

**Table 1. Historical Highlights: 2017 and Earlier Census Years**

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All farms	2017	2012	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage		
						1997	1992	1987
Farms .....number	35,793	37,249	39,284	35,939	40,113	29,011	30,264	33,559
Land in farms .....acres	14,679,857	14,748,107	14,972,789	15,318,008	15,778,606	15,179,710	15,726,007	16,115,568
Average size of farm .....acres	410	396	381	426	393	523	520	480
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....dollars	1,143,889	910,249	759,146	623,333	520,306	634,619	468,482	355,976
Average per acre .....dollars	2,789	2,299	1,992	1,486	1,292	1,192	892	739
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....\$1,000	4,354,524	3,672,289	3,278,858	2,690,548	2,325,580	2,021,640	1,843,190	1,537,272
Average per farm .....dollars	121,662	98,588	83,468	80,212	57,987	69,693	61,053	45,905
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	11,523	10,559	9,211	7,482	9,208	5,195	5,408	6,040
10 to 49 acres .....	12,323	12,980	14,790	13,187	14,791	9,727	10,115	11,362
50 to 179 acres .....	5,501	6,537	7,307	7,223	7,646	6,250	6,536	7,216
180 to 499 acres .....	2,623	3,071	3,479	3,439	3,536	3,138	3,336	3,796
500 to 999 acres .....	1,235	1,508	1,731	1,635	1,770	1,618	1,699	1,855
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	996	1,123	1,218	1,364	1,502	1,436	1,461	1,626
2,000 acres or more .....	1,592	1,471	1,548	1,609	1,660	1,647	1,709	1,664
Total cropland .....farms	24,234	25,045	26,005	28,184	30,082	24,656	25,765	28,891
Harvested cropland.....acres	7,488,625	7,526,742	7,609,210	8,038,469	8,291,529	7,913,709	7,999,419	8,168,454
Irrigated land .....farms	20,338	20,846	20,091	21,802	24,168	20,445	21,282	24,027
.....acres	4,472,130	4,342,904	4,387,169	4,894,634	5,160,717	4,895,633	4,734,673	4,597,476
.....farms	14,887	14,736	15,492	15,534	16,261	13,131	14,068	15,437
.....acres	1,689,377	1,633,571	1,735,917	1,823,155	1,787,120	1,705,025	1,641,437	1,518,684
Market value of agricultural products sold (see text) .....\$1,000	9,634,461	9,120,749	6,792,856	5,330,740	4,947,886	4,767,727	3,821,222	2,919,634
Average per farm .....dollars	269,172	244,859	172,917	148,327	123,349	164,342	126,263	87,000
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....\$1,000	6,983,383	6,492,042	4,754,898	3,582,818	3,403,524	3,251,291	2,451,605	1,688,656
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....\$1,000	2,651,078	2,628,708	2,037,958	1,747,922	1,544,362	1,516,436	1,369,617	1,230,978
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	16,663	16,900	18,443	15,005	16,290	8,698	8,980	10,599
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	3,675	4,084	3,817	3,244	4,617	3,299	3,489	4,166
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	3,622	3,542	3,717	3,106	3,674	2,954	3,078	3,507
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	3,051	3,398	3,423	3,454	3,805	3,242	3,327	3,684
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	1,877	1,843	2,190	2,378	2,294	1,972	2,305	2,668
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	1,341	1,380	1,729	2,157	2,343	2,093	2,426	2,995
\$100,000 to \$499,999 .....	3,033	3,367	3,529	4,634	5,145	4,872	5,243	4,978
\$500,000 or more .....	2,531	2,735	2,436	1,961	1,945	1,881	1,416	962
Farms by legal status for tax purposes:								
Family or individual .....	28,864	30,167	32,547	30,525	33,711	23,466	25,126	28,289
Partnership .....	2,396	2,685	2,932	2,280	2,998	2,548	2,675	2,850
Corporation .....	3,694	3,463	3,266	2,748	3,112	2,776	2,271	2,248
Other - estate or trust, prison farm, grazing association, American Indian Reservation, etc. ....	839	934	539	386	292	221	192	172
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....\$1,000	8,464,073	7,839,554	5,390,313	4,430,693	3,795,253	3,607,282	3,122,970	2,425,028
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :								
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased ....\$1,000	464,019	424,941	326,256	394,109	361,019	353,157	360,704	320,026
Feed purchased .....\$1,000	947,523	1,106,416	663,387	471,553	506,594	495,975	445,993	341,396
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased <sup>2</sup> .....\$1,000	517,903	519,041	380,358	231,964	242,558	231,396	185,614	153,949
Gasoline, fuels, and oils purchased .....\$1,000	284,610	353,923	265,061	145,339	133,534	124,646	115,163	90,991
Hired farm labor .....\$1,000	2,181,251	1,713,124	1,151,383	987,399	810,500	771,003	601,614	420,768
Interest expense .....\$1,000	241,961	244,078	219,629	248,172	228,197	214,518	191,779	176,125
Chemicals purchased .....\$1,000	582,391	498,212	317,784	262,331	219,606	208,739	170,128	132,723
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....farms	11,311	11,861	12,731	12,215	17,381	11,721	13,484	15,434
.....number	1,155,544	1,162,792	1,088,846	1,100,181	1,211,350	1,204,265	1,270,275	1,304,673
Beef cows .....farms	9,295	9,285	10,065	9,128	11,735	8,627	10,799	12,799
.....number	239,154	211,852	274,001	248,664	301,814	304,473	310,554	334,966
Milk cows .....farms	661	798	817	1,208	1,590	1,302	1,842	2,410
.....number	276,914	266,989	243,132	246,753	247,437	247,191	242,787	220,849
Cattle and calves sold .....farms	7,985	8,420	9,521	14,401	10,857	12,259	14,371	15,437
.....number	933,817	877,290	912,299	1,081,584	1,109,756	1,086,270	1,014,365	1,089,642
Hogs and pigs inventory .....farms	1,126	934	1,463	961	1,219	978	1,407	1,525
.....number	19,809	19,861	28,545	30,289	40,152	38,030	56,171	59,195
Hogs and pigs sold .....farms	1,345	1,303	1,067	1,067	1,092	818	1,150	1,355
.....number	26,544	27,141	58,917	80,159	76,981	72,045	93,660	104,934
Layers inventory (see text) .....farms	6,451	6,276	4,878	2,533	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....number	7,128,683	7,236,128	5,785,648	5,008,881	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....farms	377	527	307	327	222	162	164	245
.....number	27,101,183	28,252,490	31,669,170	33,017,116	30,327,052	30,183,641	33,720,007	36,068,869
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain .....farms	485	575	550	382	560	514	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	108,107	114,516	118,665	73,703	87,564	84,300	(NA)	(NA)
.....bushels	24,480,326	23,824,561	24,553,928	14,155,973	16,725,028	16,163,861	(NA)	(NA)
Corn for silage or greenchop .....farms	448	529	537	596	667	633	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	97,007	93,239	83,353	63,303	54,424	53,417	(NA)	(NA)
.....tons	2,573,631	2,320,924	2,129,010	1,633,993	1,366,377	1,340,460	(NA)	(NA)
Wheat for grain, all .....farms	2,506	2,871	2,612	3,414	4,416	4,097	5,032	5,562
.....acres	2,219,069	2,186,813	2,096,350	2,355,451	2,584,849	2,422,506	2,495,940	2,160,641
.....bushels	145,728,346	141,020,565	120,617,390	128,410,931	160,547,364	151,124,143	120,833,207	114,781,997
Durum wheat for grain .....farms	2	3	9	21	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	3,264	1,793	1,793	5,930	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....bushels	(D)	(D)	138,646	306,205	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other spring wheat for grain (see text) .....farms	1,250	1,408	1,232	1,792	1,856	1,723	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres	(D)	514,374	441,596	546,907	416,332	379,142	(NA)	(NA)
.....bushels	(D)	(D)	20,014,978	23,571,897	22,988,799	20,973,057	(NA)	(NA)

