\quad 5 \square 200$ days or more


Remarks - Attach separate sheet, if needed.

Leaflet Guide

## AN IMPORTANT LETTER

January 1070
Dear Sir:
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- for the 190 Census oi Agriculture, and your help neaded.

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Sincerely,
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Agriculture Division

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NOTE: If you write to us

THIS IS YOUR LEAFLET GUIDE Through the 1969 Census of Agriculture Need Help? Use These Leaflet Notes

## Leaflet Introduction

## FIRST, SOME GENERAL INFORMATION

The enclosed Census report form is being used by farms and ranches throughout the entire United States. Because it is meant for use in all parts of the country, it may contain sections and inquiries which do not apply to you. Where this is the case, you can simply mark the "No" box and go on to the next section.

- If a section contains inquiries that apply to you, it may be helpful to read all the items in the section before you start to supply the information. A look at the section as a whole will show what is to be reported and where it should be written.
- You will also find that there are items within sections you may not need to read, beyond noting the subject with which they deal. For instance, item 9 in section 1 asks several questions about landlords. If you did not rent any land from others, you can skip all of the detail in item 9 and go to item 10.

There is a possibility that you may receive more than one envelope containing a census report form for this place (a duplicate, or in your wife's name, your partner's name, etc.). If this should happen, please fill out one form only. Mark the extra form or forms with the Census File Number of the form you complete (for example, "Extra-See No. 8631209812 ") and retum the extras in the enve completed report. There is a "Fite Copy" enclosed in each envelope; this is for your use and should not be returned to the Bureau of the Census.

If your wife, or a partner, runs a separate agriculture operation of her or his own, it should be reported on a separate form.

HOW TO MARK YOUR ANSWERS

- Please put your answers only in the unshaded answer spaces. Write any explanations and comments in the shaded areas to the left of the answer spaces or in the "Remarks" space on page 12 or on a separate sheet.
-If your answer to an item is "No" or "None," please leave the answer spaces blank except for the few places where a small answer box is provided, as for "None" in section 1. Please mark an answer of "Yes," "No," or "None" with an X in the box
- If you do not have exact figures available, please report your best estimate. You may mark the answer "est." (for "estimated") if you wish.
- For all dollar items, we need only whole dollars, although a "cents" column is provided for those who wish to use it. If you prefer to report both dollars and cents, be sure to write the cents in the "cents" column to avoid the risk that they be mistaken for dollars. For example $\$ 1714.45$ should be reported as

: 1714 :

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- 3-

Do not include fractions in your answers except where called for. Where fractions are called for, report the i.action in tenths of the whole number, and enter the fraction in the "tenths" part of the answer space. Some common fractions which you can report in "tenths" are:

| Report | 1/8 as $1 / 10$ | 3/8 as 4/10 | 5/8 as $6 / 10$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1/6 as $2 / 10$ | $5 / 6$ as $8 / 10$ |  |
|  | 1/4 as $2 / 10$ | 3/4 as $8 / 10$ |  |
|  | $1 / 3$ as $3 / 10$ | 2/3 as 7/10 |  |
| Example for $31 / 2$ tons of fertilizer |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

Example for $31 / 2$ tons of fertilizer 3 年
If you prefer, report to the nearest whole number; fractions are not required.

## - hOW TO USE THIS LEAFLET

This leaflet is for your use; do not return it with your Census of Agriculture report. It gives answers to the questions that come up most often when the report is being prepared.
Like the form, this leaflet is being used in all parts of the United States, and it contains much information that will not apply to your place. For example, section 4 of this leaflet gives additional information about reporting irrigation water in section 4 of the report. If you did not irrigate in 1969, you should answer the first two questions and you'll not need to read the corresponding page of this leaflet.
The rest of this leaflet is information to help you, organized by sections to correspond with the sections of the census report form.
Now you will want to start filling out the report form. As you answer the items in each section, you will find substantial help in the corresponding section of this leaflet.

## SECTION 1 ACREAGE IN 1969, OWNERSHIP, AND LAND VALUE

Part A Use items 1, 2, and 3 to arrive at the acres of land for which you should complete the Census report form. Include all agricultural land with which you were associated in 1969, regardless of where the land was located. Do not include holdings of residential or commercial properties not associated with agricultural operations. Report all land in whole acres; if you had less than one acre report it as one acre.
Places no longer operated on December 31, 1969 - If you had agricultural operations at any time during 1969, complete the report, giving information on the land you operated and your 1969 crop and livestock production and sales from that land. Normally you would not be expected to report inventories of poultry, livestock, machinery, or equipment. Please explain in the "Remarks" section on page 12 or on a separate sheet that you quit farming or ranching during 1969 and give the approximate date.
Other changes in land operated during 1969 - If part of the land you used during 1969 was no longer in your possession on December 31, 1969, include that land and your 1969 crop and livestock operations on that land in your report. If you acquired land during 1969 for your own use but did not use it for crops or livestock that
year, do not include that land in your report year, do not include that land in your report.

