

**Table 47. Land Use Practices by Size of Farm: 2017 and 2012**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.]

Land use practices	2017		2012	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Land drained by tile .....	153	2,295	170	2,634
Average per farm .....	(X)	15	(X)	15
Acres drained:				
1 to 9 acres .....	91	263	104	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	51	1,082	56	1,183
50 to 99 acres .....	7	450	7	(D)
100 to 199 acres .....	4	500	1	(D)
200 to 499 acres .....	-	-	2	(D)
500 to 999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Land artificially drained by ditches .....	313	4,491	290	4,000
Average per farm .....	(X)	14	(X)	14
Acres drained by ditches:				
1 to 9 acres .....	212	683	187	628
10 to 49 acres .....	79	1,444	87	1,591
50 to 99 acres .....	13	680	12	681
100 to 199 acres .....	7	(D)	-	-
200 to 499 acres .....	1	(D)	4	1,100
500 to 999 acres .....	1	(D)	-	-
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Land under conservation easement .....	410	23,404	412	19,398
Average per farm .....	(X)	57	(X)	47
Acres under easement:				
1 to 9 acres .....	127	(D)	123	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	157	4,166	154	3,859
50 to 99 acres .....	48	3,365	72	4,898
100 to 199 acres .....	48	6,338	49	6,145
200 to 499 acres .....	28	7,528	13	3,530
500 to 999 acres .....	2	(D)	1	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Cropland on which no-till practices were used .....	487	18,153	310	11,818
Average per farm .....	(X)	37	(X)	38
No-till practices used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	326	(D)	217	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	97	2,010	53	1,109
50 to 99 acres .....	30	1,895	18	1,107
100 to 199 acres .....	14	1,874	11	1,469
200 to 499 acres .....	14	3,976	5	1,283
500 to 999 acres .....	2	(D)	4	2,963
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	4	6,001	2	(D)
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Cropland on which reduced tillage, excluding no-till, practices were used (see text) .....	341	8,479	298	9,396
Average per farm .....	(X)	25	(X)	32
Reduced tillage used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	231	653	211	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	52	1,101	45	978
50 to 99 acres .....	33	2,291	11	818
100 to 199 acres .....	16	2,172	15	2,096
200 to 499 acres .....	9	2,262	14	3,886
500 to 999 acres .....	-	-	2	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Cropland on which intensive tillage practices were used (see text) .....	779	18,812	1,019	25,804
Average per farm .....	(X)	24	(X)	25
Intensive tillage used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	478	1,407	668	2,122
10 to 49 acres .....	205	4,387	208	4,596
50 to 99 acres .....	51	3,660	77	5,301
100 to 199 acres .....	33	4,399	41	5,466
200 to 499 acres .....	9	2,917	22	6,536
500 to 999 acres .....	3	2,042	3	1,783
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Cropland planted to a cover crop (excluding CRP) .....	660	21,998	617	20,453
Average per farm .....	(X)	33	(X)	33
Cover crop acres (excluding CRP):				
1 to 9 acres .....	411	1,134	353	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	149	3,408	171	3,681
50 to 99 acres .....	56	3,569	52	3,415
100 to 199 acres .....	22	3,094	21	2,979
200 to 499 acres .....	16	4,578	15	3,862
500 to 999 acres .....	3	2,370	2	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	3	3,845	3	3,950
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-