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## **Farms and Land in Farms Highlights**

The number of farms in the United States for 2023 is estimated at 1,894,950, down 5,700 farms from 2022. The number of farms decreased in all sales classes except the \$1,000,000 or more sales class. In 2023, 48.3 percent of all farms had less than \$10,000 in sales and 79.0 percent of all farms had less than \$100,000 in sales. In 2023, 9.7 percent of all farms had sales of \$500,000 or more.

Total land in farms, at 878,560,000 acres, decreased 1,100,000 acres from 2022. The biggest change for 2023 is that producers in Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more operated 14,160,000 more acres than in 2022. In 2023, 26.2 percent of all farmland was operated by farms with less than \$100,000 in sales, while 49.8 percent of all farmland was operated by farms with sales of \$500,000 or more.

The average farm size for 2023 is 464 acres, up from 463 acres the previous year.

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size – United States: 2016-2023**

Year	Number of farms	Land in farms	Average farm size
	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)
2016 .....	2,055,340	902,680	439
2017 .....	2,042,000	900,370	441
2018 .....	2,023,200	898,860	444
2019 .....	2,007,600	894,930	446
2020 .....	1,992,200	893,110	448
2021 .....	1,959,550	888,800	454
2022 .....	1,900,650	879,660	463
2023 .....	1,894,950	878,560	464

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – United States: 2022-2023**

Economic sales class	Percent of total				Average farm size	
	Number of farms		Land in farms		2022	2023
	2022	2023	2022	2023		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(acres)	(acres)
\$1,000 - \$9,999 .....	48.3	48.3	8.7	8.5	83	82
\$10,000 - \$99,999 .....	31.0	30.7	18.3	17.7	274	267
\$100,000 - \$249,999 .....	6.7	6.6	11.6	11.2	797	785
\$250,000 - \$499,999 .....	4.6	4.6	13.1	12.7	1,314	1,283
\$500,000 - \$999,999 .....	3.7	3.7	14.5	14.3	1,813	1,788
\$1,000,000 or more .....	5.7	6.0	33.9	35.5	2,753	2,723
Total <sup>1</sup> .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	463	464

<sup>1</sup> Percent of total may not add to 100 due to rounding.

## Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size – States and United States: 2022-2023

State	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	37,400	37,100	8,600	8,600	230	232
Alaska .....	1,200	1,200	870	870	725	725
Arizona .....	16,700	16,400	25,500	25,000	1,527	1,524
Arkansas .....	37,800	37,400	13,700	13,700	362	366
California .....	63,100	62,900	24,200	23,800	384	378
Colorado .....	36,100	35,900	30,200	30,000	837	836
Connecticut .....	5,100	5,100	370	370	73	73
Delaware .....	2,150	2,150	520	520	242	242
Florida .....	44,700	44,400	9,700	9,700	217	218
Georgia .....	39,200	39,000	10,000	10,000	255	256
Hawaii .....	6,600	6,600	1,050	1,050	159	159
Idaho .....	22,900	22,600	11,500	11,500	502	509
Illinois .....	71,100	70,700	26,300	26,300	370	372
Indiana .....	53,600	53,300	14,600	14,600	272	274
Iowa .....	86,900	86,800	30,000	30,000	345	346
Kansas .....	55,700	55,500	44,800	44,800	804	807
Kentucky .....	69,400	69,100	12,400	12,400	179	179
Louisiana .....	25,000	24,800	8,000	8,000	320	323
Maine .....	7,000	7,000	1,200	1,200	171	171
Maryland .....	12,600	12,600	2,000	2,000	159	159
Massachusetts .....	7,100	7,100	470	470	66	66
Michigan .....	45,600	45,300	9,500	9,500	208	210
Minnesota .....	65,500	65,300	25,400	25,400	388	389
Mississippi .....	31,300	31,100	10,300	10,300	329	331
Missouri .....	87,900	87,600	27,000	27,000	307	308
Montana .....	24,300	24,300	57,600	57,600	2,370	2,370
Nebraska .....	44,500	44,400	44,000	44,000	989	991
Nevada .....	3,100	3,100	5,900	5,900	1,903	1,903
New Hampshire .....	3,950	3,950	420	420	106	106
New Jersey .....	10,000	10,000	700	700	70	70
New Mexico .....	20,900	20,900	39,100	39,100	1,871	1,871
New York .....	30,700	30,700	6,500	6,500	212	212
North Carolina .....	42,800	42,500	8,100	8,100	189	191
North Dakota .....	25,100	24,800	38,500	38,500	1,534	1,552
Ohio .....	76,000	75,800	13,700	13,700	180	181
Oklahoma .....	70,300	70,300	32,900	32,900	468	468
Oregon .....	35,500	35,500	15,300	15,300	431	431
Pennsylvania .....	49,000	49,000	7,100	7,100	145	145
Rhode Island .....	1,050	1,050	60	60	57	57
South Carolina .....	22,600	22,600	4,600	4,600	204	204
South Dakota .....	28,300	28,300	42,300	42,300	1,495	1,495
Tennessee .....	63,100	63,100	10,700	10,700	170	170
Texas .....	231,000	231,000	125,000	125,000	541	541
Utah .....	17,400	17,400	10,500	10,500	603	603
Vermont .....	6,500	6,500	1,200	1,200	185	185
Virginia .....	39,000	39,000	7,300	7,300	187	187
Washington .....	32,100	32,000	13,900	13,900	433	434
West Virginia .....	22,800	22,800	3,500	3,500	154	154
Wisconsin .....	58,500	58,500	13,800	13,800	236	236
Wyoming .....	10,500	10,500	28,800	28,800	2,743	2,743
United States .....	1,900,650	1,894,950	879,660	878,560	463	464