Please explain the change in acres during 1969 by making a notation in the "Remarks" section on page 12, or on a separate sheet. Statements such as the Remarks section on
 have on December 31, 1969

## or

My report does not include in 1969

Item 1
Land owned. Include all land associated with agricultural operations in 1969, whether heid under title, purchase contract or mortgage, homestead law, or as heir or trustee of an undivided estate by you and/or your spouse, or by the partnerships or organizations for which you are reporting. This acreage is considered in figuring the size of "This Place" (item 4, section 1).

Item 2 Land rented or leased from others. If you rented land from others or worked land on a share basis in 1969, you should report this land as rented by you even though on a share basis in 1969, you should report this land as rented by you even though supenvision of your work. Include Federal lands rented or leased by the acre in this item, but not land used on a per-head or animal-unit basis (see "Grazing permit" on page 6).

Land rented or leased to others
Include in item 3:

- Owned land rented to others for cash or a share of the crops or livestock.
- Land which you rented from others and then subleased to others in 1969
- Land rented out for residential or other nonfarm purposes (if it was included in item 1 or 2).
- Land worked for you by someone else on a share-of-the-crop basis.

Do not include in item 3:

- Land on which you yourself had any crops or livestock during 1969, even though it was rented to others for part of the year.

In the remaining sections of the questionnaire, do not report any crops or livestock on land reported in item 3 as rented or leased to others.

Item 4 Acres in this place - This is the sum of the land you owned in 1969 plus the land you rented from others, minus the land you rented to others. It is very important that you report this figure correctly since the remainder of the form applies only to the resulting net figure - the "Acres in this place." That is, your report should cover only the operations on "Acres in this place," as reported in item 4

Item 10
Grazing permit - In some States, government lands are used for grazing livestock under permit or special license, payment being made on a per-head or animal-unit basis. This land should not be included as part of item 2, "Land rented or leased," or item 4, Acres in wis place. Report it only in tem 10 . But if any of your ivestock were located on such land in 1969, they should be included in your report.

SECTION 1 SHOULD YOU COMPLETE THE REST OF THIS FORM?
PART C YES, if at any time during 1969 there were on this place:

- Any livestock or poultry or their products.
- Any corn, sorghums, small grains, hay, cotton, tobacco, soybeans, peanuts, potatoes, or sugar crops.
- Any vegetables, melons, or berries grown for sale.

A combined total of 20 or more fruit trees (including citrus), nut trees, and grapevines.

- Any nursery or greenhouse products, mushrooms, or sod.
- Any other crops.
- Any other agricultural products - horses, fur-bearing animals in captivity bees, honey, maple products, naval stores, Christmas trees or timber for sale, etc.

NO, if -

- You reported an acreage in section 1, itern 4, but had no agricultural operations in 1969, on that land, or
- All your land was operated by a renter or sharecropper and hence the entry in section 1 , item 4 is " 0 ."

In either case, you should

1. Skip to page 12 and complete section 39.
2. Explain briefly in the "Remarks" space. For example, "All land rented . Explain "Sriefly in the "Remarks" space. For example, "All land rente
out;" "Sold farm in 1968;" "House lot only-no crops or livestock."
3. Mail the form in the return envelope provided.

SECTION 2 For item 2 of this section we need the name of the geographic area or political subdivision (within the county or parish) where your principal agricultural subdivision (within the county or parish) where your principal agricultural
operations are located. Some examples of the type of area or subdivision we mean are shown on the report form; some other term may be used in your State such as:

| Borough | Militia district |
| :--- | :--- |
| City | National park |
| Civil district | Patent |
| Civil township | Plantation |
| Election precinct | Purchase |
| Grant | School district |
| Indian reservation | Surplus |
| Judicial township | Town |
| Justice precinct | Tract |
| Lcation | Unorganized township |
| Magisterial district |  |

## SECTION LAND USE IN 1969

These land-use items apply only to the land you reported as "Acres in this place" in section 1, item 4. If part of your land was used for more than one purpose in 1969 eport such land only on the line for the first item which fits one of the purposes, rop ate let cate graze on the stube the land harester but not as cropland used only for pasture or grazing. Please report in whole acres.

