

Table 1. Farms, Land in Farms, and Land Use: 1974 and 1969

	All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over			All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969	1974	1969		1974	1969	1974	1969
All farms	833	1 245	500	499	Land in Farms According to Use				
Land in farms	99 473	126 706	79 685	88 088	Total cropland	800	1 173	486	492
Average size of farm	119	102	159	177	Harvested cropland	57 863	75 577	48 388	55 024
Approximate land area	159 552	159 552	159 552	159 552	Farms by acres harvested:	19 442	20 455	17 210	17 069
Proportion in farms	62.3	79.4	49.9	55.2	1 to 9 acres	324	610	126	} 386
Value of land and buildings	77 124	59 347	60 604	38 624	10 to 19 acres	136	154	83	
Average per farm	92 586	47 668	121 209	77 402	20 to 29 acres	108	102	81	
Average per acre	775	468	761	438	30 to 49 acres	85	118	76	
					50 to 99 acres	79	65	76		62
Farms by size:					100 to 199 acres	29	33	29	33
1 to 9 acres	95	200	33	36	200 to 499 acres	6	6	6	6
10 to 49 acres	204	353	72	46	500 to 999 acres	-	-	-	-
50 to 69 acres	93	127	51	34	1,000 acres and over	-	-	-	-
70 to 99 acres	83	109	51	45	Cropland used only for pasture	500	699	333	344
100 to 139 acres	123	140	92	90	or grazing	31 859	43 371	26 029	31 043
140 to 179 acres	70	109	51	70	Other cropland (see text)	214	433	150	(NA)
180 to 219 acres	46	64	40	52	acres	6 562	11 751	5 149	6 912
220 to 259 acres	25	43	21	32	Total woodland	382	521	254	238
260 to 499 acres	70	76	66	70	Other land (see text)	16 209	20 812	12 444	13 670
500 to 999 acres	20	20	19	20	Irrigated land	694	971	432	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres	4	4	4	4	acres	25 401	30 317	18 853	19 394
2,000 acres and over	-	-	-	-	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	9	19	9	8
					1974	46	111	46	52
Other cropland					Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over				
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured			150	(NA)	1974	1969	1974	1969	
Cropland on which all crops failed			5 149	6 912	Total woodland—Continued				
Cropland in cultivated summer fallow			67	126	Woodland not pastured			132	111
Cropland idle			2 327	2 999	Other land			5 823	5 117
Total woodland			17	3	acres			432	(NA)
Woodland pastured			467	29	Pastureland and rangeland, other than cropland and woodland pasture			18 853	19 394
			30	40	Improved pastureland and rangeland			162	137
			599	778	Unimproved pastureland and rangeland			12 752	11 344
			60	90	acres			54	77
			1 756	3 106	acres			2 257	3 829
			254	238	Land in houselots, barnlots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.			122	106
			12 444	13 670	acres			10 495	7 515
			169	182				408	385
			6 621	8 553	acres			6 101	8 050

Table 2. Farm Operators—Tenure and Characteristics: 1974 and 1969

	All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over			All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969	1974	1969		1974	1969	1974	1969
All farm operators	833	1 245	500	499	Farms by type of organization—Con.				
Land in farms	99 473	126 706	79 685	88 088	Partnership	(NA)	(NA)	55	85
Harvested cropland	19 442	20 455	17 210	17 069	Land in farms	(NA)	(NA)	11 208	18 752
Farms by tenure of farm operator:					Corporation	(NA)	(NA)	3	6
Full owners	627	964	341	335	Land in farms	(NA)	(NA)	167	2 028
Land in farms	66 788	94 470	49 628	59 334	Other	(NA)	(NA)	-	3
Harvested cropland	11 398	12 937	9 466	9 972	acres	(NA)	(NA)	-	480
Part owners	134	124	113	74	Farm operators by age group: ¹				
Land in farms	25 411	20 729	23 697	18 865	Under 25 years	18	38	8	17
Harvested cropland	6 291	4 682	6 123	4 371	25 to 34 years	70	109	45	42
Tenants	72	157	46	90	35 to 44 years	163	204	98	79
Land in farms	7 274	11 507	6 360	9 889	45 to 54 years	203	332	129	142
Harvested cropland	1 753	2 836	1 621	2 726	55 to 64 years	195	340	119	143
Percent of tenancy	8.6	12.6	9.2	18.0	65 years and over	181	222	98	76
					Average age	52.4	51.5	52.1	51.2
Black and other races, see text—					Farm operators by place of residence: ²				
Farm operators by tenure: ¹					On farm operated	560	830	347	388
All farm operators	2	5	2	2	On another farm	26		12	
Land in farms	953	546	953	406	In a rural area, not on a farm	32	247	21	
Harvested cropland	280	70	280	58	In a city, town, or urban area	70		37	75
Full owners	2	5	2	2	Farm operators reporting days of work off farm: ²				
Land in farms	953	546	953	406	None	201	(NA)	138	(NA)
Harvested cropland	280	70	280	58	1 to 49 days	54	60	26	32
Part owners	-	-	-	-	50 to 99 days	12	31	7	16
Land in farms	-	-	-	-	100 to 149 days	20		12	
Harvested cropland	-	-	-	-	150 to 199 days	34		25	36
Tenants	-	-	-	-	200 days and over	365	644	189	153
Land in farms	-	-	-	-	Farm operators by principal occupation: ²				
Harvested cropland	-	-	-	-	Farming	392	(NA)	281	(NA)
Percent of tenancy	-	-	-	-	Other	438	(NA)	216	(NA)
Farms by type of organization:					Farm operators reporting utilization of futures market	(NA)	(NA)	6	(NA)
Individual or family	(NA)	(NA)	442	405	Farm operators reporting agricultural contracts	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)
Land in farms	(NA)	(NA)	68 310	66 828					

