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## FARM COMPUTER USAGE AND OWNERSHIP

### ARIZONA

The percentage of Arizona farms with internet access in 2023 was 65 percent, up 3 percent from 2021. Of those farms having computer access, 50 percent own or use a desktop or a laptop, down 6 percent from 2021. The percentage of farms that used a computer to purchase agricultural inputs was 23 percent, a decrease of 8 percentage points from 2021.

The most common method of accessing the internet was cellular at 52 percent, broadband was next at 51 percent, followed by satellite at 21 percent. All other methods accounted for 1 percent.

### COLORADO

The percentage of Colorado farms with internet access in 2023 was 87 percent, up 4 percent from 2021. Of those farms having computer access, 75 percent own or use a desktop or a laptop, up 6 percent from 2021. The percentage of farms that used a computer to purchase agricultural inputs was 47 percent, an increase 14 percentage points from 2021.

The most common method of accessing the internet was cellular at 73 percent, broadband was next at 42 percent, followed by satellite at 30 percent. All other methods accounted for 1 percent.

### MONTANA

The percentage of Montana farms with internet access in 2023 was 93 percent, up 6 percent from 2021. Of those farms having computer access, 81 percent own or use a desktop or a laptop, unchanged from 2021. The percentage of farms that used a computer to purchase agricultural inputs was 47 percent, an increase of 15 percentage points from 2021.

The most common method of accessing the internet was cellular at 72 percent, broadband was next at 63 percent, followed by satellite at 17 percent. All other methods accounted for 2 percent.

### NEW MEXICO

The percentage of New Mexico farms with internet access in 2023 was 55 percent, up 10 percent from 2021. Of those farms having computer access, 40 percent own or use a desktop or a laptop, up 11 percent from 2021. The percentage of farms that used a computer to purchase agricultural inputs was 27 percent, an increase of 14 percentage points from 2021.

The most common method of accessing the internet was cellular at 60 percent, broadband was next at 47 percent, followed by satellite at 18 percent. All other methods accounted for less than half a percent.

### UTAH

The percentage of Utah farms with internet access in 2023 was 97 percent, up 1 percent from 2021. Of those farms having computer access, 74 percent own or use a desktop or a laptop, down 4 percent from 2021. The percentage of farms that used a computer to purchase agricultural inputs was 46 percent, an increase of 1 percentage points from 2021.

The most common method of accessing the internet was cellular at 72 percent, broadband was next at 69 percent, followed by satellite at 23 percent. All other methods accounted for less than half a percent.

## WYOMING

The percentage of Wyoming farms with internet access in 2023 was 90 percent, up 1 percent from 2021. Of those farms having computer access, 73 percent own or use a desktop or a laptop, down 4 percent from 2021. The percentage of farms that used a computer to purchase agricultural inputs was 18 percent, a decrease of 7 percentage points from 2021.

The most common method of accessing the internet was cellular at 80 percent, broadband was next at 45 percent, followed by satellite at 19 percent. All other methods accounted for 2 percent.

## UNITED STATES

Nationally, 85 percent of farms reported having access to the internet. In 2023, 32 percent of farms used the internet to purchase agricultural inputs, which was an increase of 3 percent from 2021. Additionally, 23 percent of farms used the internet to market agricultural activities, which was an increase of 2 percent from 2021. Farms which conducted business with non-agricultural websites in 2023 increased by 2 percent to 49 percent.

In 2023, 51 percent of internet connected farms utilized a broadband connection while 75 percent of internet connected farms had access through a cellular data plan. Additionally, 69 percent of farms had a desktop or laptop computer while 82 percent of farms had a smart phone.

For a full copy of the 2023 *Technology Use (Farm Computer Usage and Ownership)* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov). For state specific questions, please contact the following State Statisticians at 1-800-392-3202.

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