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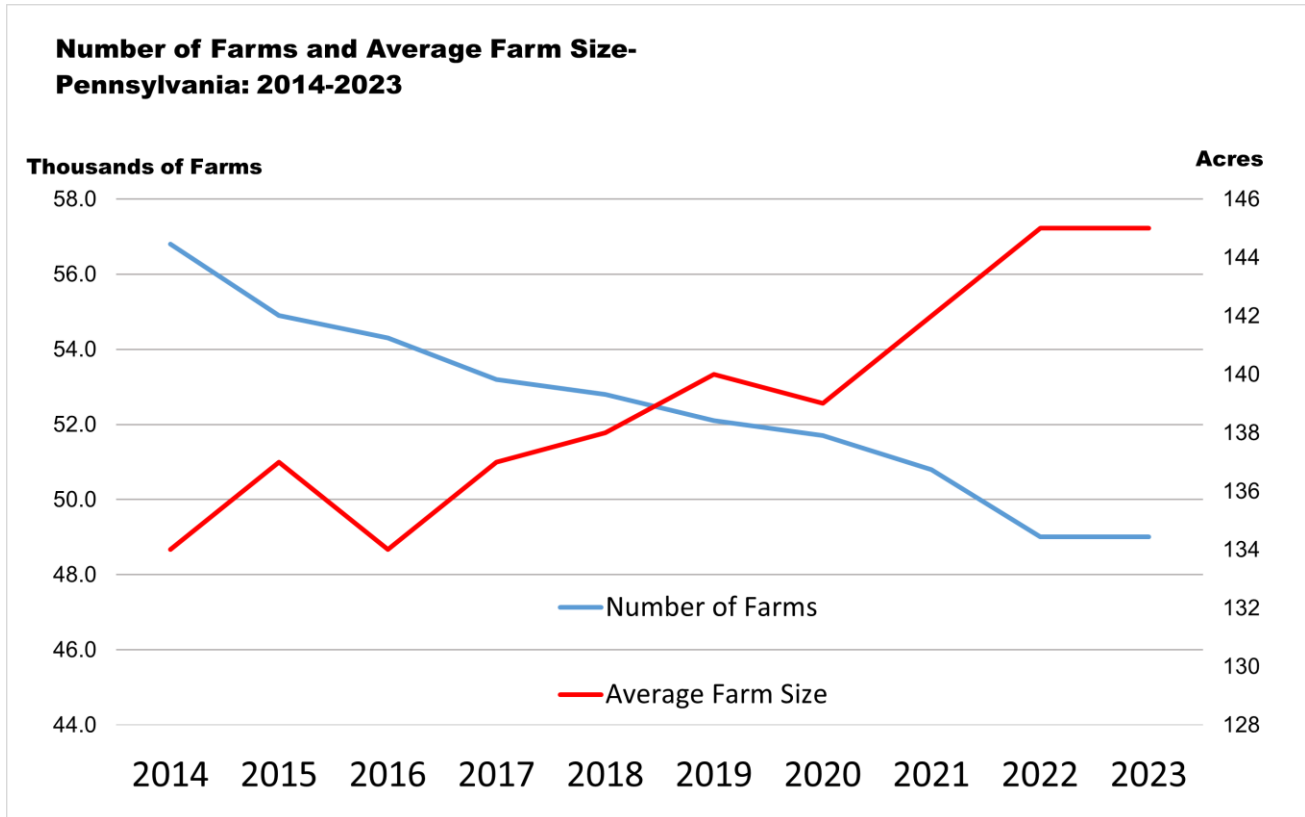


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Farm numbers and land in farms unchanged in Pennsylvania

The number of farms in Pennsylvania for 2023 is estimated at 49,000, unchanged from 2022, according to Charles Butler, acting director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Office. Total land in farms, at 7.10 million acres, was unchanged from 2022. The average farm size for 2023 is 145 acres, unchanged from the previous year.



Farm numbers and land in farms are differentiated by six economic sales classes. Farms and ranches are classified into these six sales classes by summing the sales of agricultural products and government program payments. Sales class breaks occur at \$10,000, \$100,000, \$250,000, \$500,000, and \$1,000,000. In 2021, the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) implemented a statistical modeling approach to generate survey indications. This approach was in response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on data collection processes and the suspension of in-person data collection.

Pennsylvania Highlights

Changes in the number of farms by sales class are:

- Sales Class \$1,000 - \$9,999 at 22,000 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$10,000 - \$99,999 at 15,400 farms, down 300.
- Sales Class \$100,000 - \$249,999 at 4,400 farms, down 150.
- Sales Class \$250,000 - \$499,999 at 2,900 farms, down 50.
- Sales Class \$500,000 - \$999,999 at 1,600 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more at 2,700 farms, up 500.

Farmland changes by sales class are:

- Sales Class \$1,000 - \$9,999 at 1,300 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$10,000 - \$99,999 at 1,800 thousand acres, down 100 thousand.
- Sales Class \$100,000 - \$249,999 at 1,050 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$250,000 - \$499,999 at 830 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$500,000 - \$999,999 at 620 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more at 1,500 thousand acres, up 100 thousand.

Average sizes of farms by sales class are:

- Sales Class \$1,000 - \$9,999: 59 acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$10,000 - \$99,999: 117 acres, down 4.
- Sales Class \$100,000 - \$249,999: 239 acres, up 8.
- Sales Class \$250,000 - \$499,999: 286 acres, up 5.
- Sales Class \$500,000 - \$999,999: 388 acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more: 556 acres, down 80.

The complete 'Farms and Land in Farms' report is available online at <https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/5712m6524>. The 'Farms and Land in Farms' report and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

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