

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	824	348	269	790	333	212
Proportion of farms	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.3	0.1
Irrigated land	100 855	39 417	20 664	100 589	39 239	19 212
Average per farm	122	113	766	127	118	906
Irrigated farms by acres irrigated:			768			
1 to 9 acres	240	81	70	214	71	54
10 to 49 acres	562	(NA)	(NA)	478	181	172
50 to 99 acres	151	65	96	144	62	66
100 to 199 acres	3 344	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	1 623	1 524
200 to 499 acres	113	60	41	112	58	30
500 to 999 acres	8 202	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	4 150	2 040
1,000 acres or more	163	78	34	163	78	34
Irrigated land use:						
Harvested cropland	22 787	(NA)	(NA)	22 787	10 931	4 663
Pastureland	125	57	21	125	57	21
Other land	38 240	(NA)	(NA)	38 240	16 399	6 088
Land in irrigated farms	26	4	7	26	4	7
Cropland	17 265	(NA)	(NA)	17 265	2 386	4 725
Harvested cropland	6	3	-	6	3	-
Land in irrigated farms	10 455	(NA)	(NA)	10 455	3 569	-
Harvested cropland	793	(NA)	(NA)	767	331	206
Pastureland	97 766	(NA)	(NA)	97 577	38 886	18 741
Other land	32	(NA)	(NA)	25	(NA)	(NA)
Land in irrigated farms	2 514	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	170	456
Cropland	28	(NA)	(NA)	27	7	2
Harvested cropland	575	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	183	15
Land in irrigated farms	346 880	164 731	89 406	342 235	164 027	87 181
Cropland	309 527	(NA)	(NA)	306 569	144 800	78 070
Harvested cropland	275 105	129 977	58 026	272 960	129 859	57 328

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

	All farms	Irrigated farms		Nonirrigated farms
		Any irrigated land	All harvested cropland irrigated	
Farms	126 456	824	152	125 632
Land in farms	33 580 851	346 880	17 967	33 233 971
Value of land and buildings: ¹				
Average per farm	142 629	623 253	233 905	139 234
Average per acre	533	1 473	1 759	523
Irrigated land	100 855	100 855	12 371	(X)
Land in farms according to use:				
Total cropland	117 971	821	152	117 150
Harvested cropland	28 270 376	309 527	14 035	27 960 851
Total pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	114 531	814	152	113 717
Inventory of livestock:	23 799 192	275 105	10 594	23 524 087
Cattle and calves	70 969	380	26	70 442
Milk cows	6 567 155	28 161	4 782	6 500 724
Hogs and pigs	12 878	280	29	12 847
Sheep and lambs	341 424	67 056	12 138	340 514
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment: ¹	59 134	207	16	58 927
Average per farm	14 784 098	65 895	2 447	14 718 203
Market value of agricultural products sold	8 997	32	8	8 965
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse products	381 249	1 652	(D)	379 597
Livestock and livestock products	126 273	887	152	125 386
Poultry and poultry products	5 824 653	71 143	6 179	5 753 510
Market value of agricultural products sold	46 127	80 206	40 652	45 886
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse products	8 211 280	125 153	26 720	8 086 127
Livestock and livestock products	64 934	151 885	175 788	64 364
Poultry and poultry products	101 984	775	139	101 209
Commercial fertilizer	3 158 265	69 560	11 199	3 088 705
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	96 045	458	48	95 587
Energy and petroleum products	4 908 356	55 214	15 503	4 853 142
Hired farm labor	7 423	29	5	7 394
Contract labor	144 659	379	18	144 279
Selected farm production expenses: ¹				
Feed for livestock and poultry	91 143	355	53	90 788
Seed, bulbs, plants, and trees	1 037 209	10 105	4 086	1 027 104
Commercial fertilizer	108 585	830	122	107 755
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	233 755	6 550	2 157	227 205
Energy and petroleum products	100 997	717	103	100 280
Hired farm labor	483 429	6 983	513	476 446
Contract labor	103 585	827	122	102 758
Commercial fertilizer	209 676	3 182	173	206 493
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	125 971	887	152	125 084
Energy and petroleum products	376 609	5 100	1 178	371 509
Hired farm labor	54 190	548	70	53 642
Contract labor	192 834	10 971	2 393	181 863
Commercial fertilizer	4 515	117	19	4 398
Other agricultural chemicals, including lime	6 672	210	40	6 462

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