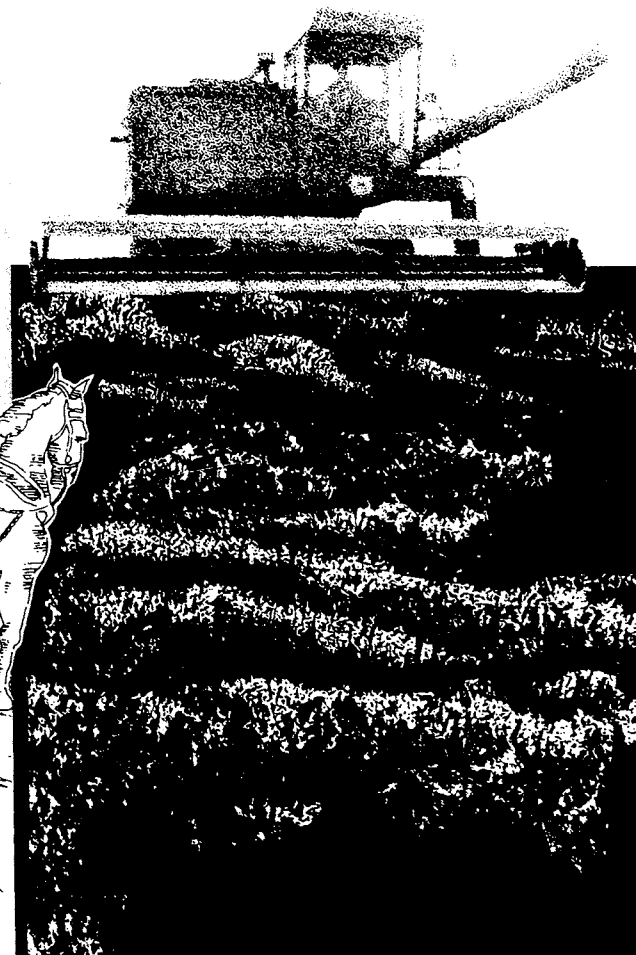
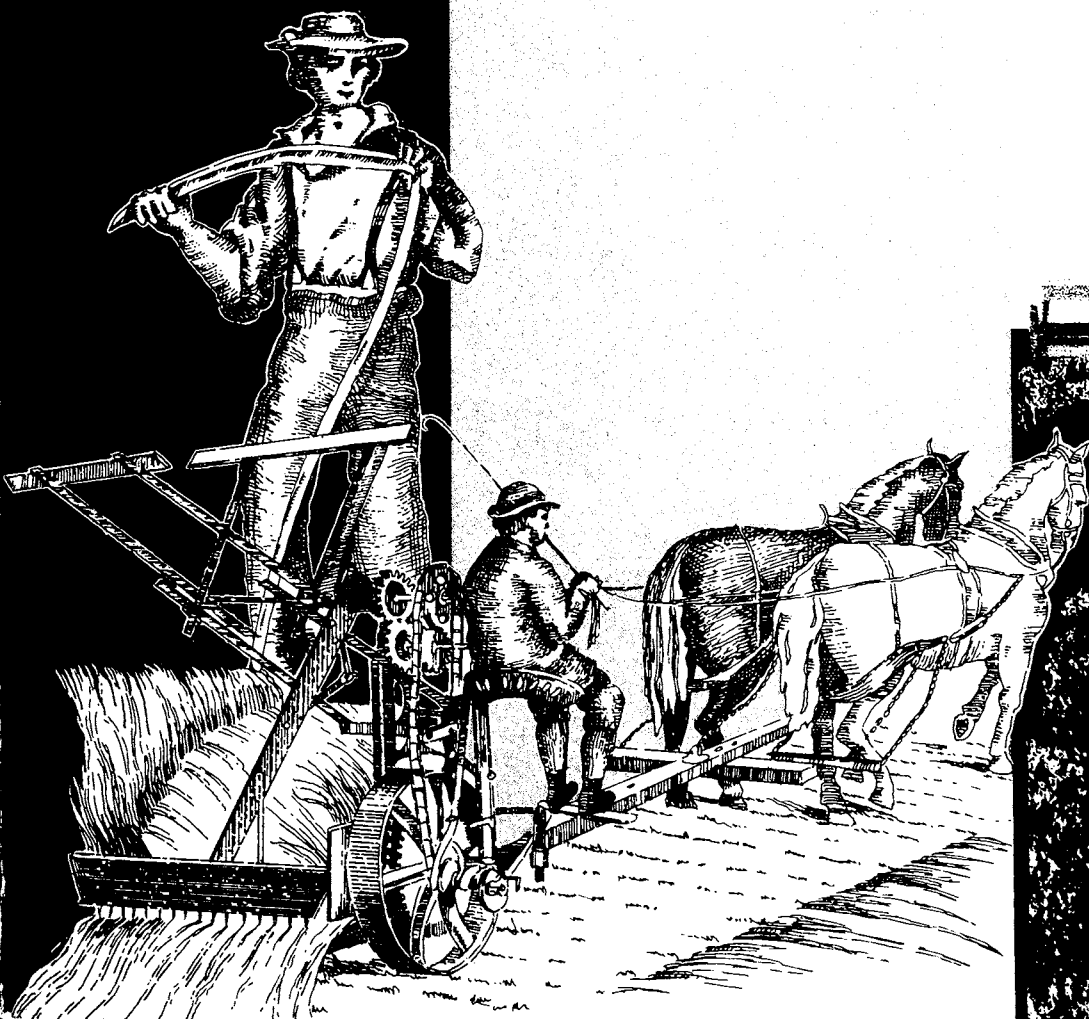


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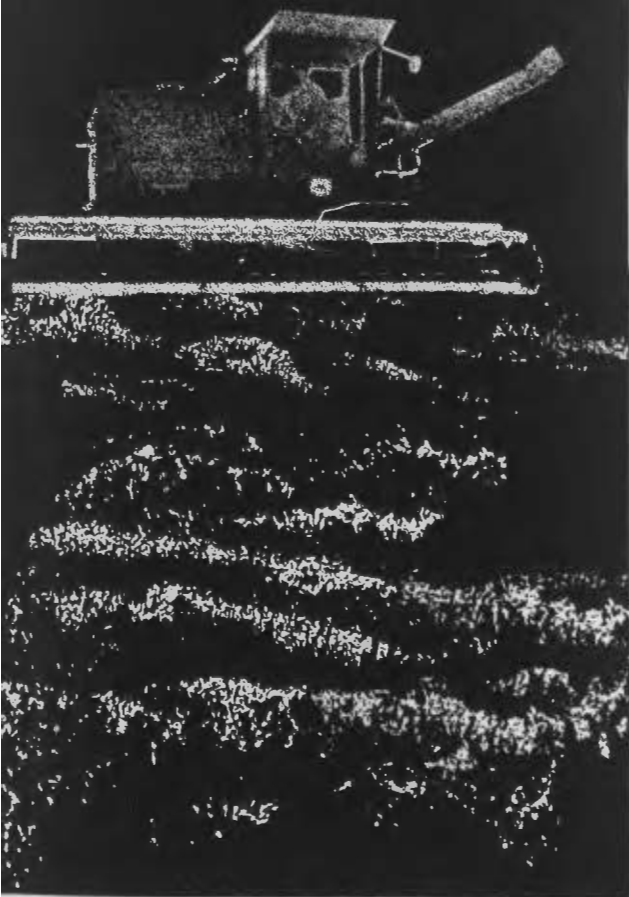
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INTRODUCTION

Authority, Area Covered, and History

The 1974 Census of Agriculture was taken in accordance with the provisions of Title 13, United States Code, reaffirmed by section 818 of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-86). Sections 142(a) and 191 of Title 13 provide for a census of agriculture every 5 years in each State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

The 1974 census is the 20th nationwide census of agriculture and the second conducted primarily by mail. The first agricultural census data were collected in 1840 as part of the sixth decennial census. Since that time, a census of agriculture has been a part of each decennial census program, and since 1920 a national census of agriculture has been taken every 5 years.