Item 1a Cropland harvested. This includes acreage from which you cut either wild or tame hay, land in greenhouses, nurscries, or sod, and land in orchards, groves, and vineyards (both bearing and nonbearing) unless the trees or plantings have been abandoned.
Item 3b Pastureland - Cropland from which you did not take a crop or cut hay in 1969, bu which you used for pasture is to be reported in item 1b. Woodland in which livestock were allowed to graze in 1969 is to be reported as woodiand pastured in item 2 a .
Report in item 3 land (other than cropland or woodland) that could be used as pastureland or rangeland, whether or not livestock actually grazed on it in 1969.

Item 1d Crop failure - If all of a crop failed lexcept fruit or nuts in an orchard, grove, or vineyard being maintained for production) and you did not harvest any other crop from this land, and did not pasture or graze it, report the acres in item 1d "crop failure." If only part of the acreage of a crop was harvested, be sure to report only the harvested acreage in item la of section 3 and for the appropriate crop in sections 8 through 23.
Item 1e Cultivated summer fallow - Report as fallow all cropland that was plowed and Cultivated summer fallow - Report as fallow all cropland that was plowed and
cultivated or on which the growth of weeds was controlled through the use of cultivated or on which the growth of weeds was controlled through the use of
herbicides, but which was left unseeded for 1969 harvest for the purpose of herbicides, but which was left unseeded for 1969 harvest for the purpose of during 1969 it was planted to wheat for harvest in 1970.

SECTION 4 IRRIGATION
Item 4 Source of water in 1969-Most irrigators will have received water from only one source. If this is true in your case, enter 100 percent on the proper line. If you obtained water from two of the three sources, an approximate figure for each source is acceptable, for example, 30 percent, 70 percent, etc. One way of making such an estimate is to figure your acreage irrigated from each source as a percent for example, $20 \%$ of the cropland harvested irrigated from your own well; $80 \%$ of the cropland harvested irrigated with water from a water supply organization.

Item 5 Estimated quantity of water used in 1969 - If you can estimate the total quantity of irrigation'water used by any one of the methods shown, report only by that method irrigation water used by any one of the methods shown, report only by that method

- in item a, b, or c. If it is easier for you to estimate part of the water used by one - in item a, b, or c. If it is easier for you to estimate method and part by another, use the lines which apply.

Acre-feet - Many irrigation districts measure water in acre-feet and the amount used is shown in acre-feet on their bills. Where you are not billed for water in this manner, you may prefer to give the depth applied in inches during the full season and the acres covered, as called for in item 5 c . We will compute the acre-feet from this information. (item 5 discussion continued on next page.)

Galions - Estimates in gallnns must usually be figured if you have your own pump. If you know the rate of flow through your pump, use that. Otherwise, use the manufacturer's rated capacity for the pump. This is given in gallons per minute

To make an estimate of gallons for the season, you can substitute in the following example, the rated capacity of your pump, the approximate number of hours you pumped per day, and the estimated number of days the pump operated during the year.

> Step 1. Compute gallans per hour
> Step 2. Compute gallons per day
> tep 3. Compute gallons per season

Step 4. Enter $11,520,000$ for item 5 b .
When a sprinkler system is used, it may be simpler to estimate depth of water applied during the season in inches and report acres covered.

Other methods of reporting total quantity - In some areas miners inches are used to measure water use. In other areas cubic feet per second (second feet) are a common measure of flow. If you use either of these measures, please report this information in the "Remarks" section at the end of the form, or on a separate sheet, rather than in item 5 . If you report in either miners inches or cubic feet per second, please don't forget to report also how many hours or days water was delivered at the given rate.

If you are not able to report the actual amount or an estimate of the water quantity please give as many facts as you can in the "Remarks" section (page 12) or on an attached sheet of paper. Following are examples of helpful items: number of wells, heir depth, diameter and measured rate of flow; allowable diversion rate from streams; capacity of pump or diameter of pump outiet; days operated per season or number of times irrigated; whether land is irrigated before planting; and so on.

## SECTION 5 ARTIFICIAL DRAINAGE

Acreages reported in this section should be your estimate of the amount of land on this place in 1969 which was benefited to some extent by artificial drainage facilities. Even though your whole place may be in a drainage district, report only that part which is artificiaily drained. Acres drained by more than one system should be reported only once, for the most important one. However, if different parts o this place had different types of drainage systems, you wilt have entries in more than one item.

## SECTIONS

## CROPS HARVESTED IN 1969-GENERAL INFORMATION

How and where to report - You will find it easier to report your crops if you glance through pages 3 to 8 of the reporting form and read the paragraphs on pages 9 to 11 of this leaflet, before you begin to fill in your answers.

