

Table 1. Historical Highlights: 2007 and Earlier Census Years

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

All farms	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage				
				1997	1992	1987	1982	1978
Farms number	4,166	3,363	3,928	2,937	2,445	2,515	2,757	2,508
Land in farms acres	471,911	444,879	463,383	415,031	385,832	426,237	469,582	484,631
Average size of farm acres	113	132	118	141	158	169	170	193
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ :								
Average per farm dollars	558,385	400,943	295,677	323,523	342,607	358,279	201,171	169,736
Average per acre dollars	4,929	3,131	2,448	2,250	2,256	2,112	1,174	880
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹ \$1,000	243,349	137,603	135,607	110,872	83,960	85,168	77,239	60,720
Average per farm dollars	58,413	40,868	34,541	37,957	34,566	33,905	28,005	24,220
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	754	507	656	425	308	255	254	207
10 to 49 acres	1,405	1,035	1,160	784	619	567	600	444
50 to 179 acres	1,304	1,138	1,351	1,005	844	919	1,039	922
180 to 499 acres	546	509	613	571	511	583	663	729
500 to 999 acres	119	134	116	120	133	160	169	177
1,000 to 1,999 acres	26	22	25	25	27	29	29	25
2,000 acres or more	12	18	7	7	3	2	3	4
Total cropland farms	2,929	2,505	3,154	2,489	2,242	2,255	2,493	2,367
..... acres	128,938	129,388	147,694	132,619	135,437	147,719	154,926	172,753
Harvested cropland farms	2,494	2,043	2,817	2,256	2,039	2,044	2,282	2,232
..... acres	99,520	95,983	111,870	101,753	100,746	106,629	116,613	124,510
Irrigated land farms	505	451	506	429	308	253	176	163
..... acres	2,482	2,292	2,838	2,691	1,746	2,948	1,307	1,747
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text) \$1,000	199,051	144,835	155,698	149,467	114,070	107,102	102,520	87,711
Average per farm dollars	47,780	43,067	39,638	50,891	46,654	42,585	37,185	34,972
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops \$1,000	106,467	83,149	78,033	73,728	45,724	35,327	26,207	22,213
Livestock, poultry, and their products \$1,000	92,584	61,686	77,665	75,739	68,346	71,775	76,312	65,498
Farms by value of sales ² :								
Less than \$2,500	2,068	1,757	1,789	1,121	928	1,020	1,133	910
\$2,500 to \$4,999	466	382	613	460	343	371	430	400
\$5,000 to \$9,999	469	344	447	388	325	320	276	282
\$10,000 to \$24,999	466	303	420	363	288	234	253	253
\$25,000 to \$49,999	263	194	218	187	152	131	178	214
\$50,000 to \$99,999	148	130	156	143	143	175	210	241
\$100,000 to \$499,999	221	205	240	230	234	238	242	182
\$500,000 or more	65	48	45	45	32	26	23	14
Farms by type of organization:								
Family or individual	3,551	2,917	3,445	2,547	2,136	2,234	2,457	2,240
Partnership	299	206	219	179	147	140	188	161
Corporation	220	157	204	160	133	112	85	83
Other-cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc	96	83	60	51	29	29	27	24
Principal operator by days of work off farm ³ :								
None	1,257	1,380	1,283	1,028	927	857	929	907
Any	2,909	1,983	2,515	1,807	1,420	1,539	1,655	1,480
200 days or more	1,706	1,299	1,657	1,152	848	959	1,035	885
Principal operator by primary occupation:								
Farming	1,930	1,636	1,580	1,260	1,204	1,153	1,301	1,304
Other	2,236	1,727	2,348	1,677	1,241	1,362	1,456	1,204
Average age of principal operator years	56.2	54.1	53.6	54.3	53.4	51.9	50.9	50.7
Total farm production expenses ¹ \$1,000	195,791	145,342	136,126	126,098	95,755	91,948	(NA)	(NA)
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased (see text) \$1,000	4,470	1,638	3,393	3,031	2,968	3,647	4,013	4,471
Feed purchased \$1,000	30,644	20,933	22,974	22,257	18,649	19,529	25,619	22,140
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners ^{4,5} \$1,000	4,627	2,797	3,039	2,931	2,868	2,834	2,767	3,018
Gasoline, fuels, and oils \$1,000	13,170	5,663	5,729	5,148	4,171	3,979	5,910	3,732
Hired farm labor ⁶ \$1,000	36,176	32,013	31,343	30,438	21,601	18,040	13,626	12,296
Interest expense \$1,000	8,718	5,468	6,936	6,115	5,177	5,612	(NA)	(NA)
Chemicals ⁴ \$1,000	2,367	2,043	1,729	1,717	1,528	1,499	1,350	1,235
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory farms	1,027	852	1,289	953	956	1,148	1,515	1,386
..... number	36,880	39,912	47,159	45,115	48,419	54,012	69,006	66,885
Beef cows farms	642	527	754	540	494	587	713	579
..... number	4,981	4,473	4,959	4,206	3,727	4,229	4,526	4,311
Milk cows farms	225	255	392	329	389	518	785	809
..... number	14,611	17,467	19,713	19,563	21,659	25,110	30,984	30,609
Cattle and calves sold farms	599	526	913	760	766	969	1,242	1,213
..... number	12,350	13,927	16,953	16,053	20,138	24,611	29,408	33,089
Hogs and pigs inventory farms	266	208	355	249	289	264	443	443
..... number	2,792	2,718	5,843	4,373	4,458	5,040	6,339	8,013
Hogs and pigs sold farms	298	212	202	137	173	180	278	276
..... number	4,901	4,227	15,287	13,454	9,063	6,610	9,402	11,752
Layers inventory (see text) farms	912	608	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... number	210,380	175,250	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold farms	83	83	58	35	25	22	44	36
..... number	(D)	(D)	476,858	472,718	(D)	(D)	291,111	188,116

See footnote(s) at end of table.

--continued

Table 1. Historical Highlights: 2007 and Earlier Census Years - Con.

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

All farms	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage					
				1997	1992	1987	1982	1978	
Selected crops harvested:									
Corn for grain	13	21	47	35	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	226	880	1,283	1,211	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	27,547	113,240	133,310	127,024	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	135	160	242	231	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchop	12,640	14,191	15,956	15,957	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	262,867	270,510	307,493	307,296	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	1	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	(D)	(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)
farms	1	1	(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)
farms	-	-	9	7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	-	38	34	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Barley for grain	1	-	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	1	3	3	3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop	(D)	61	85	85	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	572	1,330	1,330	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	3	4	4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	-	(D)	141	141	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans for beans	-	(D)	6,293	6,293	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	2	3	6	4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	7	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
cwt	(D)	95	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text)	1,581	1,322	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	76,877	71,272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	178,138	159,579	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons, dry	-	-	3	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sunflower seed, all	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
pounds	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	427	313	371	339	327	283	278	285	
farms	3,408	3,433	3,589	3,490	3,324	3,047	2,974	4,024	
acres	132	65	53	50	63	46	79	88	
farms	79	65	90	87	168	153	251	394	
acres	263	204	225	219	242	219	239	235	
farms	2,285	2,658	3,324	3,414	3,877	3,863	4,341	4,355	
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.