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – States and United States: 2022-2023**

State	Economic sales class: \$1,000-\$9,999					
	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	20,100	19,800	2,300	2,300	114	116
Alaska .....	630	620	230	230	365	371
Arizona .....	12,200	11,900	2,600	2,600	213	218
Arkansas .....	17,300	16,900	1,600	1,600	92	95
California .....	22,100	22,000	1,150	1,150	52	52
Colorado .....	20,500	20,300	2,300	2,300	112	113
Connecticut .....	3,100	3,100	100	100	32	32
Delaware .....	740	740	40	40	54	54
Florida .....	25,300	25,000	1,100	1,100	43	44
Georgia .....	20,800	20,600	2,300	2,300	111	112
Hawaii .....	3,600	3,600	60	60	17	17
Idaho .....	12,400	12,200	700	700	56	57
Illinois .....	24,300	23,900	1,150	1,150	47	48
Indiana .....	22,800	22,500	940	940	41	42
Iowa .....	22,600	22,400	950	950	42	42
Kansas .....	20,800	20,600	2,000	2,000	96	97
Kentucky .....	39,900	39,400	2,700	2,500	68	63
Louisiana .....	13,200	13,200	930	930	70	70
Maine .....	3,950	3,950	350	350	89	89
Maryland .....	6,700	6,700	300	300	45	45
Massachusetts .....	3,950	3,950	160	160	41	41
Michigan .....	22,600	22,600	1,000	1,000	44	44
Minnesota .....	23,000	23,000	1,600	1,600	70	70
Mississippi .....	16,900	16,900	2,200	2,200	130	130
Missouri .....	38,600	38,600	3,100	3,000	80	78
Montana .....	9,900	9,900	1,800	1,800	182	182
Nebraska .....	11,300	11,300	1,000	1,000	88	88
Nevada .....	1,500	1,500	160	160	107	107
New Hampshire .....	2,400	2,400	170	170	71	71
New Jersey .....	6,300	6,300	160	160	25	25
New Mexico .....	13,600	13,600	4,500	4,300	331	316
New York .....	13,500	13,500	940	940	70	70
North Carolina .....	23,400	23,400	1,350	1,350	58	58
North Dakota .....	6,500	6,500	1,000	1,000	154	154
Ohio .....	35,900	35,900	1,600	1,600	45	45
Oklahoma .....	35,000	35,000	3,500	3,300	100	94
Oregon .....	21,100	21,100	900	900	43	43
Pennsylvania .....	22,000	22,000	1,300	1,300	59	59
Rhode Island .....	560	560	20	10	36	18
South Carolina .....	14,500	14,500	1,400	1,400	97	97
South Dakota .....	7,000	7,000	1,100	1,100	157	157
Tennessee .....	38,700	38,700	2,600	2,500	67	65
Texas .....	140,000	140,000	13,600	13,400	97	96
Utah .....	10,100	10,100	600	600	59	59
Vermont .....	3,300	3,300	300	300	91	91
Virginia .....	21,400	21,400	1,500	1,500	70	70
Washington .....	17,900	17,800	800	800	45	45
West Virginia .....	15,700	15,700	1,500	1,500	96	96
Wisconsin .....	24,200	24,200	1,600	1,500	66	62
Wyoming .....	4,500	4,500	900	900	200	200
United States .....	918,330	914,620	76,160	75,050	83	82