Farm Definition

For each of the 20 censuses of agriculture except the first, taken in 1840, the agency responsible for conducting the census has established minimum criteria which define a farm for the purpose of the census. As the Nation has developed and grown, agriculture also has changed and grown, and from time to time the minimum criteria for the definition of a farm have been changed.

Prior to 1974, the eighth and most recent change in minimum criteria was for the 1959 Census of Agriculture, when the definition of a farm was based primarily on a combination of acres in the place and value of agricultural products sold.

The word "place" was defined to include all land on which agricultural operations were conducted at any time in the census year under the day-to-day control or supervision of one person or partnership. Control may have been exercised through ownership or management or through a lease, rental, or cropping arrangement.

Places of less than 10 acres in the census year were counted as farms if the estimated sales of agricultural products for the year amounted to at least \$250. Places of 10 or more acres in the census year were counted as farms if the estimated sales of agricultural products for the year amounted to at least \$50. Places having less than the \$50 or \$250 minimum estimated sales in the census year were also counted as farms if they could normally be expected to produce agricultural products in sufficient quantity to meet the requirements of the definition.

Using the 1959 definition, the 1969 census reported about 571,000 farms in the United States having sales of less than \$1,000; these farms comprised 20.9 percent of all farms but contributed less than 1 percent of total sales. In 1974 there were only about 152,000 such farms, accounting for less than 6 hundredths of 1 percent of total sales. Between censuses many of these small farms had ceased operations, while many others had sales of \$1,000 or more in the census year, either because of increased agricultural activity or because of increases in the per unit value of agricultural products sold.

In view of increases in price levels and other changes in the structure of agricultural operations, various individuals

and organizations, including members of the Census Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics, the Office of Management and Budget, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, agreed that a change in the definition of a farm was justified. The Department of Commerce announced on August 12, 1975, that the census definition of a farm, for purposes of publishing the 1974 census data, was any establishment which during the census year had or normally would have had sales of agricultural products of \$1,000 or more.

In the next 10 months, Congress held four hearings on the appropriateness of changing the definition. During this time, Public Law 94-229, enacted March 15, 1976, included a provision requiring the statistical classification of farms in effect on January 1, 1975, to be continued in effect through June 30, 1976, and that any statistical report issued on or before June 30, 1976, should reflect such classification, but could also include additional classifications as deemed appropriate by the Secretary of Commerce.

Definition for preliminary reports. Publication of the preliminary county reports began in April 1976, and these reports for all counties and States, the four regions, and the United States were tabulated and published in accordance with the same farm definition used for the 1959, 1964, and 1969 censuses.

Definition for final reports. For all final reports, the 1974 statistics are in accordance with the 1974 definition, which differs from the earlier definition in only two respects:

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1. The criterion for number of "acres in place" has been deleted.
2. The criterion for minimum value of agricultural products sold has been changed to \$1,000.

Thus for 1974, a farm was defined to include all land on which agricultural operations were conducted at any time in the census year under the day-to-day control of an individual management, and from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold during the census year. Control may have been exercised through ownership or management, or through a lease, rental, or cropping arrangement. Places having less than the minimum \$1,000 sales in the census year were also counted as farms if they could normally be expected to produce agricultural products in sufficient quantity to meet the requirements of the definition.

Three tables in this report provide users with measures of the effect of the change in definition: The table following this introduction shows farms and sales, by State, for 1974 and 1969, for both the old and the new definitions, and also for those places excluded by the 1974 but not by the 1959 definition. In chapter II, table 33 presents data by State for 1974 showing comparisons between farms (1974 definition) and agricultural operations that would have been farms under the 1959 definition. The table that comprises appendix B presents data for the United States for 1974 and 1969 showing characteristics of 1974 agricultural operations excluded by the new definition and of 1969 farms having less than \$1,000 total value of sales.

The 1974 "all farms" data shown in U.S. tables 1 through 9 and State tables 1 through 10 are for those agricultural operations with at least \$1,000 in total (or potential) sales of farm products. All other tables in this report are limited to farms with sales of \$2,500 or more (see the paragraphs in appendix A that describe the report forms and the enumeration method).

Comparability of Data

In general, data for 1974 and earlier

censuses are comparable with data from earlier censuses only for farms with \$2,500 or more total value of sales, because the data for farms with \$2,500 or more value of sales are not affected by the change in farm definition. Data for all farms for 1974 are based on the new definition so they are not directly comparable to earlier censuses. It is also important to note that in addition to the difference in farm definition used in this report from that in the preliminary version, this final report contains 1974 figures which will not agree with figures in the preliminary reports because of corrections, additions, and deletions.

Even for farms with \$2,500 or more value of sales, the difference in timing and the change from personal interview to mail enumeration affect the comparability between the data for 1974 and 1969 and that for earlier censuses. Both 1974 and 1969 censuses were taken by mail; all earlier censuses were taken by direct interview.

Dramatic changes in rates of farm expenditure and unit prices of products sold between the 1969 and 1974 censuses affect the comparability of some census data. During the period between the two censuses, prices paid by farmers greatly increased. Prices received by farmers also increased but with wide fluctuations among commodities at different times during the census year of 1974.

Crop and livestock production data are for the calendar year 1974, except for a few crops (such as citrus) for which the production year overlaps the calendar year. Expenditures, crops irrigated, usage of agricultural chemicals and fertilizers, and sale of farm products were all asked for the calendar year. Respondents were instructed to report inventory numbers of livestock, poultry, and other specified items as of December 31, 1974. The reporting period and inventory data are the same as for the 1969 census.

Censuses prior to 1969 were taken by enumerators, each assigned to a specific geographic area. Field work for the 1964 and 1959 censuses was completed largely in October, November, and December of the reference year. Livestock and poultry inventories for those two censuses were as

of the time of enumeration. Other variations in time of enumeration occurred in censuses prior to 1959.

Graphics

On the following pages, there are four maps showing graphic presentations of selected agricultural statistics for the United States.

Tabular Presentation

U.S. data—In chapter I, U.S. tables 1 through 27 show detailed U.S. level data generally accompanied by historical data for one or more censuses. Tables 28 through 32 provide 1974 U.S. data cross-tabulated by various farm classifications. 1974 data cross-tabulated by standard industrial classification of farms and value of sales are presented at the State level in chapter I, table 33, in each of the State parts of Volume I. The same type of data at the U.S. level will be presented in Volume II, Part 8.

State summary data—A summary of selected data items for each State in the United States is presented in chapter II of this publication.

State miscellaneous data—In chapter III, data for additional crop and livestock items not common to a large number of counties are reported in a separate set of tables for each State. Some of these items, even though reported in only a few counties of the State, are sufficiently important to account for a significant proportion of the State's agricultural production.