## CROPS

## GENERAL-

Continued
Report in each section only the crops called for there. For example, field corn is to be reported in section 8, wheat in section 10, Irish potatoes in section 13, and vegetables for sale in section 21 . Section 23 is the place to report any crop not asked for in sections 8.22

Do not include in your report any crops on land that in 1969 was rented or leased to others or worked on shares by others. Your report should cover only the crops on he "acres in this place," as reported in item 4 of section 1 . The next 6 pages of this , 1 , ath of in laf provide some special crop reporting problems. Table 1, at the end of this leaflet provides a linting

## HOW TO REPORT CROPS HARVESTED - AN EXAMPLE

A farmer planted 100 acres of field corn. He irrigated 20 acres and cut them for silage; he estimated the production at 200 tons. Using a corn head on his combine, he harvested 80 acres, getting 7,000 bushels of shelled corn. He turned his cattie into the 100 acres after the harvest and let them graze. All 100 acres were fertilized, using $78 / 10$ tons of dry fertilizer.

His entries on the Census report are shown in the following illustration.

a. Item 1 calls for grain or seed, so he entered 80 in the "Acres harvested" column and 7.000 in the bushels space in the "Quantity harvested" column. The 80 acres for grain were not irrigated so he made no entry in the "Acres irrigated" column.
b. For item 2, Corn for silage, he entered 20 acres harvested, 200 tons quantity harvested, and 20 acres irrigated.
. Since letting the cattle graze was a secondary use of land already harvested, t.e did not make any entry in item 3.
for for tenths in the "Dry" space

## CROPS, - COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER

## GENERAL

 ContinuedFor each crop, report the number of acres fertilized in 1969, and report the total tons and tenths of tons used in all applications. Report the total weight of the fertilizer, including filler. Report anhydrous ammonia in the "Liquid or gas' column.

If you bought fertilizer on an analysis basis and do not know the total tons used, the following example will show you how to estimate the total tons of fertilizer.

Example 1: A farmer fertilized 70 acres of corn at the rate of 100 pounds of N (nitrogen) per acre and used an analysis of $33.0-0$, as recommended by the fertilizer dealer.

To find the total tons of fertilizer used including filler:

1. Divide the 100 pounds of nitrogen by the percent of nitrogen in the analysis, in this case 33, to get the total pounds of fertilizer per acre.
2. Multiply the pounds per acre (obtained in step 1) by 70 acres to get total pounds of fertilizer used.
3. Convert pounds to tons by dividing by 2,000
(1) $\frac{100}{.33}$ (pounds of N ) N in analysis) $=\frac{10,000}{33}=303$ (lbs. per acre) $.33(\%$ of N in analysis) 33 (2) $303 \times 70$ (acres) $=21,210$ pounds. (3) $21,210 \div 2,000=106 / 10$ tons.

If you don't know the percent analysis of nitrogen, but do know the phosphorus $\left(\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}\right)$ or potash ( $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ), work the estimate in the same way as when nitrogen is the known factor.
If you know how much fertilizer was applied per acre, but don't know the tota tons, use the method in this example.

Example 2: Sixty-five acres of corn were fertilized with $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ pounds of fertilizer per acre.

To find the total tons of fertilizer used, multiply the 65 acres fertilized times the 150 pounds of fertilizer used per acre. This gives the total pounds of fertilizer used. Then divide by 2,000 to get the total tons.
a. Multiply 65 acres fertilized by 150 pounds of fertilizer per acre to get 9,750
b. Divide 9,750 total pounds of fertilizer by 2,000 to get 4.875
c. Enter $49 / 10$ tons.

## - Two Or more crops harvested from the same land

Example 1. A farmer had a 20 -acre field:
a. He harvested oats from the 20 acres in 1969
b. He then planted the 20 acres in soybeans and harvested them during the same year.

He should report:

1. The 20 acres of oats in section 10 , item 4.
2. The 20 acres of soybeans in section 11 , item 1

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In such a case the acres of crops harvested may be greater than the acres of land reported in item 1a of section 3 (land use).

Example 2: A 10 -acre field of red clover was cut for hay in 1969.
The same 10 acres was later harvested for seed.

1. Ten acres for hay should be reported in section 14, item 2.
2. Ten acres for seed should be reported in section 15, item 1.

- INTERPLANTED CROPS AND "SKIP-ROW" PLANTING

If you grew two crops in alternate strips in the same field at the same time, report for each crop the part of the field used for that crop.

Example 1: If a 40 -acre tract of land was planted in cotton and soybeans, with two rows of cotton followed by an area of the same width planted in soybeans for beans, 20 acres should be reported for beans in section 11, item 1, and 20 acres should be reported for cotton in section 12, item 1.

Example 2: If you planted "skip" rows in soil-improvement crops, report the harvested portion of the field in the proper crop item and in section 3, item 1a, and the soil-improvement acreage in section 3 item ic.
xemple 3: If you left "skip" rows idle, report the harvested portion of the acres in the proper crop item and in section 3, item 1a, and the idle acres in section 3, item 17.