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – States and United States: 2022-2023**

State	Economic sales class: \$10,000-\$99,999					
	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	12,300	12,100	2,950	2,700	240	223
Alaska .....	440	450	370	370	841	822
Arizona .....	3,200	3,200	9,000	9,000	2,813	2,813
Arkansas .....	13,600	13,400	3,300	3,300	243	246
California .....	20,400	20,000	3,600	3,000	176	150
Colorado .....	10,000	10,000	5,700	5,500	570	550
Connecticut .....	1,500	1,500	100	100	67	67
Delaware .....	460	460	40	40	87	87
Florida .....	13,200	13,000	1,850	1,850	140	142
Georgia .....	11,600	11,400	2,500	2,500	216	219
Hawaii .....	2,400	2,400	160	160	67	67
Idaho .....	5,800	5,600	1,400	1,400	241	250
Illinois .....	20,000	19,700	2,300	2,300	115	117
Indiana .....	15,700	15,400	1,400	1,400	89	91
Iowa .....	25,400	25,200	3,100	3,100	122	123
Kansas .....	19,100	19,100	5,900	5,800	309	304
Kentucky .....	23,100	23,000	3,900	3,800	169	165
Louisiana .....	8,300	8,100	1,750	1,750	211	216
Maine .....	2,250	2,250	340	340	151	151
Maryland .....	3,500	3,500	400	400	114	114
Massachusetts .....	2,200	2,200	150	150	68	68
Michigan .....	13,300	13,000	1,400	1,200	105	92
Minnesota .....	18,300	18,100	2,800	2,600	153	144
Mississippi .....	10,000	9,800	2,800	2,600	280	265
Missouri .....	34,900	34,300	7,700	7,300	221	213
Montana .....	7,000	7,000	6,700	6,300	957	900
Nebraska .....	12,700	12,700	4,000	3,900	315	307
Nevada .....	850	850	230	230	271	271
New Hampshire .....	1,200	1,200	150	150	125	125
New Jersey .....	2,450	2,450	140	140	57	57
New Mexico .....	5,300	5,300	8,100	7,600	1,528	1,434
New York .....	10,800	10,600	1,550	1,550	144	146
North Carolina .....	11,400	11,100	1,450	1,450	127	131
North Dakota .....	6,500	6,100	3,000	3,000	462	492
Ohio .....	24,600	24,400	2,500	2,500	102	102
Oklahoma .....	26,800	26,800	9,100	8,600	340	321
Oregon .....	9,300	9,300	2,500	2,500	269	269
Pennsylvania .....	15,700	15,400	1,900	1,800	121	117
Rhode Island .....	350	350	20	20	57	57
South Carolina .....	5,800	5,800	1,200	1,200	207	207
South Dakota .....	8,600	8,600	3,600	3,600	419	419
Tennessee .....	20,000	19,900	3,500	3,500	175	176
Texas .....	71,600	71,300	33,100	31,600	462	443
Utah .....	5,300	5,300	1,700	1,700	321	321
Vermont .....	2,100	2,100	300	300	143	143
Virginia .....	13,000	12,800	2,400	2,200	185	172
Washington .....	8,200	8,200	1,900	1,900	232	232
West Virginia .....	6,200	6,200	1,400	1,400	226	226
Wisconsin .....	18,300	18,300	2,300	2,100	126	115
Wyoming .....	3,300	3,300	3,500	3,400	1,061	1,030
United States .....	588,300	582,510	161,150	155,300	274	267



