



# Census of Agriculture

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United States Department of Agriculture

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Dear Farmer or Rancher:

We have not received your completed report form for the 1997 Census of Agriculture due February 2. For your convenience, we are enclosing a replacement report form. If information for all items requested is not available, use your best estimates.

We need a reply from everyone. If you are not involved in agriculture or did not produce agricultural products in 1997, please follow the special reporting instructions on page 1 of the enclosed information sheet and return your report form.

We are counting on your cooperation in the census. The filing of this report is **required by law** (Title 7, United States Code) and there are penalties for failure to report. By the same law, your report to the Census of Agriculture is **confidential**. It is used only for statistical purposes. Your report **cannot** be used for purposes of taxation, investigation, or regulation.

We need your report so that the census results for your county will be complete, accurate, and on time. Census data are used extensively by your farm organizations, Congress, Federal and State agencies, agricultural experiment stations, colleges, farm publications, and the businesses on which you depend for services, supplies, and equipment.

Please take time **today** to complete and return the report form. If you need help or you received more than one report form, please call our toll-free number at 1-888-4AG-STAT or 1-888-424-7828 and our staff will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

RICH ALLEN  
Chairperson  
Agricultural Statistics Board  
National Agricultural Statistics Service

Enclosures



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