

# *U.S. FARMS*



**Harrowing land and planting corn, Jasper County, Iowa, May 1940**

## Historical Overview of the Number of Farms and Farm Size in the United States

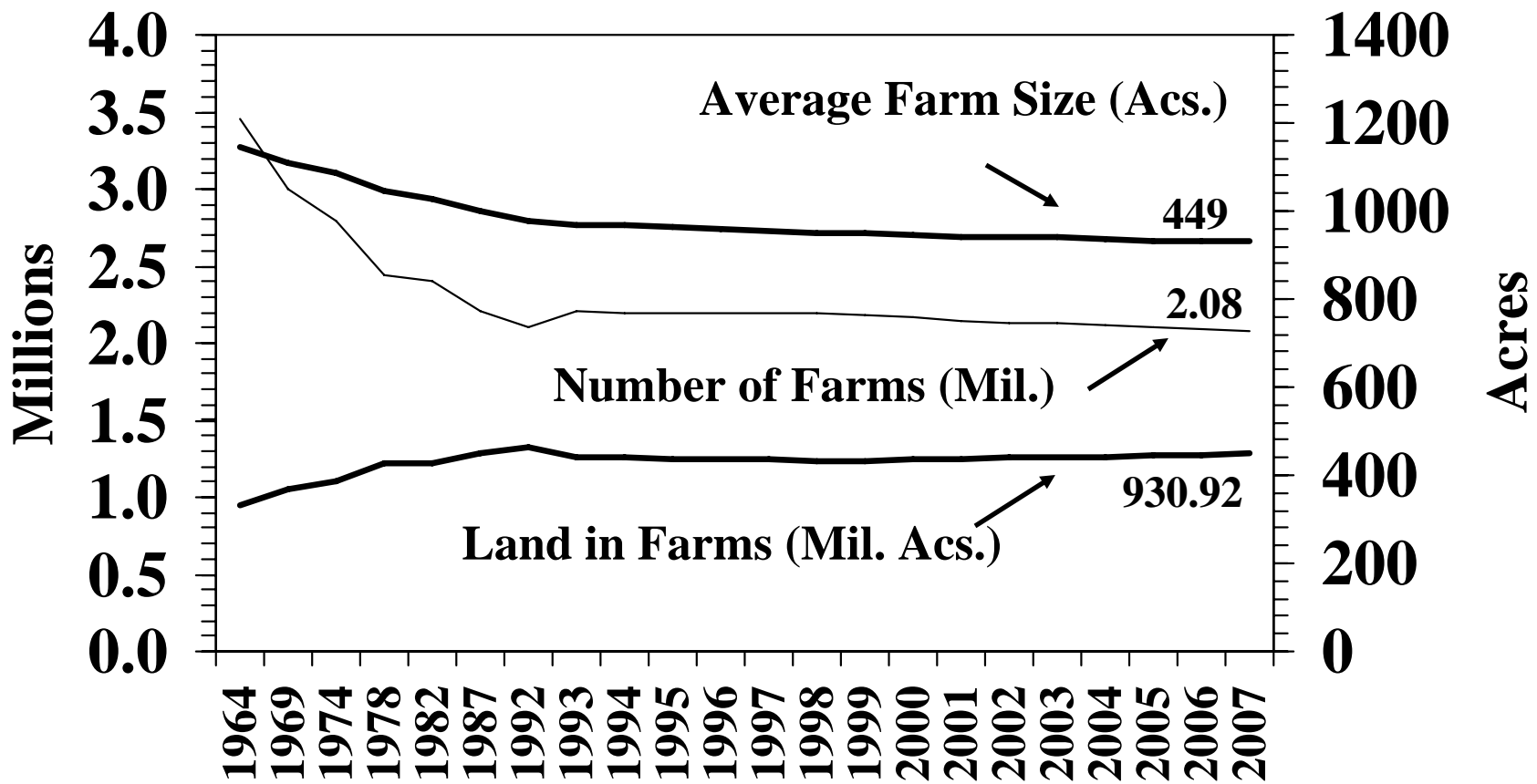
Variable	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Number of farms	2,075,510	2,088,790	2,098,690	2,112,970	2,126,860	2,135,360	2,148,630	2,166,780	2,187,280	2,192,330	2,190,510
Land in farms (000 acres)	930,920	932,430	933,210	936,295	938,650	940,300	942,070	945,080	948,460	952,080	956,010
Average farm size (acs)	449	446	445	443	441	440	438	436	434	434	436
<b>Number of Farms by Size in Acres:</b>											
1-49	--	--	--	--	--	743,118	--	--	--	--	736,292
50-179	--	--	--	--	--	658,705	--	--	--	--	694,489
180-499	--	--	--	--	--	388,617	--	--	--	--	428,215
500-999	--	--	--	--	--	161,552	--	--	--	--	179,447
1,000 or more	--	--	--	--	--	176,990	--	--	--	--	177,433

Variable	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1987	1982	1978	1974	1969	1964
Number of farms	2,190,500	2,196,400	2,197,690	2,201,590	2,107,840	2,213,000	2,407,000	2,436,000	2,795,000	3,000,000	3,457,000
Land in farms (000 acres)	958,675	962,515	965,935	968,845	978,503	998,923	1,027,795	1,044,790	1,084,433	1,107,811	1,146,106
Average farm size (acs)	438	438	440	440	464	451	427	429	388	369	332
<b>Number of Farms by Size in Acres:</b>											
1-49	--	--	--	--	554,207	595,694	636,917	542,787	507,797	635,576	820,015
50-179	--	--	--	--	584,146	644,849	711,652	759,047	827,884	1,001,706	1,175,370
180-499	--	--	--	--	427,648	478,294	526,510	581,631	616,098	726,363	806,743
500-999	--	--	--	--	186,387	200,058	203,925	213,209	207,297	215,659	210,437
1,000 or more	--	--	--	--	172,912	168,864	161,972	161,101	154,937	150,946	145,292

Source: Don E. Albrecht. "The Changing Texas Agriculture: An Overview of the 1987 Census of Agriculture", Departmental Technical Report No. 90-2, Department of Rural Sociology, TAES, The Texas A&M University System, College Station, Texas, 1990. Number of Farms and Land in Farms, USDA publication, February 2007.

"2002 Census of Agriculture" Highlights of Agriculture for United States. NOTE: Number of Farms by Size in Acres Data Not Available for 1993-1996, 1998-2001, 2003-2007. 2007 numbers preliminary.