**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – States and United States: 2022-2023**

State	Economic sales class: \$100,000-\$249,999					
	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	1,150	1,150	670	670	583	583
Alaska .....	60	60	90	90	1,500	1,500
Arizona .....	420	420	6,000	5,000	14,286	11,905
Arkansas .....	1,200	1,200	890	890	742	742
California .....	5,900	5,600	2,500	2,000	424	357
Colorado .....	2,100	2,100	4,500	4,000	2,143	1,905
Connecticut .....	200	(D)	30	(D)	150	(D)
Delaware .....	120	120	20	20	167	167
Florida .....	2,200	2,300	980	980	445	426
Georgia .....	1,350	1,350	570	570	422	422
Hawaii .....	260	260	140	140	538	538
Idaho .....	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,200	857	857
Illinois .....	8,000	7,500	1,900	1,900	238	253
Indiana .....	4,700	4,700	960	960	204	204
Iowa .....	11,200	10,800	2,500	2,500	223	231
Kansas .....	5,600	5,400	5,100	4,600	911	852
Kentucky .....	2,450	2,450	960	960	392	392
Louisiana .....	1,000	1,000	820	820	820	820
Maine .....	370	370	90	90	243	243
Maryland .....	700	700	170	170	243	243
Massachusetts .....	440	(D)	40	(D)	91	(D)
Michigan .....	3,200	3,200	850	850	266	266
Minnesota .....	6,900	6,400	1,950	1,950	283	305
Mississippi .....	800	800	470	470	588	588
Missouri .....	5,700	5,700	3,200	3,200	561	561
Montana .....	2,500	2,500	7,300	6,800	2,920	2,720
Nebraska .....	6,300	6,300	4,500	4,500	714	714
Nevada .....	210	210	730	730	3,476	3,476
New Hampshire .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Jersey .....	450	450	90	90	200	200
New Mexico .....	880	880	6,100	6,100	6,932	6,932
New York .....	2,600	2,600	660	660	254	254
North Carolina .....	1,500	1,500	460	460	307	307
North Dakota .....	2,800	2,700	3,000	3,000	1,071	1,111
Ohio .....	5,900	5,900	1,400	1,350	237	229
Oklahoma .....	4,100	4,100	5,600	5,600	1,366	1,366
Oregon .....	1,800	1,800	1,700	1,700	944	944
Pennsylvania .....	4,550	4,400	1,050	1,050	231	239
Rhode Island .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina .....	620	620	270	270	435	435
South Dakota .....	3,700	3,700	4,700	4,700	1,270	1,270
Tennessee .....	1,600	1,600	780	780	488	488
Texas .....	8,500	8,500	17,900	17,800	2,106	2,094
Utah .....	860	860	1,000	1,000	1,163	1,163
Vermont .....	470	470	100	100	213	213
Virginia .....	1,600	1,600	800	800	500	500
Washington .....	1,600	1,600	1,250	1,250	781	781
West Virginia .....	380	380	200	200	526	526
Wisconsin .....	6,100	6,100	1,600	1,600	262	262
Wyoming .....	1,200	1,200	4,100	4,100	3,417	3,417
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	220	860	40	110	(X)	(X)
United States .....	127,860	125,810	101,930	98,780	797	785

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data withheld above.

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – States and United States: 2022-2023**

