

Table 1. Historical Highlights: 2017 and Earlier Census Years

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All farms	2017	2012	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage		
						1997	1992	1987
Farmsnumber	19,086	20,005	15,637	7,294	8,507	6,135	6,773	7,669
Land in farmsacres	26,125,819	26,249,195	26,117,899	26,586,577	27,169,627	26,866,722	35,037,618	36,287,794
Average size of farmacres	1,369	1,312	1,670	3,645	3,194	4,379	5,173	4,732
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ :								
Average per farmdollars	1,110,303	844,065	1,249,929	1,456,759	1,293,804	1,689,258	1,621,530	1,317,765
Average per acredollars	811	643	748	398	407	388	316	279
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹\$1,000	1,480,070	1,254,469	1,036,453	615,767	502,281	434,252	402,290	425,285
Average per farmdollars	77,604	63,624	66,291	88,651	59,057	70,817	59,607	55,702
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	9,436	11,911	9,873	2,331	2,484	1,444	1,678	2,158
10 to 49 acres	3,753	4,082	2,657	1,900	1,885	1,303	1,418	1,510
50 to 179 acres	1,748	1,517	1,221	1,114	1,356	1,008	1,048	1,133
180 to 499 acres	1,085	882	626	664	912	717	741	910
500 to 999 acres	963	513	436	447	703	581	613	678
1,000 to 1,999 acres	808	429	309	337	478	413	428	436
2,000 acres or more	1,293	671	515	501	689	669	847	844
Total croplandfarms	7,274	8,144	7,475	4,440	4,510	3,711	4,356	4,840
.....acres	1,286,648	1,150,811	1,205,425	1,261,894	1,354,820	1,277,169	1,344,091	1,453,852
Harvested cropland.....farms	4,581	5,587	4,993	3,139	3,302	2,765	3,323	3,646
.....acres	915,647	890,130	832,406	887,966	1,026,359	969,602	911,355	865,817
Irrigated landfarms	4,808	5,839	5,094	4,172	4,233	3,426	3,965	4,241
.....acres	910,883	880,613	876,158	931,735	1,075,336	1,013,902	956,454	913,841
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text)\$1,000	3,852,008	3,732,113	3,234,552	2,395,447	1,970,801	1,903,408	1,515,384	1,628,544
Average per farmdollars	201,824	186,559	206,852	328,413	231,668	310,254	223,739	212,354
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops\$1,000	2,094,218	2,076,568	1,913,014	1,587,775	1,275,987	1,222,891	899,242	896,681
Livestock, poultry, and their products\$1,000	1,757,790	1,655,545	1,321,538	807,672	694,814	680,517	616,141	731,863
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500	12,802	12,616	9,632	3,445	3,467	1,918	2,241	2,494
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1,517	1,820	1,721	647	862	655	695	820
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1,369	1,501	1,377	598	817	620	648	775
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1,228	1,503	1,063	675	963	765	779	757
\$25,000 to \$49,999	512	672	433	430	571	496	485	583
\$50,000 to \$99,999	390	442	358	307	390	333	462	533
\$100,000 to \$499,999	666	818	502	552	750	698	907	1,152
\$500,000 or more	602	633	551	640	687	650	556	555
Farms by legal status for tax purposes:								
Family or individual	15,941	17,247	13,721	5,695	6,126	4,178	4,779	5,356
Partnership	1,286	1,345	962	841	1,256	1,033	1,091	1,369
Corporation	902	1,045	729	593	812	679	631	724
Other - estate or trust, prison farm, grazing association, American Indian Reservation, etc.	957	368	225	165	313	245	272	220
Total farm production expenses ¹\$1,000	3,640,638	3,258,922	2,782,786	1,825,328	1,538,293	1,479,713	1,239,020	1,301,666
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased\$1,000	217,994	166,502	315,343	171,369	153,174	149,969	161,937	244,484
Feed purchased\$1,000	948,609	795,229	617,035	307,212	267,323	263,765	195,198	208,527
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ²\$1,000	230,970	221,706	165,318	81,131	79,304	76,286	57,842	51,672
Gasoline, fuels, and oils purchased\$1,000	167,094	189,338	146,118	67,183	56,876	53,250	46,774	44,554
Hired farm labor\$1,000	505,762	459,771	380,491	343,422	264,525	255,124	190,442	207,689
Interest expense\$1,000	74,425	78,184	65,119	58,562	67,436	63,768	51,921	74,553
Chemicals purchased\$1,000	154,829	133,675	133,265	70,845	71,492	69,184	73,166	60,366
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventoryfarms	7,057	6,029	7,716	2,838	3,721	2,881	3,064	3,521
.....number	1,015,237	911,334	1,000,038	841,277	866,786	822,273	928,783	1,110,912
Beef cowsfarms	5,560	4,851	5,246	2,090	2,728	2,288	2,497	2,497
.....number	199,325	197,901	197,060	170,865	289,208	263,878	292,848	334,851
Milk cowsfarms	186	239	182	274	299	247	305	476
.....number	211,937	193,621	183,744	154,764	123,595	123,371	88,582	86,280
Cattle and calves soldfarms	3,812	3,364	4,078	2,030	3,252	2,639	2,777	3,302
.....number	616,531	676,935	672,947	673,305	712,930	688,560	744,147	1,009,492
Hogs and pigs inventoryfarms	521	509	378	208	376	206	281	331
.....number	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	143,287	141,112	83,262	135,414
Hogs and pigs soldfarms	372	354	284	168	214	125	181	242
.....number	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	203,839	200,790	150,140	237,623
Layers inventory (see text)farms	2,345	2,456	1,885	582	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....number	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens soldfarms	69	91	29	59	33	20	15	23
.....number	15,148	39,310	456	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grainfarms	69	80	58	92	150	140	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	30,526	29,480	22,654	27,838	41,644	40,091	(NA)	(NA)
.....bushels	6,597,920	5,910,931	4,083,974	5,127,857	6,746,362	6,498,484	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchopfarms	132	133	116	137	146	137	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	41,149	36,620	33,941	31,922	17,413	16,937	(NA)	(NA)
.....tons	1,144,880	1,012,718	891,902	803,358	466,938	454,276	(NA)	(NA)
Wheat for grain, allfarms	212	225	201	232	318	304	310	443
.....acres	104,650	102,581	85,567	100,078	104,699	103,121	80,533	97,407
.....bushels	10,254,652	9,500,997	8,715,906	9,600,854	9,255,555	9,114,709	6,823,397	7,991,708
Durum wheat for grainfarms	182	209	188	208	280	272	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	95,253	98,072	81,523	93,592	93,382	92,412	(NA)	(NA)
.....bushels	(D)	9,159,769	8,362,197	9,043,827	8,296,718	8,208,026	(NA)	(NA)
Other spring wheat for grain (see text)farms	1	4	-	-	2	2	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	(D)	(D)	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
.....bushels	(D)	11,731	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)

