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## 2022 CENSUS PROFILES NEVADA FARMERS AND AGRICULTURE

**Nevada – February 13, 2024** – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) today announced the results of the 2022 Census of Agriculture, spanning more than 6 million data points about America’s farms and ranches and the people who operate them down to the county level. The information collected directly from producers shows a continued decline in the total number of Nevada farms. However, the data also show an increase in the value of agriculture sales in Nevada. The full Census of Agriculture report as well as publication dates for additional ag census data products can be found at [nass.usda.gov/AgCensus](http://nass.usda.gov/AgCensus). Ag census data can also be found in NASS’s searchable online database, [Quick Stats](#).

“The 2022 Census of Agriculture provides a wide range of demographic, economic, land, and crop and livestock production information as well as first-time or expanded data such as hemp, precision agriculture, and internet access.” said Gary R. Keough, Director, USDA NASS Pacific Region. “Many of these data about Nevada and our counties are only collected and reported as part of the every-five-year census.”

The 2022 Census of Agriculture data show the following key trends for Nevada:

- The market value of agricultural products sold totaled \$960.0 million, up \$294.0 million from 2017.
- The number of farms decreased to 3,122, down 9 percent from 2017 with an average size of 1,889 acres (up 5.5%) on 5.9 million acres of farmland (down 4%).
- Pasture and rangeland accounted for 82% of farmland.
- Total farm production expenses totaled \$752.2 million, up \$216.2 million from 2017.
- The average age of all Nevada producers was 57.4, down from 57.8 in 2017. This is the first time the average age has decreased since 1964.

The national response rate for the 2022 Census of Agriculture was 61%. Nevada’s response rate was 52%. To address questions about the 2022 Census of Agriculture data, NASS will host a live X Stat Chat ([@usda\\_nass](#)) for the public on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 1 p.m. EST. Ag census data highlight publications are available at [nass.usda.gov/Publications/Highlights](http://nass.usda.gov/Publications/Highlights). Additional products, including state and county profiles and congressional districts will be released throughout 2024.

First conducted in 1840 in conjunction with the decennial Census and conducted since 1997 by USDA NASS – the federal statistical agency responsible for producing official data about U.S. agriculture – the Census of Agriculture remains the most comprehensive agricultural data for every state and county in the nation.

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