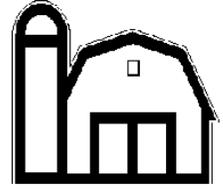


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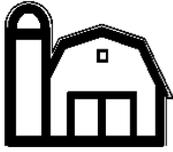
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# Introduction

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## HISTORY

The 1992 Census of Agriculture is the 24th taken by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. The first agriculture census was taken in 1840 as part of the sixth decennial census of population. From 1840 to 1950, an agriculture census was taken as part of the decennial census. A separate mid-decade census of agriculture was conducted in 1925, 1935, and 1945. From 1954 to 1974, a census of agriculture was taken for the years ending in 4 and 9. In 1976, Congress authorized the census of agriculture to be taken for 1978 and 1982 to adjust the data reference year so that it coincided with the economic censuses covering manufacturing, mining, construction, retail trade, wholesale trade, service industries, and selected transportation activities. This adjustment in timing established the agriculture census on a 5-year cycle collecting data for years ending in 2 and 7.

## USES OF THE CENSUS

The census of agriculture is the leading source of statistics about the Nation's agricultural production and the only source of consistent, comparable data at the county, State, and national levels. Census statistics are used by Congress in developing and changing farm programs and for determining the effects of these programs. Many national and State programs are designed or allocated on the basis of census data, such as funds for extension services, research, and soil conservation projects. Private industry uses census statistics to provide a more effective production and distribution system for the agricultural community.

## AUTHORITY AND AREA COVERED

The census of agriculture is required by law under Title 13, United States Code, sections 142(a) and 191, which directs that a census be taken in 1979, 1983, and in every fifth year after 1983, covering the prior year. The 1992 census includes each State, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands of the United States.

## FARM DEFINITION

Since 1850, when minimum criteria defining a farm for census purposes first were established, the farm definition has been changed nine times. The current definition, first

used for the 1974 census, is any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the census year. The farm definition used for the outlying areas varies according to area. The report for each area includes a discussion of its farm definition.

## COMPARABILITY OF DATA

Data on acreages and inventories for 1992 and 1987 are generally comparable. Dollar figures shown for expenses and agricultural product sales are expressed in current dollars and have not been adjusted for inflation or deflation. In general, data for censuses since 1974 are not fully comparable with data for 1969 and earlier censuses due to changes in the farm definition.

## TABULAR PRESENTATION

**State data.** Tables 1 through 45 in chapter 1 show detailed State-level data usually accompanied by historical data for one or more past censuses. Tables 46 through 52 provide 1992 State data cross-tabulated by various farm classifications.

**County data.** Chapter 2 presents selected data items by county. Tables 1 through 17 include general data for all counties. The counties are listed in alphabetical order in the column headings. Tables 18 through 39 include only counties reporting the data item. Counties not having the item, or with a limited number of farms reporting the item, have data combined and presented as "all other counties."

## SPECIAL TABULATIONS

Custom designed tabulations can be developed to individual user specifications on a programming cost reimbursable basis. Inquiries about special tabulations should be directed to the Chief, Agriculture Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

## CENSUS DISCLOSURE RULES

In keeping with the provisions of Title 13, United States Code, no data are published that would disclose the operations of an individual farm. However, the number of farms in a given size category or other classification is not considered a release of confidential information and is provided even though other information is withheld.

## INVENTORIES, PRODUCTION, AND SALES DATA

Inventories of livestock, poultry, and machinery and equipment are measured as of December 31 of the census year. Crop and livestock production, sales, and expense data are for the calendar year, except for a few crops (such as citrus) for which the production year overlaps the calendar year.

## ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

The following abbreviations and symbols are used throughout the tables:

–	Represents zero.
(D)	Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.
(H)	Standard error or relative standard error of estimate is greater than or equal to 99.95 percent.
(IC)	Independent city.
(L)	Standard error or relative standard error of estimate is less than .05 percent.
(NA)	Not available.
(S)	Withheld because estimate did not meet publication standards on the basis of either the response rate or a consistency review.
(X)	Not applicable.
(Z)	Less than half of the unit shown.
cwt	Hundredweight.
sq ft	Square feet.