# Historical Overview of the Number of Farms and Average Farm Size in the United States 1964 - 2007



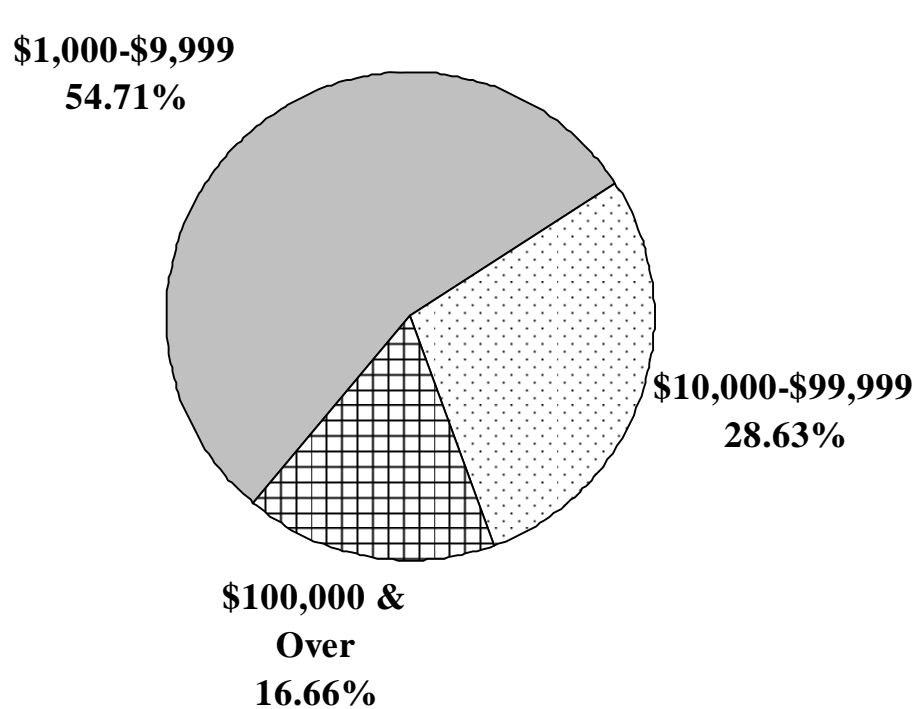
**U.S.: Number of Farms and Land in Farms  
by Economic Sales Class**

Economic Sales Class	Number of Farms	Percent of Total Farms	Land in Farms	Percent of Total Land
	Number	%	(000 acres)	%
2007				
\$1,000-\$9,999 .....	1,135,320	54.70	112,840	12.12
\$10,000-\$99,999 .....	594,230	28.63	255,505	27.45
\$100,000-\$249,000 ....	167,990	8.09	192,260	20.65
\$250,000-\$499,999 ....	93,000	4.48	153,000	16.44
\$500,000 & Over .....	84,970	4.09	217,315	23.34
Total	2,075,510	100.00	930,920	100.00
2006				
\$1,000-\$9,999 .....	1,152,910	55.20	114,685	12.30
\$10,000-\$99,999 .....	597,350	28.60	258,890	27.77
\$100,000-\$249,000 ....	166,420	7.97	191,450	20.53
\$250,000-\$499,999 ....	90,760	4.35	153,980	16.51
\$500,000 & Over .....	81,350	3.89	213,425	22.89
Total	2,088,790	100.00	932,430	100.00
2005				
\$1,000-\$9,999 .....	1,166,320	55.57	118,200	12.67
\$10,000-\$99,999 .....	596,040	28.40	260,665	27.93
\$100,000-\$249,000 ....	167,080	7.96	192,295	20.61
\$250,000-\$499,999 ....	89,840	4.28	152,195	16.31
\$500,000 & Over .....	79,410	3.78	209,855	22.49
Total	2,098,690	100.00	933,210	100.00

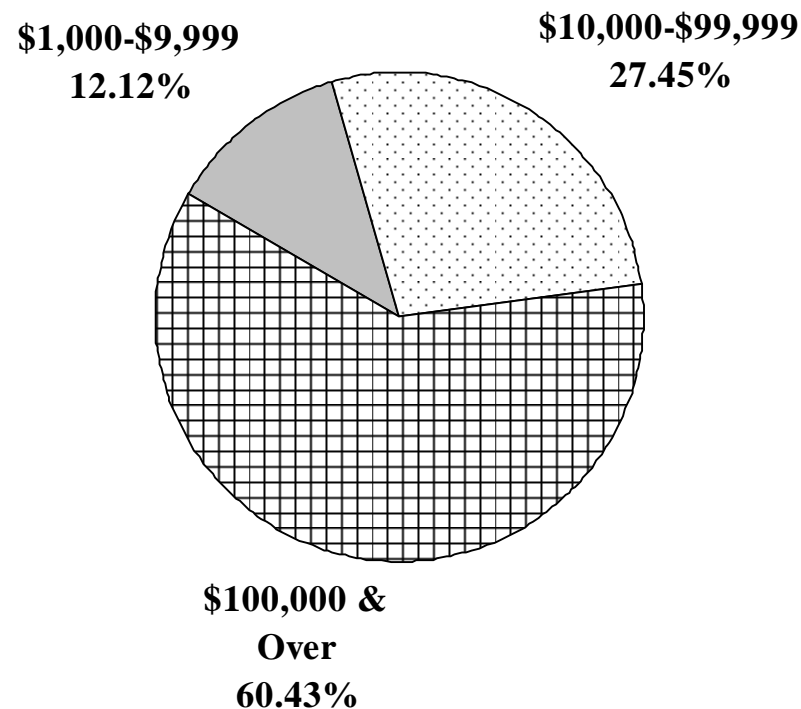
Source: USDA, "Farm Numbers and Land in Farms, February 2008.  
Numbers may not add due to rounding.

