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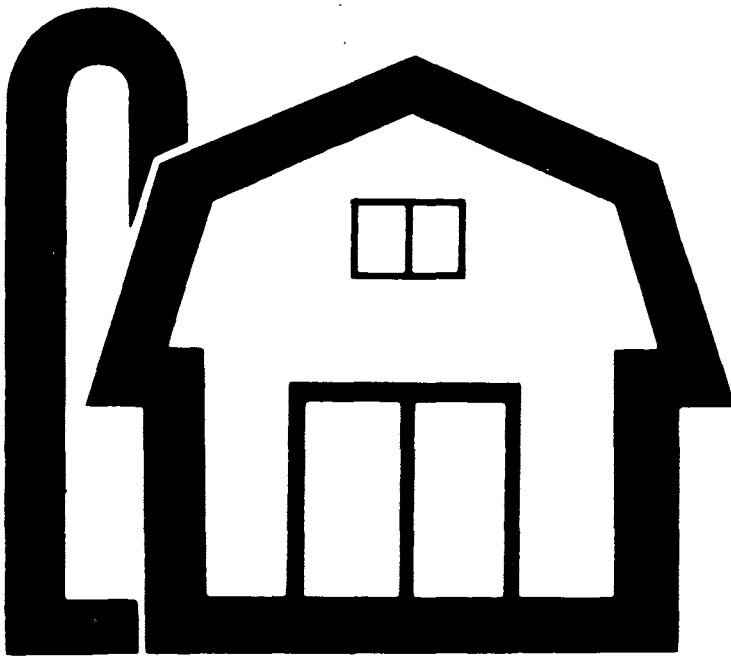
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Item	1982	1978	1974
Sheep, lambs, and wool farms . .	622	551	(NA)
\$1,000 . .	1 149	1 081	(NA)
Hogs and pigs farms . .	9 869	16 932	(NA)
\$1,000 . .	142 068	143 743	(NA)



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HISTORY

The census of agriculture provides a periodic statistical picture of the Nation's farming, ranching, and related activities. The 1982 Census of Agriculture is the 22d taken by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

The first agriculture census was taken in 1840 as part of the sixth decennial census of population. From 1840 to 1950, an agriculture census was taken as part of the decennial census. A separate mid-decade census of agriculture was conducted in 1925, 1935, and 1945. From 1954 to 1974, a census of agriculture was taken for the years ending in 4 and 9. In 1976, Congress authorized the census of agriculture to be taken for 1978 and 1982 to adjust the data reference year to coincide with the 1982 Economic Censuses covering manufacturing, mining, construction, retail trade, wholesale trade, service industries, and selected transportation activities. After 1982, the agriculture census will revert to a 5-year cycle and be taken covering years ending in 2 and 7.

USES OF THE CENSUS

The census of agriculture is the leading source of statistics about the Nation's agriculture and the only source of consistent, comparable data about agriculture at the county, State, and national levels. Census statistics are used by Congress in developing and changing farm programs and for determining the effects of these programs. Many national and State programs affecting agriculture are designed or allocated on the basis of census data, such as funds for extension services, research, and soil conservation projects. Private industry uses census statistics to provide a more effective production and distribution system for the farm community.

AUTHORITY AND AREA COVERED

The census of agriculture is required by law under title 13, United States Code, sections 142(a) and 191, which directs that the census be taken in 1979, in 1983, and in every fifth year after 1983 covering the prior year. The 1982 census includes each State, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands of the United States.

FARM DEFINITION

Since 1850, when minimum criteria defining a farm for census purposes were first established, the farm definition has been changed nine times. The current definition, first used for the 1974 final reports, is any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or normally would have been sold during the census year. The previous definition (used for the 1959, 1964, and 1969 censuses, and for the 1974 preliminary reports) was any place with less than 10 acres from which \$250 or more of agricultural products were sold or normally would have been sold during the census year, or any place of 10 acres or more from which \$50 or more of agricultural products were sold or normally would have been sold during the census year.

COMPARABILITY OF DATA

All censuses since 1969 were conducted primarily by mail. To improve the coverage of the 1978 census, especially in counting the number of small farms, the mailout/mailback enumeration was supplemented by the direct enumeration of all households in approximately 6,400 sample segments in rural areas in all States, except Alaska and Hawaii. Due to budget reductions, the direct enumeration area sample was eliminated for 1982.

The U.S. region, and State data for 1978 shown in the 1978 Census of Agriculture publications included data for farms represented on the mail list plus estimates from the area sample for farms not on the mail list. The 1978 county data included only farms represented on the mail list as the sample was not large enough to provide reliable estimates for each county.

To provide comparable data for 1982 and 1978, estimates from the 1978 area sample have been subtracted from the 1978 data. Thus, the 1978 data in this report include only farms represented on the mail list. Appendix B includes a detailed discussion of the effect of the area sample on census comparability.