## - CROPS HARVESTED IN ORCHARDS

If approximately 4 acres of tomatoes were grown among the trees in a 10 -acre apple orchard, you'd still report all 10 acres as orchard acres in section 16, item 1 , and also as apple acreage in section 17, item 1 . Report the 4 acres of tomatoes in section 21 , item 1.

- REPORTING UNIT FOR QUANTITY HARVESTED

The units of measure given on the report form for quantity of each crop harvested are, in general, those most commonly used throughout the country. For corn, grain sorghums, rice, grapes, prunes, and figs, a choice of two or more units is provided.

If you happen to use in your records a unit different from what is printed on the form, please convert your figure on quantity harvested, to the unit shown. For your onvenience, we have printed table 1 at the end of this leaflet, showing approximate weight per unit for the crops most frequently reported. Use these if you do not have more accurate information available.

Now you will want to start filling out the crops sections of the report form, referring to th is leaflet, if necessary.

## SECTION hay and silage harvested from the same land

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If you made one cutting of alfalfa for hay and another cutting for green feed, report the acres for the alfalfa cut for hay in item 1 of section 14, and report the acres again for hay crops cut and fed green in item 9 of the same section.

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SECTION FIELD SEEDS
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Item 9
and harvested for field seeds often will have been reported in section 14 because hay also was cut from the same land. If you fertilized the fields for the general purpose of getting better production of both hay and seed, report the "acres applied fertilizer especially for the benefit of the seed crop, report in item 9 of
 seed crop.

In counting the combined total of trees and vines, include those for home use as well as those maintained for sale of the production
nclude land in trees that, because of weather damage, did not bear in 1969. Also include orchard and grove acreage from which the crop was not harvested because of unsatisfactory prices, labor shortage, etc. Do not include acres in trees or vines that have been abandoned.

If fruit and nut trees were planted in borders or were interplanted among other crops, estimate the orchard acreage by dividing the total number of such trees by the usual number of such trees per acre in your locality.

When you need to estimate the acres in fruit and nut trees, first find the planting distance between trees, then divide the total number of trees by the number per acre hat corresponds with the planting distance, as given in the following table. The result represents the approximate acreage. For example, 700 trees planted 25 feet $x$ 25 feet apart, ( 70 trees per acre) would represent 10 acres.

| Number of fruit and nut trees per acre |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Planting distance (feet) | Number per acre | Planting distance (feet) | Number per acre |
| $8 \times 8$ | 680 | $22 \times 24$ | 82 |
| $8 \times 10$ | 545 | $24 \times 24$ | 75 |
| $8 \times 12$ | 454 | $25 \times 25$ | 70 |
| $9 \times 9$ | 538 | $26 \times 26$ | 64 |
| $10 \times 10$ | 436 | $27 \times 27$ | 60 |
| $10 \times 12$. | 363 | $28 \times 28$. | 56 |
| $12 \times 12$ | 302 | $28 \times 30$ | 52 |
| $12 \times 14$ | 259 | $30 \times 30$ | 48 |
| $14 \times 14$ | 222 | $32 \times 32$ | 43 |
| $15 \times 15$ | 194 | $35 \times 35$ | 35 |
| $16 \times 16$ | 170 | $36 \times 36$ | 34 |
| $18 \times 18$ | 134 | $40 \times 40$ | 27 |
| $18 \times 20$ | 121 | $40 \times 45$ | 24 |
| $18 \times 22$ | 110 | $45 \times 45$ | 22 |
| $20 \times 20$. | 109 | $45 \times 50$ | 19 |
| $20 \times 22$ | 99 | $50 \times 50$ | 17 |
| $20 \times 24$ | 91 | $55 \times 50$ | 16 |
| $22 \times 22$ | 90 | $60 \times 60$ | 12 |

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SECTION NONCITRUS FRUIT TREES OR GRAPEVINES
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Item 8 Avocados - In California, report the quantity harvested between October 1, 1968, and September 30, 1969. In Florida, report the quantity harvested or to be harvested between July 1, 1969, and February 28, 1970.

- Report raisin grapes on either a fresh.weight or dry-weight basis, according to how you sold them. If you sold raisin grapes by both methods, please convert to one basis. One pound of raisins usually equals about $43 / 10$ pounds of fresh grapes. Report all other grapes on a fresh-weight basis.

Please separate the European type grapes among items 11a, 11b, and 11 c of section 17 on the basis of variety and not on the basis of use. Some of the common varieties are as follows:

11a. Raisin varieties - Black Corinth, Muscat, Sultana, and Thompson Seedless.
11b. Table varieties - Emperor, Malaga, Red Malaga, Ribier, and Tokay.
11c. Wine varieties - Alicante Bouschet, Carignane, Grenache, Mission, Palomino, Petite Sirah, and Zinfandel.

