

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
Farms number	3,131	2,989	3,198	2,829	2,890	3,027	2,719	2,399
Land in farms acres	5,865,392	6,330,622	6,397,569	6,409,288	9,263,684	9,988,520	9,980,201	10,427,111
Average size of farm acres	1,873	2,118	2,000	2,266	3,205	3,300	3,671	4,346
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ :								
Average per farm dollars	1,148,693	953,619	794,743	876,417	811,941	749,936	925,540	801,173
Average per acre dollars	613	446	398	388	252	227	249	184
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹ \$1,000	349,932	306,745	210,199	196,289	172,887	158,576	143,648	115,952
Average per farm dollars	111,799	110,619	65,749	69,532	60,260	52,474	52,928	48,414
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	631	579	582	425	445	574	405	251
10 to 49 acres	898	817	817	694	680	671	574	428
50 to 179 acres	571	511	603	543	599	574	535	520
180 to 499 acres	367	359	462	430	431	453	461	441
500 to 999 acres	217	214	249	242	238	267	224	232
1,000 to 1,999 acres	151	170	187	191	175	154	172	177
2,000 acres or more	296	339	298	304	322	334	348	350
Total cropland farms	2,060	2,001	2,318	2,188	2,255	2,317	2,227	2,120
..... acres	753,718	940,295	847,288	846,752	840,364	802,604	861,883	829,499
Harvested cropland farms	1,572	1,521	1,834	1,765	1,753	1,884	1,895	1,855
..... acres	504,311	549,076	526,408	526,338	408,568	526,067	605,082	585,486
Irrigated land farms	2,054	1,981	2,296	2,159	2,151	2,221	2,154	2,086
..... acres	691,030	746,653	763,742	764,738	556,172	778,977	829,761	881,151
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text) \$1,000	513,269	446,989	358,869	356,565	288,139	250,458	202,581	198,954
Average per farm dollars	163,931	149,545	112,217	126,039	99,702	82,741	74,506	82,932
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops \$1,000	219,341	157,730	153,225	151,717	79,957	75,685	72,582	58,748
Livestock, poultry, and their products \$1,000	293,928	289,259	205,643	204,848	208,182	174,773	129,999	140,206
Farms by value of sales ² :								
Less than \$2,500	1,184	1,108	938	695	862	861	717	476
\$2,500 to \$4,999	269	256	348	310	305	353	318	281
\$5,000 to \$9,999	333	291	389	358	352	336	322	338
\$10,000 to \$24,999	334	312	479	444	375	437	377	371
\$25,000 to \$49,999	217	214	273	259	250	278	288	290
\$50,000 to \$99,999	179	227	256	253	264	258	261	239
\$100,000 to \$499,999	412	421	384	379	366	415	344	318
\$500,000 or more	203	160	131	131	116	89	70	55
Farms by type of organization:								
Family or individual	2,542	2,499	2,532	2,197	2,269	2,342	2,067	1,801
Partnership	284	205	309	295	323	356	392	363
Corporation	230	200	245	233	221	261	198	186
Other-cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc	75	85	112	104	77	68	62	49
Principal operator by days of work off farm ³ :								
None	1,134	1,345	1,219	1,131	1,192	1,217	1,024	1,020
Any	1,997	1,644	1,779	1,515	1,518	1,654	1,505	1,301
200 days or more	1,167	1,074	1,123	939	910	1,042	891	770
Principal operator by primary occupation:								
Farming	1,650	1,754	1,675	1,558	1,656	1,675	1,553	1,392
Other	1,481	1,235	1,523	1,271	1,234	1,352	1,166	1,007
Average age of principal operator years	57.5	55.9	54.9	55.4	54.2	52.3	51.5	51.2
Total farm production expenses ¹ \$1,000	401,986	335,437	281,016	276,040	247,113	208,924	(NA)	(NA)
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased (see text) \$1,000	32,202	34,954	27,097	26,424	33,238	34,208	28,749	42,430
Feed purchased \$1,000	76,549	58,036	49,408	48,969	49,970	29,966	29,361	25,244
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners ^{4,5} \$1,000	20,975	11,894	11,773	11,610	6,930	5,562	5,587	4,794
Gasoline, fuels, and oils \$1,000	29,689	16,249	15,121	14,895	14,154	12,556	15,144	9,065
Hired farm labor \$1,000	65,134	53,802	44,921	44,391	31,652	33,775	20,438	18,830
Interest expense ⁶ \$1,000	19,984	22,034	22,042	21,724	18,621	19,257	22,958	(NA)
Chemicals ⁴ \$1,000	11,776	7,056	5,319	5,292	3,949	3,940	2,814	2,377
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory farms	1,513	1,583	1,861	1,694	1,652	1,819	1,786	1,622
..... number	441,629	460,263	516,110	518,115	523,305	575,608	559,909	564,213
Beef cows farms	1,275	1,218	1,469	1,371	1,330	1,438	1,367	1,271
..... number	238,662	245,025	274,244	275,801	265,690	305,018	285,594	282,917
Milk cows farms	56	128	145	138	208	274	348	388
..... number	27,660	29,358	24,933	24,902	21,769	17,646	15,851	13,487
Cattle and calves sold farms	1,260	1,283	1,694	1,587	1,538	1,733	1,628	1,542
..... number	280,998	407,085	294,855	295,007	317,233	303,567	275,493	340,556
Hogs and pigs inventory farms	91	110	137	113	154	149	245	277
..... number	2,949	(D)	7,550	7,419	7,636	16,505	15,254	9,843
Hogs and pigs sold farms	70	102	87	74	102	128	174	199
..... number	(D)	11,829	7,661	7,414	23,746	26,413	16,037	16,097
Layers inventory (see text) farms	312	281	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... number	5,852	5,164	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold farms	4	18	8	6	7	10	8	15
..... number	(D)	3,383	(D)	(D)	200	525	549	(D)

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All farms	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage					
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Selected crops harvested:									
Corn for grain	10	6	7	8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	473	241	336	396	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	73,176	34,447	37,232	46,160	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	36	53	46	45	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchop	5,451	4,407	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	134,522	94,399	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	42	34	77	73	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	12,826	4,687	19,392	19,034	9,968	15,052	20,536	17,463	142
Wheat for grain, all	1,279,268	383,563	1,922,456	1,903,995	719,200	1,096,511	1,386,182	1,053,253	17,463
bushels	37	26	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	11,838	3,109	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1,190,936	268,529	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	8	10	27	25	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	988	1,578	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	88,332	115,034	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	2	36	10	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oats for grain	(D)	4,682	503	503	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	485,280	30,499	30,499	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	9	20	51	49	36	115	193	215	215
bushels	1,062	2,375	4,703	4,642	4,613	9,150	28,490	26,282	26,282
Barley for grain	93,177	207,188	427,758	422,623	423,411	725,196	2,079,755	1,678,370	1,678,370
bushels	1	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for grain	-	5	1	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	-	438	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	9,289	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	-	-	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
cwt	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text)	1,436	1,390	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	464,598	510,223	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1,582,983	1,581,117	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons, dry									
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	50	51	39	37	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	11,217	4,752	4,419	4,415	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	24	14	10	10	12	10	29	35	35
farms	7,491	7,607	6,999	6,999	8,111	7,501	13,804	15,986	15,986
acres	79	73	76	68	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in orchards	460	420	544	530	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms									
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.