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This publication presents revised estimates relating to the official series on number of farms and land in farms. It continues the series shown in Statistical Bulletin 316, June 1962. Estimates for current years are published annually in January.

Revised State and U. S. series are based on a thorough review of the original estimates, taking into consideration (1) the quinquennial censuses of agriculture with adjustments for incompleteness, (2) data from annual State farm censuses in the States where available, (3) data from the SRS June Enumerative Survey and (4) other sources of information such as counts of farms selling milk, and data from mailed surveys conducted by the Statistical Reporting Service to estimate crop acreages and livestock numbers and also provide comparisons of size of farms.

In utilizing 1969 Census data, it was necessary to recognize differences between this survey and earlier censuses. In contrast to survey procedures used for the previous censuses, the 1969 Census of Agriculture was collected by mail with survey procedures modified according to the level of individual farm value of sales. This procedure may have resulted in a few instances of double coverage. These would occur if individuals were on the mailing list more than once and the duplication went undetected, or if more than one partner of a partnership completed a questionnaire. Undercoverage also occurred, as the census list was significantly incomplete with respect to small farms. Estimated incompleteness for the 1969 Census based on a count of farms was 13.6 percent and compares with 11.3 percent in 1964 and 8.4 percent in 1959. The degree of incompleteness was not uniform for all States. It ranged from as much as 30 percent in some States to little or no incompleteness in other States. In States where incompleteness was high, the farms missed were generally very small and had a value of farm production (VFP) under \$2,500.

Estimates of land in farms represent places defined as farms in the estimate of number of farms. As in the census of agriculture, these estimates of farmland exclude Government-owned land grazed on a permit or fee basis, but include land leased from the Government for grazing purposes.

Number of farms, by States, 1959-62

State and division	1959	1960	1961	1962
Maine	20,000	18,900	17,900	16,700
New Hampshire	7,500	7,000	6,500	6,000
Vermont	14,000	13,200	12,300	11,600
Massachusetts	14,000	13,000	12,000	11,100
Rhode Island	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,400
Connecticut	10,000	9,400	8,800	8,200
New England	67,200	63,100	59,000	55,000
New York	92,000	88,000	84,000	80,000
New Jersey	17,000	15,800	15,200	14,600
Pennsylvania	110,000	106,000	101,000	96,000
Middle Atlantic	219,000	209,800	200,200	190,600
Ohio	154,000	149,000	144,000	139,000
Indiana	138,000	134,000	130,000	126,000
Illinois	164,000	159,000	155,000	151,000
Michigan	123,000	118,000	114,000	110,000
Wisconsin	142,000	138,000	136,000	133,000
East North Central	721,000	698,000	679,000	659,000
Minnesota	160,000	156,000	154,000	152,000
Iowa	187,000	183,000	178,000	172,000
Missouri	184,000	180,000	175,000	170,000
North Dakota	57,000	56,000	55,000	53,000
South Dakota	59,600	58,400	57,300	56,200
Nebraska	94,000	93,000	90,000	88,000
Kansas	113,000	110,000	107,000	105,000
West North Central	854,600	836,400	816,300	796,200
Delaware	5,700	5,600	5,400	5,200
Maryland	28,000	27,100	26,100	25,100
Virginia	109,000	105,000	100,000	96,000
West Virginia	50,000	47,000	44,000	42,000
North Carolina	220,000	212,000	205,000	197,000
South Carolina	91,000	86,000	81,000	77,000
Georgia	121,000	112,000	105,000	98,000
Florida	51,000	50,000	48,000	47,000
South Atlantic	675,700	644,700	614,500	587,300
Kentucky	167,000	161,000	155,000	150,000
Tennessee	175,000	169,000	163,000	157,000
Alabama	129,000	122,000	115,000	109,000
Mississippi	154,000	144,000	134,000	125,000
East South Central	625,000	596,000	567,000	541,000
Arkansas	107,000	103,000	99,000	96,000
Louisiana	83,000	80,000	77,000	74,000
Oklahoma	107,000	103,000	101,000	99,000
Texas	252,000	247,000	242,000	237,000
West South Central	549,000	533,000	519,000	506,000
Montana	32,400	31,700	30,800	30,100
Idaho	37,600	36,300	35,000	34,000
Wyoming	10,800	10,500	10,200	9,900
Colorado	38,000	37,000	36,000	35,000
New Mexico	19,000	18,200	17,400	16,700
Arizona	8,500	8,200	7,900	7,600
Utah	19,800	19,000	18,500	18,000
Nevada	2,700	2,600	2,500	2,400
Mountain	168,800	163,500	158,300	153,700
Washington	57,000	56,000	55,000	54,000
Oregon	48,000	47,000	46,500	45,500
California	112,000	108,000	104,000	98,000
Pacific	217,000	211,000	205,500	197,500
48 State total	4,097,300	3,955,500	3,818,800	3,686,300
Alaska	420	420	410	410
Hawaii	6,800	6,600	6,200	5,700
United States	4,104,520	3,962,520	3,825,410	3,692,410

