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Louisiana Farms and Land in Farms



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**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size - Louisiana: 2011 - 2021**

Year	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	(number)		(1,000 acres)		(acres)	
2021 .....	27,400	27,400	8,000	8,000	292	292
2020 .....	27,400	27,400	8,000	8,000	292	292
2019 .....	27,400	27,400	8,000	8,000	292	292
2018 .....	27,400	27,400	8,000	8,000	292	292
2017 .....	27,400	27,400	8,000	8,000	292	292
2016 .....	27,500	27,500	8,000	8,000	291	291
2015 .....	27,600	27,600	7,900	7,900	286	286
2014 .....	27,600	27,600	7,900	7,900	286	286
2013 .....	27,700	27,700	7,900	7,900	285	285
2012 .....	28,100	28,100	7,900	7,900	281	281
2011 .....	28,500	28,500	7,850	7,850	275	275

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class - Louisiana: 2020 - 2021**

Economic sales class	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
\$1,000 - \$9,999 .....	15,400	15,300	1,100	1,050	71	69
\$10,000 - \$99,999 .....	8,700	8,700	1,900	1,900	218	218
\$100,000 - \$249,999 .....	950	970	790	790	832	814
\$250,000 - \$499,999 .....	570	590	610	610	1,070	1,034
\$500,000 - \$999,999 .....	730	740	1,050	1,050	1,438	1,419
\$1,000,000 or more .....	1,050	1,100	2,550	2,600	2,429	2,364
Total .....	27,400	27,400	8,000	8,000	292	292

## Terms and Definitions

A **farm** is “any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the year.” Government payments are included in sales. Ranches, institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian Reservations are included as farms. Places with the entire acreage enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP), and other government conservation programs are counted as farms.

The definition of a farm was first established in 1850 and has changed nine times since. The current definition was first used for the 1974 Census.

**Land in farms** consists of agricultural land used for crops, pasture, or grazing. Also included is woodland and wasteland not actually under cultivation or used for pasture or grazing, provided it was part of the farm operator’s total operation.

Land in farms includes acres in CRP, WRP, and other government conservation programs.

Land in farms includes land owned and operated as well as land rented from others. Land used rent-free is included as land rented from others. All grazing land, except land used under government permits on a per-head basis, is included as land in farms provided it was part of a farm or ranch. Land under the exclusive use of a grazing association is reported by the grazing association and included as land in farms. All land in American Indian reservations used for growing crops or grazing livestock is included as land in farms. Land in reservations not reported by individual American Indians or non-Native Americans is reported in the name of the cooperative group that used the land. In many instances, the entire American Indian reservation is reported as one farm.

**Economic sales classes** are based on the gross value of agricultural products sold. Government program payments are also included.

**Point Farms** are places that did not have \$1,000 of reported sales for the year but had sufficient crops and livestock to normally have sales of \$1,000 or more.