

**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 .....	2,645	746,566	2,485	658,771
Average per farm .....	(X)	282	(X)	265
Acres drained:				
1 to 9 acres .....	113	492	110	513
10 to 49 acres .....	560	14,079	486	11,967
50 to 99 acres .....	378	25,627	392	26,665
100 to 199 acres .....	519	70,303	478	62,214
200 to 499 acres .....	644	197,653	606	178,015
500 to 999 acres .....	287	188,820	287	188,343
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	103	131,709	100	127,634
2,000 acres or more .....	41	117,883	26	63,420
Land artificially drained by ditches .....	1,755	641,788	2,066	694,058
Average per farm .....	(X)	366	(X)	336
Acres drained by ditches:				
1 to 9 acres .....	172	670	172	699
10 to 49 acres .....	377	9,215	449	10,848
50 to 99 acres .....	203	13,051	247	16,194
100 to 199 acres .....	300	38,467	354	45,382
200 to 499 acres .....	313	91,248	415	125,300
500 to 999 acres .....	211	133,055	240	156,865
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	104	134,440	127	164,854
2,000 acres or more .....	75	221,642	62	173,916
Land under conservation easement .....	2,500	612,858	1,721	570,770
Average per farm .....	(X)	245	(X)	332
Acres under easement:				
1 to 9 acres .....	303	1,410	105	491
10 to 49 acres .....	754	19,205	320	8,542
50 to 99 acres .....	424	29,295	260	18,507
100 to 199 acres .....	426	59,987	371	53,881
200 to 499 acres .....	349	110,350	393	123,911
500 to 999 acres .....	126	85,889	113	76,122
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	66	86,790	112	148,625
2,000 acres or more .....	52	219,932	47	140,691
Cropland on which no-till practices were used .....	7,590	7,310,993	7,774	7,656,188
Average per farm .....	(X)	963	(X)	985
No-till practices used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	185	811	211	964
10 to 49 acres .....	746	21,896	674	18,503
50 to 99 acres .....	686	49,757	727	51,990
100 to 199 acres .....	1,114	160,113	890	127,016
200 to 499 acres .....	1,558	515,261	1,715	562,157
500 to 999 acres .....	1,314	915,266	1,400	988,920
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	972	1,338,415	1,057	1,460,167
2,000 acres or more .....	1,015	4,309,474	1,100	4,446,471
Cropland on which conservation or reduced tillage, excluding no-till, practices were used (see text) .....	5,629	3,980,172	6,185	4,300,330
Average per farm .....	(X)	707	(X)	695
Conservation or reduced tillage used (see text):				
1 to 9 acres .....	197	943	178	758
10 to 49 acres .....	670	17,863	598	16,652
50 to 99 acres .....	615	44,511	539	39,233
100 to 199 acres .....	733	104,959	885	127,475
200 to 499 acres .....	1,337	441,667	1,604	532,780
500 to 999 acres .....	957	663,755	1,104	782,021
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	668	909,245	838	1,175,139
2,000 acres or more .....	452	1,797,229	439	1,626,272
Cropland on which intensive or conventional tillage practices were used (see text) .....	4,385	2,065,623	4,979	2,674,782
Average per farm .....	(X)	471	(X)	537
Intensive or conventional tillage used (see text):				
1 to 9 acres .....	303	1,338	312	1,487
10 to 49 acres .....	786	20,883	745	19,939
50 to 99 acres .....	629	44,698	560	40,416
100 to 199 acres .....	755	105,059	735	103,819
200 to 499 acres .....	879	285,231	1,181	387,602
500 to 999 acres .....	519	356,183	768	536,631
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	286	371,276	424	584,293
2,000 acres or more .....	228	880,955	254	1,000,595
Cropland planted to a cover crop (excluding CRP) .....	2,150	350,350	2,154	281,649
Average per farm .....	(X)	163	(X)	131
Cover crop acres (excluding CRP):				
1 to 9 acres .....	195	747	142	577
10 to 49 acres .....	644	17,593	647	17,635
50 to 99 acres .....	446	30,455	481	32,777
100 to 199 acres .....	370	49,442	472	62,302
200 to 499 acres .....	358	107,058	322	89,449
500 to 999 acres .....	94	59,798	68	45,189
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	26	30,150	17	20,478
2,000 acres or more .....	17	55,107	5	13,242
Use of precision agriculture practices (see text) .....	6,687	(X)	(NA)	(X)