¹1969 data are only for farms operated by Blacks. ²1974 data apply only to individual or family operations (sole proprietorships) and partnerships; see text.

Table 7. Cattle and Calves—Inventory and Sales: 1974 and 1969—Continued

	Inventory— Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over		Cattle fattened on grains and concentrates	Sales— Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over		
	Farms	Number		Farms	Number	Dollars (1,000)
Heifers and heifer calves	271	4 023	67	1 080	350	
1969	322	4 666	28	1 646	(NA)	
Beef heifers	243	3 561	28	136	47	
Milk heifers	40	462	23	293	79	
1974			14	(0)	(D)	
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	297	4 328	2	(D)	(D)	
1969	363	4 278	—	—	—	

Table 8. Hogs, Sheep, Goats, and Horses—Inventory and Sales: 1974 and 1969

	Inventory				Sales				
	All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over		All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over		
	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Dollars (1,000)
Hogs and pigs	129	4 028	104	3 845	114	7 102	100	6 904	486
1969	222	9 362	146	8 813	176	11 447	139	10 763	(NA)
Farms with—									
1 to 4	35	88	24	67	10	25	7	21	2
5 to 9	25	164	17	115	13	81	10	61	6
10 to 24	30	471	25	391	31	511	25	405	25
25 to 49	15	537	14	504	20	719	18	651	31
50 to 99	13	884	13	884	22	1 608	22	1 608	108
100 to 199	8	1 071	8	1 071	9	1 098	9	1 098	77
200 to 499	3	813	3	813	8	(D)	8	(D)	(D)
500 and over	—	—	—	—	1	(D)	1	(D)	(D)
Feeder pigs sold	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	32	1 042	26	943	18
1969	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	47	1 780	22	1 292	(NA)
Sheep and lambs	20	474	15	418	16	301	13	289	(NA)
1969	31	821	14	495	33	641	13	302	(NA)
Sheep and lambs shorn	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(NA)	(NA)	13	295	1 853
Sheep, lambs, and wool	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(NA)	(NA)	14	(X)	10
Goats	(NA)	(NA)	1	1	(NA)	(NA)	1	4	(Z)
1969	(NA)	(NA)	7	34	(NA)	(NA)	—	—	(NA)
Horses and ponies	171	728	91	456	24	80	16	58	21
1969	307	1 043	(NA)	(NA)	21	60	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

	Inventory— Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over		Litters of pigs farrowed between—	Inventory			
	Farms	Number		All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
				Farms	Number	Farms	Number
Hogs and pigs used or to be used for breeding	64	452	December 1 of preceding year and November 30	85	642	73	612
1969	107	943	1969	152	1 528	115	1 400
Other hogs and pigs	96	3 393	December 1 of preceding year and May 31	72	363	62	342
1969	135	7 870	1969	129	784	104	726
Lambs under 1 year old	10	114	1974	51	279	46	270
Ewes 1 year old or older	14	271	1969	119	744	92	674
Rams and wethers	14	33					

¹Pounds of wool.