Number of farms, by States, 1963-66

State and division	1963	1964	1965	1966
Maine	15,600	14,600	13,300	12,000
New Hampshire	5,600	5,200	4,800	4,300
Vermont	10,900	10,300	9,700	9,100
Massachusetts	10,200	9,400	8,700	8,100
Rhode Island	1,300	1,300	1,200	1,100
Connecticut	7,600	7,100	6,700	6,200
New England	51,200	47,900	44,400	40,800
New York	77,000	74,000	71,000	68,000
New Jersey	13,300	12,000	11,000	10,000
Pennsylvania	92,000	88,000	85,000	82,000
Middle Atlantic	182,300	174,000	167,000	160,000
Ohio	135,000	131,000	129,000	126,000
Indiana	121,000	117,000	115,000	113,000
Illinois	148,000	144,000	140,000	136,000
Michigan	106,000	102,000	98,000	95,000
Wisconsin	130,000	127,000	124,000	121,000
East North Central	640,000	621,000	606,000	591,000
Minnesota	149,000	146,000	141,000	136,000
Iowa	167,000	162,000	158,000	155,000
Missouri	165,000	162,000	158,000	155,000
North Dakota	51,500	50,500	49,500	49,000
South Dakota	55,100	53,500	52,000	51,000
Nebraska	86,000	84,000	82,000	80,000
Kansas	103,000	100,000	98,000	95,000
West North Central	776,600	758,000	738,500	721,000
Delaware	5,000	4,800	4,600	4,400
Maryland	24,100	23,000	22,100	21,300
Virginia	92,000	88,000	85,000	81,000
West Virginia	40,000	38,000	37,000	35,000
North Carolina	189,000	180,000	175,000	170,000
South Carolina	72,000	67,000	65,000	62,000
Georgia	92,000	88,000	86,000	84,000
Florida	45,000	43,000	42,000	41,000
South Atlantic	559,100	531,800	516,700	498,700
Kentucky	147,000	144,000	142,000	140,000
Tennessee	152,000	147,000	142,000	138,000
Alabama	105,000	102,000	98,000	95,000
Mississippi	119,000	114,000	109,000	104,000
East South Central	523,000	507,000	491,000	477,000
Arkansas	93,000	89,000	86,000	83,000
Louisiana	71,000	68,000	65,000	61,000
Oklahoma	97,000	96,000	95,000	94,000
Texas	233,000	230,000	226,000	222,000
West South Central	494,000	483,000	472,000	460,000
Montana	29,500	28,900	28,400	28,000
Idaho	33,000	32,100	31,200	30,700
Wyoming	9,700	9,400	9,200	9,100
Colorado	34,000	33,000	32,500	32,000
New Mexico	16,100	15,400	14,900	14,600
Arizona	7,300	7,000	6,800	6,700
Utah	17,500	16,900	16,500	16,000
Nevada	2,300	2,300	2,200	2,200
Mountain	149,400	145,000	141,700	139,300
Washington	53,000	51,000	48,500	47,500
Oregon	45,000	44,500	43,000	40,500
California	93,000	88,000	82,000	76,000
Pacific	191,000	183,500	173,500	164,000
48 State total	3,566,600	3,451,200	3,350,800	3,251,800
Alaska	400	390	370	340
Hawaii	5,200	5,100	5,000	4,900
United States	3,572,200	3,456,690	3,356,170	3,257,040

