



Illinois farm production expenditures totaled 16.8 billion dollars in 2017, up six percent from the previous year. The items that showed the largest year-to-year increase were Farm Improvements, up \$210 million, and Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery, up \$220 million. On a per-farm basis, the largest expense in 2017 was Rent, at slightly more than \$50,000 per farm.

Farm Production Expenditures by Farms Reporting, Average per Farm, and Total – Illinois: 2016 and 2017

[For definitions of terms used in this table, see Terms and Definitions. Totals may not add due to rounding]

Expenditure	Farms reporting		Average per farm		Total expenditures	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(percent)	(percent)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(million dollars)	(million dollars)
Livestock, poultry, and related expenses	13.4	16.2	8,864	10,282	640	730
Feed	23.4	31.0	12,881	14,930	930	1,060
Farm services	80.9	89.7	21,607	22,113	1,560	1,570
Rent	41.9	44.0	49,446	50,141	3,570	3,560
Agricultural chemicals	60.3	60.8	15,651	15,775	1,130	1,120
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners	61.3	63.6	25,900	24,507	1,870	1,740
Interest	36.9	40.5	5,817	6,479	420	460
Taxes	100.0	100.0	6,371	7,324	460	520
Labor	24.2	18.2	8,172	7,746	590	550
Fuel	73.7	79.8	6,648	7,324	480	520
Farm supplies and repairs	67.7	79.4	9,695	10,423	700	740
Farm improvements and construction	42.9	47.2	5,956	9,014	430	640
Tractors and self-propelled farm machinery	12.4	17.2	8,864	12,113	640	860
Other farm machinery	15.7	21.5	4,986	6,056	360	430
Seeds and plants	60.0	63.6	25,762	28,451	1,860	2,020
Trucks and autos	10.3	16.0	1,939	2,958	140	210
Miscellaneous capital expenses	3.3	5.0	485	423	35	30
Total farm production expenditures	100.0	100.0	219,044	236,056	15,815	16,760

The staff of the Heartland Regional Field office would like to thank all of the farmers and ranchers that responded to the Agricultural Resource Management Survey. Your individual responses are always confidential, by law, but they contribute to the state totals which are important to the agricultural community.

Terms and Definitions

Agricultural chemicals: This expense line item includes material and application costs.

Average per farm: The average per farm is computed by dividing the line-item total expense by the total number of farms at that level (United States, region, type, economic class, or state).

Expense line items: All expense line items include the operator, landlord, and contractor shares of farm production expenses.

Farm improvements and construction: Includes all expenditures related to new construction or repairs of buildings, fences, operator dwelling (if dwelling is owned by operation), and any improvements to physical structures of land.

Farm services: This is a summation of all crop custom work, veterinary custom services, transportation costs, marketing charges, insurance, leasing of machinery and equipment, utilities, general expenses, and miscellaneous business expenses.

Farm supplies and repairs: This expense includes bedding/litter, marketing containers, power farm-shop equipment, oils and lubricants, temporary fencing, miscellaneous non-capital equipment and supplies, repairs and maintenance of equipment not depreciated, and other small, non-capital equipment.

Livestock, poultry, and related expenses: This line item includes purchases and leasing of livestock and poultry. Intra-state and inter-state transfers of livestock are captured.

Miscellaneous capital expenses: Expenditures for depreciable capital purchases that are excluded from the defined expense categories of farm improvements and construction, trucks and autos, tractors and self-propelled equipment, and other farm machinery.

Other fuels: Line item includes all other forms of fuel such as natural gas, coal, fuel oil, kerosene, wood, etc., excluding diesel, gasoline, and LP gas.

Regions: There are 5 agricultural regions based on geographic farm typology, which you can refer to page 41 for a breakdown of regional boundaries and estimating states.

Rent: Rent includes cash rent paid, share rent, plus public and private grazing fees.

Seeds and plants: All purchases of seed, plants, or seed treatments for nursery and farming operation are included. Bedding plants, nursery stock, and seed purchased for resale are excluded.

Taxes: This expense is the sum of real estate taxes and personal property taxes for operator, landlord, and contractor.

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