

NUMBER OF FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS



United States, 1965-76
By States, 1974-76

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FARM NUMBERS DECLINED ONE PERCENT

Farm numbers totaled 2,808,480 in the United States during 1975, one percent fewer than in 1974. The 1976 preliminary estimate of 2,785,780 is also one percent less than the previous year.

The estimated total land in farms of 1,086 million acres in 1975 is slightly less than 1974. The preliminary estimate for 1976 at 1,085 million is down slightly from 1975.

The average size of farm has increased 47 acres during the past decade. The 1975 average of 387 acres is 3 acres larger than 1974 and the 1976 average of 389 acres continues the upward trend.

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YEAR	FARMS	LAND IN FARMS	AVERAGE SIZE OF FARMS
	THOUSANDS	THOUSAND ACRES	ACRES
1965	3,356	1,139,597	340
1966	3,257	1,131,844	348
1967	3,162	1,123,456	355
1968	3,071	1,115,231	363
1969	2,999	1,107,711	369
1970	2,954	1,102,769	373
1971	2,909	1,097,300	377
1972	2,870	1,093,017	381
1973	2,844	1,089,530	383
1974	2,830	1,087,788	384
1975	2,808	1,086,025	387
1976 ^{1/}	2,786	1,084,671	389

^{1/} PRELIMINARY.

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STATE	FARMS			LAND IN FARMS		
	1974	1975	1976 1/	1974	1975	1976 1/
	NUMBER			1,000 ACRES		
ALA	78,000	77,000	77,000	14,600	14,700	14,700
ALAS 2/	310	300	300	1,710	1,710	1,710
ARIZ	5,900	5,800	5,700	38,400	38,000	37,500
ARK	69,000	69,000	69,000	17,300	17,300	17,400
CALIF	63,000	63,000	63,000	36,100	36,000	36,000
COLO	29,500	29,500	29,500	39,900	39,900	39,900
CONN	4,400	4,400	4,400	540	540	540
DEL	3,600	3,500	3,500	698	697	696
FLA	34,000	33,000	32,000	14,500	14,200	14,000
GA	75,000	74,000	73,000	17,000	17,000	17,000
HAW	4,300	4,300	4,300	2,300	2,300	2,300
IDAHO	27,200	26,900	26,500	15,500	15,600	15,600
ILL	126,000	124,000	122,000	29,200	29,100	29,100
IND	106,000	106,000	105,000	17,500	17,500	17,500
IOWA	138,000	136,000	135,000	34,300	34,200	34,200
KANS	83,000	81,000	79,000	49,900	49,900	49,900
KY	126,000	125,000	124,000	16,200	16,100	16,000
LA	48,000	47,000	47,000	11,800	11,800	11,900
MAINE	7,600	7,600	7,600	1,710	1,710	1,710
MD	17,800	17,600	17,600	2,955	2,940	2,925
MASS	5,800	5,800	5,800	710	710	710
MICH	80,000	80,000	80,000	12,300	12,400	12,400
MINN	118,000	118,000	118,000	30,600	30,600	30,600
MISS	85,000	84,000	84,000	17,200	17,100	17,100
MO	139,000	139,000	139,000	32,800	32,700	32,700
MONT	24,600	23,500	22,500	62,500	62,400	62,400
NEBR	69,000	68,000	68,000	48,100	48,000	48,000
NEV	2,000	2,000	2,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
N H	2,600	2,600	2,600	560	560	560
N J	8,000	7,900	7,900	1,030	1,025	1,025
N MEX	11,800	11,800	11,700	47,200	47,200	47,100
N Y	57,000	58,000	58,000	11,200	11,400	11,400
N C	135,000	130,000	125,000	14,000	13,600	13,200
N DAK	41,500	41,000	40,000	41,700	41,600	41,600
OHIO	117,000	117,000	116,000	17,400	17,400	17,300
OKLA	87,000	87,000	86,000	36,900	36,800	36,800
OREG	32,500	32,500	32,500	19,600	19,500	19,500
PA	71,000	72,000	73,000	9,900	10,008	10,220
R I	680	680	680	65	65	65
S C	47,000	47,000	47,000	7,800	7,800	7,800
S DAK	43,500	43,000	43,000	45,500	45,500	45,500
TENN	125,000	125,000	124,000	15,400	15,400	15,300
TEX	209,000	207,000	205,000	141,800	141,800	141,800
UTAH	12,600	12,600	12,600	13,000	13,000	13,000
VT	6,600	6,600	6,600	1,860	1,860	1,860
VA	73,000	73,000	72,000	11,100	11,100	11,000
WASH	40,000	40,000	40,000	16,500	16,500	16,500
W VA	26,500	26,500	26,500	4,850	4,800	4,750
WIS	105,000	104,000	103,000	19,600	19,500	19,400
WYO	8,200	8,100	8,000	35,500	35,500	35,500
U S	2,830,490	2,808,480	2,785,780	1,087,788	1,086,025	1,084,671

1/ PRELIMINARY. 2/ EXCLUSIVE OF GRAZING LAND LEASED FROM U S GOVERNMENT, ALASKA FARMLAND TOTALS ABOUT 70,000 ACRES.