

**Table 1. Historical Highlights: 1992 and Earlier Census Years**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

| All farms  | 1992       | 1987       | 1982       | 1978       | 1974       | 1969       | 1964       | 1959       |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Farms ----- number ..  | 8 716      | 9 205      | 8 861      | 8 040      | 8 018      | 8 838      | 9 038      | 9 744      |
| Land in farms ----- acres ..   | 32 876 071 | 33 595 135 | 33 500 453 | 33 627 257 | 34 271 918 | 35 476 374 | 37 052 632 | 36 199 666 |
| Average size of farm ----- acres ..  | 3 772      | 3 650      | 3 781      | 4 182      | 4 274      | 4 014      | 4 100      | 3 715      |
| Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :                        |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Average per farm ----- dollars ..  | 601 437    | 533 284    | 732 875    | 598 623    | 343 063    | 163 529    | 115 355    | 79 447     |
| Average per acre ----- dollars ..  | 159        | 147        | 193        | 142        | 80         | 41         | 28         | 21         |
| Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> ----- \$1,000.. | 468 114    | 418 833    | 464 030    | 367 348    | 235 697    | 119 396    | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Average per farm ----- dollars ..  | 53 862     | 45 709     | 52 379     | 45 804     | 30 125     | 13 923     | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Farms by size:   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| 1 to 9 acres -----   | 449        | 795        | 662        | 439        | 391        | 660        | 234        | 155        |
| 10 to 49 acres -----   | 994        | 989        | 928        | 521        | 403        | 473        | 516        | 529        |
| 50 to 179 acres -----  | 1 356      | 1 356      | 1 315      | 1 178      | 1 156      | 1 111      | 1 333      | 1 634      |
| 180 to 499 acres -----   | 1 513      | 1 536      | 1 549      | 1 509      | 1 563      | 1 736      | 2 002      | 2 250      |
| 500 to 999 acres -----   | 1 079      | 1 091      | 1 031      | 1 024      | 987        | 1 121      | 1 163      | 1 213      |
| 1,000 to 1,999 acres -----   | 880        | 954        | 945        | 994        | 911        | 1 048      | 1 102      | 1 163      |
| 2,000 acres or more -----  | 2 445      | 2 484      | 2 431      | 2 375      | 2 607      | 2 689      | 2 688      | 3 963      |
| Total cropland ----- farms ..  | 6 756      | 7 237      | 7 214      | 6 907      | 6 857      | 7 296      | 8 033      | 8 763      |
| Harvested cropland ----- farms ..  | 2 842 020  | 2 838 627  | 2 741 423  | 2 711 410  | 2 644 208  | 2 788 453  | 2 766 265  | 2 737 983  |
| Irrigated land ----- farms ..  | 5 735      | 6 389      | 6 473      | 6 444      | 6 347      | 6 747      | 7 624      | 8 338      |
| Market value of agricultural products sold <sup>2</sup> ----- \$1,000..            | 824 205    | 676 721    | 606 327    | 530 308    | 360 925    | 248 826    | 151 436    | 162 124    |
| Average per farm ----- dollars ..  | 94 562     | 73 517     | 68 426     | 65 959     | 45 014     | 28 154     | 16 756     | 16 638     |
| Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ----- \$1,000 ..                     | 153 862    | 124 693    | 128 106    | 89 110     | 122 209    | 38 058     | 30 670     | 30 880     |
| Livestock, poultry, and their products ----- \$1,000 ..                            | 670 343    | 552 028    | 478 221    | 441 198    | 238 623    | 210 708    | 119 465    | 131 127    |
| Farms by value of sales <sup>3</sup> :   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Less than \$2,500 -----  | 1 531      | 1 987      | 1 641      | 1 085      | 1 276      | 1 773      | 2 081      | 2 099      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 -----   | 722        | 766        | 822        | 714        | 680        | 917        | 1 259      | 1 390      |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 -----   | 946        | 977        | 982        | 931        | 1 007      | 1 327      | 1 797      | 1 999      |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 <sup>4</sup> -----  | 1 385      | 1 497      | 1 531      | 1 549      | 1 549      | 1 327      | 1 797      | 4 199      |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 -----   | 1 092      | 1 241      | 1 334      | 1 346      | 4 225      | 4 333      | 3 700      | —          |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 -----   | 1 185      | 1 154      | 1 182      | 1 223      | —          | —          | —          | —          |
| \$100,000 to \$499,999 -----   | 1 639      | 1 399      | 1 190      | 1 027      | 716        | 409        | 170        | —          |
| \$500,000 or more -----  | 216        | 184        | 138        | 114        | 60         | 26         | —          | —          |
