

**Table 47. Land Use Practices: 2022 and 2017**

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

Land use practices	2022		2017	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Land drained by tile .....	712	105,800	811	134,682
Average per farm .....	(X)	149	(X)	166
Acres drained:				
1 to 9 acres .....	254	924	262	917
10 to 49 acres .....	242	5,599	287	6,039
50 to 99 acres .....	73	5,235	108	7,128
100 to 199 acres .....	75	9,971	63	8,102
200 to 499 acres .....	36	10,794	41	13,568
500 to 999 acres .....	13	8,172	22	15,614
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	7	10,096	10	13,737
2,000 acres or more .....	12	55,009	18	69,577
Land artificially drained by ditches .....	4,602	1,304,838	5,057	1,160,309
Average per farm .....	(X)	284	(X)	229
Acres drained by ditches:				
1 to 9 acres .....	1,606	6,303	1,732	6,958
10 to 49 acres .....	1,491	33,247	1,764	38,091
50 to 99 acres .....	394	26,674	473	31,344
100 to 199 acres .....	361	48,705	345	45,005
200 to 499 acres .....	329	100,872	320	94,854
500 to 999 acres .....	171	118,338	186	130,828
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	123	165,937	116	156,360
2,000 acres or more .....	127	804,762	121	656,869
Land under conservation easement .....	950	308,819	1,022	297,900
Average per farm .....	(X)	325	(X)	291
Acres under easement:				
1 to 9 acres .....	443	1,211	496	1,427
10 to 49 acres .....	159	3,364	191	3,701
50 to 99 acres .....	71	4,672	63	4,513
100 to 199 acres .....	54	7,896	80	10,024
200 to 499 acres .....	79	25,378	87	26,662
500 to 999 acres .....	61	41,241	43	29,838
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	42	52,716	32	45,306
2,000 acres or more .....	41	172,341	30	176,429
Cropland on which no-till practices were used .....	2,870	272,577	2,077	244,994
Average per farm .....	(X)	95	(X)	118
No-till practices used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	1,703	5,035	1,222	3,629
10 to 49 acres .....	756	17,050	452	10,021
50 to 99 acres .....	160	11,170	93	6,253
100 to 199 acres .....	85	11,973	109	15,336
200 to 499 acres .....	80	25,304	123	37,827
500 to 999 acres .....	34	23,935	44	29,681
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	43	61,219	21	29,439
2,000 acres or more .....	9	116,891	13	112,808
Cropland on which conservation or reduced tillage, excluding no-till, practices were used (see text) .....	1,468	227,953	870	189,212
Average per farm .....	(X)	155	(X)	217
Conservation or reduced tillage used (see text):				
1 to 9 acres .....	650	2,098	377	1,355
10 to 49 acres .....	403	9,001	142	3,195
50 to 99 acres .....	86	6,092	69	5,039
100 to 199 acres .....	106	13,821	56	8,016
200 to 499 acres .....	120	41,200	119	39,343
500 to 999 acres .....	55	37,851	59	40,989
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	21	27,053	32	42,538
2,000 acres or more .....	27	90,837	16	48,737
Cropland on which intensive or conventional tillage practices were used (see text) .....	2,866	781,367	2,729	802,923
Average per farm .....	(X)	273	(X)	294
Intensive or conventional tillage used (see text):				
1 to 9 acres .....	1,083	3,670	1,127	3,968
10 to 49 acres .....	800	17,652	720	16,889
50 to 99 acres .....	245	16,498	195	13,023
100 to 199 acres .....	210	30,137	209	29,228
200 to 499 acres .....	247	72,680	238	75,356
500 to 999 acres .....	148	101,055	124	86,487
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	74	107,143	55	74,526
2,000 acres or more .....	59	432,532	61	503,446
Cropland planted to a cover crop (excluding CRP) .....	1,708	155,233	1,573	141,848
Average per farm .....	(X)	91	(X)	90
Cover crop acres (excluding CRP):				
1 to 9 acres .....	824	2,383	771	2,390
10 to 49 acres .....	518	11,002	398	8,323
50 to 99 acres .....	125	8,569	126	8,704
100 to 199 acres .....	79	10,448	107	13,994
200 to 499 acres .....	93	26,670	92	26,742
500 to 999 acres .....	35	25,568	48	34,908
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	22	31,677	25	29,348
2,000 acres or more .....	12	38,916	6	17,439
Use of precision agriculture practices (see text) .....	2,299	(X)	(NA)	(X)