

2010 FARM PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES

United States Total Farm Production Expenditures were \$289 billion in 2010, up from \$287 billion in 2009. The 2010 Total Expenditures rose 0.6 percent compared to 2009 Total Expenditures. This is in contrast to a fall of 6.4 percent for 2009 Total Expenditures when compared to 2008 Total Expenditures. Total Expenditures for 2009 remain unchanged from a year ago. Expense items showing increases from the previous year were: Tractors and Self Propelled Machinery, up 17.2 percent, Rent, up 14.6 percent, Other Farm Machinery, up 6.4 percent, Seeds and Plants, up 5.2 percent, Fertilizer, Lime, and Soil Conditioners, up 4.5 percent, Fuels, up 4.0 percent, Taxes, up 3.8 percent, Farm Supplies and Repairs, up 2.6 percent, and Feed, up 0.9 percent.

Total Fuels Expense was \$12.9 billion. Diesel, the largest sub-component, was \$8.2 billion accounting for 63.1 percent. Diesel expenditures were up 13.2 percent in 2010. Gasoline was \$2.6 billion, up 4.9 percent. LP Gas was \$1.5 billion, down 24.9 percent. Other Fuels were \$0.7 billion, down 10.0 percent.

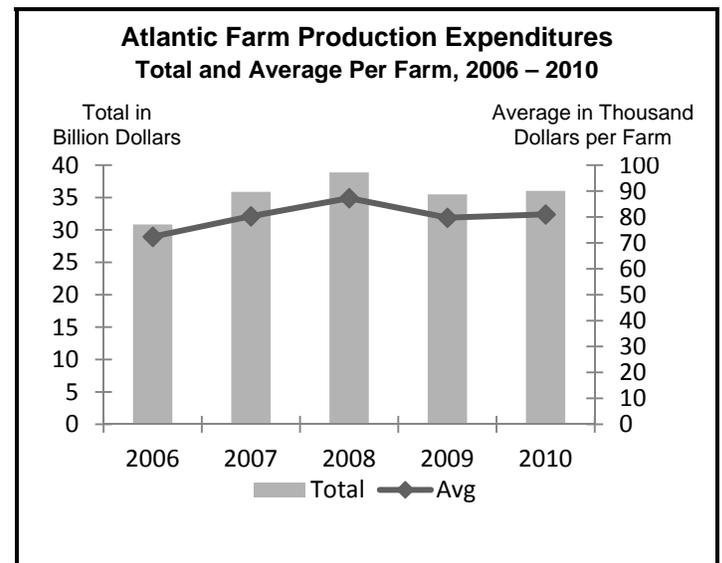
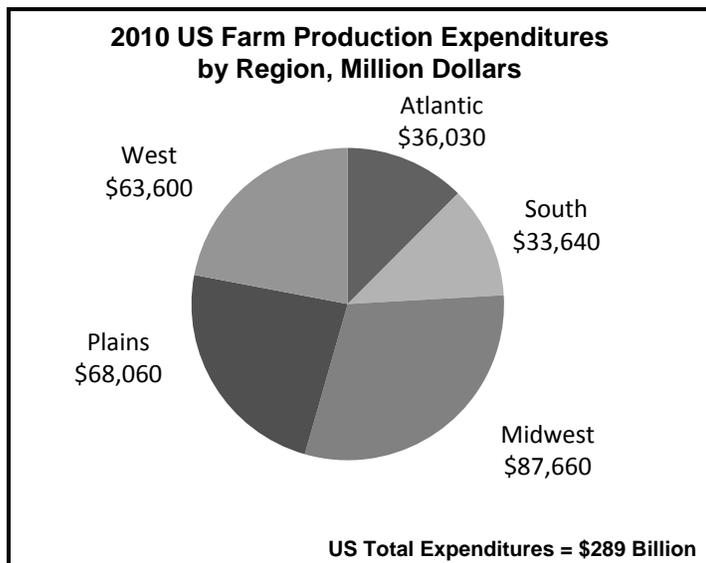
The four largest expenditures at the United States level totaled \$134.4 billion and accounted for 46.5 percent of Total Expenditures in 2010. They were Feed, 15.7 percent;

Farm Services 12.4 percent; Labor, 9.5 percent; and Rent, 9.0 percent.