States not having the subject item of a given table, or with only a very limited number of farms reporting the item, are not listed separately; their data are combined with other States and presented as "All other."

Final State data—Six pages of data are presented in chapter IV for each State. The tables include final data for each State and are more comprehensive than those in the preliminary reports. Data are for the year 1974 with inventory (on place) figures as of December 31, 1974.

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Information covering all farms and farms with sales of \$2,500 and over are presented for both the 1974 and 1969 censuses. The same coverage is provided at the beginning of the chapter for the United States and the regions and divisions.

Preliminary county data—Preliminary reports have been published separately for all counties in the United States with 10 farms or more in 1974. This four-page series provided, at the earliest possible date, usable information on a limited number of major data items, with comparative final figures from the 1969 census.

The reports were issued on a flow basis, with a State report following the release of the last county report for each State. Tables showing regional and U.S. totals were also prepared as a part of this series.

For all States, the same table format was used to present the data except data for six selected crops shown in table 7. These crops were varied by State depending upon their relative importance.

For major items at the county level differences between the preliminary and final figures are in general less than 5 percent. At the State level, differences are significantly less.

"See Text" Reference

The remark "See text" in the tables refers to explanations, definitions, and classifications in sections 5 and 6 of appendix A.

Abbreviations and Symbols

The following abbreviations and symbols are used throughout the tables:

—	Represents zero.
D	Data withheld to avoid disclosing information for individual farms.
X	Not applicable.
Z	Less than half of the unit reported.
NA	Not available.

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FARMS AND VALUE OF PRODUCTS SOLD BY 1974 AND 1959 DEFINITIONS, WITH COMPARABLE DATA FOR AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS EXCLUDED BY 1974 DEFINITION: 1974 AND 1969

COUNTY	BY 1974 DEFINITION				BY 1959 DEFINITION				AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS EXCLUDED BY 1974 DEFINITION BUT NOT BY 1959 DEFINITION			
	NUMBER		VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		NUMBER		VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		NUMBER		VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)	
	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969
UNITED STATES	2 314 013	2 159 346	81 531 026	45 331 794	2 466 123	2 730 250	81 570 280	45 563 891	152 110	570 904	39 255	232 097
THE NORTHEAST	127 531	117 575	4 291 380	2 808 907	137 323	151 866	4 293 691	2 821 655	9 792	34 291	2 311	12 748
THE NORTH CENTRAL	1 017 367	1 004 309	36 356 609	20 017 477	1 060 255	1 151 884	36 368 062	20 079 755	42 888	147 575	11 453	62 277
THE SOUTH	930 099	819 498	23 363 853	13 188 815	1 008 677	1 161 399	23 382 480	13 328 201	78 578	341 901	18 627	139 386
THE WEST	239 016	217 964	17 519 184	9 316 594	259 868	265 101	17 526 047	9 334 280	20 852	47 137	6 863	17 686
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS:												
NEW ENGLAND:												
NEW HAMPSHIRE	23 269	21 870	1 028 486	681 025	25 962	28 640	1 029 125	683 336	2 693	6 770	639	2 311
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	104 262	95 705	3 262 893	2 127 883	111 361	123 226	3 264 566	2 138 320	7 099	27 521	1 672	10 437
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	444 695	427 175	13 384 983	7 507 154	468 938	513 295	13 391 349	7 543 528	24 243	86 120	6 366	36 374
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	572 672	577 134	22 971 626	12 510 323	591 317	638 589	22 976 714	12 536 227	18 645	61 455	5 087	25 904
SOUTH ATLANTIC	296 103	260 305	8 519 784	4 832 353	324 176	370 567	8 526 269	4 873 393	28 073	110 262	6 485	41 040
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	306 010	256 261	4 536 535	2 666 523	333 823	391 543	4 543 651	2 724 872	27 813	135 282	7 115	58 350
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	327 986	302 932	10 307 534	5 689 939	350 678	399 289	10 312 560	5 729 936	22 692	96 357	5 027	39 997
MOUNTAIN	111 868	104 496	6 819 918	3 832 793	119 458	119 902	6 822 239	3 839 045	7 590	15 406	2 321	6 252
PACIFIC	127 148	113 468	10 699 266	5 483 801	140 410	145 199	10 703 808	5 495 235	13 262	31 731	4 542	11 433
NEW ENGLAND:												
MAINE	6 436	6 002	359 612	197 490	7 110	7 971	359 758	198 181	674	1 969	146	691
NEW HAMPSHIRE	2 412	2 001	72 192	48 343	2 827	2 902	72 271	48 642	415	901	79	299
VERMONT	5 906	5 549	207 889	135 579	6 345	6 874	207 991	136 010	439	1 325	102	431
MASSACHUSETTS	4 497	4 347	179 653	138 170	5 127	5 703	179 832	138 650	630	1 356	179	480
RHODE ISLAND	597	523	22 219	15 905	726	700	22 250	15 963	129	177	32	58
CONNECTICUT	3 421	3 448	186 921	145 539	3 827	4 490	187 022	145 890	406	1 042	101	351
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:												
NEW YORK	43 682	40 945	1 462 383	974 998	46 683	51 909	1 463 069	979 000	3 001	10 964	686	4 002
NEW JERSEY	7 409	6 683	297 216	213 149	8 092	8 493	297 443	213 893	683	1 810	228	744
PENNSYLVANIA	53 171	48 077	1 503 295	939 736	56 586	62 824	1 504 054	945 427	3 415	14 747	758	5 692
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:												
OHIO	92 158	86 707	2 262 527	1 235 473	98 175	111 332	2 264 154	1 246 072	6 017	24 625	1 627	10 598
INDIANA	87 915	83 835	2 612 631	1 392 384	92 961	101 479	2 614 029	1 400 146	5 046	17 644	1 398	7 762
ILLINOIS	111 049	111 778	4 665 390	2 607 227	115 954	123 565	4 666 840	2 612 378	4 905	11 787	1 450	5 151
MICHIGAN	64 094	58 106	1 491 439	821 587	68 952	77 946	1 492 527	829 451	4 858	19 840	1 088	7 864
WISCONSIN	89 479	86 749	2 352 996	1 450 483	92 896	98 973	2 353 799	1 455 482	3 417	12 224	803	4 998
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:												
MINNESOTA	98 537	99 903	3 469 923	1 743 168	102 178	110 747	3 470 934	1 747 892	3 641	10 844	1 010	4 724
IOWA	126 104	132 102	6 319 637	3 652 049	129 363	140 354	6 320 602	3 655 512	3 259	8 252	965	3 463
MISSOURI	115 711	111 102	2 304 081	1 449 519	121 537	137 067	2 305 473	1 460 033	5 266	25 965	1 392	10 514
NORTH DAKOTA	42 710	44 298	1 802 791	747 986	43 319	46 381	1 802 954	748 910	609	2 083	163	924
SOUTH DAKOTA	42 825	43 391	1 650 167	957 050	43 722	45 726	1 660 442	958 002	897	2 335	274	952
NEBRASKA	67 597	68 167	3 732 982	2 146 058	69 173	72 257	3 733 478	2 147 860	1 576	4 090	495	1 802
KANSAS	79 188	78 171	3 682 044	1 814 494	82 025	86 057	3 682 831	1 818 018	2 837	7 886	787	3 524
SOUTH ATLANTIC:												
DELAWARE	3 400	3 245	250 902	129 280	3 553	3 710	250 943	129 471	153	465	41	192
MARYLAND	15 163	13 986	619 947	338 444	16 312	17 181	620 298	339 597	1 149	3 195	351	1 154
VIRGINIA	52 699	46 087	959 687	562 548	58 227	64 572	961 106	570 335	5 528	18 485	1 419	7 788
WEST VIRGINIA	16 909	12 614	133 088	100 472	19 103	23 142	133 525	104 638	2 194	10 528	437	4 166
NORTH CAROLINA	91 280	86 053	2 121 226	1 182 809	100 563	119 386	2 123 373	1 195 069	9 283	33 333	2 147	12 260
SOUTH CAROLINA	29 275	24 839	676 496	356 913	32 319	39 559	677 140	362 215	3 044	14 720	645	5 302
GEORGIA	54 911	48 197	1 859 780	1 033 211	59 082	67 431	1 860 551	1 039 994	4 171	19 234	771	6 783
FLORIDA	32 466	25 284	1 898 658	1 128 677	35 017	35 586	1 899 334	1 132 074	2 551	10 302	675	3 397
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:												
KENTUCKY	102 053	92 039	1 251 853	753 458	110 024	125 069	1 254 362	769 858	7 971	33 030	2 509	16 400
TENNESSEE	93 659	77 894	933 168	602 906	103 219	121 406	936 056	623 142	9 560	43 512	2 888	20 236
ALABAMA	56 678	43 435	1 122 481	636 019	61 975	72 491	1 123 434	646 695	5 297	29 056	953	10 676
MISSISSIPPI	53 620	42 893	1 229 033	674 140	58 605	72 577	1 229 798	685 178	4 985	29 684	765	11 038
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:												
ARKANSAS	50 959	45 345	1 880 719	966 569	54 051	60 433	1 881 370	972 837	3 092	15 088	651	6 268
LOUISIANA	33 240	27 982	1 193 722	490 763	35 951	42 269	1 194 259	496 406	2 711	14 287	537	5 643
OKLAHOMA	69 719	67 796	1 594 913	962 785	74 059	83 037	1 595 855	969 271	4 340	15 241	941	6 486
TEXAS	174 068	161 809	5 638 180	3 269 821	186 617	213 550	5 641 077	3 291 422	12 549	51 741	2 897	21 600
MOUNTAIN:												
MONTANA	23 324	22 744	1 033 239	574 924	24 392	24 951	1 033 548	575 802	1 068	2 207	309	878
IDAHO	23 680	22 523	1 381 209	648 327	24 904	25 475	1 381 626	649 571	1 224	2 952	417	1 244
WYOMING	8 018	8 025	360 925	248 500	8 434	8 838	361 041	248 826	416	813	116	326
COLORADO	25 501	24 365	1 970 236	1 099 532	27 127	27 950	1 970 714	1 100 948	1 626	3 585	478	1 416
NEW MEXICO	11 282	9 377	521 693	357 925	12 611	11 641	522 053	358 831	1 329	2 264	360	906
ARIZONA	5 803	4 927	1 080 530	610 847	6 423	5 890	1 080 728	611 211	620	963	198	364
UTAH	12 184	10 707	338 649	211 977	13 294	13 045	339 035	212 977	1 110	2 338	386	1 000
NEVADA	2 076	1 828	133 437	80 761	2 273	2 112	133 495	80 880	197	284	58	119
PACIFIC:												
WASHINGTON	29 410	26 461	1 658 077	768 292	32 649	34 033	1 659 092	771 229	3 239	7 572	1 015	2 936
OREGON	26 753	21 778	1 025 082	528 338	30 166	29 063	1 026 205	531 209	3 413	7 285	1 123	2 871
CALIFORNIA	67 674	62 148	7 399 623	3 898 330	73 955	77 875	7 401 871	3 903 560	6 281	15 727	2 248	5 230
ALASKA	291	205	6 695	3 568	333	332	6 712	3 617	42	127	17	49
HAWAII	3 020	2 876	609 788	285 272	3 307	3 896	609 928	285 619	287	1 020	140	347