Table 9. Poultry—Inventory and Sales: 1974 and 1969

	Inventory				Sales			
	All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over		All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Farms	Number
Any poultry	125	(X)	75	(X)	16	(X)	9	(X)
1969	(NA)	(X)	72	(X)	(NA)	(X)	6	(X)
Chickens 3 months old or older	118	5 124	69	4 058	15	700	8	464
1969	150	6 117	71	3 916	6	632	6	632
Hens and pullets of laying age	117	4 751	69	3 787	15	693	8	464
1969	133	5 239	59	3 427	4	602	4	602
Farms with—								
1 to 99	109	2 402	61	1 438	13	421	6	192
100 to 399	6	835	6	835	2	272	2	272
400 to 1,599	2	1 514	2	1 514	—	—	—	—
1,600 to 3,199	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3,200 to 9,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
50,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	10	397	5	328	—	—	—	—
1969	2	37	1	12	2	2	—	—
Poultry and poultry products sold, (\$1,000)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	29	17	16	16
1969	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(NA)	(NA)	20	10

Table 9. Poultry—Inventory and Sales: 1974 and 1969—Continued

	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over					Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over			
	Inventory		Sales			Inventory		Sales	
	Farms	Number	Farms	Number		Farms	Number	Farms	Number
Hens and pullets of laying age.....1974	69	3 787	8	464	Turkeys.....1974	—	—	—	—
.....1969	59	3 427	4	602	.....1969	4	12	—	—
Hens for table or market egg production.....1974	69	3 772	8	464	Turkeys for slaughter.....1974	—	—	—	—
Hens for hatching egg production.....1974	1	15	—	—	Heavy breed.....1974	—	—	—	—
.....1969	—	—	—	—	Light breed.....1974	—	—	—	—
Pullets 3 months old or older.....1974	4	160	—	—	Turkey hens for breeding.....1974	—	—	—	—
.....1969	6	106	—	—	.....1969	3	6	—	—
Roosters and male chickens for breeding.....1974	28	111	—	—	Other poultry.....1974	5	(X)	—	(00)
Pullet chicks and pullets under 3 months old.....1974	2	1 215	1	1 133	.....1969	10	(X)	2	(00)

Table 10. Crops: 1974 and 1969

	All farms									
	Farms		Acres		Quantity harvested					
	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974		1969			
Corn for all purposes.....	306	286	6 541	5 840	(X)	(00)	(NA)	(00)		
Sorghums for all purposes.....	11	18	108	82	(X)	(00)	(NA)	(00)		
Soybeans for beans (bushels).....	14	8	541	338	11 270	9 237	—	—		
Peanuts for nuts (pounds).....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Wheat (bushels).....	15	20	181	247	5 354	7 852	—	—		
Other small grains for grain.....	4	11	27	253	(X)	(00)	—	—		
Cotton (bales).....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Tobacco (pounds).....	622	1 002	1 230	1 219	2 627 798	2 748 416	—	—		
Irish potatoes (hundredweight).....	24	(NA)	109	(NA)	14 026	(NA)	—	—		
Sweetpotatoes (bushels).....	3	(NA)	1	(NA)	73	(NA)	—	—		
Hay crops (tons, dry).....	480	514	10 507	11 667	19 375	19 808	—	—		
Vegetables, sweet corn, or melons for sale.....	33	39	125	158	(X)	(00)	—	—		
Land in orchards.....	29	56	481	512	(X)	(00)	—	—		
Berries for sale.....	8	20	9	25	(X)	(00)	—	—		
Other crops.....	20	(NA)	134	116	(X)	(00)	—	—		

	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over									
	Farms		Acres		Quantity harvested		Irrigated land			
	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969	Farms		Acres	
Corn for grain or seed (bushels).....	204	177	4 269	3 908	311 551	293 835	—	—	—	—
Corn for silage or green chop (tons, green).....	88	90	1 894	1 393	28 004	19 192	—	—	—	—
Corn for dry fodder, hogged or grazed.....	13	8	148	176	(X)	(X)	—	—	—	—
Sorghums for grain (bushels).....	—	1	—	2	—	200	—	—	—	—
Sorghums for silage, fodder, hay, etc.....	9	(NA)	96	53	(X)	(X)	—	(NA)	—	—
Alfalfa hay (tons, dry).....	93	125	1 287	2 034	2 893	4 746	—	—	—	—

Table 11. Irrigation and Commercial Fertilizer on Pastureland and Harvested Crops for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

