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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	1,685	147,613	88	82	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	2,191	143,782	66	155	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	1,745	146,645	84	97	38,646	2,774	96,669	3,488	2,682	1,564	822
1929	1,548	138,279	89	103	34,968	2,070	84,479	6,274	4,517	4,874	1,097
1934	1,522	147,708	97	76	39,439	4,642	85,083	1,611	6,561	9,693	699
1939	1,530	141,422	92	92	36,957	3,891	82,030	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	1,833	142,302	78	97	44,087	3,442	36,087	45,738	9,469	2,703	776
1949	1,530	150,041	98	128	39,998	1,987	78,578	4,201	10,236	9,103	5,938
1954	1,448	143,242	99	196	37,930	2,872	67,616	14,569	8,492	9,632	2,131
1959	1,293	149,142	115	251	37,666	5,117	67,531	15,161	10,478	9,157	4,032
1964	1,034	144,005	139	252	31,846	11,307	73,404	10,043	6,362	6,959	4,062
1969	1,017	138,485	136	299	28,351	9,901	58,207	NA	³ 29,296	NA	⁴ 12,730
1974	936	142,145	152	447	31,237	8,423	61,010	NA	³ 27,582	NA	⁴ 13,893
1978	938	140,157	149	872	36,905	7,186	57,377	10,634	7,471	7,532	13,052
1982	932	134,980	145	1,064	39,345	6,768	45,927	10,779	10,731	10,391	11,039
1987	895	150,073	168	817	44,951	12,135	50,907	12,542	8,299	8,183	13,056
1992	887	144,254	163	1,125	39,820	14,647	48,408	11,595	6,020	10,764	13,000
1997 ⁵	782	129,380	165	1,373	43,881	8,249	38,267	15,898	5,704	7,368	10,013
2002 ⁵	726	128,123	176	1,889	45,732	7,868	33,426	17,133	6,879	7,235	9,850
2007 ⁵	753	139,814	186	2,528	50,474	6,494	21,488	36,618	7,129	7,993	9,618
2012 ⁵	634	126,722	200	2,578	50,501	3,329	4,093	38,783	8,179	7,749	14,088
2017 ⁵	680	132,113	194	2,957	55,889	4,216	8,595	39,780	5,214	5,698	12,721

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	109	585	776	208	6	1	NA	1,685
1919	393	752	884	159	3	-	NA	2,191
1924	147	571	838	180	8	1	NA	1,745
1929	150	418	791	179	9	1	NA	1,548
1934	142	392	763	213	12	-	NA	1,522
1939	157	384	790	193	5	1	NA	1,530
1944	357	462	827	181	5	1	NA	1,833
1949	200	346	754	217	12	1	NA	1,530
1954	238	293	700	201	14	2	NA	1,448
1959	190	202	646	241	11	3	NA	1,293
1964	106	138	512	254	21	2	1	1,034
1969	145	142	457	252	19	1	1	1,017
1974	94	142	421	243	34	2	-	936
1978	146	115	395	250	29	2	1	938
1982	169	130	366	235	29	3	-	932
1987	132	116	338	256	49	3	1	895
1992	134	141	330	227	52	2	1	887
1997 ³	90	147	323	176	34	10	2	782
2002 ³	59	168	315	126	42	12	4	726
2007 ³	40	174	325	146	51	15	2	753
2012 ³	35	134	272	140	32	17	4	634
2017 ³	49	172	269	141	31	12	6	680

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	64,476	NA	183,268	48,059	NA	30,939
1944	NA	300,826	NA	384,497	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	407,531	515,473	442,795	159,255	110,501	NA
1954	NA	429,791	NA	459,425	242,610	NA	324,480
1959	NA	603,360	647,045	594,680	329,000	67,232	NA
1964	NA	591,985	339,165	516,185	308,575	96,620	410,535
1969	5,246,000	709,781	690,649	733,330	377,026	91,831	479,380
1974	7,968,000	1,245,000	776,000	1,024,000	546,000	162,000	1,115,000
1978	NA	2,091,000	1,444,000	1,722,000	1,078,000	309,000	1,168,000
1982	NA	2,559,000	1,081,000	2,019,000	1,846,000	330,000	1,142,000
1987	14,396,000	2,470,000	1,393,000	1,524,000	1,368,000	297,000	1,325,000
1992	17,984,000	2,548,000	1,301,000	2,029,000	1,496,000	511,000	1,931,000
1997 ²	18,347,000	2,601,000	869,000	2,280,000	³ 1,185,000	589,000	⁴ 1,788,000
2002 ²	21,391,000	3,008,000	1,890,000	2,621,000	1,486,000	528,000	1,684,000
2007 ²	21,533,000	(D)	1,682,000	2,093,000	2,492,000	619,000	2,405,000
2012 ²	26,394,000	4,785,000	1,859,000	1,873,000	2,902,000	1,227,000	3,632,000
2017 ²	26,183,000	2,174,000	1,625,000	2,156,000	1,848,000	1,976,000	2,414,000

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	9,661	5,057	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4,601	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1974	16,500	10,467	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	6,006	29	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1978	21,634	11,977	756	10,422	403	9,657	1	5,346	3,559	631
1982	29,780	17,750	1,442	15,859	433	12,030	2	7,660	3,787	328
1987	24,740	11,202	821	9,747	511	13,538	1	7,937	5,078	462
1992	31,727	18,870	956	17,232	652	12,857	1	7,367	5,164	284
1997 ³	30,395	18,666	NA	17,103	NA	11,729	1	6,830	4,468	319
2002 ³	22,354	9,543	(D)	7,288	1,473	12,812	2	5,634	5,616	65
2007 ³	28,422	11,238	2,128	7,426	1,457	17,184	(D)	5,781	10,372	(D)
2012 ³	30,929	18,418	7,683	6,998	3,405	12,512	36	2,612	9,506	23
2017 ³	31,335	19,894	9,865	5,690	4,187	11,441	13	1,220	9,871	81

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)	18	99	181	270	252	197	52.3
1974	684	245	18	97	126	251	243	194	53.4
1978	636	302	26	103	181	197	240	191	52.0
1982	607	325	27	107	176	188	237	197	51.9
1987	568	327	23	96	153	184	211	228	53.3
1992	522	365	26	87	167	202	177	228	52.9
1997 ¹	396	386	11	88	140	183	155	205	53.4
2002 ¹	443	283	8	32	104	200	176	206	55.9
2007 ¹	343	410	10	34	77	194	210	228	57.1
2012 ¹	277	357	-	26	65	145	201	197	58.3
2017 ¹	354	550	15	89	99	139	283	279	56.7

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.