

Table 1. Historical Highlights: 2007 and Earlier Census Years

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All farms	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage				
				1997	1992	1987	1982	1978
Farmsnumber	4,916	4,191	4,905	3,687	3,427	3,580	3,754	3,519
Land in farmsacres	405,616	357,154	406,222	359,313	358,743	398,400	444,242	455,731
Average size of farmacres	83	85	83	97	105	111	118	130
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ :								
Average per farmdollars	1,045,133	840,302	516,347	571,074	624,135	467,677	316,317	279,270
Average per acredollars	12,667	9,491	6,270	5,949	5,959	4,171	2,655	2,158
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹\$1,000	315,000	214,739	182,266	151,760	124,989	132,445	127,424	96,944
Average per farmdollars	64,090	51,214	37,167	41,194	36,557	36,996	33,925	27,596
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	1,232	984	1,065	744	606	560	594	483
10 to 49 acres	1,894	1,625	1,835	1,273	1,172	1,176	1,164	1,032
50 to 179 acres	1,287	1,077	1,447	1,129	1,082	1,176	1,223	1,201
180 to 499 acres	400	387	453	436	455	546	632	660
500 to 999 acres	63	91	75	75	86	95	111	117
1,000 to 1,999 acres	30	23	26	26	19	24	28	20
2,000 acres or more	10	4	4	4	7	3	2	6
Total croplandfarms	3,884	3,395	4,242	3,289	3,058	3,163	3,326	3,226
.....acres	163,686	170,673	200,586	181,043	192,756	210,012	224,986	232,026
Harvested croplandfarms	3,517	3,000	3,848	3,032	2,789	2,876	3,062	3,009
.....acres	136,833	131,248	153,446	140,513	143,782	153,715	171,229	169,681
Irrigated landfarms	789	801	809	674	524	430	367	298
.....acres	9,901	10,139	7,689	7,366	5,893	7,245	6,695	6,927
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text)\$1,000	551,553	470,637	434,970	421,648	336,983	357,702	285,324	225,972
Average per farmdollars	112,195	112,297	88,679	114,361	98,332	99,917	76,005	64,215
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops\$1,000	401,372	327,527	274,048	263,799	183,300	164,664	102,058	82,977
Livestock, poultry, and their products\$1,000	150,181	143,110	160,922	157,850	153,683	193,039	183,266	142,995
Farms by value of sales ² :								
Less than \$2,500	1,933	1,900	1,910	1,165	1,120	1,166	1,236	947
\$2,500 to \$4,999	719	523	741	555	442	482	486	484
\$5,000 to \$9,999	561	398	623	500	476	445	437	401
\$10,000 to \$24,999	652	502	590	511	480	436	432	461
\$25,000 to \$49,999	329	241	298	271	249	275	287	310
\$50,000 to \$99,999	231	188	246	221	214	247	314	419
\$100,000 to \$499,999	313	309	380	349	345	423	467	418
\$500,000 or more	178	130	117	115	101	106	90	72
Farms by type of organization:								
Family or individual	3,967	3,436	4,040	2,996	2,778	2,923	3,119	2,927
Partnership	485	341	435	344	326	355	360	362
Corporation	389	338	386	311	289	276	251	205
Other-cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc	75	76	44	36	34	26	24	25
Principal operator by days of work off farm ³ :								
None	1,561	1,919	1,936	1,565	1,492	1,418	1,459	1,577
Any	3,355	2,272	2,756	1,953	1,751	1,940	2,032	1,784
200 days or more	2,093	1,619	1,884	1,310	1,098	1,304	1,432	1,161
Principal operator by primary occupation:								
Farming	2,273	2,077	2,228	1,824	1,828	1,842	1,957	2,009
Other	2,643	2,114	2,677	1,863	1,599	1,738	1,797	1,510
Average age of principal operator years	57.6	55.4	55.0	55.5	55.0	53.5	52.5	52.2
Total farm production expenses ¹\$1,000	469,319	397,687	348,883	330,902	282,694	255,212	(NA)	(NA)
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased (see text)\$1,000	7,164	8,644	9,317	8,740	9,381	16,647	24,973	13,336
Feed purchased\$1,000	55,295	42,832	59,852	58,691	55,796	54,207	66,821	60,525
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners ^{4,5}\$1,000	15,142	14,211	13,196	12,743	11,236	7,333	7,547	7,707
Gasoline, fuels, and oils\$1,000	29,508	13,064	11,684	10,638	9,985	9,300	14,569	9,514
Hired farm labor ⁶\$1,000	141,360	127,084	101,344	96,925	77,980	65,657	44,278	36,372
Interest expense ⁶\$1,000	16,913	9,036	12,153	11,289	10,443	11,616	12,018	(NA)
Chemicals ⁴\$1,000	7,711	6,681	5,142	4,819	4,506	4,815	3,377	3,189
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventoryfarms	1,210	1,131	1,669	1,227	1,345	1,596	1,896	1,722
.....number	50,213	54,247	68,351	65,645	78,044	89,306	110,029	99,507
Beef cowsfarms	754	737	995	721	770	887	947	754
Milk cowsfarms	5,982	6,180	7,772	6,887	6,878	7,146	6,746	6,406
.....number	269	310	438	370	486	630	880	922
.....number	20,685	23,203	28,481	28,017	34,552	41,691	51,795	49,959
Cattle and calves soldfarms	805	715	1,208	983	1,103	1,335	1,592	1,537
.....number	17,348	17,823	26,430	25,237	31,200	41,093	47,487	48,821
Hogs and pigs inventoryfarms	244	157	298	210	293	254	379	345
.....number	3,645	3,232	6,139	4,521	5,588	5,429	6,915	8,388
Hogs and pigs soldfarms	251	176	212	160	201	195	265	209
.....number	6,818	7,079	12,196	9,408	8,232	8,776	9,202	10,806
Layers inventory (see text)farms	822	590	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....number	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens soldfarms	72	50	37	30	42	40	40	45
.....number	420,789	264,866	481,079	342,656	943,569	850,969	539,656	597,228

