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**CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE**  
**FARMS: NUMBER, ACRES, VALUE AND LAND USE, 1909 - 2017 <sup>1</sup>**

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms	Avg Size of Farm	Avg Value of Land & Bldgs per Acre	Land Use						
					Cropland			Other Pasture <sup>2</sup>	Other Land	Woodland	
					Harvested	Not Harvested	Pasture <sup>2</sup>			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	4,583	481,370	105	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1919	4,471	410,591	92	24	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1924	5,285	316,821	60	27	41,900	19,879	38,850	10,865	3,986	37,343	163,998
1929	4,205	326,015	78	28	43,022	24,482	45,823	14,137	10,987	37,679	149,885
1934	6,390	318,209	50	17	45,900	14,067	43,331	6,724	16,546	71,093	120,548
1939	6,633	318,785	48	27	46,213	22,529	51,024	NA	NA	NA	NA
1944	6,818	300,011	44	33	32,486	7,202	70,973	54,818	9,253	27,325	97,954
1949	4,088	212,304	52	67	14,383	21,601	31,362	8,565	14,862	40,720	80,811
1954	3,913	196,650	50	64	13,339	21,486	24,715	8,039	5,460	36,022	87,589
1959	2,049	150,549	74	90	8,185	9,369	15,488	5,754	11,043	28,404	72,306
1964	788	70,114	89	98	2,252	8,331	6,770	2,581	2,484	16,265	31,417
1969	154	20,105	131	121	921	492	2,122	NA	<sup>3</sup> 3,873	NA	<sup>4</sup> 12,697
1974	91	13,008	143	286	741	292	1,238	NA	<sup>3</sup> 1,994	NA	<sup>4</sup> 8,743
1978	51	9,175	180	884	586	299	430	203	555	1,484	5,618
1982	53	8,633	163	629	602	56	631	241	534	2,622	3,947
1987	38	4,809	127	747	475	109	400	416	163	1,554	1,692
1992	57	6,158	108	891	595	(D)	(D)	402	670	(D)	(D)
1997 <sup>5</sup>	44	6,576	149	923	662	67	910	412	358	1,451	2,716
2002 <sup>5</sup>	45	7,194	160	1,114	728	187	955	693	70	1,998	2,563
2007 <sup>5</sup>	70	14,228	203	936	1,027	364	1,634	2,505	201	3,844	4,653
2012 <sup>5</sup>	56	13,387	239	1,334	1,401	(D)	(D)	4,395	384	(D)	(D)
2017 <sup>5</sup>	85	19,478	229	1,414	1,846	(D)	(D)	9,662	652	(D)	(D)

<sup>1</sup> Due to changes in the definition of a farm, Farm Numbers and Land in Farms are not always comparable from Census to Census.  
<sup>2</sup> Due to changes in definition and wording of question, figures for Cropland Pasture and Other Pasture are not always comparable from Census to Census. <sup>3</sup> Includes Other Pasture. <sup>4</sup> Includes Woodland Pasture. <sup>5</sup> 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 <sup>1</sup>	180 - 499 175 - 499 <sup>1</sup>	500 - 999	1,000-1,999 1,000+ <sup>2</sup>	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	696	1,312	1,817	632	96	30	NA	4,583
1919	532	1,338	2,056	457	72	16	NA	4,471
1924	1,197	1,938	1,795	311	37	7	NA	5,285
1929	341	1,734	1,744	329	45	12	NA	4,205
1934	1,365	2,933	1,820	239	26	7	NA	6,390
1939	1,590	3,082	1,703	215	32	11	NA	6,633
1944	1,546	3,270	1,773	196	28	5	NA	6,818
1949	792	1,851	1,265	155	23	2	NA	4,088
1954	797	1,841	1,125	126	21	3	NA	3,913
1959	96	1,068	754	100	18	13	NA	2,049
1964	33	394	301	44	8	5	3	788
1969	11	40	77	22	2	1	1	154
1974	13	18	39	17	3	1	-	91
1978	3	7	23	13	5	-	-	51
1982	1	10	25	13	4	-	-	53
1987	3	4	23	8	-	-	-	38
1992	8	16	20	11	2	-	-	57
1997 <sup>3</sup>	2	4	28	7	3	-	-	44
2002 <sup>3</sup>	11	5	15	12	1	1	-	45
2007 <sup>3</sup>	14	16	16	19	3	1	1	70
2012 <sup>3</sup>	6	9	25	8	4	3	1	56
2017 <sup>3</sup>	5	15	45	10	8	1	1	85