HIGHLIGHTS of the Nation's Agriculture: 1974 and 1969

	All Farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969 ¹	1974	1969
Number of farms total . .	2,314,013	2,730,250	1,695,047	1,733,683
Acres in farms total . .	1,017,030,357	1,062,892,501	905,640,107	917,858,625
per farm . .	440	389	534	529
Acres of harvested cropland total . .	303,001,943	273,016,000	296,133,940	261,137,583
per farm . .	131	100	175	151
Number of farms by size:				
1 to 49 acres	507,797	635,576	228,723	183,854
50 to 499 acres	1,443,982	1,728,069	1,113,525	1,198,102
500 acres and over	362,234	366,605	352,799	351,727
1,000 acres and over	154,937	150,946	152,025	146,686
Value of land and buildings total . .	342,098,790,000	206,717,277,000	308,889,631,000	179,447,777,000
per farm . .	147,838	75,714	182,231	103,507
Value of machinery and equipment on farms total . .	48,402,624,000	25,343,077,000	43,956,691,000	22,302,062,000
per farm . .	20,917	9,282	25,932	12,864
Machinery and equipment on farms—specified items (number):				
Automobiles	2,332,659	2,688,011	1,832,741	1,885,119
Motortrucks, including pickups	3,038,462	2,985,014	2,527,221	2,318,129
Tractors, excluding garden tractors and motor tillers	4,467,378	4,618,672	3,829,941	3,740,509
Value of all agricultural products sold total . .	81,531,026,000	45,563,891,000	80,598,305,000	44,476,059,000
per farm . .	35,234	16,689	47,549	25,654
Crops total . .	41,790,365,000	16,922,023,000	41,450,308,000	16,478,470,000
per farm . .	18,060	6,198	24,454	9,505
Livestock, poultry, and their products total . .	39,508,750,000	28,480,921,000	38,924,743,000	27,851,310,000
per farm . .	17,074	10,432	22,964	16,065
Number of farms, excluding abnormal farms, by value of agricultural product sold:				
Under \$2,500	649,448	1,031,638	32,720	37,182
\$2,500 and over	1,662,327	1,696,501	1,662,327	1,696,501
\$2,500 to \$9,999	553,636	748,347	553,636	748,347
\$10,000 to \$39,999	631,782	726,464	631,782	726,464
\$40,000 to \$99,999	324,310	169,695	324,310	169,695
\$100,000 to \$199,999	101,153	35,308	101,153	35,308
\$200,000 and over	51,446	16,687	51,446	16,687
Value of agricultural products sold by farms, excluding abnormal farms, having sales of—				
Under \$2,500	742,393,000	982,837,000	45,450,000	47,559,000
\$2,500 and over	80,552,855,000	44,428,500,000	80,552,855,000	44,428,500,000
\$2,500 to \$9,999	3,074,822,000	4,112,059,000	3,074,822,000	4,112,059,000
\$10,000 to \$39,999	13,707,036,000	14,960,508,000	13,707,036,000	14,960,508,000
\$40,000 to \$99,999	20,071,570,000	10,073,831,000	20,071,570,000	10,073,831,000
\$100,000 to \$199,999	13,758,044,000	15,282,099,000	13,758,044,000	15,282,099,000
\$200,000 and over	29,941,383,000		29,941,383,000	
Farm production expenses—specified items:				
Commercially mixed formula feeds	8,432,871,000	4,464,937,000	8,303,651,000	4,375,424,000
Commercial fertilizer	5,137,361,000	2,209,185,000	5,028,120,000	2,106,881,000
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil for the farm business	3,087,606,000	1,906,579,000	2,974,861,000	1,757,722,000
Farm labor, contract labor, machine hire and customwork	6,506,409,000	4,780,462,000	6,380,234,000	4,600,466,000

¹ Not fully comparable because of change in farm definition; see introduction.

