

**NUMBER OF FARMS, AVERAGE SIZE OF FARM, AND LAND IN FARMS,
SOUTH DAKOTA, 1974-2003**

| YEAR | NUMBER OF FARMS | AVERAGE SIZE FARM | LAND IN FARMS | YEAR | NUMBER OF FARMS | AVERAGE SIZE FARM | LAND IN FARMS |
|------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | (1,000) | ACRES | 1,000 ACRES | | (1,000) | ACRES | 1,000 ACRES |
| 1974 | 45.0 | 1,011 | 45,500 | 1989 | 35.0 | 1,266 | 44,300 |
| 1975 | 43.0 | 1,056 | 45,400 | 1990 | 35.0 | 1,266 | 44,300 |
| 1976 | 42.0 | 1,076 | 45,200 | 1991 | 35.0 | 1,263 | 44,200 |
| 1977 | 41.0 | 1,100 | 45,100 | 1992 | 35.0 | 1,263 | 44,200 |
| 1978 | 40.0 | 1,125 | 45,000 | 1993 | 34.5 | 1,281 | 44,200 |
| 1979 | 39.0 | 1,154 | 45,000 | 1994 | 34.0 | 1,300 | 44,200 |
| 1980 | 38.5 | 1,169 | 45,000 | 1995 | 33.0 | 1,333 | 44,000 |
| 1981 | 38.0 | 1,176 | 44,700 | 1996 | 32.5 | 1,354 | 44,000 |
| 1982 | 37.5 | 1,187 | 44,500 | 1997 | 32.5 | 1,354 | 44,000 |
| 1983 | 37.0 | 1,203 | 44,500 | 1998 | 32.5 | 1,354 | 44,000 |
| 1984 | 37.0 | 1,203 | 44,500 | 1999 | 32.5 | 1,354 | 44,000 |
| 1985 | 36.5 | 1,219 | 44,500 | 2000 | 32.4 | 1,358 | 44,000 |
| 1986 | 36.0 | 1,236 | 44,500 | 2001 | 32.0 | 1,372 | 43,900 |
| 1987 | 35.5 | 1,248 | 44,500 | 2002 | 31.8 | 1,377 | 43,800 |
| 1988 | 35.0 | 1,266 | 44,300 | 2003 | 31.6 | 1,386 | 43,800 |

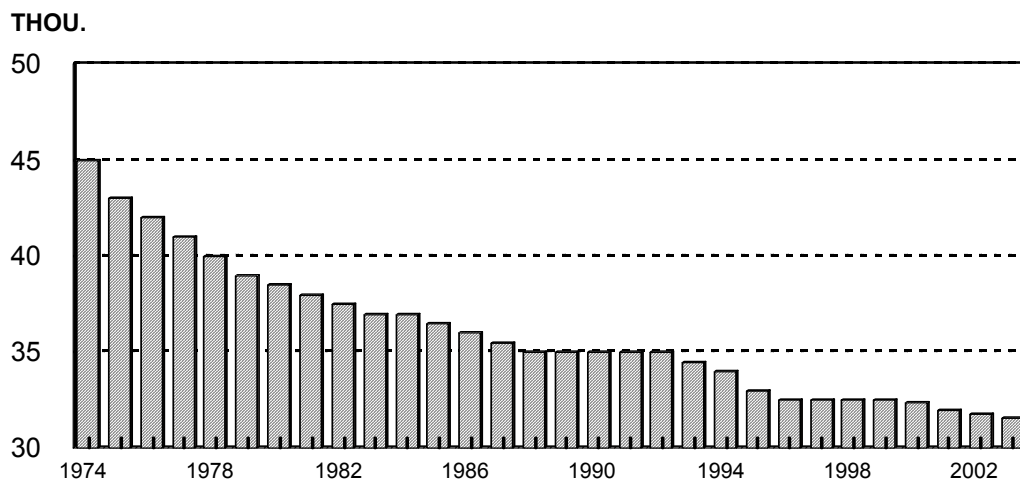
**NUMBER AND AVERAGE SIZE OF FARMS, BY SALES CLASS,
SOUTH DAKOTA, 1999-2003**

| YEAR | \$1,000-9,999 | | \$10,000-99,999 | | \$100,000-249,999 | | \$250,000-499,999 | | \$500,000+ | |
|------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|
| | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) |
| 1999 | 7,000 | 371 | 15,100 | 887 | 6,900 | 2,014 | 2,400 | 3,250 | 1,100 | 5,727 |
| 2000 | 7,800 | 372 | 14,300 | 888 | 6,800 | 2,029 | 2,400 | 3,375 | 1,100 | 5,909 |
| 2001 | 8,200 | 390 | 13,600 | 882 | 6,500 | 2,108 | 2,500 | 3,360 | 1,200 | 5,500 |
| 2002 | 8,800 | 386 | 12,800 | 898 | 6,300 | 2,159 | 2,600 | 3,308 | 1,300 | 5,154 |
| 2003 | 8,800 | 398 | 12,700 | 898 | 6,200 | 2,194 | 2,600 | 3,308 | 1,300 | 5,154 |

**NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK FARMS,
SOUTH DAKOTA, 1999-2003**

| ITEM | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------|-------------------|------|------|------|------|
| | ----- 1,000 ----- | | | | |
| ALL CATTLE | 21.0 | 20.0 | 19.5 | 19.0 | 18.0 |
| BEEF COWS | 17.0 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 16.5 | 15.5 |
| MILK COWS | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| HOGS | 2.7 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| ALL SHEEP | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.1 |

