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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	336	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	38,722	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	49	70
Average size of farm (acres)	115	171
Percent of land area in farms	15.7%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	433	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	164	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	290	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	58.1	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	44	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	320	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	113	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	20.4	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	98	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	136	29,304

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	256	58,847
Part owner	72	14,320
Tenant	8	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	87	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$143,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	0	10,605
Unpaid workers*	338	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$4,188,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$12,463	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$2,533,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$7,540	\$75,533

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<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	718	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	110,371	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	50	70
Average size of farm (acres)	154	171
Percent of land area in farms	65.9%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	912	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	388	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	576	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	57.2	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	60	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	677	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	235	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	21.4	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	161	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	256	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	586	58,847
Part owner	114	14,320
Tenant	18	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	334	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$2,466,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	n/a	10,605
Unpaid workers*	670	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$35,580,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$49,554	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$41,112,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$57,259	\$75,533

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<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	955	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	89,692	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	50	70
Average size of farm (acres)	94	171
Percent of land area in farms	32.3%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	1,183	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	436	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	724	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	59.8	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	45	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	957	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	226	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	23.3	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	153	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	284	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	738	58,847
Part owner	194	14,320
Tenant	23	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	442	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$1,557,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	n/a	10,605
Unpaid workers*	1,150	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$16,475,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$17,251	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$15,426,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$16,153	\$75,533

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<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	284	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	51,216	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	100	70
Average size of farm (acres)	180	171
Percent of land area in farms	19.3%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	387	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	137	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	238	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	57.3	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	18	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	284	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	103	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	20.3	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	51	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	112	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	252	58,847
Part owner	32	14,320
Tenant	0	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	109	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$79,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	0	10,605
Unpaid workers*	323	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$2,453,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$8,638	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,256,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$4,423	\$75,533

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Farms		
Total number of farms	144	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	25,073	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	96	70
Average size of farm (acres)	174	171
Percent of land area in farms	18.8%	51.3%
Principal Producers		
Total Number of Principal Producers	190	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	79	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	128	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	58.7	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	4	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	142	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	48	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	23.8	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	21	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	50	29,304

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Full owner	107	58,847
Part owner	36	14,320
Tenant	1	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	102	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$57,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	0	10,605
Unpaid workers*	142	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$1,707,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$11,856	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,392,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$9,668	\$75,533

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<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	26	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	1,649	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	38	70
Average size of farm (acres)	63	171
Percent of land area in farms	0.6%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	38	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	5	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	25	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	55.0	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	2	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	27	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	11	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	13.8	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	8	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	26	29,304

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Full owner	22	58,847
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<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	1	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	n/a	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	0	10,605
Unpaid workers*	56	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$112,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$4,303	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$32,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$1,245	\$75,533

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<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	103	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	5,623	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	25	70
Average size of farm (acres)	55	171
Percent of land area in farms	2.6%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	130	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	28	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	106	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	51.7	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	15	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	94	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	36	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	16.2	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	32	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	54	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	60	58,847
Part owner	26	14,320
Tenant	17	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	n/a	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$11,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	0	10,605
Unpaid workers*	160	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$564,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$5,474	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$138,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$1,344	\$75,533

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	550	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	117,417	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	125	70
Average size of farm (acres)	213	171
Percent of land area in farms	38.0%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	708	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	286	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	451	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	57.4	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	64	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	560	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	148	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	21.0	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	84	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	187	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	432	58,847
Part owner	104	14,320
Tenant	14	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	378	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$433,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	0	10,605
Unpaid workers*	621	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$13,025,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$23,682	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$12,686,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$23,065	\$75,533

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	1,090	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	163,249	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	65	70
Average size of farm (acres)	150	171
Percent of land area in farms	76.6%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	1,418	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	626	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	838	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	56.5	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	169	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	1,041	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	377	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	20.2	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	216	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	428	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	837	58,847
Part owner	217	14,320
Tenant	36	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	592	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$2,552,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	44	10,605
Unpaid workers*	1,258	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$52,244,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$47,930	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$59,008,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$54,136	\$75,533

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<u>Farms</u>		
Total number of farms	365	75,966
Land in farms (acres)	121,680	12,961,784
Median size of farm (acres)	130	70
Average size of farm (acres)	333	171
Percent of land area in farms	60.7%	51.3%
<u>Principal Producers</u>		
Total Number of Principal Producers	506	100,889
<u>Work</u>		
Number of principal producers for whom primary occupation is farming	188	39,268
Number of principal producers working any days off the farm	322	64,315
<u>Age and Sex</u>		
Average age of principal producers	60.2	57.3
Number of principal producers who are under 35 years old	28	8,194
Number of principal producers who are male	340	73,677
Number of principal producers who are female	166	27,212
<u>Length of Time Farming</u>		
Average number of years principal producer on present farm	24.0	21.2
Number of principal producers on present farm for 4 years or less	82	14,851
Number of principal producers on present farm for 9 years or less	142	29,304

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<u>Farm Tenure</u>		
Full owner	281	58,847
Part owner	78	14,320
Tenant	6	2,799
<u>Farm Workers</u>		
Hired farm workers	215	52,701
Hired farm workers payroll	\$1,273,000	\$442,928,000
Total migrant workers*	4	10,605
Unpaid workers*	388	80,840
<u>Farm Production</u>		
<u>Expenses</u>		
Total farm production expenses	\$21,932,000	\$4,704,510,000
Farm production expenses (average per farm)	\$60,087	\$61,929
<u>Total Products Sold</u>		
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$24,154,000	\$5,737,920,000
Market value of agricultural products sold (average per farm)	\$66,176	\$75,533

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