In general, data for 1982, 1978, and 1974 are not fully comparable with data for 1969 and earlier censuses due to changes in the farm definition. Data on acreages and inventories for 1982 and 1978 are generally comparable. Dollar figures shown for expenses and agricultural product sales have not been adjusted for changes in price levels between census years.

TABULAR PRESENTATION

State data—In chapter 1, State tables 1 through 43 show detailed State level data usually accompanied by historical data for one or more past censuses. Tables 44 through 50 provide 1982 State data cross-tabulated by various farm classifications.

County data—Selected data items are presented by county in chapter 2. Tables 1 through 16 include general data for all counties. The counties are listed in alphabetical order in the

column headings. In tables 17 through 36, only counties reporting the data item are included in the table stub. Counties not having the item, or with a limited number of farms reporting the item, are not listed separately. Data for these counties are combined and presented as "all other counties."

PRELIMINARY REPORTS

Preliminary reports have been published separately for each county with 10 farms or more in 1982, each State, and the United States. This series provided, at the earliest possible date, information on major data items together with comparable final data from the 1978 census. The data items were standard except in tables 4 and 5 where the selected crops varied by State according to their relative importance.

For farms, land in farms, livestock inventories, and other major items at the county level, differences between the preliminary and final figures are generally less than 5 percent. At the State level, differences are significantly less.

MICROFICHE AND COMPUTER TAPES

The data in this report and final data for individual counties are available on microfiche. The final microfiche county tables have the same format as the county preliminary report. Also, computer tapes are available for the same summary statistics that are found in the preliminary and volume 1 reports. Microfiche reports are sold by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Computer tapes are sold by the Customer Services Branch, Data User Services Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

UNPUBLISHED DATA

Copies of computer printouts of the following unpublished county summary tables are available:

- Land in Farms With Cropland Harvested and Land in Farms and Cropland Harvested on Irrigated Farms, by Size of Farm: 1982
- Owned and Rented Land—Farms, Land in Farms, and Value of Land and Buildings: 1982
- Farms With Grazing Permits: 1982

Other special unpublished tables and summaries on computer tape can be developed to individual user specifications.

Inquiries about the availability and cost of unpublished tabulations should be directed to the Chief, Agriculture Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

CENSUS DISCLOSURE RULES

In keeping with the provisions of title 13, United States Code, no data are published that would disclose the operations of an individual farm. However, the number of farms in a given size category or other classification is not considered a disclosure, so this information may be given even though other information is withheld.

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

Appendix A includes definitions and explanations of selected terms used in the tables.

"SEE TEXT" REFERENCE

Items in the tables which are followed by the reference "see text" are explained or defined in appendix A.

INVENTORIES, PRODUCTION, AND SALES DATA

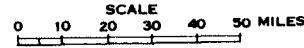
Inventories of livestock, poultry, and machinery and equipment are as of December 31 of the census year. Crop and livestock production, sales, and expense data are for the calendar year, except for a few crops (such as citrus) for which the production year overlaps the calendar year.

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

The following abbreviations and symbols are used throughout the tables:

- Represents zero.
- (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.
- (X) Not applicable.
- (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.
- (NA) Not available.
- (IC) Independent city.
- cwt. Hundredweight.
- sq. ft. Square feet.

KENTUCKY



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Highlights of the State's Agriculture: 1982 and 1978