State	Economic sales class: \$250,000-\$499,999					
	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	650	650	530	530	815	815
Alaska .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arizona .....	240	240	2,100	2,100	8,750	8,750
Arkansas .....	850	850	830	830	976	976
California .....	3,900	3,900	2,550	2,550	654	654
Colorado .....	1,500	1,500	5,200	4,900	3,467	3,267
Connecticut .....	130	(D)	20	(D)	154	(D)
Delaware .....	90	90	30	30	333	333
Florida .....	1,350	1,350	1,300	1,300	963	963
Georgia .....	1,050	1,050	680	680	648	648
Hawaii .....	150	150	110	110	733	733
Idaho .....	1,150	1,150	1,500	1,500	1,304	1,304
Illinois .....	7,000	7,000	3,400	3,100	486	443
Indiana .....	3,400	3,400	1,300	1,000	382	294
Iowa .....	9,400	9,400	3,850	3,550	410	378
Kansas .....	3,750	3,750	6,500	6,400	1,733	1,707
Kentucky .....	1,200	1,200	700	700	583	583
Louisiana .....	550	550	670	670	1,218	1,218
Maine .....	160	160	50	50	313	313
Maryland .....	420	420	170	170	405	405
Massachusetts .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Michigan .....	2,400	2,400	1,100	1,000	458	417
Minnesota .....	5,500	5,300	2,550	2,250	464	425
Mississippi .....	550	550	500	500	909	909
Missouri .....	3,000	3,000	2,550	2,350	850	783
Montana .....	2,200	2,200	12,500	12,000	5,682	5,455
Nebraska .....	4,600	4,500	6,800	6,300	1,478	1,400
Nevada .....	240	240	990	990	4,125	4,125
New Hampshire .....	90	(D)	20	(D)	222	(D)
New Jersey .....	260	240	70	70	269	292
New Mexico .....	460	460	6,600	6,600	14,348	14,348
New York .....	1,550	1,550	580	580	374	374
North Carolina .....	1,150	1,150	520	520	452	452
North Dakota .....	2,700	2,600	4,900	4,800	1,815	1,846
Ohio .....	3,600	3,600	1,500	1,550	417	431
Oklahoma .....	1,800	1,800	4,700	4,700	2,611	2,611
Oregon .....	1,150	1,150	2,100	2,000	1,826	1,739
Pennsylvania .....	2,950	2,900	830	830	281	286
Rhode Island .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina .....	370	370	230	230	622	622
South Dakota .....	3,400	3,400	7,200	6,700	2,118	1,971
Tennessee .....	870	870	580	580	667	667
Texas .....	3,750	3,750	16,700	16,900	4,453	4,507
Utah .....	450	450	1,000	1,000	2,222	2,222
Vermont .....	290	290	120	120	414	414
Virginia .....	890	890	600	600	674	674
Washington .....	1,250	1,250	1,650	1,650	1,320	1,320
West Virginia .....	150	150	100	100	667	667
Wisconsin .....	4,200	4,200	1,700	1,700	405	405
Wyoming .....	720	720	5,000	5,000	6,944	6,944
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	320	540	180	220	(X)	(X)
United States .....	87,800	87,330	115,360	112,010	1,314	1,283

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

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**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – States and United States: 2022-2023**

State	Economic sales class: \$500,000-\$999,999					
	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	900	900	600	600	667	667
Alaska .....	20	(D)	30	(D)	1,500	(D)
Arizona .....	200	200	800	800	4,000	4,000
Arkansas .....	1,000	1,000	880	880	880	880
California .....	3,100	3,100	2,400	2,400	774	774
Colorado .....	900	900	5,000	5,000	5,556	5,556
Connecticut .....	70	(D)	20	(D)	286	(D)
Delaware .....	170	170	90	90	529	529
Florida .....	1,000	1,000	770	770	770	770
Georgia .....	1,250	1,250	850	850	680	680
Hawaii .....	80	80	170	170	2,125	2,125
Idaho .....	800	800	1,400	1,200	1,750	1,500
Illinois .....	5,200	5,200	3,950	3,550	760	683
Indiana .....	2,700	2,700	1,900	1,700	704	630
Iowa .....	8,200	8,200	5,600	5,300	683	646
Kansas .....	3,150	3,150	9,000	8,800	2,857	2,794
Kentucky .....	1,000	1,000	840	840	840	840
Louisiana .....	650	650	930	930	1,431	1,431
Maine .....	110	110	60	60	545	545
Maryland .....	450	450	260	260	578	578
Massachusetts .....	150	(D)	30	(D)	200	(D)
Michigan .....	1,600	1,600	1,200	1,100	750	688
Minnesota .....	4,600	4,500	3,600	3,600	783	800
Mississippi .....	750	750	730	730	973	973
Missouri .....	2,200	2,200	2,950	2,950	1,341	1,341
Montana .....	1,600	1,600	12,700	12,500	7,938	7,813
Nebraska .....	4,300	4,300	8,400	8,400	1,953	1,953
Nevada .....	130	130	740	740	5,692	5,692
New Hampshire .....	60	(D)	20	(D)	333	(D)
New Jersey .....	220	220	70	70	318	318
New Mexico .....	290	290	6,200	6,200	21,379	21,379
New York .....	850	850	520	520	612	612
North Carolina .....	1,200	1,200	820	820	683	683
North Dakota .....	2,800	2,850	6,900	6,500	2,464	2,281
Ohio .....	2,600	2,600	1,800	1,700	692	654
Oklahoma .....	1,300	1,300	4,600	4,600	3,538	3,538
Oregon .....	900	900	3,000	3,000	3,333	3,333
Pennsylvania .....	1,600	1,600	620	620	388	388
Rhode Island .....	20	(D)	10	(D)	500	(D)
South Carolina .....	310	310	350	350	1,129	1,129
South Dakota .....	2,700	2,700	8,700	8,700	3,222	3,222
Tennessee .....	730	730	740	740	1,014	1,014
Texas .....	2,850	2,850	16,100	16,500	5,649	5,789
Utah .....	320	320	1,000	1,000	3,125	3,125
Vermont .....	150	150	80	80	533	533
Virginia .....	810	810	600	600	741	741
Washington .....	1,100	1,100	1,800	1,800	1,636	1,636
West Virginia .....	150	150	100	100	667	667
Wisconsin .....	2,450	2,450	1,600	1,500	653	612
Wyoming .....	440	440	5,600	5,600	12,727	12,727
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(X)	320	(X)	110	(X)	(X)
United States .....	70,130	70,080	127,130	125,330	1,813	1,788