Number of farms, by States, 1967-70

State and division	1967	1968	1969	1970
Maine	11,000	10,000	9,100	8,600
New Hampshire	3,900	3,600	3,300	3,100
Vermont	8,600	8,100	7,600	7,300
Massachusetts	7,500	7,000	6,500	6,300
Rhode Island	1,000	940	860	780
Connecticut	5,800	5,400	5,100	4,900
New England	37,800	35,040	32,460	30,980
New York	64,000	61,000	59,000	58,000
New Jersey	9,500	9,100	8,900	8,600
Pennsylvania	80,000	77,000	75,000	74,000
Middle Atlantic	153,500	147,100	142,900	140,600
Ohio	124,000	122,000	120,000	119,000
Indiana	111,000	110,000	109,000	109,000
Illinois	133,000	131,000	130,000	129,000
Michigan	92,000	89,000	86,000	84,000
Wisconsin	118,000	115,000	112,000	110,000
East North Central	578,000	567,000	557,000	551,000
Minnesota	131,000	127,000	123,000	121,000
Iowa	152,000	149,000	147,000	145,000
Missouri	152,000	148,000	145,000	143,000
North Dakota	48,000	47,000	46,000	45,000
South Dakota	50,000	48,500	47,500	46,500
Nebraska	78,000	76,000	74,000	73,000
Kansas	93,000	91,000	89,000	87,000
West North Central	704,000	686,500	671,500	660,500
Delaware	4,200	4,100	4,000	3,900
Maryland	20,400	19,700	19,200	18,800
Virginia	80,000	79,000	78,000	77,000
West Virginia	33,000	31,000	30,000	29,000
North Carolina	166,000	160,000	155,000	150,000
South Carolina	58,000	55,000	53,000	52,000
Georgia	82,000	80,000	78,000	77,000
Florida	40,000	39,000	38,000	37,000
South Atlantic	483,600	467,800	455,200	444,700
Kentucky	138,000	133,000	128,000	127,000
Tennessee	135,000	132,000	130,000	129,000
Alabama	92,000	88,000	85,000	82,000
Mississippi	101,000	95,000	91,000	90,000
East South Central	466,000	448,000	434,000	428,000
Arkansas	75,000	73,000	72,000	72,000
Louisiana	58,000	55,000	52,000	51,000
Oklahoma	93,000	91,000	90,000	90,000
Texas	219,000	216,000	214,000	212,000
West South Central	445,000	435,000	428,000	425,000
Montana	27,600	27,100	26,700	26,400
Idaho	30,000	29,400	28,900	28,500
Wyoming	9,000	8,900	8,800	8,600
Colorado	31,500	31,000	31,000	30,500
New Mexico	14,300	13,600	13,000	12,400
Arizona	6,600	6,500	6,400	6,300
Utah	15,500	14,800	14,300	13,800
Nevada	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,100
Mountain	136,700	133,400	131,200	128,600
Washington	44,500	43,000	42,000	41,500
Oregon	37,500	36,000	35,000	34,500
California	70,000	67,000	65,000	64,000
Pacific	152,000	146,000	142,000	140,000
48 State total	3,156,600	3,065,840	2,994,260	2,949,380
Alaska	330	320	320	320
Hawaii	4,800	4,700	4,600	4,500
United States	3,161,730	3,070,860	2,999,180	2,954,200

