1987 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Results of the 1987 Census of Agriculture are being published in a series of reports which provide data for each county (or equivalent), each State, the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands of the United States, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands. The publications include statistics on the number of farms; land in farms; farm and operator characteristics; livestock, poultry, and their products; crop production and value; operating expenditures; irrigation; and other characteristics of farms.

Publication order forms may be obtained from Data User Services Division, Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233, any U.S. Department of Commerce district office, or by calling (301) 763-1113.

ADVANCE REPORTS (AC87-A-01-000(A) TO 56-000(A))

Advance Reports are published separately for each county (or equivalent) in the United States with 10 farms or more, for each State, and the United States. The reports contain data for all agricultural operations with $1,000 or more in actual or potential sales of agricultural products in the census year. The Advance Reports contain final data for major data items together with comparable data from the 1982 census. Included in the reports are data on number of farms, land in farms, size of farms, land use practices, farm operator characteristics, sales expenditures, machinery and equipment, livestock, poultry, dairy products sold, and major crops harvested (which vary by State). No advance reports are available for Puerto Rico, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands.

VOLUME 1. GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERIES (AC87-A-1 TO 56)

State and County Data (A-1 to 50) are published showing detailed data in national and State tables for the United States, and in county and State tables separately for each State. These reports include data on number and size of farms; crop production; livestock, poultry, and their products; tenure, age, and occupation of operators; types of organization; value of products sold; and standard industrial classification of farms.

Summary and State Data (A-51)
- Chapter 1. National level data
- Chapter 2. State level data

Outlying Areas (A-52 to 56) provide detailed data for the regions and municipios of Puerto Rico; the election districts of Guam; the U.S. Virgin Islands; American Samoa; and Northern Mariana Islands.

VOLUME 2. SUBJECT SERIES (AC87-S-1 TO 6)

Agricultural Atlas of the United States (AC87-S-1), formerly the Graphic Summary, presents a profile of the Nation’s agriculture in a series of dot and multicolor pattern maps. The maps provide displays on size and type of farm, land use, farm tenure, market value of products sold, crops harvested, livestock inventories, and other characteristics of farms.

Coverage Evaluation (AC87-S-2) provides national and regional level estimates on the completeness of the census, in terms of both the number of farms missed and selected characteristics of those farms.

Ranking of States and Counties (AC87-S-3) presents the ranking of the top 20 States and the top 100 counties of importance of selected items from the 1987 census. Comparative data from the 1982 census are included in most tables. Tables also show cumulative totals for States and counties.

History (AC87-S-4) is a concise description of the major census operations together with facsimiles of selected data tables. It explains the history of the agriculture census, farm definition, data collection and processing, and dissemination of census data.

Government Payments and Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold (AC87-S-5) shows detailed data for farms cross-tabulated by combined market value of agricultural products sold and Government payments received, including detailed national data and selected data for each State.

ZIP Code Tabulations of Selected Items From the 1987 Census of Agriculture (AC87-S-6) provides tabulations by five-digit ZIP Code for selected items from the 1987 census. Data items include number of farms, land in farms, farms by size, market value of agricultural products sold by size of sale, livestock inventory, cropland harvested, and selected crops.

VOLUME 3. RELATED SURVEYS (AC87-RS-1 AND 2)

The Farm and Ranch Irrigation Survey (AC87-RS-1) provides statistical data collected from a sample of farm operations from the 1987 Census of Agriculture. The publication offers information on acres irrigated, land use, yields of specified crops, methods of water distribution, quantity of water used by its source, and other irrigation practices.

Agricultural Economics and Land Ownership Survey (AC87-RS-2) provides data on indebtedness, expenditures, income and assets for both farm operators and landlords. This report also includes measures of credit used for purchases and expenditures, debt by type of lender, assets, off-farm income, and other land ownership data.

VOLUME 4. CENSUS OF HORTICULTURAL SPECIALTIES (AC87-HOR-1)

This report includes detailed information on the horticultural establishments with production and sales of $2,000 or more. It provides data on number of establishments, value of sales of horticultural products, type of horticultural products, and kinds of horticultural businesses, for the United States, States, and counties.

ELECTRONIC MEDIA

Flexible Diskette—The Advance Reports of the 1987 Census of Agriculture are available on flexible diskettes. The files can be used with any compatible microcomputer employing the PC-DOS 2.0 or higher operating system. Diskettes can be obtained by calling (301) 763-4100.

Computer Tapes—Public-use computer tapes contain the same summary statistics that are found in the published reports. Two files are available for each State: data for counties and the aggregated State-level data. Order forms may be obtained from the Data User Services Division, Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233 (or call (301) 763-4100).

Compact Disc-Read Only Memory (CD-ROM)—Data for the conterminous United States and Puerto Rico are available on CD-ROM. The CD-ROM can be obtained from the Data User Services Division, Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233 (or call (301) 763-4100).

Online Access—National and State level data from the 1987 Census of Agriculture are available on CENDATA through two information vendors—CompuServe and DIALOG. In addition, the advance reports, highlights of the Subject Series, and Related Surveys reports, are available online from AGRIDATA. For information on these services call (301) 763-4100.