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data withheld above.

**Number of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Farm Size by Economic Sales Class – States and United States: 2022-2023**

State	Economic sales class: \$1,000,000 or more					
	Number of farms		Land in farms		Average farm size	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(number)	(number)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(acres)	(acres)
Alabama .....	2,300	2,500	1,550	1,800	674	720
Alaska .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arizona .....	440	440	5,000	5,500	11,364	12,500
Arkansas .....	3,850	4,050	6,200	6,200	1,610	1,531
California .....	7,700	8,300	12,000	12,700	1,558	1,530
Colorado .....	1,100	1,100	7,500	8,300	6,818	7,545
Connecticut .....	100	100	100	100	1,000	1,000
Delaware .....	570	570	300	300	526	526
Florida .....	1,650	1,750	3,700	3,700	2,242	2,114
Georgia .....	3,150	3,350	3,100	3,100	984	925
Hawaii .....	110	110	410	410	3,727	3,727
Idaho .....	1,350	1,450	5,300	5,500	3,926	3,793
Illinois .....	6,600	7,400	13,600	14,300	2,061	1,932
Indiana .....	4,300	4,600	8,100	8,600	1,884	1,870
Iowa .....	10,100	10,800	14,000	14,600	1,386	1,352
Kansas .....	3,300	3,500	16,300	17,200	4,939	4,914
Kentucky .....	1,750	2,050	3,300	3,600	1,886	1,756
Louisiana .....	1,300	1,300	2,900	2,900	2,231	2,231
Maine .....	160	160	310	310	1,938	1,938
Maryland .....	830	830	700	700	843	843
Massachusetts .....	(D)	110	(D)	60	(D)	545
Michigan .....	2,500	2,500	3,950	4,350	1,580	1,740
Minnesota .....	7,200	8,000	12,900	13,400	1,792	1,675
Mississippi .....	2,300	2,300	3,600	3,800	1,565	1,652
Missouri .....	3,500	3,800	7,500	8,200	2,143	2,158
Montana .....	1,100	1,100	16,600	18,200	15,091	16,545
Nebraska .....	5,300	5,300	19,300	19,900	3,642	3,755
Nevada .....	170	170	3,050	3,050	17,941	17,941
New Hampshire .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Jersey .....	320	340	170	170	531	500
New Mexico .....	370	370	7,600	8,300	20,541	22,432
New York .....	1,400	1,600	2,250	2,250	1,607	1,406
North Carolina .....	4,150	4,150	3,500	3,500	843	843
North Dakota .....	3,800	4,050	19,700	20,200	5,184	4,988
Ohio .....	3,400	3,400	4,900	5,000	1,441	1,471
Oklahoma .....	1,300	1,300	5,400	6,100	4,154	4,692
Oregon .....	1,250	1,250	5,100	5,200	4,080	4,160
Pennsylvania .....	2,200	2,700	1,400	1,500	636	556
Rhode Island .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina .....	1,000	1,000	1,150	1,150	1,150	1,150
South Dakota .....	2,900	2,900	17,000	17,500	5,862	6,034
Tennessee .....	1,200	1,300	2,500	2,600	2,083	2,000
Texas .....	4,300	4,600	27,600	28,800	6,419	6,261
Utah .....	370	370	5,200	5,200	14,054	14,054
Vermont .....	190	190	300	300	1,579	1,579
Virginia .....	1,300	1,500	1,400	1,600	1,077	1,067
Washington .....	2,050	2,050	6,500	6,500	3,171	3,171
West Virginia .....	220	220	200	200	909	909
Wisconsin .....	3,250	3,250	5,000	5,400	1,538	1,662
Wyoming .....	340	340	9,700	9,800	28,529	28,824
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	190	80	90	40	(X)	(X)
United States .....	108,230	114,600	297,930	312,090	2,753	2,723