Land in farms, by States, 1959-62

State and division	1959	1960	1961	1962
	1,000 acres			
Maine	3,500	3,350	3,200	3,100
New Hampshire	1,300	1,240	1,180	1,120
Vermont	3,270	3,150	3,050	2,950
Massachusetts	1,300	1,240	1,180	1,120
Rhode Island	148	141	134	128
Connecticut	1,140	1,080	1,020	960
New England	10,658	10,201	9,764	9,378
New York	14,500	14,300	14,000	13,700
New Jersey	1,500	1,460	1,440	1,410
Pennsylvania	12,500	12,300	12,100	11,900
Middle Atlantic	28,500	28,060	27,540	27,010
Ohio	19,400	19,200	19,000	18,800
Indiana	19,400	19,400	19,200	19,000
Illinois	30,900	30,700	30,600	30,500
Michigan	15,700	15,400	15,100	14,800
Wisconsin	22,400	22,200	22,100	22,000
East North Central	107,800	106,900	106,000	105,100
Minnesota	32,500	32,400	32,400	32,400
Iowa	34,700	34,700	34,700	34,700
Missouri	34,800	34,700	34,600	34,500
North Dakota	42,200	42,100	42,100	42,100
South Dakota	45,400	45,600	45,600	45,600
Nebraska	48,300	48,200	48,200	48,200
Kansas	50,200	50,200	50,200	50,200
West North Central	288,100	287,900	287,800	287,700
Delaware	800	800	790	780
Maryland	3,800	3,750	3,700	3,630
Virginia	13,700	13,500	13,100	12,900
West Virginia	6,800	6,700	6,600	6,500
North Carolina	18,000	17,800	17,600	17,100
South Carolina	10,200	10,000	9,800	9,700
Georgia	22,600	22,000	21,400	20,500
Florida	17,500	17,400	17,000	16,800
South Atlantic	93,400	91,950	89,990	87,910
Kentucky	18,200	18,000	17,800	17,700
Tennessee	17,000	16,800	16,600	16,400
Alabama	17,600	17,200	16,900	16,600
Mississippi	20,100	19,800	19,500	19,200
East South Central	72,900	71,800	70,800	69,900
Arkansas	17,900	17,900	17,900	17,900
Louisiana	11,200	11,000	10,800	10,800
Oklahoma	37,500	37,400	37,400	37,400
Texas	154,000	153,000	151,500	150,000
West South Central	220,600	219,300	217,600	216,100
Montana	66,600	66,700	66,800	66,800
Idaho	15,300	15,300	15,300	15,300
Wyoming	36,200	36,100	36,000	35,900
Colorado	40,500	40,300	40,100	39,900
New Mexico	51,900	51,500	51,000	50,500
Arizona	44,800	44,600	44,400	44,200
Utah	13,600	13,600	13,600	13,600
Nevada	9,200	9,200	9,200	8,700
Mountain	278,100	277,300	276,400	274,900
Washington	18,200	18,000	17,800	17,700
Oregon	21,200	21,200	21,200	21,100
California	39,000	38,800	38,600	38,400
Pacific	78,400	78,000	77,600	77,200
48 State total	1,178,458	1,171,411	1,163,494	1,155,198
Alaska 1/	1,505	1,635	1,655	1,685
Hawaii	2,600	2,600	2,550	2,500
United States	1,182,563	1,175,646	1,167,699	1,159,383

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Land in farms, by States, 1963-66

State and division	1963	1964	1965	1966
	1,000 acres			
Maine	3,000	2,900	2,700	2,500
New Hampshire	1,060	1,000	940	860
Vermont	2,850	2,750	2,600	2,450
Massachusetts	1,060	1,000	940	890
Rhode Island	122	116	107	99
Connecticut	900	840	790	740
New England	8,992	8,606	8,077	7,539
New York	13,400	13,200	13,000	12,600
New Jersey	1,370	1,300	1,220	1,160
Pennsylvania	11,700	11,500	11,300	11,000
Middle Atlantic	26,470	26,000	25,520	24,760
Ohio	18,600	18,400	18,200	18,000
Indiana	18,700	18,500	18,300	18,100
Illinois	30,400	30,300	30,200	30,100
Michigan	14,600	14,400	14,100	13,900
Wisconsin	21,800	21,600	21,400	21,200
East North Central	104,100	103,200	102,200	101,300
Minnesota	32,400	32,400	32,100	31,800
Iowa	34,600	34,600	34,600	34,500
Missouri	34,400	34,300	34,100	33,900
North Dakota	42,100	42,100	42,000	42,000
South Dakota	45,600	45,600	45,600	45,600
Nebraska	48,100	48,230	48,200	48,200
Kansas	50,200	50,200	50,200	50,100
West North Central	287,400	287,430	286,800	286,100
Delaware	770	760	750	740
Maryland	3,560	3,500	3,450	3,400
Virginia	12,700	12,500	12,300	12,100
West Virginia	6,400	6,200	6,100	5,700
North Carolina	16,800	16,400	16,300	16,200
South Carolina	9,300	9,200	9,100	9,000
Georgia	19,800	19,200	18,900	18,700
Florida	16,200	16,200	16,000	15,800
South Atlantic	85,530	83,960	82,900	81,640
Kentucky	17,700	17,600	17,500	17,300
Tennessee	16,200	16,100	15,900	15,800
Alabama	16,400	16,200	16,000	15,700
Mississippi	18,900	18,600	18,300	18,000
East South Central	69,200	68,500	67,700	66,800
Arkansas	17,900	17,900	17,900	17,800
Louisiana	11,000	11,200	11,400	11,600
Oklahoma	37,400	37,300	37,300	37,300
Texas	149,000	148,000	147,000	146,000
West South Central	215,300	214,400	213,600	212,700
Montana	66,800	67,200	66,700	66,200
Idaho	15,300	15,400	15,400	15,400
Wyoming	35,800	35,800	35,800	35,800
Colorado	39,700	40,100	40,100	40,000
New Mexico	49,500	49,000	48,800	48,700
Arizona	44,000	43,800	43,700	43,100
Utah	13,600	13,500	13,500	13,400
Nevada	8,900	8,800	8,800	8,800
Mountain	273,600	273,600	272,800	271,400
Washington	17,500	17,000	16,900	16,900
Oregon	21,100	21,000	21,000	20,900
California	38,200	38,000	37,800	37,600
Pacific	76,800	76,000	75,700	75,400
48 State total	1,147,392	1,141,696	1,135,297	1,127,639
Alaska 1/	1,730	1,960	1,900	1,805
Hawaii	2,450	2,450	2,400	2,400
United States	1,151,572	1,146,106	1,139,597	1,131,844

