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Virginia Farm Numbers down 3 percent from 2014

The number of farms in the Virginia in 2015 is estimated at 44,700. This is down 1,200 farms from 2014. The number of farms with less than \$100,000 in agricultural sales decreased 1,300 farms, while operations with more than \$100,000 increased by 100 farms. Total land in farms, at 8.1 million acres, decreased 100,000 from 2014. The average farm size is 181 acres, up 2 acres from the previous year.

NUMBER OF FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, and AVERAGE FARM SIZE by STATE, 2014-2015							
State	Number of Farms		Land in Farms		Average farm size		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	
	<i>number</i>		<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>acres</i>		
Kentucky	76,400	76,400	13,000	13,000	170	170	
Maryland	12,300	12,200	2,030	2,020	165	166	
North Carolina	49,500	48,800	8,400	8,300	170	170	
Pennsylvania	58,800	57,900	7,720	7,700	131	133	
Tennessee	67,300	67,300	10,900	10,900	162	162	
Virginia	45,900	44,700	8,200	8,100	179	181	
West Virginia	21,300	20,900	3,600	3,600	169	172	

NUMBER OF FARMS: ECONOMIC SALES CLASS by STATE, 2014-2015												
State	Economic Sales Class											
	\$1,000-\$9,999		\$10,000-\$99,999		\$100,000-\$249,999		\$250,000-\$499,999		\$500,000-\$999,999		\$1,000,000 or more	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
<i>number</i>												
Kentucky	42,700	42,000	26,900	27,400	3,100	3,300	1,500	1,500	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
Maryland	6,600	6,500	3,500	3,500	600	600	650	650	400	400	550	550
North Carolina	28,000	27,500	12,800	12,800	2,000	1,800	1,500	1,500	1,600	1,600	3,600	3,600
Pennsylvania	26,700	26,100	19,900	19,400	5,500	5,600	3,550	3,600	1,900	1,950	1,250	1,250
Tennessee	43,400	42,400	19,500	20,200	1,750	2,000	950	950	800	850	900	900
Virginia	26,300	25,600	14,700	14,100	1,850	1,950	1,200	1,200	1,050	1,050	800	800
West Virginia	15,100	14,600	5,300	5,400	400	400	150	150	170	170	180	180