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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	1,804	113,055	63	65	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	1,904	119,557	63	146	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	1,713	107,946	63	79	22,913	799	78,542	1,389	532	3,566	204
1929	1,871	117,657	63	77	24,327	5,399	67,543	13,306	4,270	1,488	1,324
1934	1,648	117,001	71	48	23,865	2,601	69,025	5,821	5,626	7,477	2,586
1939	1,485	119,078	80	63	22,378	2,222	76,338	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	1,535	117,836	77	74	22,635	1,140	21,404	52,864	6,107	11,370	2,316
1949	1,399	122,264	87	110	22,660	1,808	69,990	9,596	7,339	7,742	3,129
1954	1,345	112,714	84	127	19,495	3,669	57,323	11,732	6,169	11,309	3,017
1959	1,039	112,678	108	158	17,857	1,050	54,394	22,311	5,104	6,293	5,669
1964	898	108,145	120	204	14,084	4,363	59,849	10,473	4,785	12,195	2,355
1969	715	105,257	147	239	14,075	5,419	50,087	NA	³ 19,819	NA	⁴ 15,857
1974	698	112,930	162	343	16,002	5,616	49,998	NA	³ 22,568	NA	⁴ 18,746
1978	721	105,116	146	660	18,088	5,441	49,144	8,913	5,227	9,834	8,469
1982	786	118,899	151	687	22,271	6,140	47,700	16,359	6,772	9,704	9,953
1987	733	117,446	160	717	21,894	9,548	47,651	14,725	5,639	8,425	9,564
1992	657	112,409	171	691	22,700	6,438	41,838	15,234	5,375	10,406	10,418
1997 ⁵	602	106,012	176	1,053	21,481	6,907	38,346	14,406	4,365	10,999	9,508
2002 ⁵	582	105,524	181	1,260	28,797	3,124	36,233	19,947	4,286	7,536	5,601
2007 ⁵	603	110,198	183	1,976	33,328	3,003	19,131	36,269	4,036	7,841	6,590
2012 ⁵	570	102,192	179	2,159	32,352	4,380	4,191	38,418	5,928	6,096	10,827
2017 ⁵	556	92,873	167	2,322	25,316	4,547	9,513	36,946	3,707	6,514	6,330

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	221	813	652	111	6	1	NA	1,804
1919	284	847	660	104	7	2	NA	1,904
1924	213	808	594	91	6	1	NA	1,713
1929	327	801	627	102	11	3	NA	1,871
1934	301	629	582	122	11	3	NA	1,648
1939	171	514	668	121	9	2	NA	1,485
1944	237	526	640	123	8	1	NA	1,535
1949	167	417	663	140	11	1	NA	1,399
1954	220	393	596	127	8	1	NA	1,345
1959	152	236	478	158	13	2	NA	1,039
1964	151	160	397	168	21	-	1	898
1969	89	96	345	156	26	2	1	715
1974	71	99	329	158	36	4	1	698
1978	71	137	312	166	33	2	-	721
1982	85	152	344	163	34	7	1	786
1987	77	128	320	171	29	7	1	733
1992	71	109	291	145	31	7	3	657
1997 ³	38	133	253	132	38	6	2	602
2002 ³	21	141	254	128	30	7	1	582
2007 ³	18	121	288	133	31	9	3	603
2012 ³	17	116	275	128	22	9	3	570
2017 ³	22	124	252	122	31	4	1	556

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	56,944	NA	105,558	NA	NA	19,549
1944	NA	206,498	NA	173,284	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	277,201	444,239	334,783	87,863	79,072	NA
1954	NA	206,365	NA	212,320	112,865	NA	173,805
1959	NA	261,055	260,335	257,720	183,410	35,920	NA
1964	NA	425,985	216,195	347,825	233,255	44,498	208,345
1969	3,319,000	409,962	413,560	576,756	231,291	38,802	232,967
1974	5,551,000	721,000	564,000	700,000	384,000	71,000	634,000
1978	NA	882,000	765,000	806,000	671,000	143,000	427,000
1982	NA	876,000	779,000	1,677,000	1,474,000	149,000	583,000
1987	8,421,000	872,000	1,648,000	1,182,000	668,000	157,000	678,000
1992	10,090,000	785,000	1,070,000	1,726,000	942,000	227,000	927,000
1997 ²	10,873,000	713,000	982,000	1,579,000	³ 814,000	395,000	⁴ 797,000
2002 ²	12,529,000	1,100,000	1,176,000	1,753,000	1,164,000	164,000	892,000
2007 ²	14,592,000	1,676,000	1,336,000	1,312,000	1,818,000	327,000	1,442,000
2012 ²	21,243,000	4,387,000	3,007,000	2,189,000	2,104,000	448,000	1,815,000
2017 ²	22,120,000	3,235,000	2,631,000	2,668,000	1,406,000	741,000	1,769,000

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
	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>	<i>(Thousand Dollars)</i>
1969	5,448	3,133	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2,291	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1974	9,413	5,839	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3,543	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1978	11,264	6,619	91	5,765	302	4,645	(D)	934	3,216	302
1982	18,139	12,045	189	11,492	298	6,094	(D)	(D)	4,033	178
1987	13,625	6,909	89	6,063	308	6,716	(D)	527	4,819	145
1992	18,096	12,546	184	11,058	480	5,550	(D)	363	4,805	79
1997 ³	15,626	10,753	NA	10,097	NA	4,873	2	401	3,951	70
2002 ³	11,875	6,106	(D)	4,991	350	5,769	(D)	356	4,601	(D)
2007 ³	15,718	6,702	275	4,997	1,091	9,016	19	393	7,676	4
2012 ³	20,739	10,488	1,463	6,467	2,355	10,251	46	147	9,221	(D)
2017 ³	25,939	12,797	1,824	8,657	2,213	13,142	183	632	11,787	(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)	15	68	112	194	184	142	52.9
1974	481	208	13	68	114	172	156	166	52.6
1978	409	312	13	95	128	148	176	161	52.3
1982	455	331	20	100	153	165	173	175	51.6
1987	391	342	9	79	130	152	155	208	54.3
1992	346	311	14	75	126	130	114	198	53.6
1997 ¹	295	307	6	65	117	128	129	157	53.8
2002 ¹	345	237	2	23	134	135	126	162	55.0
2007 ¹	264	339	7	27	100	181	134	154	55.0
2012 ¹	281	289	4	24	71	167	141	163	56.9
2017 ¹	371	359	28	25	121	146	181	229	55.9

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.