Item 15 Olives - In California and Arizona, report the quantity harvested or to be harvested from the bloom of 1969 for the 1969-70 harvest season-September 15, 1969, to about February 28, 1970. In all other States report the total 1969 crop.

Pecans - Improved pecans refer to pecan trees that have been budded, grafted or top worked. Consider all other pecan trees as wild or seedling, whether grown in orchards, pastures, etc.

For quantity of tung nuts harvested, report pounds in the husk. For all other tree nuts, report quantity in the shell.

Report planted black walnuts in item 7. Do not report wild black walnuts.

VEGETABLES, SWEET CORN, OR MELONS
Report vegetable crops harvested in the calendar year 1969 for all States except Florida. For Florida, report any vegetable crops that were harvested between October 1، 1968, and September 30, 1969.

Report the entire acreage of each vegetable crop harvested. For example, if you harvested three acres of radishes from a field in 1969, then replanted the field to radishes and harvested the three acres again, report 6 acres harvested in section 21. "Ot 15, No. 350 . Wif crops are grown, such as radishes, which are included in the crop and the code number (Radishes....350) in the spaces provided in item 15.) If each crop of radishes was fertilized, report only 3 acres fertilized but report the total tons of all fertilizer used.

NURSERY OR GREENHOUSE PRODUCTS GROWN FOR SALE
$\stackrel{22}{\text { Item }}$
Mushrooms - Report the square feet of bed space used in 1969, multiplied by the number of times it was harvested. Do not report the total floor space of the building or other area where the mushrooms were grown. For example, if you harvested two crops of mushrooms from an area of 20,000 square feet of bed space, report 40,000 square feet of area used.

In addition to the crops named in this section, also use section 23 to report any crops harvested that have not been accounted for in sections 8-22.
Sugarcane - The sugarcane growing season differs in each of the three growing areas in the United States. Report acres harvested (or to be harvested) during the current cutting season, as follows:

In Florida, November 1969 through April 1970.
In Louisiana, October 1969 through December 19
In Hawaii, October 1, 1968, through September 30, 1969.
In Florida and Louisiana, report acres of sugarcane planted for harvest later than the current cutting season, as cropland idle, in section 3, item 1f. For Hawaii, special provision is made on the form for reporting sugarcane planted for future harvest.

## FOREST PRODUCTS SOLD

Report here, all forest products sold from this place in 1969, regardless of who made the sales. For example, sales made by the landlord should be included.

POULTRY, CATTLE, HOGS, SHEEP, OTHER LIVESTOCK
These items deal with the livestock and poultry on this place or sold from this place in 1969, regardless of ownership. If livestock or poultry were fed on this place on a contract or on a custom basis, report them as sold if they were taken from this place in 1969. Animals or poultry owned by you that were not on this place at any time in 1969 because they were fed for you by someone else, such as in a feedlot or poultryhouse, are not to be included in this report; they should be accounted for on the agriculture census report for the feedlot, poultryhouse, etc.

Count as being on this place, animals that were owned by you or kept by you for others, but which on December 31, 1969, were on land used on a permit basis (national forestland; grazing district land; or rangeland administered by the Bureau of Land Management). See "Grazing permit," page 6 of this leaflet.

Do not include in your report any livestock or poultry on land that in 1969 was rented or leased to others. Your report should cover only the livestock and poultry on the "Acres in This Place"" as reported in item 4 of section 1.
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For each item, report the number on this place December 31, 1969, no matter who owned them, and the number of poultry sold from this place, or taken from this place during 1969, including those raised or fed under a contract. Do not include any sales of baby chicks or poults.

Item 4 In the "Total number sold" answer spaces, include the cattle and calves sold for a landlord or given to a landlord or others in trade or in payment for goods and services. Include animals fed on this place under contract or on a custom basis if they were taken from this place in 1969. Do not include animals bought and resold within 30 days. Such transactions are considered to be "dealer" purchases and sales.

In the "Number fattened ..." answer spaces, report the number of head that were sold for slaughter after being fattened in the manner described, provided they were expected to produce carcasses that would grade "USDA Good" or better. Do not report in this column veal calves which were fattened primarily on milk, or dairy cows fed only the usual dairy ration before being sold; do not include cattle or calves that have been fed grain of concentrates and sold for further feeding.

Hogs and pigs used or to be used for breeding - Include bred sows and bred gilts, other sows and gilts intended for breeding, and boars and young males to be used for breeding.

Item 3 Hogs and pigs sold from this place in 1969 - Include all pigs born on this place that were sold for slaughter or taken from this place for further feeding.