| Farms by type of organization:   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Individual or family (sole proprietorship) -----                                   | 6 781      | 7 284      | 6 976      | 6 344      | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Partnership -----  | 976        | 937        | 907        | 829        | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Corporation -----  | 840        | 858        | 826        | 759        | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. -----                      | 119        | 126        | 152        | 108        | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Operators by days worked off farm <sup>5</sup> :                                   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| None -----   | 3 935      | 3 932      | 3 793      | 3 870      | 3 117      | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Any -----  | 4 251      | 4 674      | 4 271      | 3 809      | 2 799      | 4 106      | 3 574      | 3 683      |
| 200 days or more -----   | 2 435      | 2 640      | 2 500      | 2 037      | 1 489      | 1 993      | 1 550      | 1 577      |
| Operators by principal occupation <sup>5</sup> :                                   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Farming -----  | 5 612      | 5 953      | 5 805      | 5 270      | 5 371      | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Other -----  | 3 104      | 3 252      | 3 056      | 2 770      | 2 021      | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Average age of operator <sup>5</sup> ----- years..                                 | 53.4       | 52.0       | 50.8       | 50.4       | 51.4       | 50.5       | 50.3       | 49.8       |
| Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ----- \$1,000..                        | 675 225    | 536 980    | (NA)       | (NA)       | 315 092    | 210 826    | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :                                   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Livestock and poultry purchased ----- \$1,000..                                    | 212 437    | 145 511    | 144 233    | 141 566    | 73 934     | 62 774     | 27 610     | 22 780     |
| Feed for livestock and poultry ----- \$1,000..                                     | 89 381     | 60 555     | 65 166     | 53 145     | 53 412     | 23 242     | 14 319     | 14 313     |
| Commercial fertilizer <sup>6</sup> ----- \$1,000..                                 | 21 444     | 17 878     | 17 752     | 15 996     | 11 753     | 5 258      | 3 046      | (NA)       |
| Petroleum products ----- \$1,000..   | 36 536     | 32 490     | 44 050     | 25 009     | 17 740     | 11 168     | 10 034     | 8 522      |
| Hired farm labor ----- \$1,000 ..  | 57 677     | 50 342     | 40 613     | 32 271     | 24 631     | 19 949     | 16 352     | 14 924     |
| Interest expense <sup>7</sup> ----- \$1,000..                                      | 53 470     | 54 696     | 86 792     | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Agricultural chemicals <sup>8</sup> ----- \$1,000..                                | 9 491      | 9 118      | 6 311      | 4 779      | 2 648      | 1 362      | (NA)       | (NA)       |
| Livestock and poultry:   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Cattle and calves inventory ----- farms..  | 5 839      | 5 990      | 6 428      | 5 933      | 6 373      | 6 923      | 7 515      | 8 134      |
| Beef cows ----- farms..  | 1 424 002  | 1 412 901  | 1 509 913  | 1 477 080  | 1 599 108  | 1 437 346  | 1 348 043  | 1 253 040  |
| Milk cows ----- farms..  | 5 114      | 5 082      | 5 310      | 5 001      | 5 480      | (NA)       | 6 069      | (NA)       |
| Cattle and calves sold ----- farms ..  | 746 789    | 689 166    | 718 771    | 681 770    | 805 203    | 692 275    | 652 980    | 543 302    |
| Hogs and pigs inventory ----- farms ..   | 523        | 788        | 1 273      | 1 442      | 1 772      | 2 364      | 3 806      | 5 521      |
| Hogs and pigs sold ----- farms ..  | 7 596      | 9 287      | 13 315     | 12 511     | 13 508     | 15 658     | 23 169     | 28 716     |
| Chickens 3 months old or older inventory <sup>8</sup> ----- farms..                | 516        | 929        | 1 304      | 1 225      | 1 369      | 1 819      | 3 777      | 5 655      |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ----- farms ..                          | 26 315     | 29 235     | 58 221     | 57 201     | 99 232     | 157 664    | 259 102    | 371 188    |
| Other meat-type chickens sold ----- farms ..                                       | 8          | 37         | 40         | 25         | 30         | 18         | 3          | 1          |
|  | 382        | 9 491      | 2 135      | 2 153      | 2 470      | 2 323      | 33 000     | (D)        |