<sup>1</sup> 1909-1929. <sup>2</sup> 1909-1959. <sup>3</sup> 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 <sup>1</sup>
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
1939	NA	112,418	NA	53,228	35,439	NA	5,475
1944	NA	752,163	NA	36,075	NA	NA	NA
1949	NA	376,755	104,570	24,720	14,290	54,395	NA
1954	NA	300,830	NA	33,485	23,925	NA	24,116
1959	NA	338,560	94,110	42,790	45,775	17,636	NA
1964	NA	147,765	28,718	8,735	11,080	12,240	13,608
1969	193,000	38,050	36,350	25,159	12,464	7,893	9,702
1974	157,000	37,000	20,000	25,000	11,000	6,000	12,000
1978	NA	53,000	15,000	5,000	19,000	9,000	8,000
1982	NA	9,000	19,000	2,000	26,000	3,000	7,000
1987	132,000	11,000	15,000	8,000	16,000	5,000	10,000
1992	223,000	33,000	11,000	31,000	18,000	21,000	16,000
1997 <sup>2</sup>	265,000	39,000	28,000	3,000	<sup>3</sup> 22,000	4,000	<sup>4</sup> 19,000
2002 <sup>2</sup>	300,000	42,000	45,000	(D)	36,000	5,000	21,000
2007 <sup>2</sup>	709,000	129,000	43,000	42,000	91,000	13,000	34,000
2012 <sup>2</sup>	1,665,000	262,000	90,000	58,000	136,000	23,000	99,000
2017 <sup>2</sup>	1,358,000	304,000	64,000	201,000	137,000	27,000	31,000

<sup>1</sup> Beginning in 1987, includes cost of custom applications. <sup>2</sup> Beginning in 1997, data adjusted for coverage. <sup>3</sup> 1997 does not include utilities. <sup>4</sup> 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 <sup>1</sup>	Grains, Oilseeds	Tobacco	Hay and Other Crops	Livestock, Poultry and their Products <sup>2</sup>	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	144	43	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	100	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1974	122	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1978	189	60	9	(D)	12	129	(D)	-	72	23
1982	92	37	7	-	21	55	(D)	-	42	9
1987	115	51	(D)	10	22	64	-	-	55	7
1992	254	134	17	8	14	120	(D)	-	95	(D)
1997 <sup>3</sup>	185	57	NA	-	NA	128	(D)	-	106	(D)
2002 <sup>3</sup>	149	79	36	-	5	70	(D)	-	54	(D)
2007 <sup>3</sup>	402	82	23	-	(D)	319	18	-	252	-
2012 <sup>3</sup>	561	229	44	(D)	104	331	(D)	-	286	(D)
2017 <sup>3</sup>	744	369	104	-	195	375	(D)	-	348	(D)

<sup>1</sup> Includes a value of crops not listed. <sup>2</sup> Includes values of other livestock and livestock products not listed. <sup>3</sup> 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 <sup>1</sup>**

Year	Operators by <sup>2</sup>								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	
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	
1969	(NA)	(NA)	2	9	18	24	49	52	57.4
1974	46	43	2	2	5	12	22	46	61.2
1978	20	31	-	3	8	12	9	19	58.1
1982	19	34	1	2	5	8	14	23	60.0
1987	7	31	-	4	10	4	10	10	54.6
1992	9	48	-	1	9	9	15	23	59.3
1997 <sup>1</sup>	11	33	-	8	4	9	9	14	55.1
2002 <sup>1</sup>	25	20	-	1	11	6	12	15	57.2
2007 <sup>1</sup>	23	47	-	-	16	16	26	12	56.2
2012 <sup>1</sup>	24	32	-	-	-	15	17	24	60.8
2017 <sup>1</sup>	70	66	6	2	17	37	34	40	56.5

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