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data withheld above.

## Statistical Methodology

**Procedures:** Data are collected by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) during the June Agricultural Survey using sampling procedures to ensure every farm and ranch has a chance of being selected. NASS used a multiple sampling frame approach to count farms and measure land in farms. An Area Sampling Frame that divided all land into segments is built for every state except Alaska. A sample of segments was selected in each state except Alaska and Hawaii and enumerated in early June. Highly trained interviewers located each sampled segment and identified every farm and ranch operating land in the segment and the number of acres in each operation.

These data are used to compute summaries of farm numbers and acres of land in farms. Additionally, all farms found in the segments were checked against a list of farms and ranches maintained by NASS to determine if the farm is on the list. Operations found in the Area Frame sample that were not on the list provided a measure of incompleteness of the list. The summarized totals for these non-overlap (or not-on-list) operations were combined with summarized totals collected from a sample selected from the list to calculate additional indications of farms and land in farms.

In 2020, NASS implemented a statistical modeling approach to generate survey indications. This approach was in response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on data collection processes and the suspension of in-person data collection. NASS has been doing everything possible to keep all parties involved safe and slow the spread of the virus while continuing to produce critical data about American agriculture.

**Estimation Procedures:** Data are checked for reasonableness and consistency and summarized for each state. Field Offices perform a thorough review of their survey results and historical data relationships and recommend official estimates. Estimates were established under secure conditions to protect reports until they were publicly released at preannounced dates and times. Headquarters established national estimates and ensured that state estimates are in balance with the national numbers.

**Revision Policy:** Estimates are subject to revision the following year and following review of the five-year Census of Agriculture. The basis for revision must be supported by additional data which directly affect the level of the estimate.

**Reliability:** Two types of survey errors, sampling and non-sampling, are possible in the final estimates, and both can affect the quality of the estimates.

Sampling error occurs because a complete census is not taken. The sampling error measures the variation in estimates from the average of all possible samples. An estimate of 100 with a sampling error of 1 would mean that chances are 19 out of 20 that the estimates from all possible samples averaged together would be between 98 and 102; which is the survey estimate, plus or minus two times the sampling error. The sampling error expressed as a percent of the estimate is called the coefficient of variation. In 2023, the coefficient of variation for the United States number of farms was 1.9 percent and land in farms 1.5 percent. The coefficients of variation by economic sales class ranged from 2.7 percent to 3.8 percent for number of farms and 3.8 to 7.3 percent for land in farms at the United States level.

Non-sampling errors can occur in complete censuses as well as sample surveys. They are caused by the inability to obtain correct information from each person surveyed, differences in interpreting questions or definitions, and mistakes in coding or processing the data. Special efforts are taken at each step of the survey to minimize non-sampling errors.