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**1992 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE — STATE DATA**

**Table 1. Historical Highlights: 1992 and Earlier Census Years –Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

| All farms  | 1992      | 1987      | 1982      | 1978      | 1974      | 1969      | 1964      | 1959      |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Selected crops harvested:  |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Wheat for grain ----- farms --   | 670       | 924       | 1 095     | 1 158     | 1 356     | 1 491     | 1 768     | (NA)      |
| acres--  | 211 312   | 252 784   | 355 938   | 289 495   | 302 986   | 236 327   | 213 748   | 242 816   |
| bushels--  | 5 264 505 | 7 207 742 | 9 169 664 | 6 641 767 | 7 170 544 | 4 777 868 | 4 634 132 | 5 268 442 |
| Barley for grain ----- farms --  | 857       | 1 190     | 1 311     | 1 591     | (NA)      | (NA)      | 2 292     | 2 800     |
| acres--  | 104 167   | 127 366   | 136 748   | 144 801   | (NA)      | (NA)      | 100 625   | 107 886   |
| bushels--  | 8 178 366 | 8 654 469 | 8 791 442 | 8 524 659 | (NA)      | (NA)      | 3 684 343 | 3 322 418 |
| Oats for grain ----- farms --  | 620       | 795       | 1 017     | 1 258     | (NA)      | (NA)      | 2 381     | 2 982     |
| acres--  | 31 757    | 41 987    | 47 012    | 57 714    | (NA)      | (NA)      | 80 026    | 92 575    |
| bushels--  | 1 723 289 | 1 893 335 | 2 286 662 | 2 591 369 | (NA)      | (NA)      | 2 802 356 | 3 022 956 |
| Hay--alfalfa, other tame,<br>small grain, wild, grass<br>silage, green chop, etc.<br>(see text) ----- farms -- | 5 032     | 5 682     | 5 741     | 5 809     | 5 542     | 5 913     | (NA)      | (NA)      |
| acres--  | 1 017 562 | 1 132 842 | 1 119 546 | 1 141 496 | 1 051 305 | 1 079 300 | 1 126 444 | 1 023 992 |
| tons, dry --   | 1 756 092 | 1 904 291 | 1 935 538 | 1 903 450 | 1 723 396 | 1 552 765 | 1 513 017 | 1 276 017 |

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

<sup>2</sup>Data for 1974 and prior years include the value of forest products sold.

<sup>3</sup>Data for 1982 and prior years exclude abnormal farms.

<sup>4</sup>Data for 1959 are for \$10,000 or more.

<sup>5</sup>Data for 1974 apply only to individual or family operations (sole proprietorship) and partnerships.

<sup>6</sup>Data for 1992 and 1987 include cost of custom applications; data for agricultural chemicals exclude the cost of lime for 1992, 1987, and 1982.

<sup>7</sup>Data for 1982 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.

<sup>8</sup>Data for 1964 and 1959 are for chickens 4 months old or older.

