

**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	6,984	6,571	7,063	5,828	5,436	5,877	6,315	5,852
Land in farms ..... acres	1,233,313	1,244,909	1,315,315	1,262,155	1,278,525	1,407,868	1,574,441	1,633,049
Average size of farm ..... acres	177	189	186	217	235	240	249	279
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars	512,684	386,695	303,211	323,107	318,131	258,713	206,616	181,939
Average per acre ..... dollars	2,903	2,051	1,618	1,520	1,342	1,124	842	640
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000	520,310	419,630	312,585	284,761	276,042	270,641	274,844	215,607
Average per farm ..... dollars	74,500	66,094	44,275	49,046	50,911	46,090	43,571	36,875
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	635	477	520	354	292	281	272	179
10 to 49 acres .....	1,862	1,738	1,658	1,103	807	834	754	466
50 to 179 acres .....	2,396	2,216	2,433	1,925	1,692	1,800	1,926	1,679
180 to 499 acres .....	1,557	1,586	1,888	1,862	2,039	2,320	2,635	2,735
500 to 999 acres .....	390	406	449	469	520	559	634	678
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	114	123	100	100	73	71	85	106
2,000 acres or more .....	30	25	15	15	13	12	9	9
Total cropland ..... farms	5,439	5,103	5,934	5,065	5,081	5,506	5,977	5,696
..... acres	516,924	567,509	632,339	617,263	658,765	707,970	772,055	806,244
Harvested cropland ..... farms	4,707	4,373	5,273	4,609	4,741	5,069	5,583	5,494
..... acres	433,074	454,699	473,026	465,489	477,020	488,253	547,848	554,957
Irrigated land ..... farms	523	508	409	333	255	178	120	94
..... acres	2,295	2,335	2,845	2,570	2,123	1,823	1,254	1,397
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text) ..... \$1,000	673,713	473,065	478,781	476,343	415,253	375,537	369,402	270,882
Average per farm ..... dollars	96,465	71,993	67,787	81,734	76,389	63,899	58,496	46,289
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000	99,262	71,583	63,775	59,592	35,483	25,186	20,054	16,720
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000	574,451	401,482	415,007	416,752	379,770	350,351	349,348	254,162
Farms by value of sales <sup>2</sup> :								
Less than \$2,500 .....	2,581	2,673	2,326	1,504	1,326	1,523	1,661	1,350
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	695	699	878	655	551	589	593	507
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	841	610	807	704	567	480	444	409
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	902	633	798	719	467	453	469	624
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	497	396	381	344	350	446	615	900
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	390	393	564	569	710	992	1,192	1,280
\$100,000 to \$499,999 .....	787	985	1,166	1,190	1,378	1,352	1,307	756
\$500,000 or more .....	291	182	143	143	87	42	26	11
Farms by type of organization:								
Family or individual .....	5,848	5,716	6,061	4,915	4,665	5,096	5,589	5,181
Partnership .....	608	483	575	538	485	510	505	488
Corporation .....	400	281	359	318	246	232	176	145
Other-cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc .....	128	91	68	57	40	39	45	38
Principal operator by days of work off farm <sup>3</sup> :								
None .....	2,323	3,029	2,937	2,661	2,740	2,854	3,023	3,110
Any .....	4,661	3,542	3,754	2,835	2,402	2,695	2,863	2,526
200 days or more .....	2,587	2,374	2,334	1,685	1,344	1,598	1,710	1,402
Principal operator by primary occupation:								
Farming .....	3,461	3,486	3,615	3,300	3,502	3,762	4,093	4,006
Other .....	3,523	3,085	3,448	2,528	1,934	2,115	2,222	1,846
Average age of principal operator ..... years	56.5	53.9	52.7	53.1	51.4	50.4	49.1	49.4
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000	549,904	427,717	390,196	371,207	340,482	289,945	(NA)	(NA)
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased (see text) ..... \$1,000	25,230	23,993	25,068	24,005	21,278	19,702	16,157	15,124
Feed purchased ..... \$1,000	144,129	108,693	122,944	119,251	108,490	89,318	103,934	84,315
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners <sup>4,5</sup> ..... \$1,000	19,789	10,879	10,197	9,800	10,887	9,015	8,919	9,233
Gasoline, fuels, and oils ..... \$1,000	32,656	14,895	13,803	13,005	12,369	10,935	16,168	9,449
Hired farm labor <sup>6</sup> ..... \$1,000	72,316	62,720	45,593	43,304	38,323	31,704	28,865	21,534
Interest expense <sup>6</sup> ..... \$1,000	26,913	18,881	25,199	23,753	23,441	22,539	25,245	(NA)
Chemicals <sup>4</sup> ..... \$1,000	5,637	4,944	4,426	4,131	3,402	2,816	2,018	2,702
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms	2,459	2,680	3,651	3,203	3,558	4,128	4,965	4,591
..... number	264,823	283,619	304,639	308,267	310,518	320,189	355,104	316,984
Beef cows ..... farms	1,048	1,101	1,325	1,057	1,048	1,180	1,360	1,166
..... number	10,002	11,276	12,871	12,340	11,812	9,805	9,473	8,600
Milk cows ..... farms	1,219	1,508	1,995	1,940	2,373	2,846	3,585	3,576
..... number	139,719	150,626	160,282	162,868	168,473	178,967	191,089	184,860
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms	1,937	2,104	3,181	2,958	3,378	3,919	4,620	4,424
..... number	107,049	136,244	142,916	142,041	145,715	170,741	157,002	157,282
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms	249	206	320	238	347	370	732	689
..... number	2,701	2,019	3,477	2,900	3,738	5,133	4,233	5,234
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms	239	206	192	140	228	239	385	329
..... number	4,968	4,933	6,553	4,992	7,427	7,595	7,012	8,259
Layers inventory (see text) ..... farms	1,068	839	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... number	223,605	211,968	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms	133	146	73	57	51	53	55	42
..... number	(D)	113,776	50,135	49,535	7,266	5,231	(D)	(D)