[Dollar figures are in current dollars with no adjustment for price changes. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	All farms			Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more		
	1982	1978	Percent change from 1978 to 1982	1982	1978	Percent change from 1978 to 1982
Farms.....number.....	101 642	102 263	- .6	42 068	38 354	9.7
Land in farms.....acres.....	14 179 284	14 606 168	-2.9	10 019 562	9 638 290	4.0
Average size of farm.....acres.....	140	143	-2.1	238	251	-5.2
Value of land and buildings ¹ :						
Average per farm.....dollars.....	144 427	124 233	16.3	254 853	227 878	11.8
Average per acre.....dollars.....	1 049	861	21.8	1 084	900	20.4
Farms by size:						
1 to 9 acres.....	13 248	11 576	14.4	2 453	1 559	57.3
10 to 49 acres.....	23 654	21 652	9.2	3 761	2 607	44.3
50 to 179 acres.....	41 739	44 837	-6.9	17 443	15 720	11.0
180 to 499 acres.....	18 352	19 660	-6.7	14 074	14 290	-1.5
500 to 999 acres.....	3 527	3 564	-1.0	3 249	3 241	.2
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	904	799	13.1	878	770	14.0
2,000 acres or more.....	218	175	24.6	210	167	25.7
Harvested cropland.....farms.....	93 082	94 497	-1.5	41 069	37 232	10.3
.....acres.....	4 835 631	4 511 837	7.2	4 229 363	3 768 562	12.2
Irrigated land.....farms.....	2 815	2 137	31.7	1 928	1 288	49.7
.....acres.....	22 707	13 770	64.9	20 186	10 741	87.9
Market value of agricultural products sold.....\$1,000.....	2 376 882	1 812 531	31.1	2 138 343	1 554 672	37.5
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse products.....farms.....	84 438	85 588	-1.3	39 738	35 512	11.9
.....\$1,000.....	1 358 309	948 464	43.2	1 193 124	784 061	52.2
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....farms.....	61 066	66 266	-7.8	31 391	30 894	1.6
.....\$1,000.....	1 018 573	864 066	17.9	945 219	770 611	22.7
Farms by standard industrial classification:						
Cash grains (011).....	10 517	10 272	2.4	6 668	6 112	9.1
Field crops, except cash grains (013).....	54 365	48 514	12.1	19 666	12 602	56.1
Vegetables and melons (016).....	342	255	34.1	37	42	-11.9
Fruits and tree nuts (017).....	212	200	6.0	34	42	-19.0
Horticultural specialties (018).....	274	233	17.6	166	143	16.1
General farms, primarily crop (019).....	4 354	4 807	-9.4	2 837	2 862	-1.1
Livestock, except dairy, poultry, and animal specialties (021).....	24 166	30 568	-20.9	7 077	10 514	-32.7
Dairy farms (024).....	4 273	4 533	-5.7	4 134	4 229	-2.2
Poultry and eggs (025).....	1 234	251	-6.8	113	162	-30.2
Animal specialties (027).....	1 408	748	88.2	477	375	27.2
General farms, primarily livestock (029).....	1 497	1 882	-20.5	865	1 271	-31.9
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family.....	85 808	87 330	-1.7	32 889	30 228	8.8
Partnership.....	14 660	13 939	5.2	8 423	7 495	12.4
Corporation.....	761	725	5.0	597	547	9.1
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.....	413	269	53.5	159	84	89.3
Tenure of operator:						
Full owners.....	69 997	71 224	-1.7	23 189	21 223	9.3
Part owners.....	20 530	20 111	2.1	13 265	12 227	8.5
Tenants.....	11 115	10 928	1.7	5 614	4 904	14.5
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming.....	49 062	49 881	-1.6	28 854	27 055	6.6
Other.....	52 580	52 382	.4	13 214	11 299	16.9
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :						
Feed for livestock and poultry.....\$1,000.....	183 477	165 546	10.8	168 100	146 634	14.6
Commercial fertilizer.....\$1,000.....	135 693	124 760	8.8	120 435	105 407	14.3
Other agricultural chemicals ²\$1,000.....	57 066	41 957	36.0	53 379	36 944	44.5
Energy and petroleum products.....\$1,000.....	164 611	100 763	63.4	135 625	77 338	75.4
Hired farm labor.....\$1,000.....	166 518	113 750	46.4	146 562	95 019	54.2
Livestock and poultry inventory:						
Cattle and calves.....farms.....	60 183	61 044	-1.4	29 383	27 959	5.1
.....number.....	2 524 964	2 449 404	3.1	1 954 765	1 844 794	6.0
Milk cows.....farms.....	10 817	13 226	-18.2	7 292	8 020	-9.1
.....number.....	253 852	257 390	-1.4	244 301	241 066	1.3
Hogs and pigs.....farms.....	11 436	18 997	-39.8	6 230	9 249	-32.6
.....number.....	869 727	1 150 035	-24.4	796 151	978 239	-18.6
Chickens 3 months old or older.....farms.....	10 032	11 796	-15.0	3 063	3 424	-10.5
.....number.....	2 203 233	2 710 980	-18.7	2 003 244	2 475 715	-19.1
Crops harvested:						
Corn for grain or seed.....farms.....	31 301	34 612	-9.6	20 542	20 632	-4
.....acres.....	1 342 981	1 334 024	.7	1 243 251	1 194 604	4.1
Corn for silage or green chop.....farms.....	6 427	7 423	-13.4	5 761	6 471	-11.0
.....acres.....	149 585	160 784	-7.0	143 274	151 369	-5.3
Wheat for grain.....farms.....	7 887	4 578	72.3	6 865	3 997	71.8
.....acres.....	527 423	168 799	212.5	510 332	161 685	215.6
Tobacco.....farms.....	74 166	73 932	.3	35 163	30 405	15.6
.....acres.....	256 619	210 327	22.0	199 029	148 931	33.6
Soybeans for beans.....farms.....	12 628	12 265	3.0	9 551	8 811	8.4
.....acres.....	1 462 360	1 235 201	18.4	1 387 571	1 151 031	20.6
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text).....farms.....	49 641	54 131	-8.3	26 814	26 165	2.5
.....acres.....	1 466 050	1 511 427	-3.0	1 106 727	1 067 543	3.7

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

²Data for 1978 include the cost of lime which was not collected in 1982.