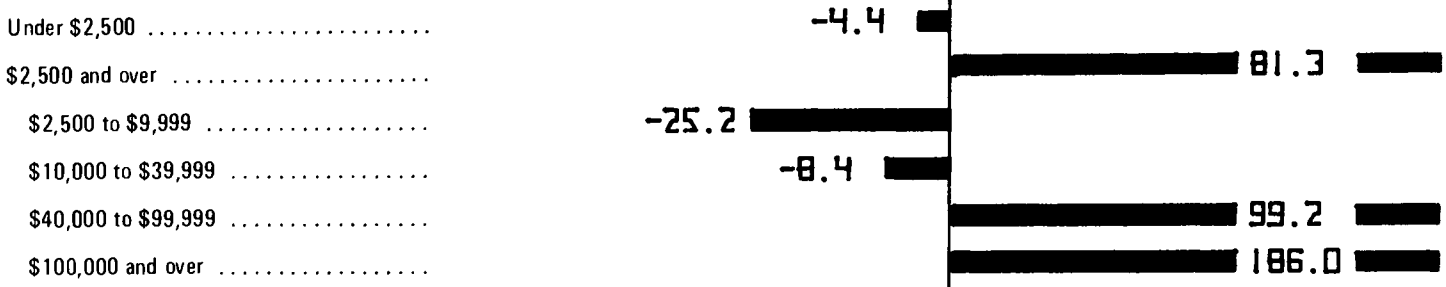
FARMS WITH SALES OF \$2,500 AND OVER



CHART 1. Changes in the Nation's Agriculture: 1974 From 1969 — Continued

FARMS WITH SALES OF \$2,500 AND OVER

Value of agricultural products sold by farms having sales of—



Farm production expenses—specified items:



Value of machinery and equipment on farmsdollars. .



Machinery and equipment on farms—specified items:

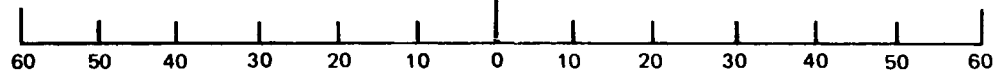
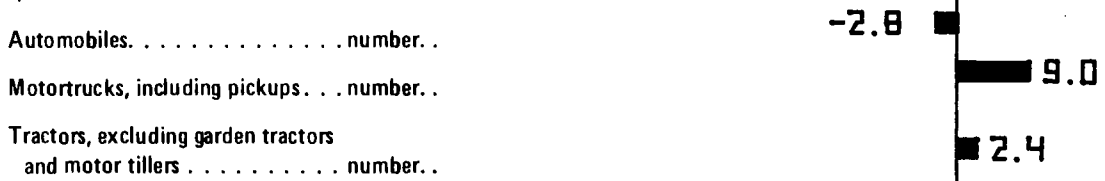
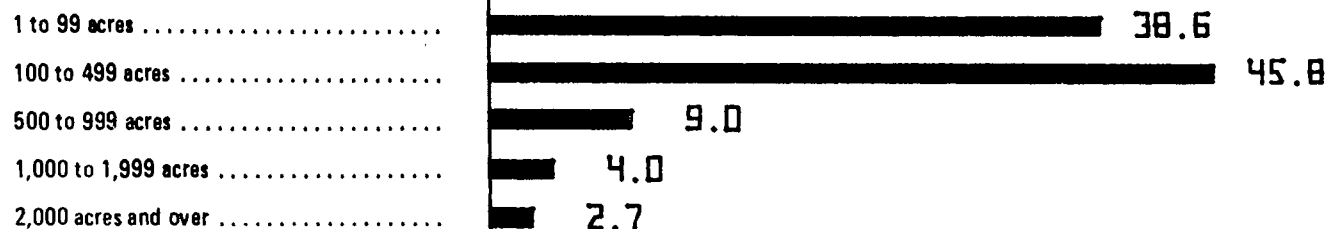


CHART 2. Profile of the Nation's Agriculture: 1974

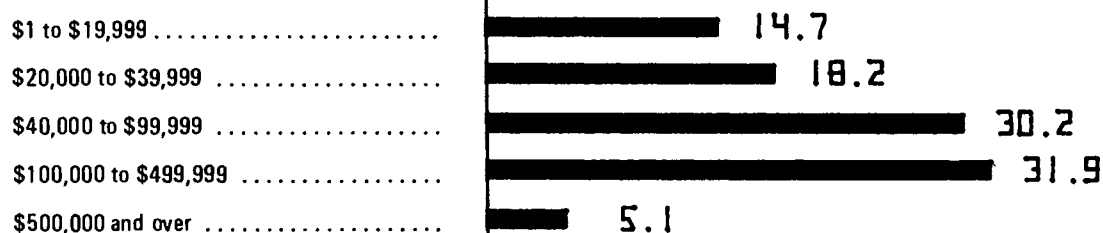
ALL FARMS

PERCENT OF TOTAL FARMS

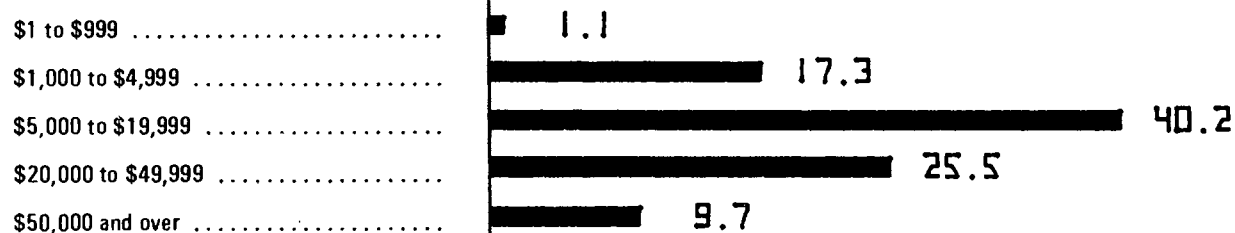
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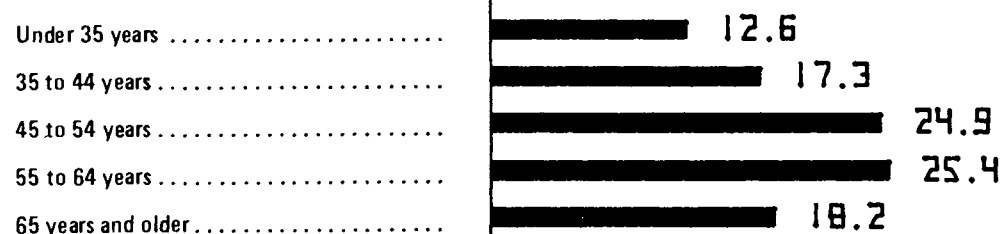
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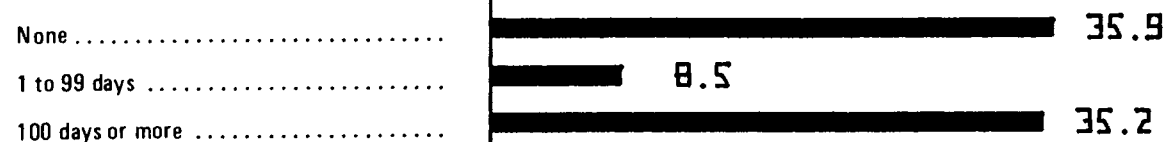
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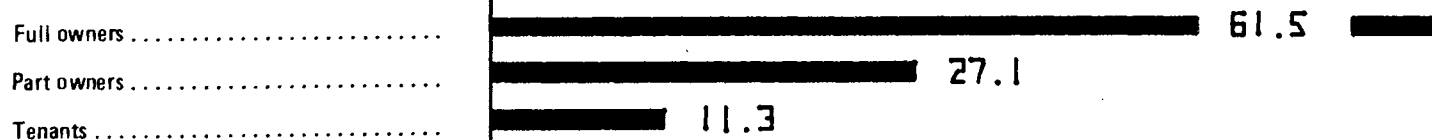
Farm operators by age:¹