In 2010, the United States Total Farm Expenditure average per farm was \$131,793 compared with \$131,137 in 2009, an increase of 0.5 percent. On average, United States farm operations spent: \$20,705 on Feed, \$16,281 on Farm Services, \$12,496 on Labor, \$11,812 on Rent, and \$11,128 on Livestock and Poultry Purchases. For 2009, United States farms spent an average of: \$20,533 on Feed, \$16,609 on Farm Services, \$13,141 on Labor, \$11,818 on Livestock and Poultry Purchases, and \$10,312 on Rent.

The three average per farm expenditures with the largest dollar increase were: Rent, up \$1,500 or 14.5 percent; Tractors and Self Propelled Equipment, up \$728, or 17.2 percent; and Fertilizer, Lime and Soil Conditioners, up \$406, or 4.4 percent.

In 2010, Total Expenditures by Region were up in the Atlantic (New England States, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia) by 1.5 percent. This was the second highest increase in expenditures for a region.



- Atlantic: CT, DE, KY, ME, MD, MA, NH, NC, NJ, NY, PA, RI, TN, VA, VT, WV
- Midwest: IL, IN, IA, MI, MN, MO, OH, WI
- Plains: KS, NE, ND, OK, SD, TX
- South: AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, SC
- West: AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA, WY



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**ANNUAL FARM PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES: Farms Reporting,
Average per Farm, and Total, Atlantic Region and United States, 2009 – 2010**^{1 2}