**Table 2. Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold and Direct Sales: 1992, 1987, and 1982**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

| Item   | 1992    | Percent of total in 1992 | 1987    | 1982    |
|--|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| Total sales (see text) ----- farms --  | 8 716   | 100.0                    | 9 205   | 8 861   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 824 205 | 100.0                    | 676 721 | 606 327 |
| Average per farm ----- dollars --  | 94 562  | (X)                      | 73 517  | 68 426  |
| Value of sales <sup>1</sup> :  |         |                          |         |         |
| Less than \$1,000 (see text) ----- farms --  | 930     | 10.7                     | 1 208   | 895     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 193     | (Z)                      | 270     | 221     |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 ----- farms --  | 601     | 6.9                      | 779     | 746     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 1 010   | .1                       | 1 290   | 1 250   |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 ----- farms --  | 722     | 8.3                      | 766     | 822     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 2 641   | .3                       | 2 747   | 2 930   |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 ----- farms --  | 946     | 10.9                     | 977     | 982     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 6 834   | .8                       | 7 022   | 7 101   |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 ----- farms --  | 1 009   | 11.6                     | 1 120   | 1 141   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 14 607  | 1.8                      | 15 997  | 16 312  |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 ----- farms --  | 376     | 4.3                      | 377     | 390     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 8 367   | 1.0                      | 8 423   | 8 663   |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 ----- farms --  | 706     | 8.1                      | 815     | 903     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 22 554  | 2.7                      | 25 959  | 28 476  |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 ----- farms --  | 386     | 4.4                      | 426     | 431     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 17 169  | 2.1                      | 19 061  | 19 141  |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 ----- farms --  | 1 185   | 13.6                     | 1 154   | 1 182   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 85 233  | 10.3                     | 82 223  | 84 395  |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 ----- farms --  | 1 203   | 13.8                     | 1 064   | 934     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 188 115 | 22.8                     | 163 223 | 141 885 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 ----- farms --  | 436     | 5.0                      | 335     | 256     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 150 889 | 18.3                     | 115 491 | 86 842  |
| \$500,000 to \$999,999 <sup>2</sup> ----- farms --   | 146     | 1.7                      | 125     | 138     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 99 540  | 12.1                     | 84 010  | 207 498 |
| \$1,000,000 or more ----- farms --   | 70      | .8                       | 59      | (NA)    |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 227 053 | 27.5                     | 151 005 | (NA)    |
| \$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999 ----- farms --  | 53      | .6                       | (NA)    | (NA)    |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 77 779  | 9.4                      | (NA)    | (NA)    |
| \$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999 ----- farms --  | 10      | .1                       | (NA)    | (NA)    |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 35 175  | 4.3                      | (NA)    | (NA)    |
| \$5,000,000 or more ----- farms --   | 7       | .1                       | (NA)    | (NA)    |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 114 099 | 13.8                     | (NA)    | (NA)    |
| Sales by commodity or commodity group:   |         |                          |         |         |
| Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ----- farms --   | 3 286   | 37.7                     | 3 671   | 3 639   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 153 862 | 18.7                     | 124 693 | 128 106 |
| Grains ----- farms --  | 1 740   | 20.0                     | 2 100   | 2 402   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 60 081  | 7.3                      | 57 117  | 69 042  |
| Corn for grain ----- farms --  | 408     | 4.7                      | 366     | 425     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 9 795   | 1.2                      | 6 606   | 7 763   |
| Wheat ----- farms --   | 657     | 7.5                      | 902     | 1 069   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 15 631  | 1.9                      | 17 363  | 29 362  |
| Soybeans ----- farms --  | —       | —                        | —       | —       |
| ----- \$1,000--  | —       | —                        | —       | —       |
| Sorghum for grain ----- farms --   | 4       | (Z)                      | 1       | 2       |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 13      | (Z)                      | (D)     | (D)     |
| Barley ----- farms --  | 703     | 8.1                      | 894     | (NA)    |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 23 398  | 2.8                      | 22 517  | (NA)    |
| Oats ----- farms --  | 279     | 3.2                      | 367     | 406     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 1 257   | .2                       | (D)     | (D)     |
| Other grains <sup>3</sup> ----- farms --   | 391     | 4.5                      | 488     | 1 160   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 9 987   | 1.2                      | 9 078   | 30 145  |
| Cotton and cottonseed ----- farms --   | —       | —                        | —       | —       |
| ----- \$1,000--  | —       | —                        | —       | —       |
| Tobacco ----- farms --   | —       | —                        | —       | —       |
| ----- \$1,000--  | —       | —                        | —       | —       |
| Hay, silage, and field seeds ----- farms --  | 2 227   | 25.6                     | 2 391   | 2 098   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 35 448  | 4.3                      | 26 420  | 25 977  |
| Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons ----- farms --  | 26      | .3                       | 27      | 28      |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 394     | (Z)                      | 94      | 66      |
| Fruits, nuts, and berries ----- farms --   | 12      | .1                       | 7       | 5       |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 8       | (Z)                      | 3       | 1       |
| Nursery and greenhouse crops ----- farms --  | 55      | .6                       | 47      | 55      |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 2 637   | .3                       | 1 575   | 1 439   |
| Other crops ----- farms --   | 513     | 5.9                      | 426     | 484     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 55 294  | 6.7                      | 39 485  | 31 581  |
| Livestock, poultry, and their products ----- farms --  | 6 908   | 79.3                     | 7 202   | 7 269   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 670 343 | 81.3                     | 552 028 | 478 221 |
| Poultry and poultry products ----- farms --  | 157     | 1.8                      | 267     | 419     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 268     | (Z)                      | 148     | 366     |
| Dairy products ----- farms --  | 123     | 1.4                      | 174     | 293     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 11 168  | 1.4                      | 11 345  | 15 983  |
| Cattle and calves ----- farms --   | 5 866   | 67.3                     | 5 965   | 6 269   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 583 570 | 70.8                     | 473 233 | 407 402 |
| Hogs and pigs ----- farms --   | 342     | 3.9                      | 407     | 480     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 5 415   | .7                       | 4 897   | 5 415   |
| Sheep, lambs, and wool ----- farms --  | 1 526   | 17.5                     | 1 600   | 1 561   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 60 207  | 7.3                      | 56 591  | 43 792  |
| Other livestock and livestock products (see text) ----- farms --   | 1 214   | 13.9                     | 1 335   | 1 205   |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 9 714   | 1.2                      | 5 814   | 5 264   |
| Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) <sup>4</sup> ----- farms -- | 351     | 4.0                      | (NA)    | 508     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 750     | .1                       | (NA)    | 1 058   |
| Average per farm ----- dollars --  | 2 138   | (X)                      | (NA)    | 2 083   |
| Value of sales:  |         |                          |         |         |
| \$1 to \$499 ----- farms --  | 132     | 1.5                      | (NA)    | 234     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | (D)     | (Z)                      | (NA)    | 50      |
| \$500 to \$999 ----- farms --  | 77      | .9                       | (NA)    | 102     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 53      | (Z)                      | (NA)    | 70      |
| \$1,000 to \$4,999 ----- farms --  | 108     | 1.2                      | (NA)    | 143     |
| ----- \$1,000--  | 223     | (Z)                      | (NA)    | 304     |