# Number of Farms and Land in Farms by Farm Sales Categories in the U.S., 2007

## (% Distribution)



**Number of Farms (%)**



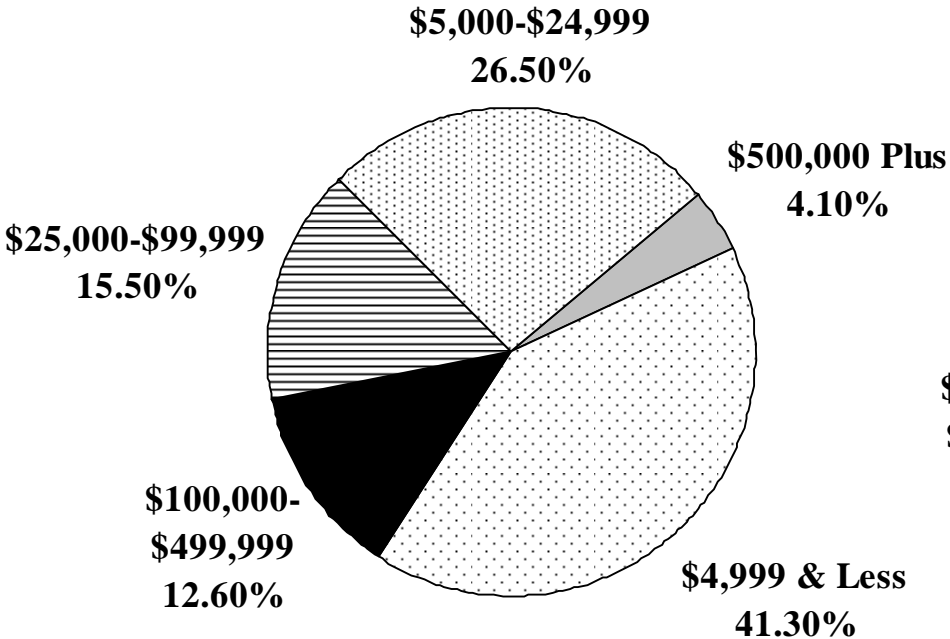
**Land in Farms (%)**

**Percent of Farms, Land in Farms, and Average Size Farm: By Economic Sales Class,  
United States. 2005 - 2007**

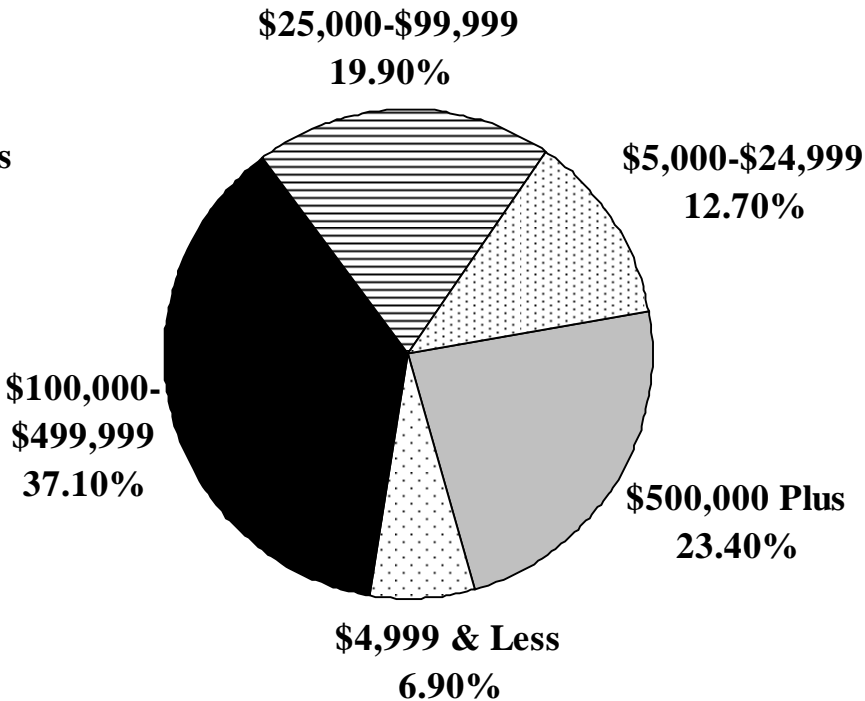
Economic Sales Class	Percent of Total		Average Size Farm (Acres)
	Farms	Land	
	2007		
\$1,000 - \$2,499	26.0	3.6	62
\$2,500 - \$4,999	15.3	3.3	97
\$5,000 - \$9,999	13.4	5.2	174
\$10,000 - \$24,999	13.1	7.5	257
\$25,000 - \$49,999	8.4	7.9	422
\$50,000 - \$99,999	7.1	12.0	759
\$100,000 - \$249,999	8.1	20.7	1,147
\$250,000 - \$499,999	4.5	16.4	1,636
\$500,000 - \$999,999	2.3	11.1	2,166
\$1,000,000 +	1.8	12.3	3,067
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	449
	2006		
\$1,000 - \$2,499	26.3	4.1	70
\$2,500 - \$4,999	15.2	3.7	109
\$5,000 - \$9,999	13.7	4.5	147
\$10,000 - \$19,999	11.9	7.5	282
\$20,000 - \$39,999	8.8	8.8	446
\$40,000 - \$99,999	7.9	11.5	649
\$100,000 - \$249,999	8.0	20.5	1,144
\$250,000 - \$499,999	4.3	16.5	1,713
\$500,000 - \$999,999	2.2	10.9	2,212
\$1,000,000 +	1.7	12.0	3,152
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	446
	2005		
\$1,000 - \$2,499	26.4	4.0	67
\$2,500 - \$4,999	15.2	3.8	111
\$5,000 - \$9,999	13.9	4.9	156
\$10,000 - \$19,999	11.5	7.2	279
\$20,000 - \$39,999	8.7	9.2	471
\$40,000 - \$99,999	8.2	11.5	624
\$100,000 - \$249,999	8.0	20.6	1,150
\$250,000 - \$499,999	4.3	16.3	1,693
\$500,000 - \$999,999	2.1	10.8	2,298
\$1,000,000 +	1.7	11.7	3,075
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	445

SOURCE: "Farms and Land in Farms", USDA/NASS, February 2008.  
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# Percent of Farms and Land in Farms by Economic Sales Class, United States, 2007

