

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	4,123	4,391	4,166	3,363	3,928	2,937	2,445	2,515
Land in farmsacres	425,393	474,065	471,911	444,879	463,383	415,031	385,832	426,237
Average size of farmacres	103	108	113	132	118	141	158	169
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ :								
Average per farmdollars	539,732	449,848	558,385	400,943	295,677	323,523	342,607	358,279
Average per acredollars	5,231	4,167	4,929	3,131	2,448	2,250	2,256	2,112
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹\$1,000	282,821	247,765	243,349	137,603	135,607	110,872	83,960	85,168
Average per farmdollars	68,629	56,439	58,413	40,868	34,541	37,957	34,566	33,905
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acresfarms	1,081	953	754	507	656	425	308	255
10 to 49 acresfarms	1,275	1,482	1,405	1,035	1,160	784	619	567
50 to 179 acresfarms	1,141	1,292	1,304	1,138	1,351	1,005	844	919
180 to 499 acresfarms	476	512	546	509	613	571	511	583
500 to 999 acresfarms	119	115	119	134	116	120	133	160
1,000 to 1,999 acresfarms	20	21	26	22	25	25	27	29
2,000 acres or morefarms	11	16	12	18	7	7	3	2
Total croplandfarms	2,667	2,606	2,929	2,505	3,154	2,489	2,242	2,255
Harvested croplandacres	107,996	98,268	128,938	129,388	147,694	132,619	135,437	147,719
Irrigated landacres	2,291	2,416	2,494	2,043	2,817	2,256	2,039	2,044
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text)\$1,000	187,794	190,907	199,051	144,835	155,698	149,467	114,070	107,102
Average per farmdollars	45,548	43,477	47,780	43,067	39,638	50,891	46,654	42,585
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops\$1,000	107,802	100,714	106,467	83,149	78,033	73,728	45,724	35,327
Livestock, poultry, and their products\$1,000	79,992	90,193	92,584	61,686	77,665	75,739	68,346	71,775
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500farms	1,856	2,115	2,068	1,757	1,789	1,121	928	1,020
\$2,500 to \$4,999farms	524	593	466	382	613	460	343	371
\$5,000 to \$9,999farms	528	516	469	344	447	388	325	320
\$10,000 to \$24,999farms	502	494	466	303	420	363	288	234
\$25,000 to \$49,999farms	287	253	263	194	218	187	152	131
\$50,000 to \$99,999farms	160	156	148	130	156	143	143	175
\$100,000 to \$499,999farms	197	204	221	205	240	230	234	238
\$500,000 or morefarms	69	60	65	48	45	45	32	26
Farms by legal status for tax purposes:								
Family or individualfarms	3,412	3,701	3,551	2,917	3,445	2,547	2,136	2,234
Partnershipfarms	314	320	299	206	219	179	147	140
Corporationfarms	217	243	220	157	204	160	133	112
Other - estate or trust, prison farm, grazing association, American Indian Reservation, etc.farms	180	127	96	83	60	51	29	29
Total farm production expenses ¹\$1,000	210,636	231,196	195,791	145,342	136,126	126,098	95,755	91,948
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased\$1,000	5,024	3,874	4,470	1,638	3,393	3,031	2,968	3,647
Feed purchased\$1,000	33,176	44,756	30,644	20,933	22,974	22,257	18,649	19,529
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased ²\$1,000	5,555	5,459	4,627	2,797	3,039	2,931	2,868	2,834
Gasoline, fuels, and oils purchased\$1,000	10,172	13,389	13,170	5,663	5,729	5,148	4,171	3,979
Hired farm labor\$1,000	49,340	53,786	36,176	32,013	31,343	30,438	21,601	18,040
Interest expense\$1,000	7,174	11,064	8,718	5,468	6,936	6,115	5,177	5,612
Chemicals purchased\$1,000	1,890	3,084	2,367	2,043	1,729	1,717	1,528	1,499
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventoryfarms	903	1,091	1,027	852	1,289	953	956	1,148
Beef cowsfarms	35,323	33,392	36,880	39,912	47,159	45,115	48,419	54,012
Milk cowsfarms	602	683	642	527	544	574	587	587
Cattle and calves soldfarms	4,654	4,075	4,981	4,473	4,959	4,206	3,727	4,229
Hogs and pigs inventoryfarms	216	251	225	255	392	329	389	518
Hogs and pigs soldfarms	13,118	13,474	14,611	17,467	19,713	19,563	21,659	25,110
Layers inventory (see text)farms	595	606	599	526	913	760	766	969
Broilers and other meat-type chickens soldfarms	12,216	12,784	12,350	13,927	16,953	16,053	20,138	24,611
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grainfarms	8	19	13	21	47	35	(NA)	(NA)
acres	348	592	226	880	1,283	1,211	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	40,312	63,913	27,547	113,240	133,310	127,024	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchopfarms	95	102	135	160	242	231	(NA)	(NA)
acres	11,214	11,187	12,640	14,191	15,956	15,957	(NA)	(NA)
tons	227,486	224,904	262,867	270,510	307,493	307,296	(NA)	(NA)
Wheat for grain, allfarms	2	7	1	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	13	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	760	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other spring wheat for grain (see text)farms	-	6	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	-	6	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	-	360	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Winter wheat for grainfarms	2	7	1	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	7	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	400	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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All farms	2017	2012	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage		
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Selected crops harvested: - Con.								
Oats for grain	2	10	-	-	9	7	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	(D)	116	-	-	38	34	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	2,621	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Barley for grain	-	6	1	-	2	2	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	-	6	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	-	240	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for grain	2	1	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	(D)	(D)	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	(D)	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop	-	1	1	3	3	3	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	-	(D)	(D)	61	85	85	(NA)	(NA)
tons	-	(D)	(D)	572	1,330	1,330	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans for beans	2	3	-	3	4	4	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	(D)	18	-	(D)	141	141	(NA)	(NA)
bushels	(D)	900	-	(D)	6,293	6,293	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans, excluding chickpeas and limas (see text)	-	6	2	3	6	4	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	-	14	(D)	7	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
cwt	-	138	(D)	95	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text)	1,202	1,334	1,581	1,322	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	64,393	64,576	76,877	71,272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
tons, dry equivalent	144,941	140,187	178,138	159,579	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sunflower seed, all	1	6	-	-	3	2	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	(D)	30	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
pounds	(D)	15,000	-	-	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale ³ (see text)	590	682	427	313	371	339	327	283
farms								
acres	3,695	3,972	3,408	3,433	3,589	3,490	3,324	3,047
Potatoes	154	303	132	65	53	50	63	46
farms								
acres	107	172	79	65	90	87	168	153
Sweet potatoes	20	3	-	3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms								
acres	3	(Z)	-	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in orchards ⁴	306	250	263	204	225	219	242	219
farms								
acres	1,703	1,808	2,285	2,658	3,324	3,414	3,877	3,863

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.