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**NUMBER OF FARMS, AVERAGE SIZE OF FARM, AND LAND IN FARMS,
UNITED STATES, 1974-2003**

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|------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | (1,000) | ACRES | 1,000 ACRES | | (1,000) | ACRES | 1,000 ACRES |
| 1974 | 2,795 | 388 | 1,084,433 | 1989 | 2,175 | 456 | 990,723 |
| 1975 | 2,521 | 420 | 1,059,420 | 1990 | 2,146 | 460 | 986,850 |
| 1976 | 2,497 | 422 | 1,054,075 | 1991 | 2,117 | 464 | 981,736 |
| 1977 | 2,456 | 427 | 1,047,785 | 1992 | 2,108 | 464 | 978,503 |
| 1978 | 2,436 | 429 | 1,044,790 | 1993 | 2,202 | 440 | 968,845 |
| 1979 | 2,437 | 428 | 1,042,015 | 1994 | 2,198 | 440 | 965,935 |
| 1980 | 2,440 | 426 | 1,038,885 | 1995 | 2,196 | 438 | 962,515 |
| 1981 | 2,440 | 424 | 1,034,190 | 1996 | 2,191 | 438 | 958,675 |
| 1982 | 2,407 | 427 | 1,027,795 | 1997 | 2,191 | 436 | 956,010 |
| 1983 | 2,379 | 430 | 1,023,425 | 1998 | 2,192 | 434 | 952,080 |
| 1984 | 2,334 | 436 | 1,017,803 | 1999 | 2,187 | 434 | 948,460 |
| 1985 | 2,293 | 441 | 1,012,073 | 2000 | 2,167 | 436 | 945,080 |
| 1986 | 2,250 | 447 | 1,005,333 | 2001 | 2,149 | 438 | 942,070 |
| 1987 | 2,213 | 451 | 998,923 | 2002 | 2,135 | 440 | 940,300 |
| 1988 | 2,201 | 452 | 994,423 | 2003 | 2,127 | 441 | 938,750 |

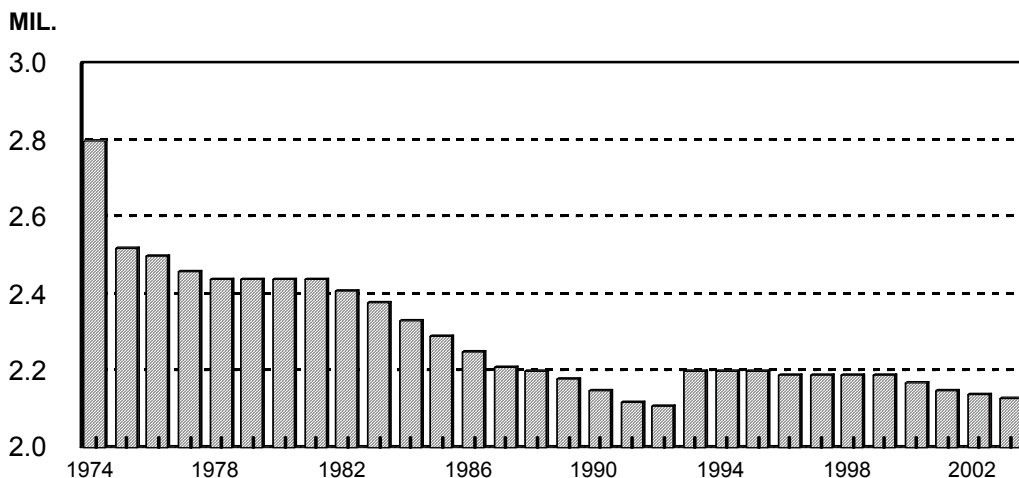
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| | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) | NUMBER | AVG. SIZE (ACRES) |
| 1999 | 1,187,390 | 109 | 648,710 | 436 | 188,340 | 1,067 | 90,940 | 1,608 | 71,900 | 2,626 |
| 2000 | 1,183,480 | 108 | 638,380 | 437 | 182,900 | 1,086 | 89,370 | 1,648 | 72,650 | 2,636 |
| 2001 | 1,189,920 | 107 | 621,490 | 442 | 176,290 | 1,118 | 87,400 | 1,700 | 73,530 | 2,644 |
| 2002 | 1,201,840 | 105 | 604,570 | 449 | 168,820 | 1,163 | 86,550 | 1,724 | 73,580 | 2,678 |
| 2003 | 1,199,270 | 104 | 600,530 | 450 | 167,230 | 1,173 | 86,550 | 1,735 | 73,280 | 2,697 |

**NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK FARMS,
UNITED STATES, 1999-2003**

| ITEM | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | ----- 1,000 ----- | | | | |
| ALL CATTLE | 1,095.6 | 1,076.4 | 1,049.2 | 1,036.4 | 1,013.6 |
| BEEF COWS | 844.2 | 831.3 | 814.5 | 808.1 | 792.1 |
| MILK COWS | 110.9 | 105.1 | 97.5 | 91.2 | 86.3 |
| HOGS | 99.6 | 87.5 | 81.2 | 76.3 | 73.6 |
| ALL SHEEP | 70.0 | 69.2 | 68.6 | 68.2 | 67.6 |

NUMBER OF FARMS, UNITED STATES, 1974-2003



NOTE: A CHANGE IN FARM DEFINITION, APPLIED FROM 1993 ON, NOW INCLUDES OPERATIONS HAVING MAPLE SYRUP, SHORT ROTATION WOODY CROPS, OR FIVE OR MORE HORSES OR PONIES WITH NO OTHER AGRICULTURE.