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Land in farms, by States, 1967-70

State and division	1967	1968	1969	1970
	1,000 acres			
Maine	2,300	2,150	2,000	1,910
New Hampshire	800	740	690	650
Vermont	2,330	2,200	2,100	2,020
Massachusetts	860	820	780	760
Rhode Island	91	86	81	74
Connecticut	690	650	610	590
New England	7,071	6,646	6,261	6,004
New York	12,000	11,500	11,200	11,100
New Jersey	1,120	1,080	1,080	1,060
Pennsylvania	10,800	10,500	10,300	10,200
Middle Atlantic	23,920	23,080	22,580	22,360
Ohio	17,900	17,800	17,700	17,600
Indiana	17,800	17,700	17,500	17,500
Illinois	30,000	29,800	29,700	29,500
Michigan	13,600	13,300	12,900	12,700
Wisconsin	20,900	20,600	20,300	20,100
East North Central	100,200	99,200	98,100	97,400
Minnesota	31,500	31,300	31,100	30,900
Iowa	34,500	34,400	34,400	34,400
Missouri	33,700	33,500	33,300	33,200
North Dakota	41,900	41,900	41,800	41,800
South Dakota	45,600	45,500	45,500	45,500
Nebraska	48,200	48,200	48,200	48,100
Kansas	50,100	50,000	50,000	49,900
West North Central	285,500	284,800	284,300	283,800
Delaware	730	725	720	715
Maryland	3,300	3,200	3,130	3,080
Virginia	11,900	11,800	11,600	11,500
West Virginia	5,500	5,300	5,200	5,100
North Carolina	15,900	15,700	15,500	15,200
South Carolina	8,800	8,600	8,400	8,300
Georgia	18,400	17,900	17,600	17,400
Florida	15,600	15,300	15,000	14,800
South Atlantic	80,130	78,525	77,150	76,095
Kentucky	17,100	16,800	16,400	16,300
Tennessee	15,700	15,600	15,500	15,500
Alabama	15,400	15,200	15,000	14,800
Mississippi	17,800	17,700	17,600	17,500
East South Central	66,000	65,300	64,500	64,100
Arkansas	17,700	17,600	17,600	17,600
Louisiana	11,600	11,800	11,800	11,800
Oklahoma	37,300	37,200	37,200	37,100
Texas	145,000	144,000	143,000	142,800
West South Central	211,600	210,600	209,600	209,300
Montana	65,700	65,200	64,700	64,200
Idaho	15,400	15,400	15,400	15,500
Wyoming	35,700	35,600	35,500	35,500
Colorado	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
New Mexico	48,600	48,300	48,000	47,800
Arizona	42,500	41,900	41,300	40,800
Utah	13,300	13,300	13,300	13,300
Nevada	8,800	8,800	9,000	9,000
Mountain	270,000	268,500	267,200	266,100
Washington	16,800	16,800	16,700	16,700
Oregon	20,700	20,500	20,300	20,100
California	37,400	37,200	37,000	36,800
Pacific	74,900	74,500	74,000	73,600
48 State total	1,119,321	1,111,151	1,103,691	1,098,759
Alaska 1/	1,775	1,750	1,710	1,710
Hawaii	2,360	2,330	2,310	2,300
United States	1,123,456	1,115,231	1,107,711	1,102,769

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