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All farms	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage				
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Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain	61	40	91	75	81	115	150	135
farms	3,563	3,010	5,588	5,460	5,357	3,953	6,017	3,629
acres	424,350	361,647	612,648	605,666	630,547	335,317	628,384	339,904
bushels	253	303	425	403	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchop	24,174	27,892	32,639	32,219	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	480,472	506,094	618,725	610,198	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	3	4	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheat for grain, all	55	52	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	2,300	3,250	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	3	4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	55	52	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	2,300	3,250	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	2	6	7	7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oats for grain	(D)	67	129	129	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	3,313	5,784	5,784	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	5	2	4	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop	77	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	6	1	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans for beans	294	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	13,365	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	3	6	4	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans, excluding limas	3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	90	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
cwt	76	80	82	74	43	53	78	98
Tobacco	3,128	1,925	2,557	2,529	1,456	1,875	2,198	3,202
acres	5,293,517	3,287,837	4,172,200	4,115,845	2,310,666	2,831,167	3,148,241	4,830,151
pounds	Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text)							
farms	2,060	1,649	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	81,269	73,757	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons, dry	176,786	170,199	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sunflower seed, all	-	8	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	11	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
pounds	-	4,150	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	735	582	677	620	579	451	511	537
farms	10,514	10,691	10,270	10,008	9,994	8,608	8,244	10,875
acres	133	60	61	58	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	100	71	150	151	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	3	6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	338	300	288	253	332	308	331	320
Land in orchards	3,672	3,478	3,542	3,546	4,481	5,122	5,361	5,724
acres								

¹ Data for 2002 and prior years are based on a sample of farms.
² Data for 1982 and 1978 exclude abnormal farms.
³ Data for 1997 and prior years do not include imputation for item nonresponse.
⁴ Data for 1982 and 1978 do not include cost of custom applications; data for chemicals include the cost of lime for 1978.
⁵ Data for 1997 and prior years exclude cost of lime and manure.
⁶ 1982 data do not include imputation for item nonresponse.
⁷ Data for 2002 and prior years do not include potatoes, sweet potatoes, or ginseng.