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FARM NUMBERS CONTINUE DECLINE

Lincoln, Neb., February 2, 2007 -- Nebraska's number of farms and ranches declined during 2006, continuing the downward trend, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. The number of farms and ranches in the State is 47,600, down 400 or less than 1 percent from 2005. Numbers of farms and ranches in Nebraska with less than \$100,000 in agricultural sales declined by 400, while operations with more than \$100,000 were unchanged.

Land in farms and ranches in Nebraska totaled 45.7 million acres. The average size of operation increased to 960 acres, up 8 acres from a year earlier.

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