				Irrigated land		Commercial fertilizer used					
	Farms	Acres	Quantity	Farms	Acres	Total		Dry		Liquid	
						Farms	Acres	Farms	Tons	Farms	Tons
Cropland used only for pasture.....1974	333	26 029	(00)	—	—	20	692	20	118	—	—
.....1969	344	31 043	(00)	—	—	24	516	24	91	—	—
Improved pasture.....1974	54	2 257	(00)	—	—	4	65	4	12	—	—
.....1969	77	3 829	(00)	—	—	10	288	10	61	2	11
Corn for all purposes.....1974	251	6 311	(00)	—	—	192	4 951	187	1 166	10	56
.....1969	219	5 477	(00)	—	—	162	4 158	162	990	6	164
Sorghums for all purposes.....1974	9	96	(00)	—	—	6	39	6	9	—	—
.....1969	12	55	(00)	—	—	9	73	9	13	2	4
Wheat (bushels).....1974	14	180	5 330	—	—	9	142	9	24	—	—
.....1969	20	247	7 852	—	—	8	111	(NA)	24	(NA)	—
Oats (bushels).....1974	4	27	753	—	—	1	12	1	3	—	—
.....1969	6	125	3 520	—	—	5	120	(NA)	16	(NA)	—
Barley (bushels).....1974	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....1969	1	80	3 200	—	—	—	—	(NA)	—	(NA)	—
Rye (bushels).....1974	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....1969	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(NA)	—	(NA)	—
Other small grains for grain.....1974	—	—	(00)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Soybeans for beans (bushels).....1974	13	536	11 170	—	—	8	448	8	51	1	9
.....1969	8	338	9 237	—	—	5	213	(NA)	26	(NA)	7
Peanuts for nuts (pounds).....1974	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....1969	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(NA)	—	(NA)	—
Hay crops (tons, dry).....1974	345	8 711	16 801	—	—	47	972	47	189	—	—
.....1969	305	9 277	16 514	—	—	32	534	32	129	—	—
Field seed crops.....1974	5	43	(00)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....1969	4	40	(00)	—	—	1	12	1	6	—	—
Cotton (bales).....1974	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....1969	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(NA)	—	(NA)	—
Tobacco (pounds).....1974	429	1 087	2 367 224	10	27	429	1 075	428	1 103	(NA)	3
.....1969	442	897	2 091 870	20	20	442	891	(NA)	956	(NA)	13
Irish potatoes (hundredweight).....1974	19	107	13 838	2	17	17	106	17	84	—	—
.....1969	41	72	10 735	—	—	22	66	(NA)	51	(NA)	—
Vegetables, sweet corn, or melons for sale.....1974	29	117	(00)	2	4	21	81	21	37	—	—
.....1969	25	139	(00)	2	4	19	117	17	52	—	—
Land in orchards.....1974	15	457	(00)	—	—	5	147	4	20	1	4
.....1969	18	428	(00)	3	27	11	386	11	94	—	—

Table 11. Irrigation and Commercial Fertilizer on Pastureland and Harvested Crops for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969—Continued

	Farms	Acres	Quantity	Irrigated land		Commercial fertilizer used						
						Total		Dry		Liquid		
				Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Tons	Farms	Tons	
Berries for sale	1974	6	7	00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1969	13	17	00	3	5	10	11	10	7	—	—
Nursery and greenhouse products	1974	10	89	00	2	4	9	82	8	45	2	2
	1969	7	55	00	1	2	1	40	1	30	—	—
Other crops	1974	1	1	00	—	—	1	1	1	(2)	—	—

Table 12. Agricultural Chemicals Used and Cost of Materials for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

	1974	1969		1974	1969
Total chemical costs, including fertilizer and lime	farms	471	farms	487	
	\$1,000	556	\$1,000	261	
Commercial fertilizer	farms	471	farms	463	
	acres on which used	8 995	acres on which used	7 598	
	\$1,000	2 975	\$1,000	2 754	
Lime	farms	457	farms	192	
	acres on which used	53	acres on which used	114	
	\$1,000	1 654	\$1,000	3 276	
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc. to control—	farms	11	farms	19	
Insects on hay crops	farms	13	farms	25	
	acres on which used	158	acres on which used	345	
	\$1,000	1	\$1,000	1	
Insects on other crops	farms	101	farms	135	
	acres on which used	1 672	acres on which used	986	
	\$1,000	23	\$1,000	17	
Nematodes in crops	farms	7	farms	2	
	acres on which used	51	acres on which used	14	
	\$1,000	1	\$1,000	(2)	
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc. to control—Con.	farms	10	farms	15	
Diseases in crops and orchards	acres on which used	515	acres on which used	347	
	\$1,000	18	\$1,000	8	
Weeds or grass in crops	farms	69	farms	58	
	acres on which used	3 943	acres on which used	2 032	
	\$1,000	39	\$1,000	9	
Weeds or brush in pasture	farms	3	farms	12	
	acres on which used	28	acres on which used	103	
	\$1,000	(2)	\$1,000	(NA)	
Weeds on all other land	farms	4	farms	(NA)	
	acres on which used	15	acres on which used	(NA)	
	\$1,000	(2)	\$1,000	(NA)	
Chemicals for defoliation or for growth control	farms	19	farms	41	
of crops or thinning of fruit	acres on which used	88	acres on which used	199	
	\$1,000	1	\$1,000	5	
Insect control on livestock and poultry	farms	26	farms	107	
	acres on which used	2	acres on which used	7	
	\$1,000	53	\$1,000	(NA)	
Other chemicals (see text)	farms	5	farms	(NA)	
	\$1,000		\$1,000	(NA)	