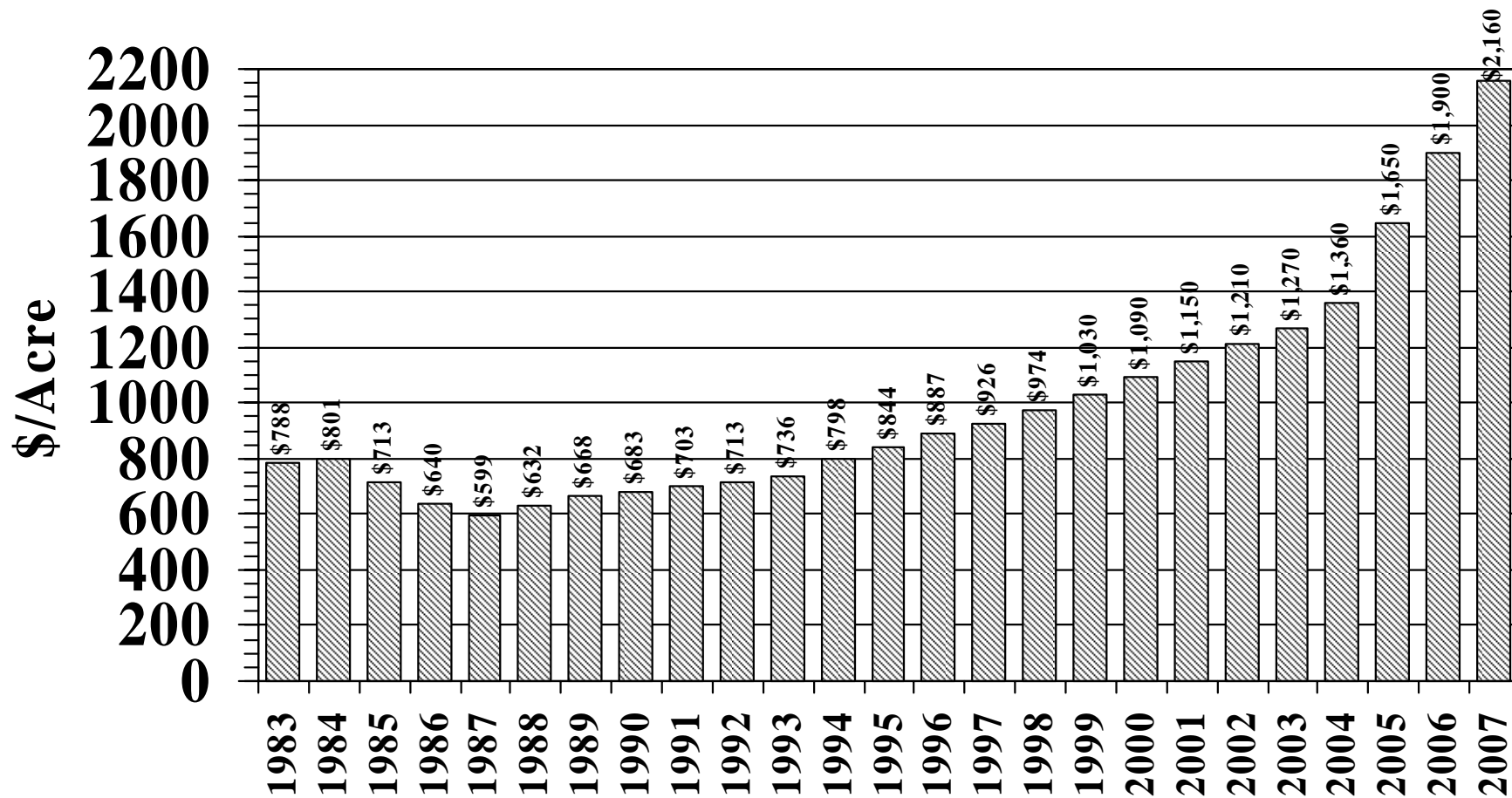


**Number of Farms (%)**



**Land in Farms (%)**

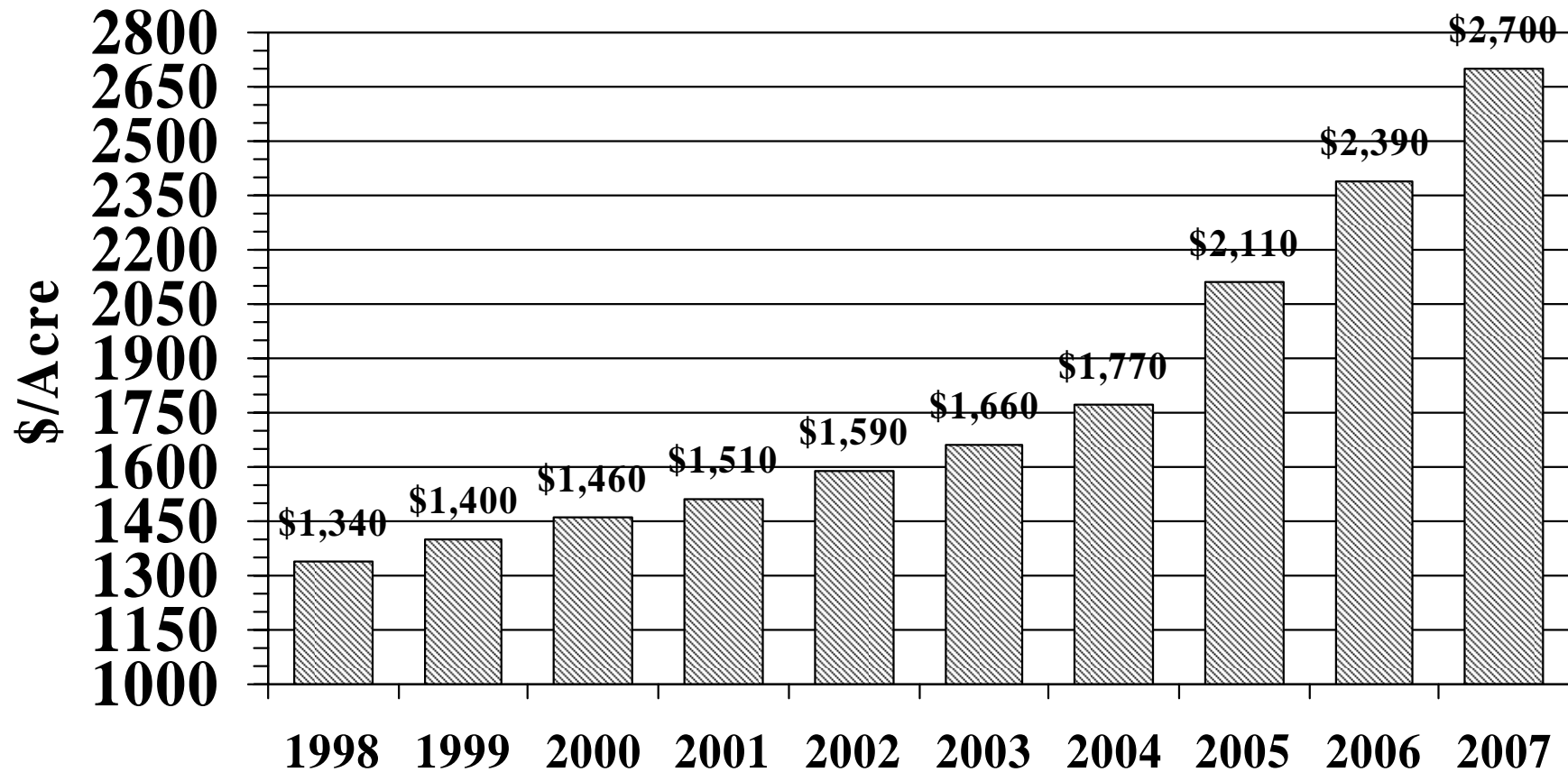
# U.S. Average Farm Real Estate Value Dollars Per Acre, 1983 - 2007



