IN THEIR WORDS...

"Census of Agriculture data is accurate, credible and diverse. It's broad enough that it allows us to make connections, but it's also specific enough that we're able to accurately identify the needs of young farmers."

 Michelle Lynn Hughes, Associate Director of Regional Food Programs, Glynwood Center for Regional Food and Farming

"Farmers should fill out their Census of Agriculture because it helps us get better representation of all different farmers and all different people, which ultimately makes us trust the data more."

- Lucy Toyama, New Entry Sustainable Farming Project, Tufts University

"The Census of Agriculture provides us with vital information on beginning farmers including demographics and types of farm enterprises established. We rely on this data to inform us of beginning farmer trends. All farmers, especially beginning farmers, need to respond to the census survey to help guide not only policy but also supportive funding structures."

 Sridharan (Sri) Sethuratnam, Ph.D., Director, California Farm Academy, Center for Land-Based Learning

"The census data is critical to us because we really need to know where farmers are and what is their representation...It could possibly gauge a lot of our work for the next 10 years."

- Donna DeCaille MS, Director, Communications & Member Relations, The Federation Of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund

RESPOND ONLINE

Online reporting is secure, fast, and user friendly. www.agcounts.usda.gov



For more information about the Census of Agriculture:

www.nass.usda.gov/AgCensus

Confidentiality

The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2018, Title III of Pub. L. No. 115-435, codified in 44 U.S.C. Ch. 35 and other applicable Federal laws, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form.

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THE CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

The Census of Agriculture is a complete count of America's farms and ranches and the people who operate them. Taken every five years, the census provides valuable information used at the local, state, and national levels to plan for the future.

The census is the only source of uniform, comprehensive agricultural data for every state, county, and county equivalent in the nation. By participating in the census, you help show the value and importance of U.S. agriculture.



YOUR VOICE

The census gives you and other producers a voice. Completing your census form is your opportunity to tell how American agriculture provides food, fuel, feed, and fiber to the world.

Join this collective voice by responding to the census with information about your farm or ranch. You have the information and power to influence decisions that will shape the future of your operation, community, and industry.

WHAT IS A "FARM"?

A farm is defined as any place that produced and sold, or normally would have sold, \$1,000 or more of agricultural products during the census year (2022).

YOUR FUTURE

Your response provides input for future agricultural planning and decision making. The information collected helps USDA work with other organizations and rural communities to develop short-term and long-term improvements, strategies, and safeguards to better serve you.

Results from the 2022 Census of Agriculture will play a role in determining future decisions about:

- Agricultural research
- Beginning farmer programs
- Conservation programs
- New agricultural technologies
- Production practices
- Rural economic development
- Telecommunications connectivity (i.e. broadband expansion)
- Transportation and marketing locations and more...

YOUR OPPORTUNITY

The information you supply in your census response is important -- regardless of the size or type of your operation. Some of the information you provide is not collected by any other means and helps to provide new tools, resources, and reports. The Census of Agriculture is your voice, your future, and your opportunity.

USDA will begin data collection for the 2022 Census of Agriculture in November 2022.

Please respond in one of the following ways:

- Online at www.agcounts.usda.gov. Online reporting is fast, user friendly, and secure.
- By mail. Fill out the census questionnaire and return it in the prepaid envelope provided.

Your response to the Census of Agriculture is required by law (Title 7 USC 2204(g) Public Law 105-113).