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## NASS Releases 2017 Census of Agriculture Watersheds Report

Olympia, Washington – July 25, 2019 – Today the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) released the 2017 Census of Agriculture Watersheds Report. Produced in service to agricultural and environmental data users, this publication compiles Census data at the water basin, or watershed, level according to boundaries set by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS).

“A supplement to the Census of Agriculture, the Watersheds Report can be used by farmers, community planners, conservation districts, environmental engineers, researchers, and others interested in how land and water resources are being used and how these uses are changing,” said Christopher Mertz, NW Regional Director.

Data are available for each of the 20 USGS watersheds and 381 water basins in the United States. Information from the 2012 Census of Agriculture Watersheds Report is published alongside the 2017 Census results to show changes in land use, production practices, and livestock distribution in these geographic areas over the past five years.

The Census of Agriculture is a complete count of the nation’s farms, ranches, and the people who operate them. It provides the only source of uniform and comprehensive agricultural data for every state, county, and now watershed in the country. Other 2017 Census of Agriculture products recently released include the [full report](#), [State and County Profiles](#), and [Congressional District Profiles](#). Still to be published are the American Indian Reservations Report scheduled for August 26, Zip Code Tabulations on September 18, and Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Profiles on October 1.

For more information about the 2017 Census of Agriculture and to access the Watersheds Report and other Census products, visit [www.nass.usda.gov/AgCensus](http://www.nass.usda.gov/AgCensus).

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