

Table 16. Irrigation: 1978, 1974, and 1969

	All farms			Farms with sales of \$2,500 or more		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Farms irrigated in census year	1 240	650	822	1 052	608	681
Proportion of farms	1.1	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.6	0.6
Irrigated land	130 131	53 777	50 906	129 335	53 459	47 558
Average per farm	105	83	619	123	88	698
Irrigated farms by acres irrigated:						
1 to 9 acres	500	247	243	329	216	195
10 to 49 acres	1 324	(NA)	(NA)	890	546	663
50 to 99 acres	195	157	288	179	148	215
100 to 199 acres	4 819	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	3 719	4 968
200 to 499 acres	135	76	136	135	74	120
500 to 999 acres	9 506	(NA)	(NA)	9 506	5 237	8 482
1,000 acres or more	219	97	94	218	97	90
Irrigated land use:						
Harvested cropland	30 067	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	13 051	11 960
Pastureland	149	56	52	149	56	52
Other land	46 318	(NA)	(NA)	46 318	16 507	14 484
Land in irrigated farms	32	13	6	32	13	6
Cropland	20 620	(NA)	(NA)	20 620	7 332	3 695
Harvested cropland	10	4	3	10	4	3
Land in irrigated farms	17 475	(NA)	(NA)	17 475	7 067	3 306
Harvested cropland	1 206	(NA)	(NA)	1 029	602	634
Pastureland	128 394	(NA)	(NA)	127 747	49 951	44 971
Other land	31	(NA)	(NA)	25	(NA)	(NA)
Land in irrigated farms	581	(NA)	(NA)	523	51	1 253
Cropland	42	(NA)	(NA)	33	30	21
Harvested cropland	1 156	(NA)	(NA)	1 065	3 457	1 144
Land in irrigated farms	500 442	236 509	249 652	494 253	231 058	231 710
Cropland	432 898	(NA)	(NA)	428 971	197 238	199 663
Harvested cropland	397 753	175 857	165 422	394 971	175 177	158 432

Table 17. Selected Characteristics of Irrigated and Nonirrigated Farms: 1978

	All farms	Irrigated farms		Nonirrigated farms
		Any irrigated land	All harvested cropland irrigated	
Farms	109 924	1 240	326	108 684
Land in farms	29 730 739	500 442	28 662	29 230 297
Value of land and buildings: ¹				
Average per farm	505 175	755 598	274 419	502 344
Average per acre	1 858	1 791	3 270	1 859
Irrigated land	130 131	130 131	17 316	(X)
Land in farms according to use:				
Total cropland	103 822	1 236	326	102 586
Harvested cropland	25 360 592	432 898	21 806	24 927 694
Total pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	99 850	1 230	326	98 620
Inventory of livestock:	22 822 821	397 753	16 550	22 425 068
Cattle and calves	47 642	386	52	47 256
Milk cows	2 481 582	23 760	3 373	2 457 822
Hogs and pigs	48 013	368	32	47 645
Sheep and lambs	2 618 148	25 811	977	2 592 337
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment: ¹	7 398	31	2	7 367
Average per farm	210 832	1 337	(D)	209 495
Market value of agricultural products sold	29 649	176	15	29 473
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse products	6 252 388	69 107	3 438	6 183 281
Livestock and livestock products	5 167	18	1	5 149
Poultry and poultry products	151 491	1 874	(D)	149 617
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment: ¹	109 829	1 229	335	108 600
Average per farm	5 473 263	104 587	15 157	5 368 676
Market value of agricultural products sold	49 834	85 099	45 246	49 435
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse products	5 935 559	187 345	67 693	5 748 214
Livestock and livestock products	53 997	151 084	207 648	52 889
Poultry and poultry products	92 572	1 103	306	91 469
Selected farm production expenses: ¹	3 911 102	161 312	63 152	3 749 790
Feed for livestock and poultry	62 927	394	45	62 533
Seed, bulbs, plants, and trees	1 945 187	22 330	1 283	1 922 857
Commercial fertilizer	4 177	37	12	4 140
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	79 270	3 702	3 259	75 568
Energy and petroleum products	60 005	509	50	59 496
Hired farm labor	407 437	5 018	1 005	402 420
Contract labor	89 350	1 008	330	88 342
Feed for livestock and poultry	226 139	12 650	6 093	213 489
Seed, bulbs, plants, and trees	88 001	1 116	259	86 885
Commercial fertilizer	532 647	13 791	2 636	518 856
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	89 635	1 131	279	88 504
Energy and petroleum products	227 198	5 462	570	221 736
Hired farm labor	109 609	1 224	330	108 385
Contract labor	347 098	12 200	5 074	334 898
Feed for livestock and poultry	42 122	783	207	41 339
Seed, bulbs, plants, and trees	192 429	29 544	17 002	162 885
Commercial fertilizer	3 181	74	38	3 107
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	5 453	450	192	5 003

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