## Terms and Definitions

A **farm** is “any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the year.” Government payments are included in sales. Ranches, institutional farms, experimental and research farms, and Indian Reservations are included as farms. Places with the entire acreage enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP), and other government conservation programs are counted as farms.

The definition of a farm was first established in 1850 and has changed nine times since. The current definition was first used for the 1974 Census.

**Land in farms** consists of agricultural land used for crops, pasture, or grazing. Also included is woodland and wasteland not actually under cultivation or used for pasture or grazing, provided it was part of the farm operator’s total operation. Land in farms includes acres in CRP, WRP, and other government conservation programs.

Land in farms includes land owned and operated as well as land rented from others. Land used rent-free is included as land rented from others. All grazing land, except land used under government permits on a per-head basis, is included as land in farms provided it was part of a farm or ranch. Land under the exclusive use of a grazing association is reported by the grazing association and included as land in farms. All land in American Indian reservations used for growing crops or grazing livestock is included as land in farms. Land in reservations not reported by individual American Indians or non-Native Americans is reported in the name of the cooperative group that used the land. In many instances, the entire American Indian reservation is reported as one farm.

**Economic sales classes** are based on the gross value of agricultural products sold. Government program payments are also included.

**Point Farms** are places that did not have \$1,000 of reported sales for the year, but had sufficient crops and livestock to normally have sales of \$1,000 or more.

## Farm Definition History

The definition of a farm has remained the same since 1974. Activities included as agriculture, however, have undergone modification in recent years. Beginning in 1995, operations having 5 or more horses or ponies and no other agricultural sales were counted as horse farms. An operation with 1 or more horses with agricultural sales of at least \$1,000, qualified as a farm. Two industries, maple syrup and short rotation woody crop farms, were added beginning in 1997 as a result of the new North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). These changes were made to achieve comparability with the Census of Agriculture farm definition. All the changes in the farm definition beginning in 1995 were carried back to 1993 and included in the 1993-1998 estimates. These changes bring comparability between the Census of Agriculture data and the annually published NASS estimates. Because of these changes in the farm definition, the official estimates show a level difference in the number of farms between 1992 and 1993 in some states. To further align the counting of farms with the Census of Agriculture, places with 100 acres or more of pasture only in 2002 were included in farm and land in farm numbers. The handling of Indian reservation land was changed in 2002 to provide some accounting for individual farms.

### Minimum Criteria for “FARM” Definition, 1840 – Present and Enumeration of Apiaries and Fur Farms

Year	Acres in Place	Value of Agricultural Products (Produced)	Value of Sales of Agricultural Products	Required some Agricultural Operations	Apiaries and Fur Farms Enumerated
1974 - Present	--	--	\$1,000 or more	--	--
1959	Less than 10 10 or more	-- --	\$250 or more \$50 or more	-- --	-- --
1954	Less than 3 3 or more	-- \$150 or more	\$150 or more --	-- --	-- --
1950	Less than 3 3 or more	-- \$150 or more	\$150 or more --	-- --	Apiaries Fur Farms
1935 - 1945	Less than 3 3 or more	\$250 or more --	-- --	-- X	Apiaries Fur Farms
1930	Less than 3 3 or more	\$250 or more --	-- --	-- X	Apiaries --
1925	Less than 3 3 or more	\$250 or more --	-- --	-- X	-- --
1910 - 1925	Less than 3 3 or more	\$250 or more --	-- --	-- X	Apiaries --
1900	Less than 3 3 or more	-- --	-- --	-- X	Apiaries --
1870 - 1890	Less than 3 3 or more	-- --	\$500 or more --	-- X	Apiaries --
1860	--	--	--	--	--
1850	--	\$100 or more	--	--	Apiaries
1840	--	--	--	--	--

**Historic Estimates:** Final estimates of Farms and Land in Farms in earlier years are available in Statistical Bulletins No. 1049 for 2013-2017, No. 1030 for 2008-2012, No. 1018 for 2003-2007, No. 991 for 1998-2002, No. 955 for 1993-97, No. 895 for 1988-92, No. 792 for 1979-87, SpSy3 for 1975-80, No. 594 for 1969-75, No. 507 for 1959-70, No. 316 for number of farm estimates for 1910-59 and land in farms estimates for 1950-59.

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