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2021 FARM NUMBERS AND LAND IN FARMS

Charleston, West Virginia – The number of farms in West Virginia totaled 22,300 in 2021, down 500 farms from 2020. The total land in farms was 3.50 million acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size was 157 acres, up 3 acres from 2020.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$1,000 - \$9,999** economic sales class totaled 16,100 in 2021, down 400 farms from 2020. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 1.50 million acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size for this sales class was 93 acres, up 2 acres from 2020.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$10,000 - \$99,999** economic sales class totaled 5,400 in 2021, down 100 farms from 2020. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 1.40 million acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size for this sales class was 259 acres, up 4 acres from 2020.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$100,000 - \$249,999** economic sales class totaled 370 in 2021, unchanged from 2020. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 270,000 acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size for this sales class was 730 acres, unchanged from 2020.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$250,000 - \$499,999** economic sales class totaled 130 in 2021, unchanged from 2020. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 110,000 acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size for this sales class was 846 acres, unchanged from 2020.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$500,000 - \$999,999** economic sales class totaled 150 in 2021, unchanged from 2020. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 110,000 acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size for this sales class was 733 acres, unchanged from 2020.

The West Virginia number of farms in the **\$1,000,000 or more** economic sales class totaled 150 in 2021, unchanged from 2020. Land in farms for this sales class totaled 110,000 acres, unchanged from 2020. The average farm size for this sales class was 733 acres, unchanged from 2020.

United States – The number of farms in the United States for 2021 is estimated at 2,012,050, down 6,950 farms from 2020. The number of farms increased in all sales classes except \$1,000-\$9,999, \$100,000-\$249,999, and \$1,000,000 or more. In 2021, 51.0 percent of all farms had less than \$10,000 in sales and 81.5 percent of all farms had less than \$100,000 in sales. In 2021, 7.4 percent of all farms had sales of \$500,000 or more.

Total land in farms, at 895,300,000 acres, decreased 1,300,000 acres from 2020. The biggest change for 2021 is that producers in Sales Class \$1,000 - \$9,999 operated 640,000 fewer acres than in 2020. In 2021, 30.1 percent of all farmland was operated by farms with less than \$100,000 in sales, while 40.9 percent of all farmland was operated by farms with sales of \$500,000 or more.

The average farm size for 2021 is 445 acres, up from 444 acres the previous year. Average farm size increased in the \$1,000,000 or more sales class and decreased or remained unchanged in all other sales classes.