USDA - NASS, August 2007

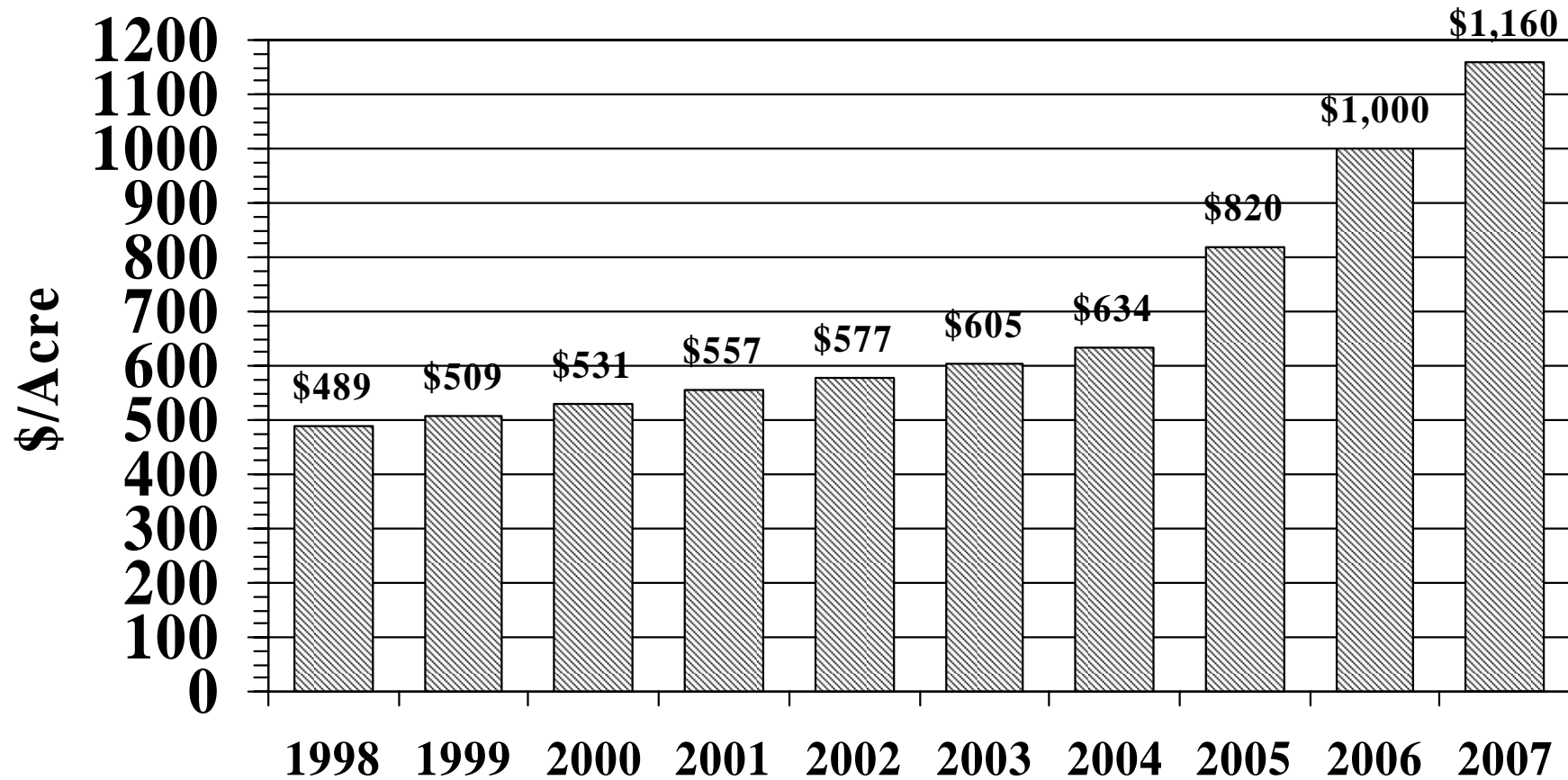


# U.S. Average Cropland Value Dollars Per Acre, 1998 - 2007



USDA – NASS, August 2007

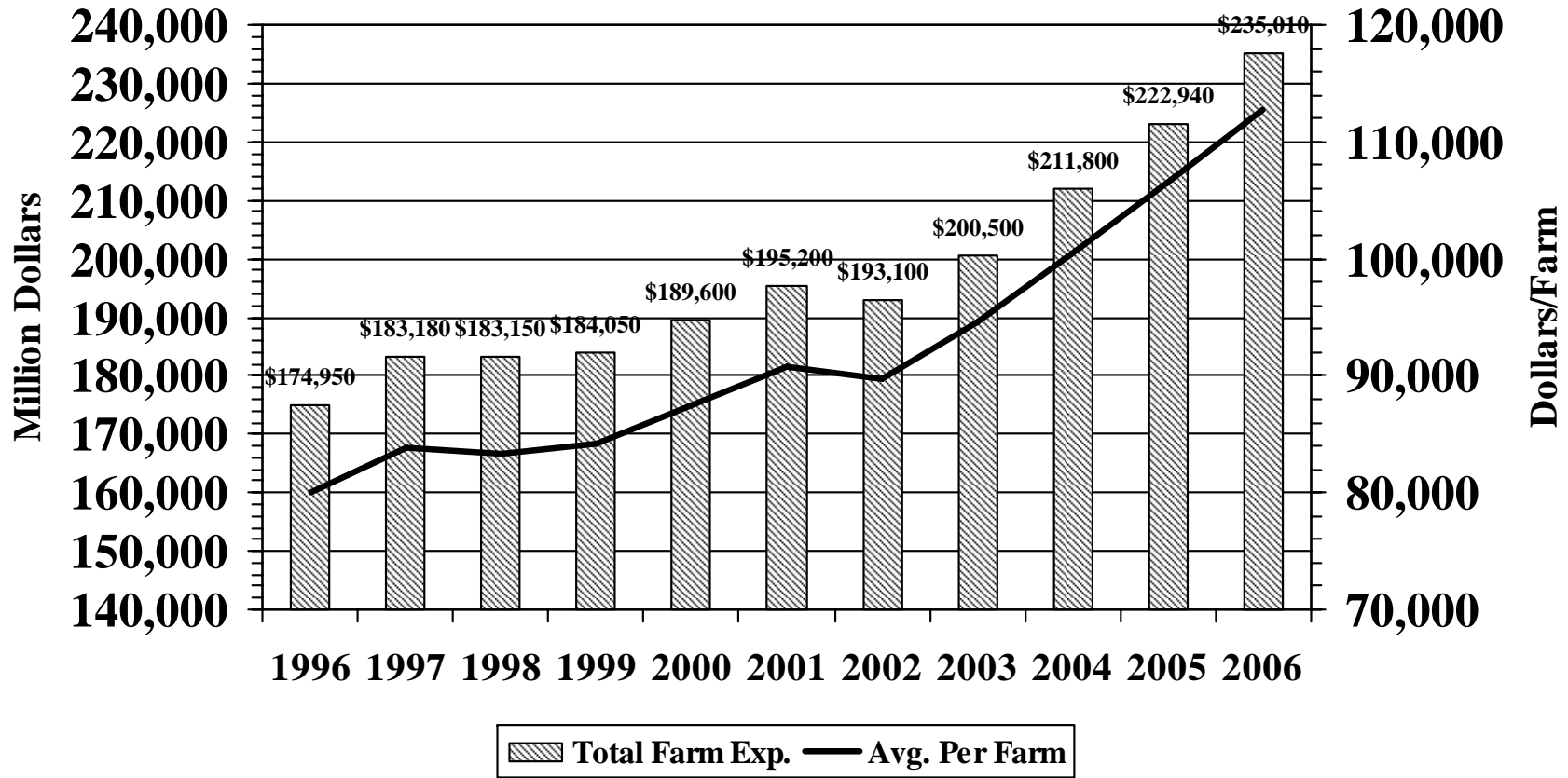
# U.S. Average Pasture Value Dollars Per Acre, 1998 - 2007