Farm operators working off farm:¹



Farm operators by tenure:

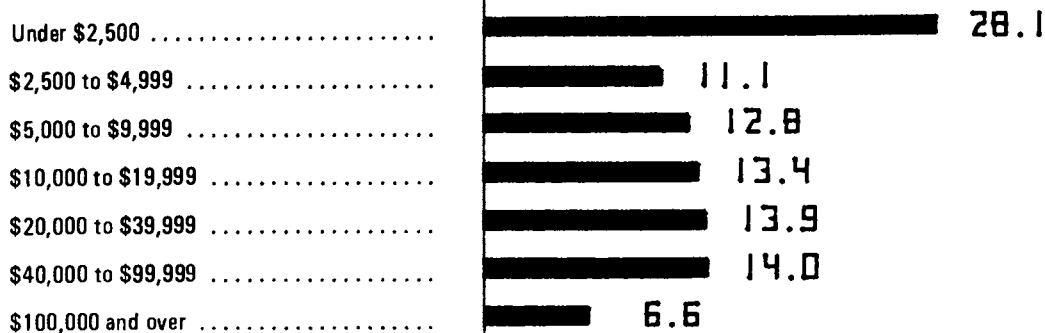


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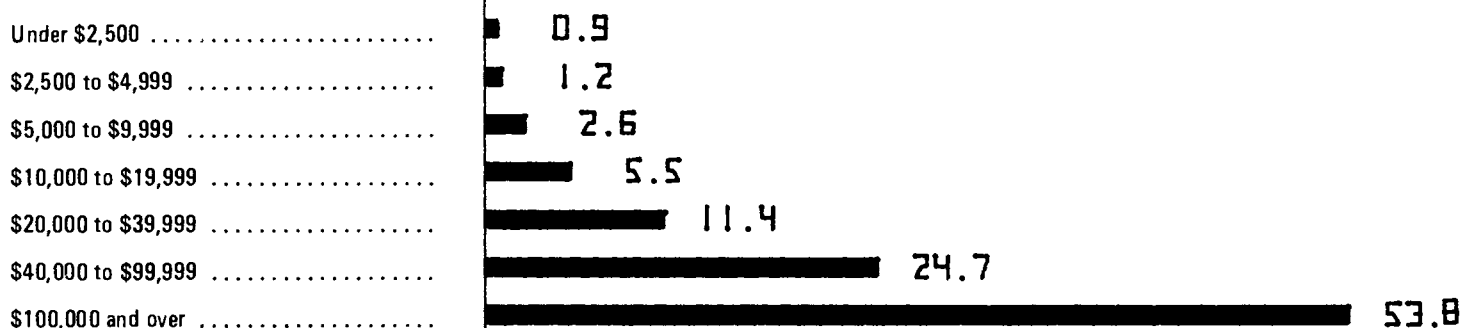
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ALL FARMS

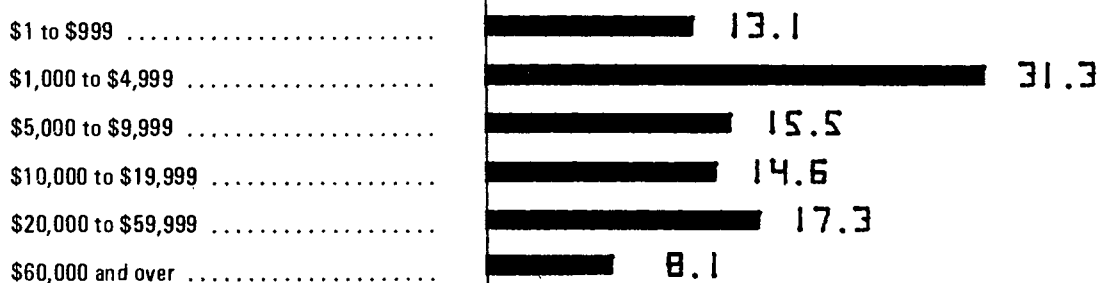
Farms by value of agricultural products sold:



Value of agricultural products sold by farms having sales of—



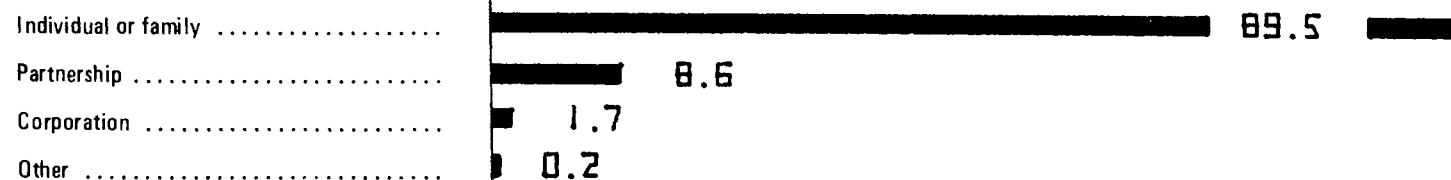
Farms by amount of total production expenses:



Sources of farm income:

