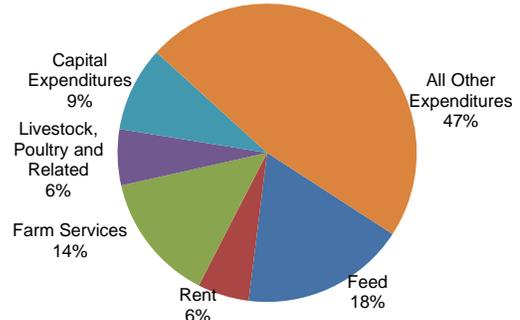




Wisconsin farm production expenditures totaled \$10.1 billion in 2018, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Farm Production Expenditures 2018 Summary* report. This was a decrease of 12 percent from the 2017 total expenditures. Feed expense, which declined more than 7 percent to \$1.79 billion, represented the largest single production expense in Wisconsin in 2018, accounting for 18 percent of the total. Expenditures for Farm Services was the second largest expense category, totaling \$1.40 billion and accounted for nearly 14 percent of the total. This was down 12 percent from 2017. The largest percentage increases from last year were for Fuels (up 7 percent), Labor (up 6 percent), Taxes (up 5 percent), and Seeds and Plants (up 3 percent). Four expense categories were down 35 percent or more from 2017. They were Trucks and Autos (down 67 percent), Farm Improvements and Construction (down 58 percent), Other Farm Machinery (down 45 percent), and Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery (down 36 percent).

Farm Production Expenditures - Wisconsin: 2018



Farm Production Expenditures – Wisconsin: 2017-2018

Expenditure - Farm Share	Farms Reporting ¹		Average per Farm ²		Total Expenditures	
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
	(percent)	(percent)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(million dollars)	(million dollars)
Livestock, Poultry and Related Expenses ⁴	30.9	32.2	9,722	9,414	630	610
Feed	55.9	57.2	29,784	27,623	1,930	1,790
Farm Services ⁵	95.7	91.6	24,537	21,605	1,590	1,400
Rent ⁶	33.9	31.7	8,951	8,642	580	560
Agricultural Chemicals ⁷	49.8	47.5	5,556	4,938	360	320
Fertilizer, Lime and Soil Conditioners ⁷	53.7	53.7	11,111	10,185	720	660
Interest.....	44.3	40.2	6,944	7,099	450	460
Taxes (Real Estate and Property)	100.0	100.0	5,864	6,173	380	400
Labor	23.7	23.4	16,204	17,130	1,050	1,110
Fuel.....	85.0	80.1	5,710	6,096	370	395
Farm Supplies and Repairs ⁸	86.0	79.8	12,191	10,802	790	700
Farm Improvements and Construction ⁹	58.1	52.1	14,660	6,173	950	400
Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery	18.3	12.2	6,790	4,321	440	280
Other Farm Machinery	23.5	25.7	4,784	2,623	310	170
Seeds and Plants ¹⁰	55.4	56.2	10,802	11,111	700	720
Trucks and Autos	14.7	8.9	2,315	772	150	50
Miscellaneous Capital Expenses.....	6.3	7.3	386	386	25	25
Total Farm Production Expenditures³	100.0	100.0	176,312	155,093	11,425	10,050

¹ Number of farms reporting item divided by total number of farms.

² The average per farm is computed by dividing the line-item total expense by the total number of farms at that level. Totals may not add due to rounding.

³ Includes the operator, landlord, and contractor shares of farm production expenses. Totals may not add due to rounding.

⁴ Includes purchases and leasing of livestock and poultry. Intra-state and inter-state transfers of livestock are captured.

⁵ Includes all crop custom work, veterinary custom services, transportation costs, marketing charges, insurance, leasing of machinery and equipment, utilities, general expenses, and miscellaneous business expenses.

⁶ Includes cash rent paid, share rent, plus public and private grazing fees.

⁷ Includes material and application costs.

⁸ Includes bedding and 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.

⁹ Includes all expenditures related to new construction or repairs of buildings, fences, operator dwelling (if dwelling is owned by operation), and any improvements to physical structures of land.

¹⁰ 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.