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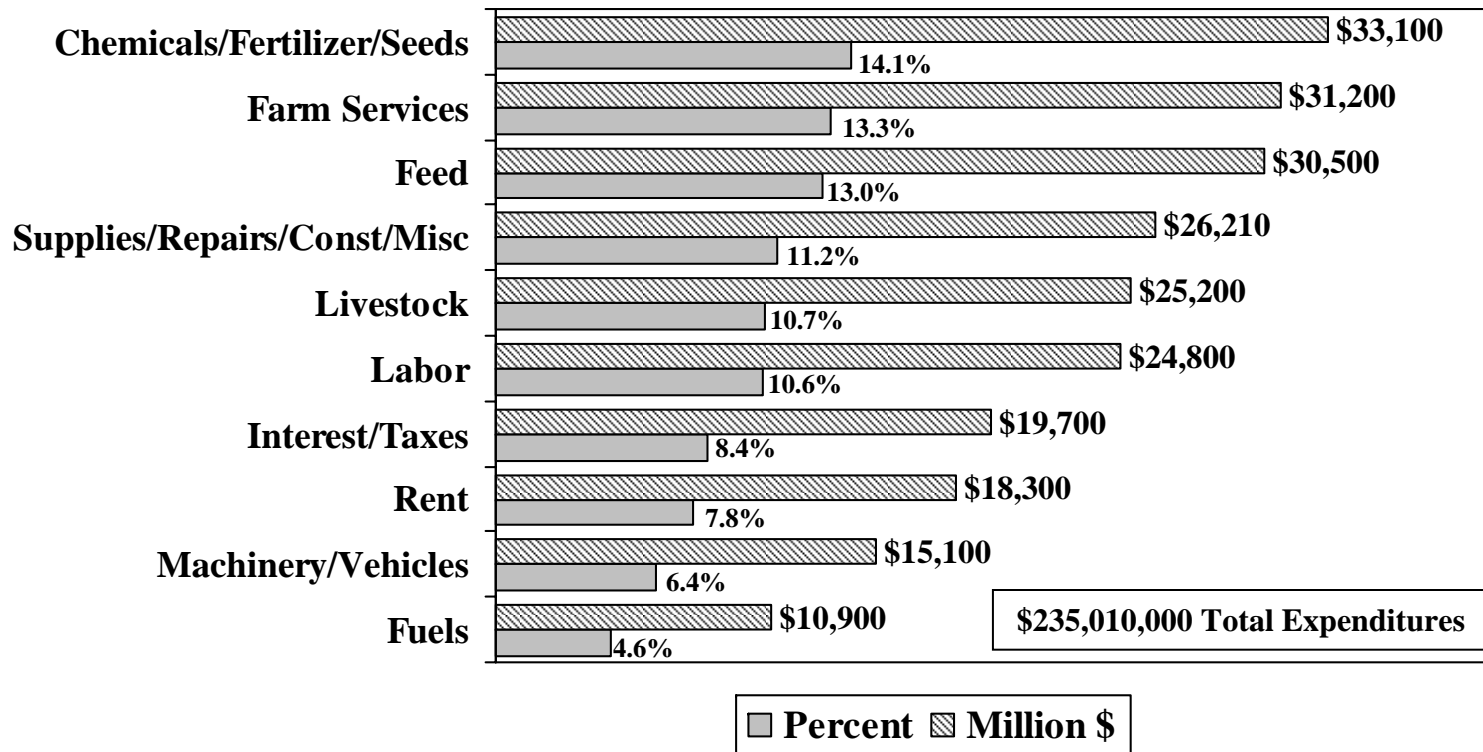
# U.S. Farm Production Expenditures

## Total and Average Per Farm, 1996 - 2006



Source: "Farm Production Expenditures 2006 Summary"  
 USDA/NASS, August 2007  
 Includes landlord and contractor share of farm production expenses.

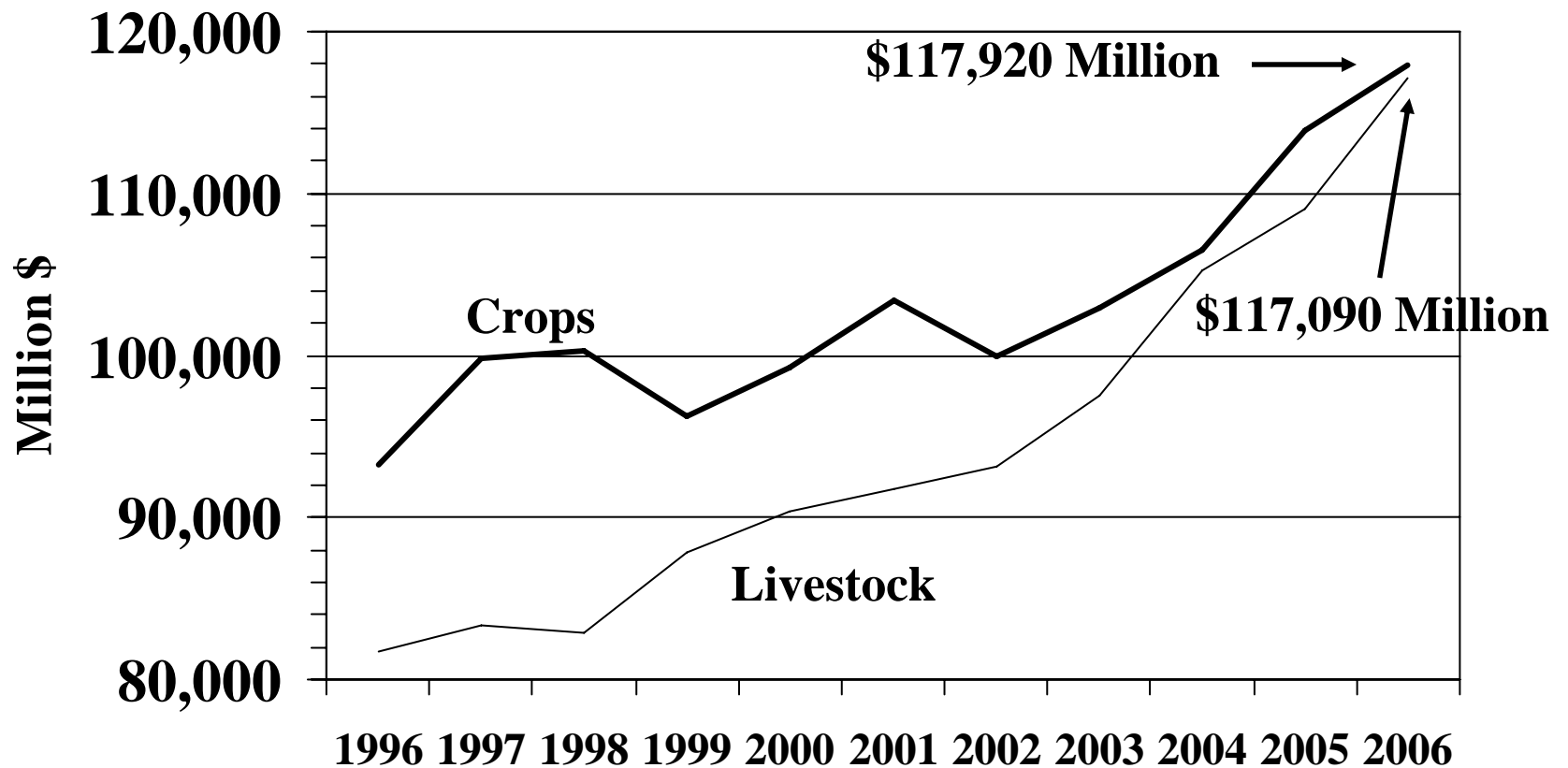
# U.S. Farm Production Expenditures By Input Items, Expense, Percent of Total United States, 2006