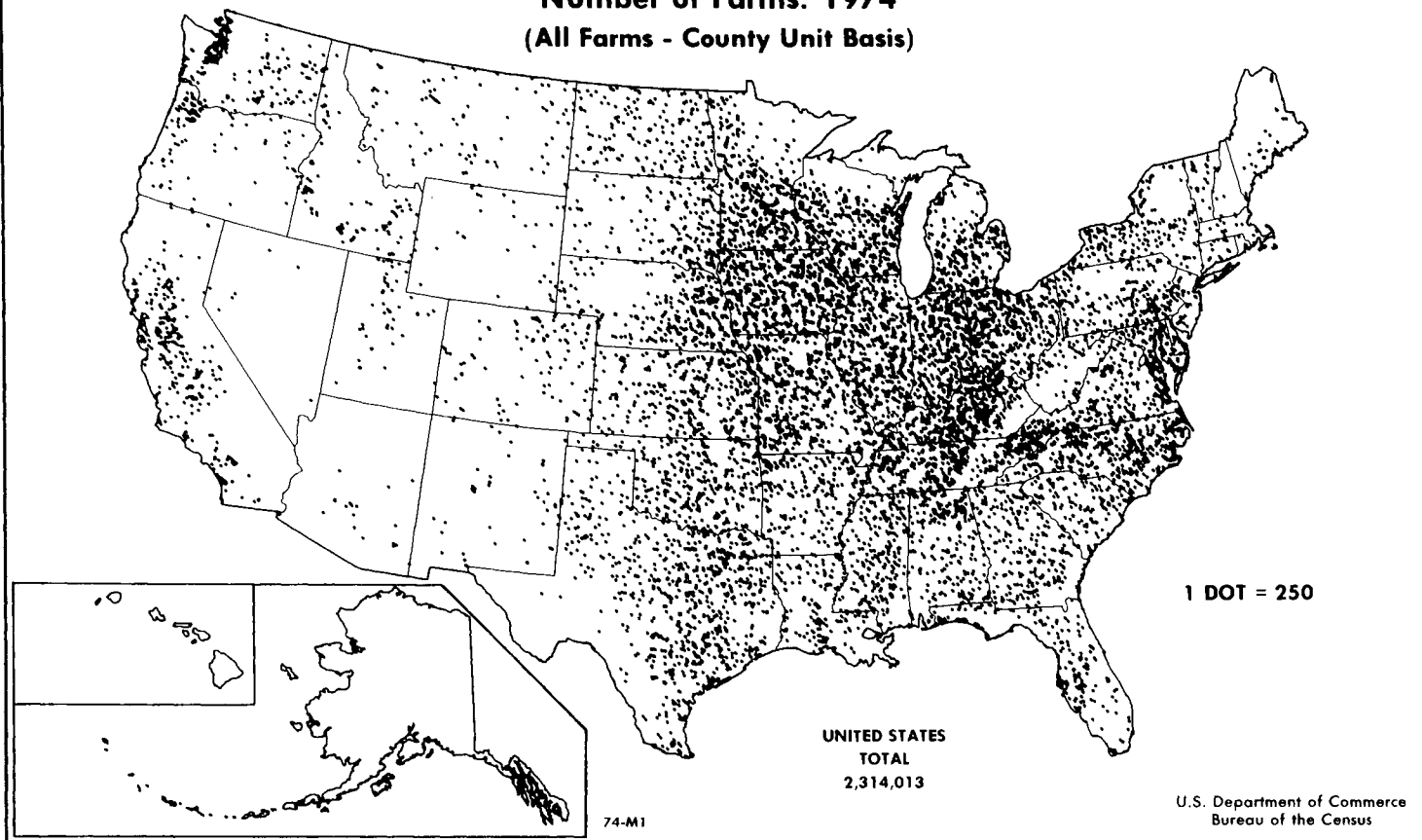


Type of organization for farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:

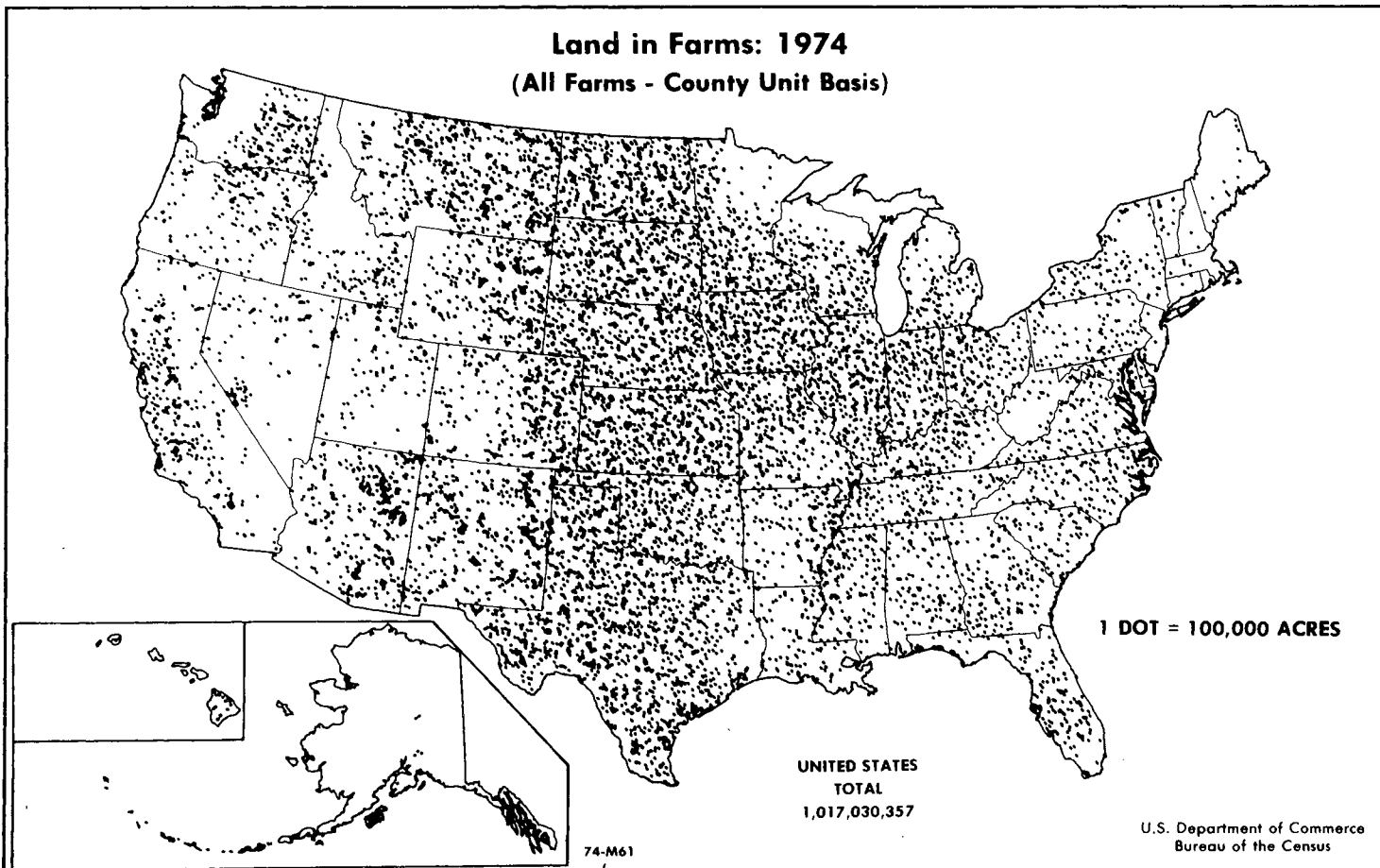


¹ Includes forest products sold, and income from customwork and other agricultural services, recreational services, participation in government farm programs, rental of farm property, and other miscellaneous sources closely related to the agricultural operation.