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Selected crops harvested: - Con.								
Wheat for grain, all - Con.								
Winter wheat for grain	farms 40	20	18	30	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres (D)	(D)	4,044	6,486	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	bushels (D)	329,497	353,709	557,027	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oats for grain	farms 3	32	18	43	22	22	(NA)	(NA)
	acres (D)	2,708	1,090	2,226	2,076	2,076	(NA)	(NA)
	bushels (D)	183,262	87,980	206,912	201,342	201,342	(NA)	(NA)
Barley for grain	farms 64	177	113	164	330	315	165	168
	acres	17,130	44,662	31,129	39,199	69,047	66,215	19,984
	bushels	2,172,686	5,005,919	3,396,006	4,269,681	6,981,231	6,660,644	1,952,678
Sorghum for grain	farms 30	50	79	28	73	70	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	2,981	10,412	19,703	6,025	14,110	13,930	(NA)
	bushels	208,514	1,157,662	1,696,731	430,648	1,063,450	1,048,125	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop	farms 34	62	68	38	16	16	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	10,557	16,226	20,969	8,327	2,098	2,098	(NA)
	tons	207,073	369,636	396,620	173,833	38,407	38,407	(NA)
Dry edible beans, excluding chickpeas and limas (see text)	farms 84	149	46	28	32	30	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	5,177	13,009	5,849	4,837	3,877	3,836	(NA)
	cwt	133,790	244,530	102,603	88,798	64,628	63,843	(NA)
Cotton, all	farms 284	388	301	409	677	643	887	1,199
	acres	182,175	197,455	171,300	222,722	339,936	331,699	428,637
	bales	511,705	585,658	513,758	626,649	860,262	837,643	895,992
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text)	farms 1,337	1,390	1,176	1,088	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	369,229	324,562	309,018	289,334	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	tons, dry equivalent	2,860,087	2,288,772	2,215,580	2,087,130	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Peanuts for nuts	farms -	-	1	2	4	4	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	-	(D)	(D)	499	499	(NA)	(NA)
	pounds	-	(D)	(D)	1,175,960	1,175,960	(NA)	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale ³ (see text)	farms 1,280	1,945	2,565	274	366	302	360	328
Potatoes	acres 145,000	130,345	137,574	134,394	134,834	131,204	118,125	98,138
	farms 117	56	123	22	29	26	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	3,401	3,389	3,972	7,679	6,630	6,372	(NA)
Sweet potatoes	farms 14	6	1	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	4	1	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in orchards ⁴	farms 984	1,136	1,527	1,504	1,137	843	1,162	1,141
	acres	53,518	46,182	37,200	63,180	73,603	67,459	68,465

¹ Data for 2002 and prior years are based on a sample of farms.

² Data for 1997 and prior years exclude cost of lime and manure.

³ Data for 2002 and prior years exclude potatoes, sweet potatoes, and ginseng.

⁴ Data for 2012 and prior years exclude pineapples.