

**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 .....	50	284	41	626
Average per farm .....	(X)	6	(X)	15
Acres drained:				
1 to 9 acres .....	42	124	32	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	8	160	7	(D)
50 to 99 acres .....	-	-	1	(D)
100 to 199 acres .....	-	-	-	-
200 to 499 acres .....	-	-	1	(D)
500 to 999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Land artificially drained by ditches .....	291	9,871	246	9,262
Average per farm .....	(X)	34	(X)	38
Acres drained by ditches:				
1 to 9 acres .....	222	663	165	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	57	1,014	58	1,214
50 to 99 acres .....	-	-	11	782
100 to 199 acres .....	2	(D)	2	(D)
200 to 499 acres .....	7	1,862	5	1,527
500 to 999 acres .....	1	(D)	3	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	2	(D)
2,000 acres or more .....	2	(D)	-	-
Land under conservation easement .....	149	86,589	102	41,657
Average per farm .....	(X)	581	(X)	408
Acres under easement:				
1 to 9 acres .....	91	(D)	60	198
10 to 49 acres .....	25	411	17	287
50 to 99 acres .....	6	460	3	230
100 to 199 acres .....	7	(D)	9	1,140
200 to 499 acres .....	6	(D)	4	(D)
500 to 999 acres .....	2	(D)	2	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	2	(D)	1	(D)
2,000 acres or more .....	10	78,933	6	36,147
Cropland on which no-till practices were used .....	670	3,501	1,012	3,513
Average per farm .....	(X)	5	(X)	3
No-till practices used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	597	1,523	960	1,875
10 to 49 acres .....	64	1,177	47	881
50 to 99 acres .....	6	(D)	1	(D)
100 to 199 acres .....	3	(D)	3	(D)
200 to 499 acres .....	-	-	1	(D)
500 to 999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	-	-	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Cropland on which reduced tillage, excluding no-till, practices were used (see text) .....	206	3,494	385	3,854
Average per farm .....	(X)	17	(X)	10
Reduced tillage used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	180	443	355	782
10 to 49 acres .....	16	(D)	24	411
50 to 99 acres .....	1	(D)	1	(D)
100 to 199 acres .....	3	486	1	(D)
200 to 499 acres .....	5	1,192	1	(D)
500 to 999 acres .....	-	-	3	2,224
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	1	(D)	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	-	-
Cropland on which intensive tillage practices were used (see text) .....	410	14,631	801	34,545
Average per farm .....	(X)	36	(X)	43
Intensive tillage used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	301	(D)	642	1,625
10 to 49 acres .....	71	1,533	117	2,353
50 to 99 acres .....	23	1,488	20	1,345
100 to 199 acres .....	1	(D)	4	583
200 to 499 acres .....	5	1,329	9	3,089
500 to 999 acres .....	5	3,263	5	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	4	6,045	3	4,727
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	1	(D)
Cropland planted to a cover crop (excluding CRP) .....	514	7,533	367	7,021
Average per farm .....	(X)	15	(X)	19
Cover crop acres (excluding CRP):				
1 to 9 acres .....	462	1,058	305	(D)
10 to 49 acres .....	36	743	51	(D)
50 to 99 acres .....	3	(D)	1	(D)
100 to 199 acres .....	5	712	6	714
200 to 499 acres .....	4	902	2	(D)
500 to 999 acres .....	3	(D)	1	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	1	(D)	-	-
2,000 acres or more .....	-	-	1	(D)