Table 1. Historical Highlights: 1987 and Earlier Census Years

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[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

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1. Data are based on a sample of farms.
2. Data for 1982 exclude abnormally small farms.
3. Data for 1974 and prior years include the value of forest products sold.
4. Data for 1982 apply only to individual or family operations (sole proprietorship) and partnerships; see text.
5. Data for 1969 and prior years exclude abnormal farms.
6. Data for 1959 and prior years are for $10,000 or more.
7. Data for 1954 and prior years are for $25,000 or more.
8. Data for 1954 and prior years are for $10,000 or more.
10. Data for 1982 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.
11. Data for 1982 include cost of custom applications; data for agricultural chemicals exclude the cost of lime for 1987 and 1982.
12. Data for 1982 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.
13. Data for 1954 are for $25,000 or more.
14. Data for 1954 are for $25,000 or more.
15. Data for 1954 and prior years are for chickens 4 months old or older.
16. Data for 1982 are from land area used.