| Expenditure | Farms Reporting ³ | | Average per Farm ⁴ | | Total Expenditures | |
|--|------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|
| | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 |
| | Percent | | Dollars | | Million Dollars | |
| ATLANTIC | | | | | | |
| Total Farm Production Expenditures ⁵ | 100.0 | 100.0 | 79,708 | 80,994 | 35,490 | 36,030 |
| Livestock, Poultry, and Related Expenses ⁶ | 24.9 | 22.6 | 6,917 | 7,148 | 3,080 | 3,180 |
| Feed | 62.7 | 58.5 | 15,766 | 17,062 | 7,020 | 7,590 |
| Farm Services ⁷ | 94.5 | 94.3 | 10,062 | 9,846 | 4,480 | 4,380 |
| Rent ⁸ | 22.7 | 21.7 | 2,493 | 2,967 | 1,110 | 1,320 |
| Agricultural Chemicals ⁹ | 40.4 | 33.1 | 2,358 | 2,113 | 1,050 | 940 |
| Fertilizer, Lime, and Soil Conditioners ⁹ | 51.2 | 52.6 | 3,975 | 4,226 | 1,770 | 1,880 |
| Interest | 30.7 | 27.0 | 2,852 | 2,495 | 1,270 | 1,110 |
| Taxes (Real Estate and Property) | 99.9 | 99.9 | 3,436 | 3,417 | 1,530 | 1,520 |
| Labor | 27.1 | 27.5 | 8,804 | 8,115 | 3,920 | 3,610 |
| Fuels | 86.7 | 88.0 | 3,549 | 3,687 | 1,580 | 1,640 |
| Farm Supplies and Repairs ¹⁰ | 86.6 | 86.4 | 5,188 | 5,507 | 2,310 | 2,450 |
| Farm Improvements and Construction ¹¹ | 52.6 | 50.1 | 5,705 | 4,631 | 2,540 | 2,060 |
| Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery | 15.6 | 16.7 | 2,538 | 3,417 | 1,130 | 1,520 |
| Other Farm Machinery | 17.2 | 20.6 | 1,258 | 1,484 | 560 | 660 |
| Seeds and Plants ¹² | 40.1 | 38.0 | 3,504 | 3,484 | 1,560 | 1,550 |
| Trucks and Autos | 15.4 | 15.3 | 1,235 | 1,281 | 550 | 570 |
| Miscellaneous Capital Expenses ¹³ | 6.2 | 6.4 | 67 | 112 | 30 | 50 |
| UNITED STATES | | | | | | |
| Total Farm Production Expenditures ⁵ | 100.0 | 100.0 | 131,137 | 131,793 | 287,400 | 288,990 |
| Livestock, Poultry, and Related Expenses ⁶ | 25.1 | 23.2 | 11,818 | 11,128 | 25,900 | 24,400 |
| Feed | 56.9 | 57.0 | 20,533 | 20,705 | 45,000 | 45,400 |
| Farm Services ⁷ | 92.8 | 93.2 | 16,609 | 16,281 | 36,400 | 35,700 |
| Rent ⁸ | 29.3 | 28.3 | 10,312 | 11,812 | 22,600 | 25,900 |
| Agricultural Chemicals ⁹ | 44.8 | 40.0 | 5,247 | 4,834 | 11,500 | 10,600 |
| Fertilizer, Lime, and Soil Conditioners ⁹ | 47.8 | 48.7 | 9,171 | 9,577 | 20,100 | 21,000 |
| Interest | 36.2 | 34.5 | 5,019 | 4,652 | 11,000 | 10,200 |
| Taxes (Real Estate and Property) | 99.6 | 99.3 | 4,745 | 4,925 | 10,400 | 10,800 |
| Labor | 28.8 | 28.3 | 13,141 | 12,496 | 28,800 | 27,400 |
| Fuels | 82.5 | 82.8 | 5,658 | 5,883 | 12,400 | 12,900 |
| Farm Supplies and Repairs ¹⁰ | 81.0 | 79.8 | 7,072 | 7,251 | 15,500 | 15,900 |
| Farm Improvements and Construction ¹¹ | 53.9 | 50.9 | 6,434 | 5,746 | 14,100 | 12,600 |
| Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery | 21.2 | 20.4 | 4,243 | 4,971 | 9,300 | 10,900 |
| Other Farm Machinery | 22.7 | 22.2 | 2,145 | 2,280 | 4,700 | 5,000 |
| Seeds and Plants ¹² | 38.2 | 38.1 | 7,072 | 7,434 | 15,500 | 16,300 |
| Trucks and Autos | 21.2 | 19.4 | 1,825 | 1,733 | 4,000 | 3,800 |
| Miscellaneous Capital Expenses ¹³ | 13.3 | 11.6 | 91 | 87 | 200 | 190 |

¹ Atlantic Region consists of CT, DE, KY, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, TN, VA, VT, WV.

² United States excludes AK and HI.

³ Number of farms reporting item divided by total number of farms.

⁴ Total expenditures divided by total number of farms. Items may not sum to total due to rounding.

⁵ Includes landlord and contractor share of farm production expenses. May not add due to rounding.

⁶ Includes purchases and leasing of livestock and poultry.

⁷ Includes all crop custom work, veterinary custom services, transportation costs, marketing charges, insurance, leasing of machinery and equipment, general and miscellaneous business expenses, and utilities.

⁸ Rent includes cash rent paid, share rent, plus public and private grazing fees.

⁹ Includes material and application costs.

¹⁰ This expense includes bedding/litter, marketing containers, power farm shop equipment, oils and lubricants, temporary fencing, miscellaneous non-capital equipment and supplies, repairs and maintenance of equipment not depreciated, and other small, non-capital equipment.

¹¹ Includes all expenditures related to new construction or repairs of building, fences, operator dwelling (if dwelling is owned by operation), and any improvements to physical structures of land.

¹² All purchases of seed, plants, or seed treatments for nursery and farming operation are included. Bedding plants, nursery stock, and seed purchased for resale are excluded.

¹³ Miscellaneous Capital Expense records any capital expenses not recorded in specific items on the questionnaire. It was estimated for the first time in 2005. Due the small size of this expense, a zero in this line-item denotes less than 5 million dollars. Average value derived from expenditure rounding to zero will also be zero.

SOURCE: *Farm Production Expenditures – 2010 Summary*, August 2, 2011, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.