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2024 FARM NUMBERS AND LAND IN FARMS

Charleston, West Virginia – The number of farms in West Virginia totaled 22,600 in 2024, down 200 farms from 2023. The total land in farms was 3.50 million acres, unchanged from 2023. The average farm size was 155 acres, up 1 acre from 2023.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$1,000 - \$9,999** economic sales class totaled 15,400 in 2024, down 300 farms from 2023. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 1.45 million acres, down 50,000 acres from 2023. The average farm size for this sales class was 94 acres, down 2 acres from 2023.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$10,000 - \$99,999** economic sales class totaled 6,300 in 2024, up 100 farms from 2023. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 1.45 million acres, up 50,000 acres from 2023. The average farm size for this sales class was 230 acres, up 4 acres from 2023.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$100,000 - \$249,999** economic sales class totaled 400 in 2024, up 20 farms from 2023. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 210,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from 2023. The average farm size for this sales class was 525 acres, down 1 acre from 2023.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$250,000 - \$499,999** economic sales class totaled 130 in 2024, down 20 farms from 2023. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 100,000 acres, unchanged from 2023. The average farm size for this sales class was 769 acres, up 102 acres from 2023.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$500,000 - \$999,999** economic sales class totaled 160 in 2024, up 10 farms from 2023. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 100,000 acres, unchanged from 2023. The average farm size for this sales class was 625 acres, down 42 acres from 2023.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$1,000,000** or more economic sales class totaled 210 in 2024, down 10 farms from 2023. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 190,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from 2023. The average farm size for this sales class was 905 acres, down 4 acres from 2023.

United States – The number of farms in the United States for 2024 is estimated at 1,880,000, down 14,950 farms from 2023. The number of farms decreased in all sales classes except the \$1,000,000 or more sales class. In 2024, 48.1 percent of all farms had less than \$10,000 in sales and 78.9 percent of all farms had less than \$100,000 in sales. In 2024, 9.8 percent of all farms had sales of \$500,000 or more.

Total land in farms, at 876,460,000 acres, decreased 2,100,000 acres from 2023. The biggest change for 2024 is that producers in Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more operated 1,490,000 more acres than in 2023. In 2024, 25.9 percent of all farmland was operated by farms with less than \$100,000 in sales, while 50.0 percent of all farmland was operated by farms with sales of \$500,000 or more. **The average farm size** for 2024 is 466 acres, up from 464 acres the previous year.