Source: "Farm Production Expenditures 2006 Summary",  
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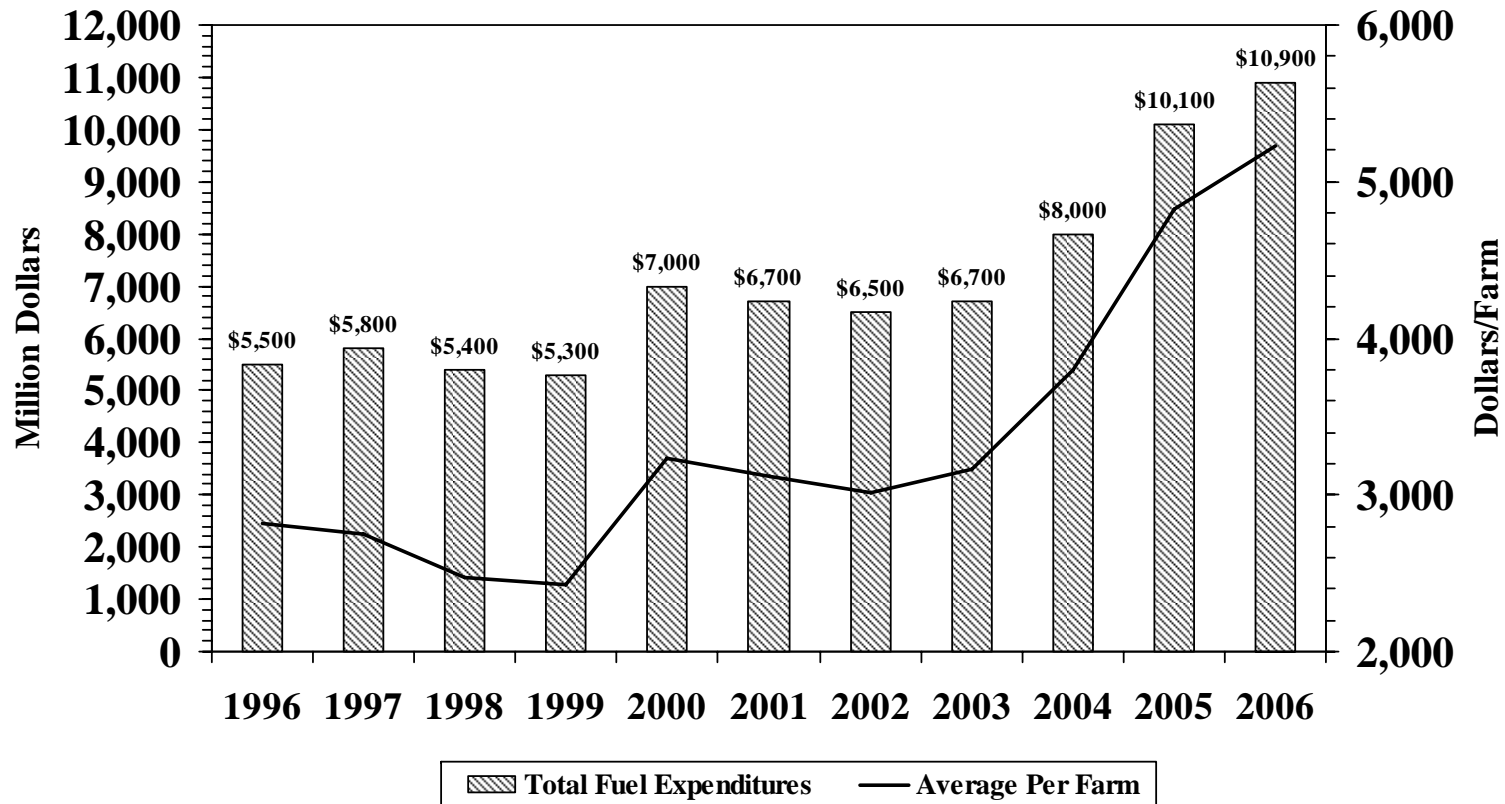
# U.S. Farm Production Expenditures