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Hens and pullets of laying age - Include hens in molt with the other hens and pullet of laving age. In the "sold" column include any old or cull hens sold during 1969.

Other turkeys - In the "sold" column, report turkeys sold for slaughter and those that were brooded and then moved to another place for further feeding.

## CATtLE AND CALVES

Milk cows - Include cows of any breed milked for home use or for sale.

## CONTRACT OR BINDING AGREEMENT

Many farm products are produced under a contract or binding agreement made between the producer and the person who buys or uses the farm product. These contracts or agreements usually specify the kind and amount of the farm product to be produced, where or to whom it is to be delivered, what price the producer is to be paid or how the price is to be determined. The contracts may specify the variety of crop or breed of animal or poultry to be produced, and may provide for services such as spraying, dusting, fertilizing, harvesting, packing, and selling. The contractor may supply seed, fertilizer, or feed. He may also provide financing and a field man to give advice and to inspect the product while it is being produced. Include contracts for the growing of heifers for dairy farms, contracts involving cow pools, milking pools, and cow-leasing agreements.
In this section, include under the "Co-op" item, production contracts with a cooperative processor. Do not include contracts made by you to have someone else provide a service to you or grow or produce something for you.
Report sales contracts or agreements providing just for the marketing or sale of a product, such as milk, as "Marketing or sales contracts or agreements." Also report under this same heading, marketing contracts and agreements with marketing associations and cooperatives. Usually very few or no services or supplies are provided by the buyer of the farm product under a sales contract or agreement.

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If the sales contract or agreement provides also for supplying or furnishing feed, seed, labor or equipment, raport it as a production contract.

Do not report contracts or agreements which do not provide specifically for the production or marketing of agricultural products. Some examples of agreements or contracts not to be reported here are:

Rental of land
Purchase of feed, fertilizer
or other farm supplies
Government program agreements
Customwork
Hauling
Labor wage agreements and financing of farm operations

Agricultural services
Farm machinery rentals
refers to the market value of all machinery and equipment, not just the tems listed on the report form. The value you report should be your estimate of how much the machinery and equipment would sell for in its present condition - not the replacement cost or the depreciated value.

Do not include workers who did only contruction work or other work not related to the production of crops or livestock. Do not include employees of a labor contractor, cooperative, processor, or dealer who performed contract work on this place. Report all other hired workers, including members of your family if they were paid wages, who did farm or ranch work on this place. Report each person only once even though he may have worked several different times during the year.

## MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

The items in this section refer to machinery and equipment kept on this place and used for the farm business in 1968 or 1969, regardless of ownership.
insecticides, herbicides, fungicides, other pesticides, lime AND OTHER CHEMICALS

For each item report only once the total acres treated, but give the total cost of materials used in all treatments. If you used a dual purpose chemical, report the total acres treated for each item (insect, disease, etc.), and divide the cost of materials between the items. If the same acreage was treated separately for two purposes, give acres and cost of materials for each we.. For example, if cotton was nsect treatment would he repoted undelaton, he acres and material cost for for defoliation would be reported in item 3 . 2 , or defoliation would be reported in item 3

Do not include the cost of chemically treated seed or the cost of chemicals used by you to treat seed prior to planting.
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SECTION PRODUCTION EXPENSES
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Include expenses paid by you and by anyone else for the production of crops, poultry, livestock, and other agricultural products on this place. Please give estimates if you do not know the exact figures. For example, if you grew broilers or fed cattle or others, include in the production expenses, item 1, your best estimate of the value of the baby chicks or cattle at the time they were brought to this place. Also include, in item 2 , the value and amount of all feed purchased by you or someone else for use on this place.

Do not include expenses (or sales) related to nonfarm activities (trading and speculation, or livestock dealer activities).

Item 1 Livestock and poultry - Report the total amount spent by you and by your landlord or by others for all livestock and poultry bought during 1969 for production, including feeding, on this place. For livestock or poultry grown under contract or ncluding feeding, on this place. For livestock or poultry grown under contract or they came on this place.

Do not include the purchase cost of livestock or poultry bought and then resold within 30 days.

Item 2 Feed - Report the cost of all feed for livestock and poultry during 1969. When feed was supplied by others, as in broiler contracts, estimate the cost of the feed used on this place. Do not include the cost of feed for livestock fed off this place, but do include the cost of feed fed to cattle or sheep while they are on "permit" grazing land (see "Grazing permit," on page 6 of this leaflet).