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All farms	2017	2012	2007	2002	1997	Not adjusted for coverage		
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Selected crops harvested: - Con.								
Wheat for grain, all - Con.								
Winter wheat for grain .....	farms 2,127	2,415	2,303	3,002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 1,711,889	1,669,175	1,652,961	1,802,614	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	bushels 120,494,058	112,180,184	100,463,766	104,532,829	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oats for grain .....	farms 66	139	138	251	307	286	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 3,550	6,129	8,956	12,097	12,947	13,081	(NA)	(NA)
	bushels 201,179	466,810	426,027	769,381	1,006,880	1,032,614	(NA)	(NA)
Barley for grain .....	farms 423	817	843	1,254	1,877	1,787	2,428	3,722
	acres 93,662	175,074	223,598	337,483	447,039	436,299	422,447	609,133
	bushels 5,138,688	12,073,493	13,928,713	18,934,918	31,800,594	30,939,269	19,565,135	31,889,132
Sorghum for grain .....	farms 2	2	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres (D)	(D)	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	bushels (D)	(D)	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sorghum for silage or greenchop .....	farms -	-	1	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres -	-	(D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	tons -	-	(D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans for beans .....	farms 6	2	8	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 298	(D)	725	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	bushels 13,991	(D)	27,781	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans, excluding chickpeas and limas (see text) .....	farms 216	420	269	343	347	315	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 34,788	114,506	61,055	49,429	39,891	37,155	(NA)	(NA)
	cwt 851,708	2,275,125	1,049,750	936,604	873,366	819,343	(NA)	(NA)
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop (see text) .....	farms 10,829	10,396	10,243	10,473	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 791,783	748,909	846,140	914,054	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	tons, dry equivalent 3,040,152	2,873,198	3,595,392	3,783,219	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sunflower seed, all .....	farms 36	15	4	-	17	13	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 3,951	1,603	(D)	-	(D)	758	(NA)	(NA)
	pounds 5,074,155	2,144,124	61,858	-	(D)	853,708	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets for sugar .....	farms 5	4	3	7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres (D)	(D)	2,076	3,711	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	tons (D)	(D)	80,206	130,149	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Vegetables harvested for sale <sup>3</sup> (see text) .....	farms 2,335	2,836	2,026	1,804	1,882	1,506	1,605	1,724
	acres 325,634	351,639	343,787	215,135	226,745	209,456	172,057	144,097
Potatoes .....	farms 666	1,205	618	408	458	415	431	486
	acres 167,801	163,925	157,499	159,317	156,776	155,074	129,110	110,157
Sweet potatoes .....	farms 17	-	3	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 4	-	(Z)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in orchards <sup>4</sup> .....	farms 4,803	4,846	5,470	6,108	6,781	5,700	6,220	6,839
	acres 328,112	315,456	299,174	311,194	318,256	301,376	256,282	241,423

<sup>1</sup> Data for 2002 and prior years are based on a sample of farms.

<sup>2</sup> Data for 1997 and prior years exclude cost of lime and manure.

<sup>3</sup> Data for 2002 and prior years exclude potatoes, sweet potatoes, and ginseng.

<sup>4</sup> Data for 2012 and prior years exclude pineapples.