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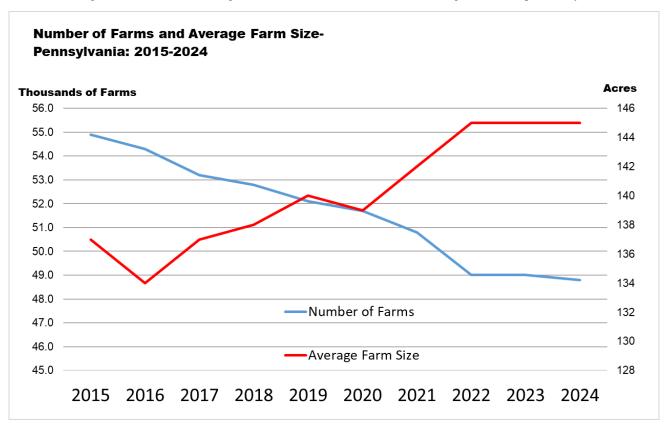
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Farm numbers and land in farms in Pennsylvania

The number of farms in Pennsylvania for 2024 is estimated at 48,800, down 200 from 2023, according to David Knopf, director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Office. Total land in farms, at 7.10 million acres, was unchanged from 2023. The average farm size for 2024 is 145 acres, unchanged from the previous year.



Farm numbers and land in farms are differentiated by six economic sales classes. Farms and ranches are classified into these six sales classes by summing the sales of agricultural products and government program payments. Sales class breaks occur at \$10,000, \$100,000, \$250,000, \$500,000, and \$1,000,000. In 2021, the National Agricultural Statistics Service (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.

Pennsylvania Highlights

Changes in the number of farms by sales class are:

- Sales Class \$1,000 \$9,999 at 22,000 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$10,000 \$99,999 at 15,400 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$100,000 \$249,999 at 4,400 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$250,000 \$499,999 at 2,900 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$500,000 \$999,999 at 1,600 farms, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more at 2,500 farms, down 200.

Farmland changes by sales class are:

- Sales Class \$1,000 \$9,999 at 1,300 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$10,000 \$99,999 at 1,800 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$100,000 \$249,999 at 1,050 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$250,000 \$499,999 at 830 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$500,000 \$999,999 at 620 thousand acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more at 1,500 thousand acres, unchanged.

Average sizes of farms by sales class are:

- Sales Class \$1,000 \$9,999: 59 acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$10,000 \$99,999: 117 acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$100,000 \$249,999: 239 acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$250,000 \$499,999: 286 acres, unchanged.
 Sales Class \$500,000 \$999,999: 388 acres, unchanged.
- Sales Class \$500,000 \$777,777. 368 acres, unchange.
 Sales Class \$1,000,000 or more: 600 acres, up 4.

The complete 'Farms and Land in Farms' report is available online at $\underline{\text{https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/5712m6524}}$. The 'Farms and Land in Farms' report and all other NASS reports are available online at $\underline{\text{www.nass.usda.gov}}$.