# A. Highlights of the State's Agriculture: 1992 and 1987

[Dollar figures are in current dollars with no adjustment for price changes. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	All farms		
	1992	1987	Percent change from 1987 to 1992
Farms ----- number .....	62 778	70 506	-11.0
Land in farms ----- acres .....	15 618 831	16 170 895	-3.4
Average size of farm ----- acres .....	249	229	8.7
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :			
Average per farm ----- dollars .....	346 199	265 446	30.4
Average per acre ----- dollars .....	1 395	1 158	20.5
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :			
Average per farm ----- dollars .....	55 440	44 502	24.6
Farms by size:			
1 to 9 acres -----	5 141	5 444	-5.6
10 to 49 acres -----	14 234	15 010	-5.2
50 to 179 acres -----	21 268	24 892	-14.6
180 to 499 acres -----	12 928	15 902	-18.7
500 to 999 acres -----	6 000	6 670	-10.0
1,000 to 1,999 acres -----	2 687	2 291	17.3
2,000 acres or more -----	520	297	75.1
Total cropland ----- farms .....	58 117	65 529	-11.3
Harvested cropland ----- acres .....	13 366 034	13 592 873	-1.7
Irrigated land ----- farms .....	54 252	61 689	-12.1
----- acres .....	11 834 675	10 706 298	10.5
Irrigated land ----- farms .....	1 742	1 481	17.6
----- acres .....	240 898	169 703	42.0
Market value of agricultural products sold ----- \$1,000 .....	4 633 090	4 067 684	13.9
Average per farm ----- dollars .....	73 801	57 693	27.9
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ----- \$1,000 .....	2 698 335	2 127 135	26.9
Livestock, poultry, and their products ----- \$1,000 .....	1 934 755	1 940 549	-3.3
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$2,500 -----	11 189	12 433	-10.0
\$2,500 to \$4,999 -----	6 848	8 072	-15.2
\$5,000 to \$9,999 -----	8 053	9 515	-15.4
\$10,000 to \$24,999 -----	10 642	12 820	-17.0
\$25,000 to \$49,999 -----	7 296	8 682	-16.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999 -----	6 694	8 031	-16.6
\$100,000 to \$249,999 -----	7 661	7 812	-1.9
\$250,000 to \$499,999 -----	3 089	2 314	33.5
\$500,000 or more -----	1 306	827	57.9
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ----- \$1,000 .....	3 645 379	3 178 679	14.7
Average per farm ----- dollars .....	58 073	45 084	28.8
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ----- farms .....	62 772	70 506	-11.0
Average per farm ----- \$1,000 .....	961 902	883 642	8.9
----- dollars .....	15 324	12 533	22.3
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming -----	31 547	36 654	-13.9
Other -----	31 231	33 852	-7.7
Operators by days worked off farm:			
Any -----	35 397	40 682	-13.0
200 days or more -----	25 237	28 153	-10.4
Livestock and poultry:			
Cattle and calves inventory ----- farms .....	25 974	30 340	-14.4
----- number .....	1 113 473	1 236 480	-9.9
Beef cows ----- farms .....	16 783	19 150	-12.4
----- number .....	293 836	315 784	-7.0
Milk cows ----- farms .....	3 958	5 204	-23.9
----- number .....	144 532	163 867	-11.8
Cattle and calves sold ----- farms .....	24 215	28 905	-16.2
----- number .....	763 919	881 663	-13.4
Hogs and pigs inventory ----- farms .....	11 987	14 834	-19.2
----- number .....	4 618 663	4 372 294	5.6
Hogs and pigs sold ----- farms .....	12 559	15 458	-18.8
----- number .....	8 760 626	8 024 713	9.2
Sheep and lambs inventory ----- farms .....	2 553	3 008	-15.1
----- number .....	72 386	82 757	-12.5
Chickens 3 months old or older inventory ----- farms .....	2 348	3 713	-36.8
----- number .....	22 256 785	26 787 315	-16.9
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ----- farms .....	188	311	-39.5
----- number .....	21 081 124	22 306 685	-5.5
Selected crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed ----- farms .....	37 005	45 383	-18.5
----- acres .....	5 828 308	4 884 114	19.3
Corn for silage or green chop ----- bushels .....	805 637 216	619 045 978	30.1
----- farms .....	4 039	4 710	-14.2
----- acres .....	110 919	112 812	-1.7
Wheat for grain ----- tons, green .....	1 944 771	1 961 381	-8.8
----- farms .....	12 936	18 294	-29.3
----- acres .....	542 058	590 920	-8.3
Oats for grain ----- bushels .....	25 048 728	30 789 151	-18.6
----- farms .....	2 905	4 982	-41.7
----- acres .....	41 538	69 063	-39.9
Soybeans for beans ----- bushels .....	2 603 270	4 317 321	-39.7
----- farms .....	33 568	40 068	-16.2
----- acres .....	4 729 880	4 397 253	7.6
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ----- farms .....	195 049 717	169 749 051	14.9
----- acres .....	24 321	27 050	-10.1
----- tons, dry .....	686 707	720 914	-4.7
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) ----- farms .....	1 712 613	1 892 446	-9.5
----- acres .....	1 302	1 203	8.2
----- farms .....	33 860	32 934	2.8

