

NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE



United States Department of Agriculture • Northern Plains Region 4301 West 57th St. Suite 103, Sioux Falls, SD 57108 • (800) 582-6443

www.nass.usda.gov

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Erik Gerlach (800) 582-6443 erik.gerlach@usda.gov

IRRIGATION ORGANIZATIONS

LINCOLN, Neb. December 17, 2020 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service has released the results of its 2019 Survey of Irrigation Organizations. In 2019, for the High Plains region, which consists of Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas, there were 177 organizations directly involved in the management of local water supplies- both groundwater and surface water- for irrigation on farms and ranches.

In the High Plains region, organizations delivering off-farm water served, on average, 103 farms covering 11,544 irrigated acres. Organizations involved with groundwater management serviced, on average, 514 farms covering 166,069 acres and 2,118 irrigation wells.

Water delivery organizations in the High Plains region received 4,968,403 acre-feet of water in 2019. The organizations delivered and/or released 4,786,903 acre-feet of water in 2019, with 1,195,063 acre-feet going to farms and ranches.

Access the National publication for this release at: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/x920gg177

###

NASS is the federal statistical agency responsible for producing official data about U.S. agriculture and is committed to providing timely, accurate and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture.

We invite you to provide occasional feedback on our products and services. Sign up at http://bit.ly/NASS_Subscriptions and look for the "NASS Data User Community."

USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer. To file a complaint of discrimination, write to USDA, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Stop 9410, Washington, DC 20250-9410, or call toll-free at (866) 632-9992 (English) or (800) 877-8339 (TDD)or (866) 377-8642 (English Federal-relay) or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish Federal-relay).