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All farms	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage				
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<b>Selected crops harvested:</b>								
Corn for grain .....	71	86	135	131	143	210	261	150
farms	5,368	5,130	8,296	8,233	7,567	11,191	12,428	6,503
acres	773,897	624,813	941,648	938,996	727,744	1,031,941	1,173,189	514,903
bushels	674	868	1,148	1,168	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchop .....	87,403	91,312	94,872	95,713	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1,658,746	1,486,802	1,691,757	1,702,672	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	9	14	15	14	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheat for grain, all .....	379	775	463	448	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	13,722	38,443	22,370	21,695	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	5	13	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	6	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oats for grain .....	12	26	25	26	28	42	98	121
farms	211	412	331	351	489	646	1,549	2,722
acres	11,525	15,663	13,319	13,659	28,885	28,475	70,621	127,413
bushels	4	11	14	13	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	(D)	464	463	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	(D)	21,104	21,064	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	1	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for grain .....	(D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop .....	5	5	13	11	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	173	377	363	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	464	1,401	3,384	3,210	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons	21	25	18	18	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans for beans .....	2,011	1,562	1,178	1,178	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	75,318	51,289	37,867	37,867	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	6	6	13	12	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	19	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
cwt	(D)	177	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text) .....	3,624	3,452	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	330,984	350,261	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	962,986	1,017,408	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons, dry	2	3	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sunflower seed, all .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	60,100	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
pounds	494	413	365	333	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) <sup>7</sup> .....	2,927	2,893	2,984	2,893	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	202	93	69	65	80	57	95	112
acres	266	248	236	232	231	162	305	700
bushels	3	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	(D)	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	310	261	247	228	258	221	244	185
bushels	3,547	3,552	4,127	4,311	4,894	4,797	4,980	4,532
acres								

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