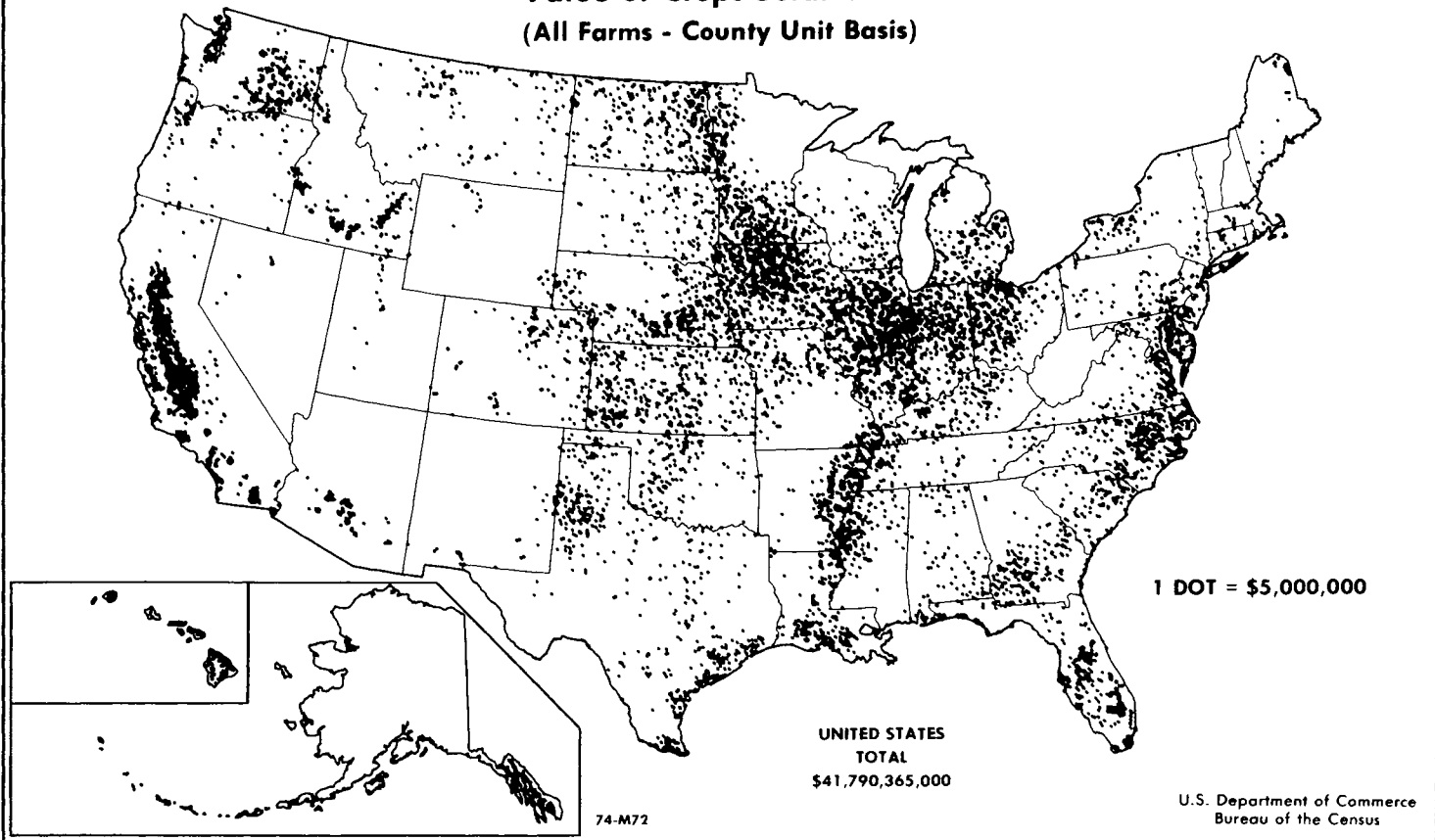
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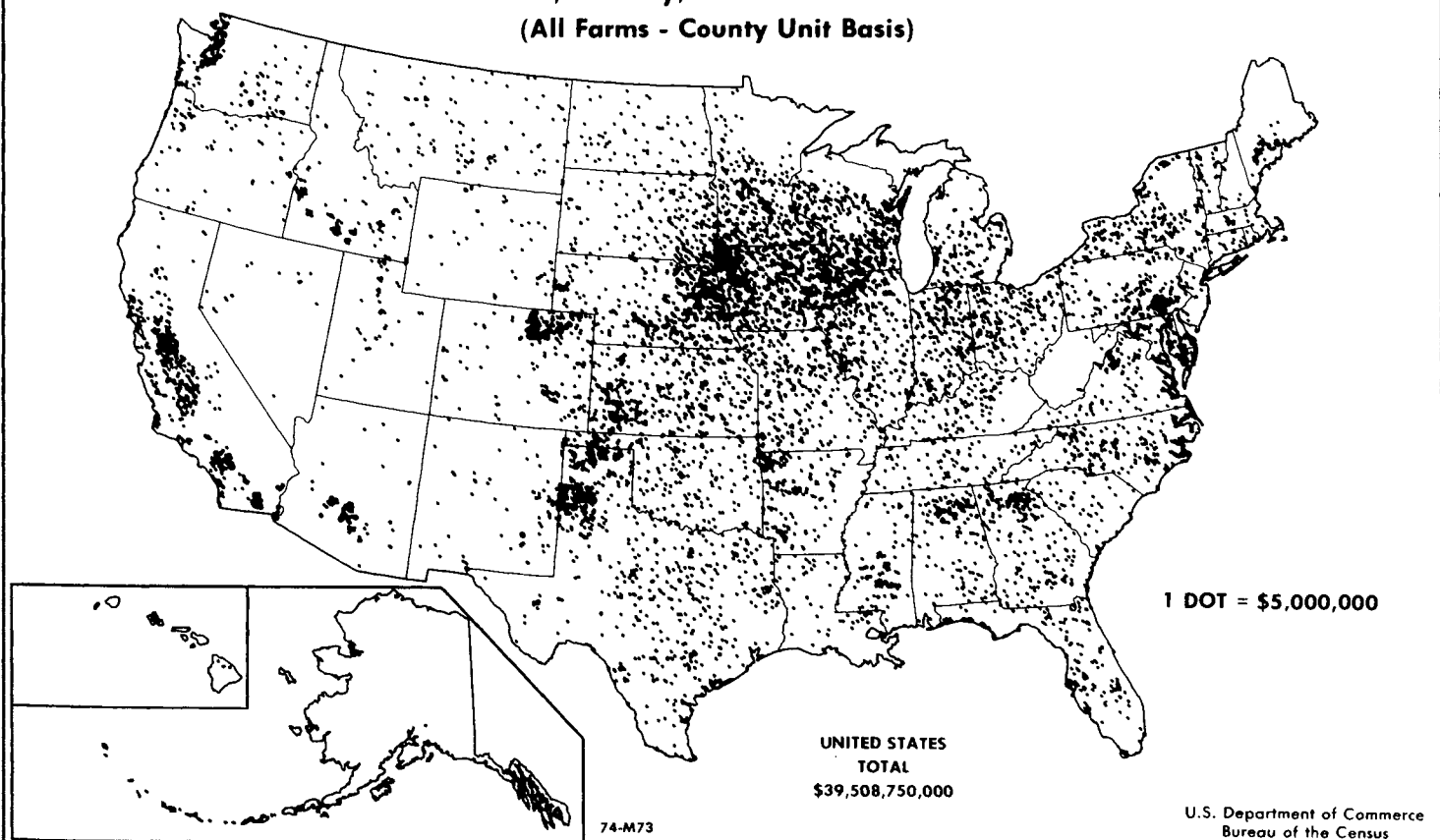
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(All Farms - County Unit Basis)



Value of Crops Sold: 1974
(All Farms - County Unit Basis)



Value of Livestock, Poultry, and Their Products Sold: 1974
(All Farms - County Unit Basis)



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