Table 13. Irrigation, Artificial Drainage, and Artificial Ponds for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

	1974	1969		1974	1969
Farms irrigated in census year	farms	9	farms	8	
Proportion of farms	percent	1.8	percent	1.6	
Total land irrigated	acres	46	acres	52	
Average per farm	acres	5.1	acres	6.5	
Cropland irrigated	farms	9	farms	8	
	acres	46	acres	52	
Harvested cropland irrigated	farms	9	farms	8	
	acres	46	acres	50	
Cropland pasture irrigated	farms	—	farms	—	
	acres	—	acres	—	
Other cropland irrigated	farms	—	farms	(NA)	
	acres	—	acres	2	
Pasture irrigated, other than cropland pasture	farms	—	farms	—	
	acres	—	acres	—	
Estimated quantity of irrigation water applied	acre-feet	13	acre-feet	36	
Average per acre irrigated	acre-feet	0.3	acre-feet	0.7	
Land irrigated by—	farms	—	farms	(NA)	
Furrows or ditches	acres	—	acres	(NA)	
Land irrigated by—Continued	farms	1	farms	(NA)	
Self-propelled sprinkler systems	acres	2	acres	(NA)	
Other sprinkler systems	farms	8	farms	(NA)	
	acres	44	acres	(NA)	
Land in irrigated farms	acres	2 199	acres	1 676	
Cropland	acres	1 396	acres	1 380	
Harvested cropland	acres	464	acres	623	
Farms not irrigated in 1974 but irrigated	farms	7	farms	(X)	
between 1970 and 1973	acres irrigated in most recent year	55	acres irrigated in most recent year	(X)	
Farms with artificial drainage	farms	2	farms	14	
Proportion of farms	percent	0.4	percent	2.8	
Land in farms with drainage	acres	876	acres	2 701	
Land drained	acres	220	acres	259	
Average per farm	acres	110.0	acres	18.5	
Artificial ponds, pits, reservoirs, and earthen tanks	farms	223	farms	(NA)	
	number	715	number	(NA)	
	acres	472	acres	(NA)	

Table 14. Farm Credit for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974

	Farms	\$1,000	Total operator debt		Secured by real estate		Not secured by real estate	
			Farms	\$1,000	Farms	\$1,000	Farms	\$1,000
Farms with debt owed by farm operator (see text)	182	4 979	142	4 253	71	725		
Farms by size of debt owed:								
Under \$5,000	35		18		36			
\$5,000 to \$9,999	29		25		6			
\$10,000 to \$29,999	76		62		25			
\$30,000 to \$49,999	20		15		3			
\$50,000 and over	22		22		1			

Table 15. Payroll and Employment for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

	Farms		Workers		Dollars (1,000)		1974 hired farm workers working—			
	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969	Total	150 days or more	25 to 149 days	Less than 25 days
Hired farm workers working—										
150 days or more	35	44	86	96	270	453	266	35	61	221
25 to 149 days	61	336	182	1 298	93	110	473	270	93	110
Less than 25 days	221		1 495	(NA)	11	47	1 763	86	182	1 495
Total contract labor	14	27	(NA)	(NA)						
Farms reporting number of contract workers furnished by contractor	2	(NA)	6	(NA)	2	(NA)				
Farms with—										
1 worker	45		15	22			45	15	22	39
2 workers	44		12	18			44	12	18	36
3 or 4 workers	64		5	10			64	5	10	50
5 to 9 workers	51		2	9			51	2	9	37
10 workers and over	62		1	2			62	1	2	59