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CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE
FARMS: NUMBER, ACRES, VALUE AND LAND USE, 1909 - 2017 ¹

| Year | Number of Farms | Land in Farms | Avg Size of Farm | Avg Value of Land & Bldgs per Acre | Land Use | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | Cropland | | | Other Pasture ² | Other Land | Woodland | |
| | | | | | Harvested | Not Harvested | Pasture ² | | | Pasture | Other |
| | <i>No.</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> | <i>Acres</i> |
| 1909 | 3,900 | 417,763 | 107 | 27 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 1919 | 4,572 | 383,165 | 84 | 61 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 1924 | 3,541 | 351,885 | 99 | 42 | 115,087 | 43,105 | 89,632 | 8,961 | 38,101 | 11,844 | 45,155 |
| 1929 | 3,215 | 367,593 | 114 | 32 | 111,646 | 58,043 | 85,501 | 13,339 | 42,014 | 13,154 | 43,896 |
| 1934 | 3,402 | 362,842 | 107 | 24 | 116,998 | 46,687 | 87,782 | 7,155 | 35,086 | 15,695 | 53,439 |
| 1939 | 3,027 | 381,986 | 126 | 29 | 120,067 | 35,877 | 125,723 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 1944 | 2,460 | 355,529 | 145 | 39 | 121,821 | 37,557 | 74,027 | 34,630 | 23,204 | 14,223 | 50,067 |
| 1949 | 2,598 | 369,431 | 142 | 66 | 128,574 | 37,427 | 96,187 | 13,564 | 25,666 | 18,380 | 49,633 |
| 1954 | 2,160 | 336,971 | 156 | 81 | 124,853 | 32,797 | 89,978 | 9,910 | 19,934 | 18,382 | 41,117 |
| 1959 | 1,991 | 344,105 | 173 | 134 | 117,637 | 39,017 | 85,205 | 15,126 | 22,948 | 13,755 | 50,417 |
| 1964 | 1,653 | 339,466 | 205 | 193 | 103,900 | 44,912 | 90,236 | 19,059 | 17,290 | 15,705 | 48,311 |
| 1969 | 1,868 | 344,116 | 184 | 248 | 110,252 | 43,327 | 82,010 | NA | ³ 46,719 | NA | ⁴ 61,808 |
| 1974 | 1,450 | 304,550 | 210 | 486 | 132,246 | 11,274 | 67,135 | NA | ³ 41,434 | NA | ⁴ 52,461 |
| 1978 | 1,462 | 336,212 | 230 | 1,128 | 181,747 | 13,576 | 48,920 | 19,581 | 15,687 | 18,342 | 38,359 |
| 1982 | 1,400 | 322,180 | 230 | 1,054 | 185,504 | 11,149 | 37,947 | 13,219 | 19,256 | 16,326 | 38,779 |
| 1987 | 1,187 | 302,270 | 255 | 765 | 140,364 | 44,325 | 39,644 | 13,939 | 13,657 | 14,749 | 35,592 |
| 1992 | 1,171 | 299,321 | 256 | 888 | 145,802 | 31,820 | 41,563 | 15,679 | 12,331 | 12,244 | 39,882 |
| 1997 ⁵ | 1,291 | 321,585 | 249 | 1,399 | 170,098 | 25,535 | 41,711 | 16,718 | 15,221 | 10,642 | 41,660 |
| 2002 ⁵ | 1,267 | 342,180 | 270 | 1,696 | 168,759 | 38,547 | 31,097 | 21,257 | 14,908 | 10,453 | 57,159 |
| 2007 ⁵ | 1,324 | 346,450 | 262 | 2,580 | 181,882 | 33,460 | 24,013 | 31,064 | 14,118 | 7,942 | 53,971 |
| 2012 ⁵ | 1,179 | 360,276 | 306 | 3,454 | 221,686 | 25,886 | 4,708 | 30,093 | 20,036 | 4,052 | 53,815 |
| 2017 ⁵ | 1,137 | 345,581 | 304 | 4,817 | 216,331 | 24,755 | 4,675 | 27,728 | 12,673 | 5,132 | 54,287 |

¹ Due to changes in the definition of a farm, Farm Numbers and Land in Farms are not always comparable from Census to Census.
² Due to changes in definition and wording of question, figures for Cropland Pasture and Other Pasture are not always comparable from Census to Census. ³ Includes Other Pasture. ⁴ Includes Woodland Pasture. ⁵ Beginning in 1997, data adjusted for coverage.
(NA) Data Not Available. (-) Zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

**CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE
NUMBER OF FARMS, BY SIZE GROUP, 1909 - 2017**

| Year | Size of Farms (Acres) | | | | | | | All Farms |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| | 1 - 9 | 10 - 49 | 50 - 179 50 - 174 ¹ | 180 - 499 175 - 499 ¹ | 500 - 999 | 1,000-1,999 1,000+ ² | 2,000+ | |
| | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> | <i>No.</i> |
| 1909 | 209 | 1,404 | 1,574 | 630 | 78 | 5 | NA | 3,900 |
| 1919 | 675 | 1,744 | 1,559 | 533 | 59 | 2 | NA | 4,572 |
| 1924 | 256 | 1,301 | 1,362 | 580 | 41 | 1 | NA | 3,541 |
| 1929 | 184 | 1,034 | 1,351 | 586 | 56 | 4 | NA | 3,215 |
| 1934 | 303 | 1,078 | 1,426 | 535 | 56 | 4 | NA | 3,402 |
| 1939 | 191 | 675 | 1,512 | 587 | 54 | 8 | NA | 3,027 |
| 1944 | 157 | 445 | 1,188 | 599 | 63 | 8 | NA | 2,460 |
| 1949 | 196 | 564 | 1,122 | 638 | 66 | 12 | NA | 2,598 |
| 1954 | 161 | 390 | 947 | 575 | 78 | 9 | NA | 2,160 |
| 1959 | 155 | 310 | 835 | 583 | 93 | 15 | - | 1,991 |
| 1964 | 78 | 230 | 675 | 537 | 111 | 21 | 1 | 1,653 |
| 1969 | 163 | 311 | 783 | 460 | 125 | 25 | 1 | 1,868 |
| 1974 | 108 | 243 | 565 | 396 | 107 | 25 | 6 | 1,450 |
| 1978 | 160 | 250 | 510 | 365 | 119 | 46 | 12 | 1,462 |
| 1982 | 178 | 272 | 458 | 319 | 117 | 40 | 16 | 1,400 |
| 1987 | 115 | 207 | 401 | 303 | 103 | 45 | 13 | 1,187 |
| 1992 | 132 | 181 | 458 | 241 | 92 | 47 | 20 | 1,171 |
| 1997 ³ | 99 | 249 | 526 | 273 | 80 | 44 | 20 | 1,291 |
| 2002 ³ | 64 | 288 | 544 | 219 | 77 | 46 | 29 | 1,267 |
| 2007 ³ | 58 | 321 | 558 | 258 | 61 | 41 | 27 | 1,324 |
| 2012 ³ | 61 | 259 | 513 | 220 | 50 | 41 | 35 | 1,179 |
| 2017 ³ | 98 | 281 | 438 | 191 | 51 | 45 | 33 | 1,137 |

¹ 1909-1929. ² 1909-1959. ³ Beginning in 1997, data adjusted for coverage. (NA) Data Not Available. (-) Zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE
TOTAL & SPECIFIED FARM PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES, 1939 - 2017

| Year | Total | Feed Purchased | Livestock and Poultry Purchased | Hired Labor | Petroleum Products and Utilities | Seed, Plants, Vines and Trees | Fertilizer, Lime, Soil Conditioners & Chemicals Purchased ¹ |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Dollars</i> |
| 1939 | NA | 95,435 | NA | 325,729 | 74,898 | NA | 151,920 |
| 1944 | NA | 449,200 | NA | 719,409 | NA | NA | NA |
| 1949 | NA | 693,057 | 1,378,036 | 954,650 | 535,076 | 273,310 | NA |
| 1954 | NA | 670,625 | NA | 756,800 | 563,595 | NA | 849,468 |
| 1959 | NA | 924,481 | 2,202,232 | 1,152,897 | 674,169 | 217,344 | NA |
| 1964 | NA | 998,825 | 1,190,250 | 1,317,650 | 757,535 | 272,875 | 1,450,850 |
| 1969 | 13,872,000 | 1,839,145 | 2,407,965 | 1,576,761 | 902,514 | 371,248 | 1,762,699 |
| 1974 | 22,493,000 | 3,302,000 | 2,253,000 | 1,664,000 | 1,440,000 | 958,000 | 5,126,000 |
| 1978 | NA | 3,164,000 | 4,375,000 | 3,011,000 | 2,998,000 | 1,548,000 | 8,221,000 |
| 1982 | NA | 2,843,000 | 3,513,000 | 3,703,000 | 4,538,000 | 1,776,000 | 8,886,000 |
| 1987 | 29,099,000 | 2,050,000 | 1,739,000 | 2,652,000 | 2,617,000 | 1,392,000 | 6,770,000 |
| 1992 | 44,192,000 | 2,997,000 | 3,134,000 | 4,068,000 | 3,257,000 | 2,455,000 | 10,461,000 |
| 1997 ² | 61,855,000 | 5,637,000 | 3,402,000 | 6,707,000 | ³ 3,238,000 | 4,152,000 | ⁴ 14,477,000 |
| 2002 ² | 59,996,000 | 6,672,000 | 2,948,000 | 6,190,000 | 4,433,000 | 4,043,000 | 11,386,000 |
| 2007 ² | 97,569,000 | 11,705,000 | 5,161,000 | 7,078,000 | 7,863,000 | 8,363,000 | 23,824,000 |
| 2012 ² | 168,578,000 | 17,302,000 | 9,414,000 | 12,496,000 | 13,111,000 | 15,931,000 | 42,529,000 |
| 2017 ² | 157,918,000 | 10,916,000 | 9,130,000 | 14,159,000 | 8,495,000 | 16,512,000 | 24,242,000 |

