

Table 1. **Number, Land, and Value of Farms: 1978 and 1974**

	Farms and land in farms						Value of land and buildings ¹ (dollars)				
	All farms				Farms with sales of \$2,500 or more			All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 or more	
	Farms	Acres in farms	Average size of farm (acres)	Percent of land area	Farms	Acres in farms	Average size of farm (acres)	Average per farm	Average per acre	Average per farm	Average per acre
Delaware	3 632	679 045	187	53.5	3 185	662 647	208	270 381	1 500	299 858	1 487
1974.....	3 400	630 605	185	49.7	2 988	613 573	205	180 023	971	197 850	963
Kent	1 004	214 828	214	56.5	864	209 888	243	276 741	1 324	311 157	1 308
1974.....	976	196 410	201	51.7	814	189 189	232	176 277	876	202 584	872
New Castle.....	452	102 084	226	36.4	371	98 232	265	501 506	2 363	613 667	2 357
1974.....	432	100 192	232	35.7	358	96 707	270	317 898	1 371	366 053	1 355
Sussex	1 942	352 734	182	58.0	1 792	347 000	194	236 441	1 352	251 554	1 351
1974.....	1 992	334 023	168	54.9	1 816	327 677	180	151 957	906	162 570	901
Farms not on mail list.....	234	9 399	40	(X)	158	7 527	48	78 456	1 953	87 114	1 829

¹1978 data are based on a sample of farms; see text.

Table 2. **Land Use: 1978**

**All Farms
Part 1 of 2**

	Cropland									
	Total		Harvested		Used only for pasture		In cover crops		On which all crops failed	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Delaware	3 114	536 077	2 944	500 417	771	18 662	129	3 779	126	1 805
Kent	963	172 511	934	160 942	286	5 954	38	880	48	545
New Castle.....	433	87 209	420	80 277	134	4 412	33	707	28	250
Sussex	1 533	269 931	1 452	255 537	274	6 249	53	1 742	40	980
Farms not on mail list.....	185	6 426	138	3 661	77	2 047	5	450	10	30

**All Farms
Part 2 of 2**

	Cropland—Con.				Woodland				Other pastureland and rangeland		Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	
	In cultivated summer fallow		Idle		Pastured		Not pastured					
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Delaware	43	1 580	417	9 834	266	7 770	1 574	96 108	241	8 754	2 377	30 336
Kent	21	505	143	3 685	83	1 687	515	29 327	71	2 392	598	8 911
New Castle.....	10	198	57	1 365	32	680	163	7 517	57	1 772	301	4 906
Sussex	12	877	208	4 546	121	5 332	818	57 576	83	4 416	1 274	15 479
Farms not on mail list.....	—	—	9	238	30	71	78	1 688	30	174	204	1 040

Table 3. **Irrigation: 1978**

All Farms

	Irrigated land according to use								Land in irrigated farms		
	Total		Harvested cropland		Pastureland		Other land		Acres	Acres of cropland	Acres of harvested cropland
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres			
Delaware	255	33 725	252	33 429	9	196	6	100	138 440	111 036	106 632
Kent	101	14 916	100	(D)	4	(D)	2	(D)	40 363	34 917	34 022
New Castle.....	37	1 327	36	(D)	—	—	2	(D)	6 172	5 467	5 165
Sussex	117	17 482	116	17 280	5	(D)	2	(D)	91 905	70 652	67 445
Farms not on mail list.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Table 4. **Farms by Tenure of Operator: 1978**

All Farms

	All farms					Farms with sales of \$2,500 or more				
	Total	Full owners	Part owners	Tenants	Percent of tenancy	Total	Full owners	Part owners	Tenants	Percent of tenancy
Delaware	3 632	2 144	1 087	401	11.0	3 185	1 779	1 044	362	11.4
Kent	1 004	534	324	146	14.5	864	423	307	134	15.5
New Castle.....	452	222	139	91	20.1	371	155	132	84	22.6
Sussex	1 942	1 166	616	160	8.2	1 792	1 047	601	144	8.0
Farms not on mail list.....	234	222	8	4	1.7	158	154	4	—	—