## By Type of Farm, 1996 - 2006



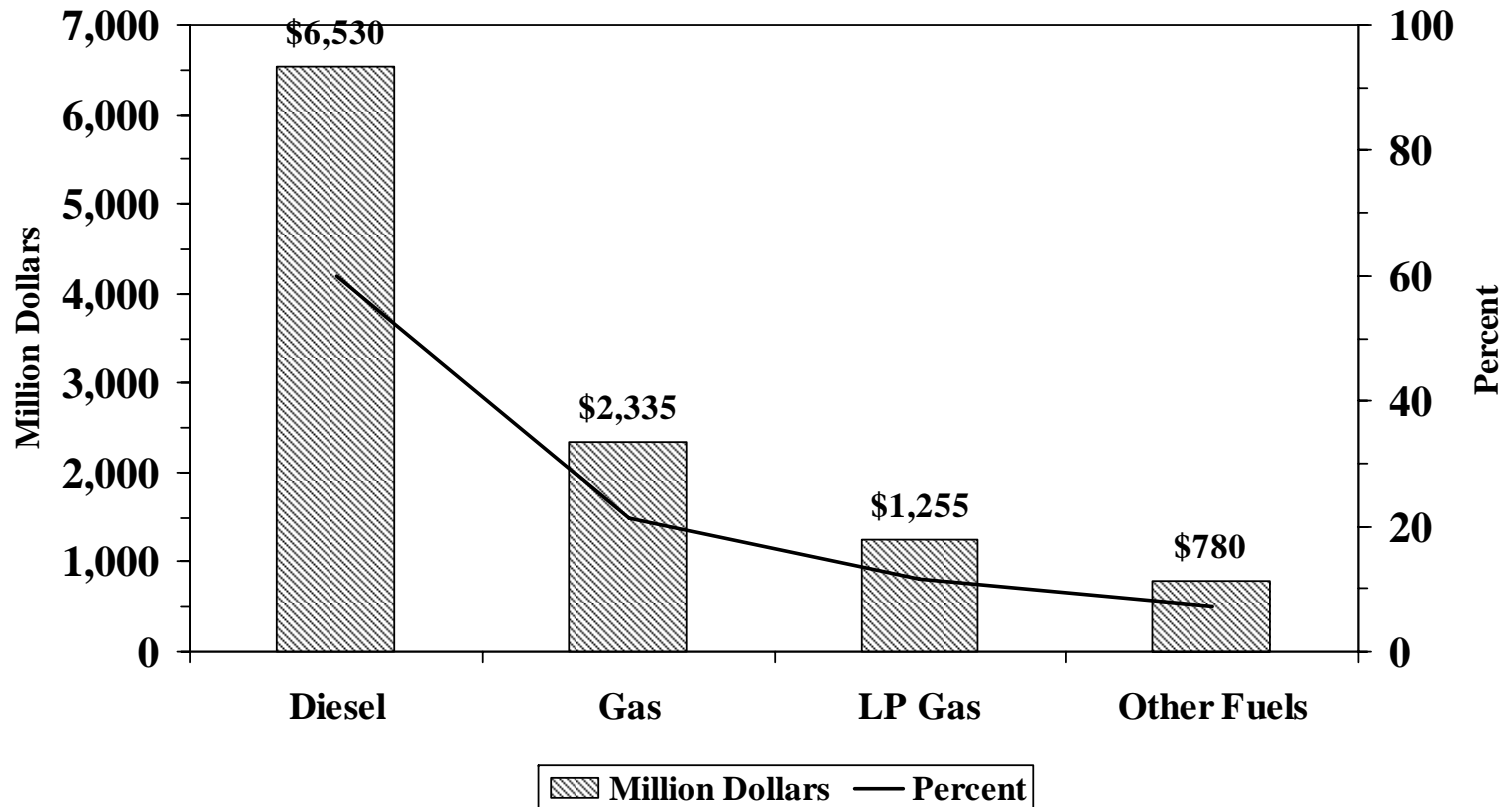
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# U.S. Fuel Production Expenditures Total and Average Per Farm, 1996 - 2006



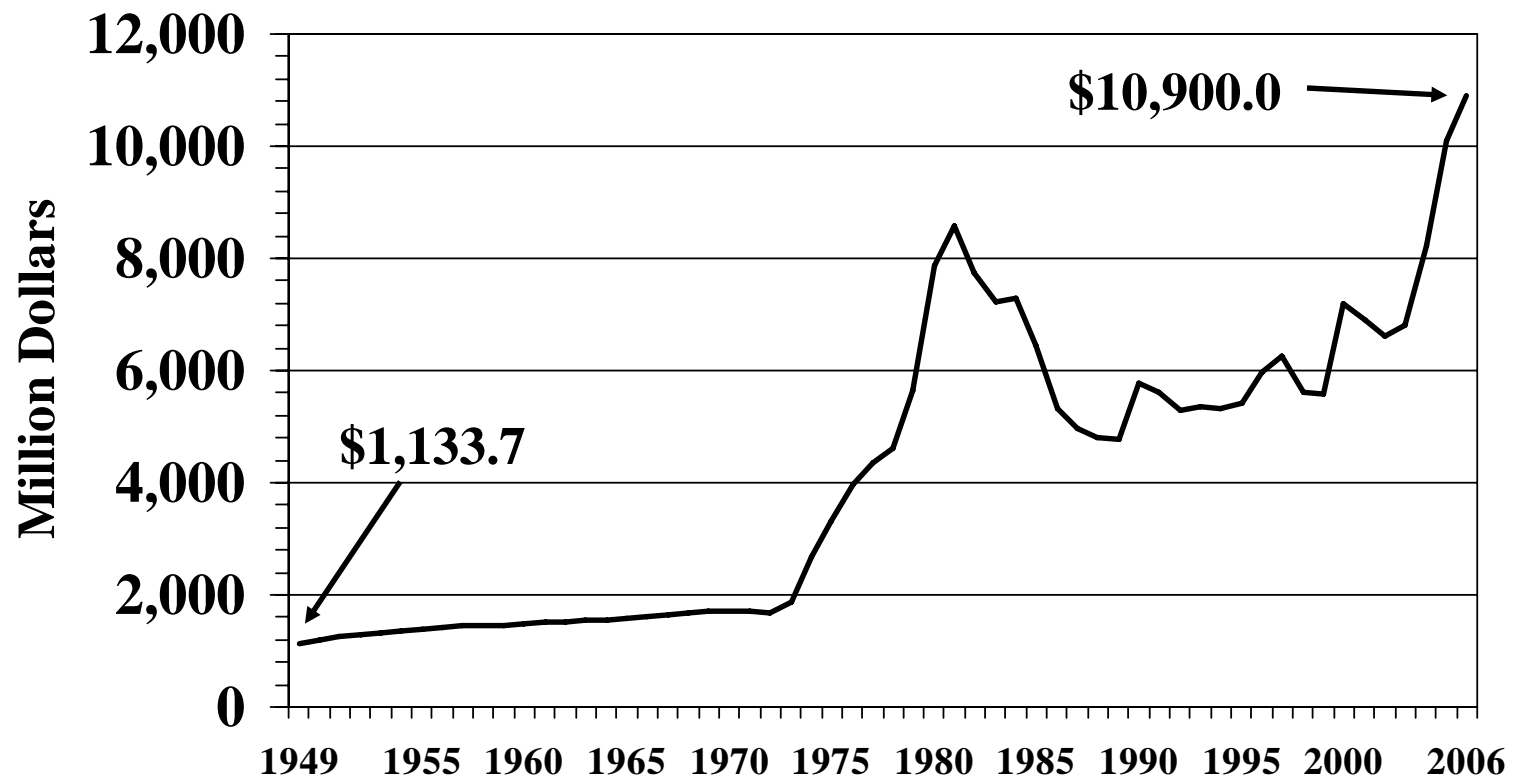
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# U.S. Fuel Production Expenditures By Sub-Components, Expense, Percent of Total United States, 2006



Source: "Farm Production Expenditures 2006 Summary",  
USDA/NASS, August 2007

# U.S. Total Fuel and Oil Expenditures



Source: ERS Briefing Room, Farm Income Data Files  
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USDA/NASS, August 2007