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**Table 2. Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold and Direct Sales: 1992, 1987, and 1982 — Con.**

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| Item   | 1992 | Percent of total in 1992 | 1987 | 1982 |
|--|------|--------------------------|------|------|
| Total sales (see text) — Con.  |      |                          |      |      |
| Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) <sup>4</sup> — Con. |      |                          |      |      |
| Value of sales — Con.  |      |                          |      |      |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 ----- farms --  | 19   | .2                       | (NA) | 13   |
| \$1,000--  | 125  | (Z)                      | (NA) | 80   |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 <sup>5</sup> ----- farms--  | 13   | .1                       | (NA) | 16   |
| \$1,000--  | 200  | (Z)                      | (NA) | 555  |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 ----- farms --  | 1    | (Z)                      | (NA) | (NA) |
| \$1,000--  | (D)  | (Z)                      | (NA) | (NA) |
| \$50,000 or more ----- farms --  | 1    | (Z)                      | (NA) | (NA) |
| \$1,000--  | (D)  | (Z)                      | (NA) | (NA) |

<sup>1</sup>Data for 1982 exclude abnormal farms.

<sup>2</sup>Data for 1982 are for \$500,000 or more.

<sup>3</sup>Data for 1982 include barley.

<sup>4</sup>Data for 1987 were not collected.

<sup>5</sup>Data for 1982 are for \$10,000 or more.