

Table 7. Land Use: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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

All farms	1997	Percent of total in 1997	1992	1987
Farms	73 367	100.0	75 079	85 079
Land in farms	25 994 621	100.0	25 666 944	26 573 819
Total cropland	67 545	92.1	69 866	79 461
Harvested cropland	21 491 743	82.7	21 387 063	21 876 066
Farms by acres harvested:	60 726	82.8	66 549	76 537
1 to 49 acres	18 968 607	73.0	18 201 061	16 635 264
1 to 9 acres	15 475	21.1	15 627	18 508
10 to 19 acres	3 958	5.4	3 739	3 929
20 to 29 acres	3 779	5.2	3 658	4 166
30 to 49 acres	3 057	4.2	3 113	3 873
50 to 99 acres	4 681	6.4	5 117	6 540
100 to 199 acres	8 295	11.3	9 647	12 660
200 to 499 acres	11 444	15.6	14 061	18 228
500 to 999 acres	14 272	19.5	16 902	19 241
1,000 acres or more	7 055	9.6	7 204	6 143
1,000 to 1,999 acres	4 185	5.7	3 108	1 757
2,000 acres or more	3 306	4.5	2 598	1 548
2,000 acres or more	879	1.2	510	209
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	19 988	27.2	20 859	23 957
Other cropland	998 431	3.8	1 036 354	1 121 939
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured	20 325	27.7	37 248	49 237
Cropland on which all crops failed	1 524 705	5.9	2 149 648	4 118 863
Cropland in cultivated summer fallow	7 575	10.3	12 981	16 937
Cropland idle	533 383	2.1	625 206	1 111 869
Woodland pastured	3 319	4.5	5 406	3 454
Woodland not pastured	150 235	.6	245 764	97 510
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	2 639	3.6	5 500	7 408
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	163 347	.6	307 633	795 589
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	10 168	13.9	23 118	31 888
Land in Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	677 740	2.6	971 045	2 113 895
Total woodland	28 471	38.8	28 807	32 125
Woodland pastured	1 987 025	7.6	1 946 979	2 136 049
Woodland not pastured	13 414	18.3	14 524	17 347
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	740 631	2.8	813 816	947 718
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	22 034	30.0	21 399	22 659
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	1 246 394	4.8	1 133 163	1 188 331
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	15 503	21.1	15 969	18 166
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	946 159	3.6	972 776	1 037 765
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	50 306	68.6	51 416	61 579
Land in Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	1 569 694	6.0	1 360 126	1 523 939
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	14 523	(X)	11 548	6 217
Land in Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	1 264 917	(X)	907 213	537 419

¹Data for 1987 are for Conservation Reserve Program only.