Item 2a Commercially mixed formula feeds - Include all complete feeds, concentrates, feed additive supplements, base mixes and premixes fed in 1969. Include your best estimate of tons and value of feed furnished by others for livestock and poultry that were grown or fed on this place for others under contract.
All other production expenses
Include-
Purchase of irrigation water
Costs of operating and maintaining irrigation systems
Farm electricity
Veterinary services and medicine
Hauling and other marketing charges
Farm supplies
Farm supplies
Farm taxes
Interest on farm debts
All other farm-related expenditures
Do not include-
Value of the landlord's share of crops or livestock produced on this place
Purchase of long-term assets, such as tractors and machinery, land, or new buildings
Expenditures for construction of major improvements, such as drainage canals,
irrigation systems, etc.
income taxes
interest on nonfarm loans

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## market value of agricultural products sold

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These questions are asked to obtain a measure of the agricultural productivity of your county, State, and the entire United States. Information given in this report will be combined with that for other farms in your county and only totals will be published. By Federal law, the information you give in this report is confidential. Your report is to be used for statistical purposes only, and cannot be revealed to anyone who is not a Census employee. Census employees are under oath (with penalty for violation) not to reveal such information.

Report the total gross value of all crops sold from this place in 1969, regardiess of the year they were produced; and the value of all poultry, livestock, and their products sold from this place any time in 1969. Do not report your net income. Do not report value of sales from land which you rented to others. If you rent land from others or work land on shares for others, include the value of the landlord's share of any products removed from this place. If you operate as a partnership, include the total value of all products sold from this place for all partners. Include the value of crops you have placed under government loan or seal in 1969 along with the value of all crops sold.

Sales from nonfarm-related activities (such as trading and speculation, or livestock dealer activities) should not be included.

Value of products harvested by others - If crops were harvested by cooperatives or by others, and you received for your product a price which did not include the cost of harvesting, hauling, etc., please report the gross value which includes these costs of harvesting, hauling, etc., please report the gross value which includes these costs
before they were deducted. If your records do not show such figures separately, please estimate the cost of such services and include these with the value of the product. Also be sure that the cost of these services has been inctuded in the proper production expense items in section 34

Livestock or crops under contract - For livestock or crops, including vegetables and fruits, produced by you under contract, report the gross value before deductions for any feed, seeds, plants, fertilizer, sprays, dusts, and labor or equipment furnished by the contractor. For example, if you received $\$ 1,000$ cash and you estimate that the contractor furnished $\$ 500$ in seeds, production and harvesting costs, report $\$ 1,500$ as the gross sales value of the crops grown under contract. The value of materials furnished or paid for by others also should be included in the proper iterns in section 34.

Item 8 Poultry and poultry products - Report the value of all eggs, broilers, hens and roosters, started pullets, ducks, turkeys, and other poultry and their eggs sold or moved from this place during 1969. If the sale price is not known, please give your best estimate of their market value when they left this place. For exsmp/e, if you produced 10,000 pounds of poultry on a contract basis and you estimate the market price at 20 cents per pound, then you should report $\$ 2,000$ as the market value

Item 9 Dairy products - Include the gross value of all milk and cream sold from this place. Report the total value before hauling costs and Co-op dues are subtracted.

Item 10 Dairy cattle and calves - Report the total value of sales of all dairy cattle and calves Dairy cattle and calves - Report the total value of sales of al
(including heifers, bulls, and bull calves) sold from this place.

Other cattla and calves - Report the value of sales of all cattle and calves other than dairy animals sold from this place in 1969. Be sure to include the total value of sales without deducting cost of feed, cost of livestock purchased, or cost of hauling and selling, etc. If the sales price is not known, please give your best estimate of their market value when they left this place. The value of sales of cattle and calves bought and kept on this place less than 30 days before removal should not be included.

Do not report the value of sales of livestock owned by you but held on and sold, from someone else's place. For exsmple, do not report cattle purchased elsewhere, fed in, and sold from a feedlot not part of this place. For cattle moved from your place to-a feediot for further feeding, give your best estimate of their market value when they left this place.

Item 12 Hogs, sheep, and goats - Include the value of all hogs and pigs, sheep, lambs, wool, goats, and mohair sold or taken from this place during 1969. Report the value (or give your best estimate) of animals of all ages without regard to ownership or who shared the receipts. Include animals fed under contract or an a custom basis on this place if the animals were sold or taken from this place during 1969.

## SECTION FARM RELATED INCOME RECEIVED IN 1969

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Report all government payments received by you from any of the following direct-payment programs

- Feed grain diversion and price support
- Wheat diversion and marketing certificate
- Upland cotton diversion and price support
- Agricultural conservation
- Emergency consenvation
- Cropland adjustment
- Conservation reserve (soil bank)
- Appalachian Land Stabilization and Conservation
- Sugar
- Wool and mohair

This total amount may have been furnished to you recently in a "Report of Payment to Producer" (notice sent to you by the Agricultural Stablization and Conservation Service). If so, you may copy this figure on your Census report.


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