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

## B. Highlights of the State's Agriculture: 1992 and 1987 (Metric Measurement)

[1 acre = 0.4047 hectare. For further metric conversions, see metric conversion table in appendix E. Dollar figures are in current dollars with no adjustment for price changes. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

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Farms ----- number .....	62 778	70 506	-11.0
Land in farms ----- hectares .....	6 320 941	6 544 361	-3.4
Average size of farm ----- hectares .....	101	93	8.6
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :			
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Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :			
Average per farm ----- dollars .....	55 440	44 502	24.6
Farms by size:			
01 to 3.84 hectares -----	5 141	5 444	-5.6
3.85 to 20.04 hectares -----	14 234	15 010	-5.2
20.05 to 72.67 hectares -----	21 268	24 892	-14.6
72.68 to 202.22 hectares -----	12 928	15 902	-18.7
202.23 to 404.65 hectares -----	6 000	6 670	-10.0
404.66 to 809.51 hectares -----	2 687	2 291	17.3
809.52 hectares or more -----	520	297	75.1
Total cropland ----- farms .....	58 117	65 529	-11.3
Harvested cropland ----- hectares .....	5 409 234	5 501 036	-1.7
Irrigated land ----- farms .....	54 252	61 689	-12.1
----- hectares .....	4 789 493	4 332 839	10.5
Market value of agricultural products sold ----- \$1,000 .....	4 633 090	4 067 684	13.9
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200 days or more -----	25 237	28 153	-10.4
Livestock and poultry:			
Cattle and calves inventory ----- farms .....	25 974	30 340	-14.4
----- number .....	1 113 473	1 236 480	-9.9
Beef cows ----- farms .....	16 783	19 150	-12.4
----- number .....	293 836	315 784	-7.0
Milk cows ----- farms .....	3 958	5 204	-23.9
----- number .....	144 532	163 867	-11.8
Cattle and calves sold ----- farms .....	24 215	28 905	-16.2
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----- number .....	72 386	82 757	-12.5
Chickens 3 months old or older inventory ----- farms .....	2 348	3 713	-36.8
----- number .....	22 256 785	26 787 315	-16.9
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ----- farms .....	188	311	-39.5
----- number .....	21 081 124	22 306 685	-5.5
Selected crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed ----- farms .....	37 005	45 383	-18.5
----- hectares .....	2 358 716	1 976 601	19.3
----- metric tons .....	20 464 136	15 724 498	30.1
Corn for silage or green chop ----- farms .....	4 039	4 710	-14.2
----- hectares .....	44 889	45 655	-1.7
----- metric tons .....	1 764 267	1 779 335	-8.8
Wheat for grain ----- farms .....	12 936	18 294	-29.3
----- hectares .....	219 371	239 145	-8.3
----- metric tons .....	681 715	837 944	-18.6
Oats for grain ----- farms .....	2 905	4 982	-41.7
----- hectares .....	16 810	27 950	-39.9
----- metric tons .....	37 786	62 666	-39.7
Soybeans for beans ----- farms .....	33 568	40 068	-16.2
----- hectares .....	1 914 182	1 779 568	7.6
----- metric tons .....	5 308 385	4 619 814	14.9
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ----- farms .....	24 321	27 050	-10.1
----- hectares .....	277 910	291 754	-4.7
----- metric tons .....	1 553 657	1 716 799	-9.5
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) ----- farms .....	1 302	1 203	8.2
----- hectares .....	13 703	13 328	2.8

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