¹ Beginning in 1987, includes cost of custom applications. ² Beginning in 1997, data adjusted for coverage. ³ 1997 does not include utilities. ⁴ 1997 does not include lime or manure. (NA) Data Not Available. (D) Data withheld to avoid disclosing information for individual farms.

**CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD, 1969 - 2017**

| Year | Total | Crops, including Nursery & Greenhouse ¹ | Grains, Oilseeds | Tobacco | Hay and Other Crops | Livestock, Poultry and their Products ² | Poultry and Eggs | Milk and Other Dairy Products | Cattle and Calves | Hogs and Pigs |
|-------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) | (Thousand Dollars) |
| 1969 | 18,864 | 9,198 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 9,569 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 1974 | 35,450 | 24,989 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 10,144 | 561 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 1978 | 52,505 | 36,057 | 23,851 | 11,238 | 537 | 16,449 | (D) | 365 | 8,305 | 7,106 |
| 1982 | 64,114 | 49,859 | 33,707 | 15,014 | 485 | 14,255 | (D) | 614 | 6,662 | 6,096 |
| 1987 | 36,941 | 26,497 | 16,452 | 8,793 | 732 | 10,444 | (D) | 213 | 6,237 | 3,410 |
| 1992 | 59,532 | 45,698 | 29,292 | 14,894 | 667 | 13,834 | (D) | 603 | 9,911 | 2,942 |
| 1997 ³ | 85,736 | 64,515 | NA | 17,316 | NA | 21,221 | 2,233 | 4,102 | 9,824 | 4,842 |
| 2002 ³ | 77,031 | 53,727 | 35,905 | 13,944 | 926 | 23,304 | 4,348 | 6,318 | 9,336 | 2,747 |
| 2007 ³ | 103,001 | 65,798 | 45,818 | 15,215 | 1,465 | 37,203 | 9,662 | 12,547 | 12,355 | 2,262 |
| 2012 ³ | 185,840 | 149,061 | 116,966 | 25,432 | 1,726 | 36,779 | 9,318 | 9,612 | 16,713 | (D) |
| 2017 ³ | 205,275 | 166,545 | 128,067 | 31,069 | 1,914 | 38,731 | 13,775 | 10,154 | 13,746 | (D) |

¹ Includes a value of crops not listed. ² Includes values of other livestock and livestock products not listed. ³ Beginning in 1997, data adjusted for coverage. (NA) Data Not Available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Zero. (D) Data withheld to avoid disclosing information for individual farms.

**CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE
OCCUPATION AND AGE, 1969 - 2017 ¹**

| Year | Operators by ² | | | | | | | | Average Age |
|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| | Principal Occupation | | Age Group | | | | | | |
| | Farming | Other | Under 25 Years | 25 to 34 Years | 35 to 44 Years | 45 to 54 Years | 55 to 64 Years | 65 and over | |
| <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Number</i> | |
| 1969 | (NA) | (NA) | 34 | 210 | 327 | 459 | 449 | 389 | 52.1 |
| 1974 | 910 | 535 | 38 | 158 | 290 | 285 | 384 | 290 | 51.8 |
| 1978 | 886 | 576 | 51 | 181 | 318 | 335 | 320 | 257 | 50.0 |
| 1982 | 802 | 598 | 45 | 197 | 330 | 286 | 278 | 264 | 49.9 |
| 1987 | 587 | 600 | 25 | 140 | 219 | 313 | 263 | 227 | 51.3 |
| 1992 | 561 | 610 | 22 | 121 | 238 | 270 | 244 | 276 | 52.7 |
| 1997 ¹ | 597 | 694 | 17 | 117 | 256 | 266 | 275 | 360 | 53.8 |
| 2002 ¹ | 773 | 494 | 25 | 96 | 182 | 299 | 307 | 358 | 55.3 |
| 2007 ¹ | 573 | 751 | 7 | 118 | 146 | 313 | 318 | 422 | 56.6 |
| 2012 ¹ | 541 | 638 | 12 | 116 | 193 | 241 | 263 | 354 | 55.2 |
| 2017 ¹ | 648 | 785 | 16 | 170 | 165 | 241 | 380 | 461 | 56.1 |

¹ Beginning in 1997, data adjusted for coverage. ² Counts may not be comparable from Census to Census due to changes in the report form. (-) Zero. (NA) Data Not Available.