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**Arkansas Farms and Land in Farms**

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**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size - Arkansas: 2012 - 2022**

Year	Number of farms (number)	Land in farms (1,000 acres)	Average farm size (acres)
2022 .....	41,900	14,000	334
2021 .....	42,000	14,000	333
2020 .....	42,200	14,000	332
2019 .....	42,300	14,000	331
2018 .....	42,500	13,900	327
2017 .....	42,600	13,900	326
2016 .....	43,300	13,900	321
2015 .....	43,700	13,800	316
2014 .....	44,100	13,800	313
2013 .....	44,700	13,800	309
2012 .....	45,100	13,800	306

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class - Arkansas: 2021 - 2022**

Economic sales class	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2021 (number)	2022 (number)	2021 (1,000 acres)	2022 (1,000 acres)	2021 (acres)	2022 (acres)
\$1,000 - \$9,999 .....	20,300	20,200	1,650	1,600	81	79
\$10,000 - \$99,999 .....	14,300	14,200	3,600	3,550	252	250
\$100,000 - \$249,999 .....	1,400	1,400	950	950	679	679
\$250,000 - \$499,999 .....	1,100	1,150	800	850	727	739
\$500,000 - \$999,999 .....	1,500	1,550	1,300	1,350	867	871
\$1,000,000 or more .....	3,400	3,400	5,700	5,700	1,676	1,676
Total .....	42,000	41,900	14,000	14,000	333	334

## Terms and Definitions

A **farm** is “any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the year.” Government payments are included in sales. Ranches, institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian Reservations are included as farms. Places with the entire acreage enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP), and other government conservation programs are counted as farms.

The definition of a farm was first established in 1850 and has changed nine times since. The current definition was first used for the 1974 Census.

**Land in farms** consists of agricultural land used for crops, pasture, or grazing. Also included is woodland and wasteland not actually under cultivation or used for pasture or grazing, provided it was part of the farm operator’s total operation.

Land in farms includes acres in CRP, WRP, and other government conservation programs.

Land in farms includes land owned and operated as well as land rented from others. Land used rent-free is included as land rented from others. All grazing land, except land used under government permits on a per-head basis, is included as land in farms provided it was part of a farm or ranch. Land under the exclusive use of a grazing association is reported by the grazing association and included as land in farms. All land in American Indian reservations used for growing crops or grazing livestock is included as land in farms. Land in reservations not reported by individual American Indians or non-Native Americans is reported in the name of the cooperative group that used the land. In many instances, the entire American Indian reservation is reported as one farm.

**Economic sales classes** are based on the gross value of agricultural products sold. Government program payments are also included.

**Point Farms** are places that did not have \$1,000 of reported sales for the year but had sufficient crops and livestock to normally have sales of \$1,000 or more.