

**Table 47. Land Use Practices: 2022 and 2017**

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

Land use practices	2022		2017	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Land drained by tile .....	26,277	5,091,968	28,071	5,394,931
Average per farm .....	(X)	194	(X)	192
Acres drained:				
1 to 9 acres .....	4,640	20,535	5,164	22,991
10 to 49 acres .....	8,252	200,769	8,433	203,624
50 to 99 acres .....	3,872	267,100	3,940	272,931
100 to 199 acres .....	3,400	465,463	3,534	486,412
200 to 499 acres .....	3,466	1,085,753	4,025	1,250,189
500 to 999 acres .....	1,485	1,004,600	1,868	1,269,860
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	833	1,108,955	846	1,131,062
2,000 acres or more .....	329	938,793	261	757,862
Land artificially drained by ditches .....	10,720	945,095	11,923	1,204,556
Average per farm .....	(X)	88	(X)	101
Acres drained by ditches:				
1 to 9 acres .....	3,589	14,079	3,705	14,906
10 to 49 acres .....	4,144	90,201	4,617	102,927
50 to 99 acres .....	1,171	77,544	1,242	82,498
100 to 199 acres .....	772	100,371	928	124,112
200 to 499 acres .....	614	179,828	871	255,208
500 to 999 acres .....	249	169,340	342	230,343
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	133	180,994	155	215,359
2,000 acres or more .....	48	132,738	63	179,203
Land under conservation easement .....	3,462	134,784	1,806	126,231
Average per farm .....	(X)	39	(X)	70
Acres under easement:				
1 to 9 acres .....	1,780	6,917	660	2,513
10 to 49 acres .....	1,161	24,074	636	14,245
50 to 99 acres .....	237	16,654	221	15,000
100 to 199 acres .....	168	23,724	139	18,784
200 to 499 acres .....	79	24,228	104	28,922
500 to 999 acres .....	22	13,847	32	20,771
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	12	16,028	10	12,233
2,000 acres or more .....	3	9,312	4	13,763
Cropland on which no-till practices were used .....	20,023	4,140,900	20,537	4,268,627
Average per farm .....	(X)	207	(X)	208
No-till practices used:				
1 to 9 acres .....	2,601	11,934	2,636	12,148
10 to 49 acres .....	6,033	159,077	6,006	152,679
50 to 99 acres .....	3,417	239,015	3,259	231,582
100 to 199 acres .....	2,790	387,202	2,951	412,744
200 to 499 acres .....	2,917	904,816	3,388	1,068,864
500 to 999 acres .....	1,366	932,055	1,474	1,006,172
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	704	945,784	656	879,278
2,000 acres or more .....	195	561,017	167	505,160
Cropland on which conservation or reduced tillage, excluding no-till, practices were used (see text) .....	13,293	3,142,089	12,754	3,104,619
Average per farm .....	(X)	236	(X)	243
Conservation or reduced tillage used (see text):				
1 to 9 acres .....	1,854	7,977	1,360	6,056
10 to 49 acres .....	3,775	97,356	3,264	88,998
50 to 99 acres .....	2,107	148,938	2,080	146,252
100 to 199 acres .....	1,786	248,307	2,058	288,858
200 to 499 acres .....	2,120	664,615	2,277	721,492
500 to 999 acres .....	942	645,073	1,067	737,513
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	493	669,237	491	655,711
2,000 acres or more .....	216	660,586	157	459,739
Cropland on which intensive or conventional tillage practices were used (see text) .....	13,528	1,661,481	13,882	1,782,034
Average per farm .....	(X)	123	(X)	128
Intensive or conventional tillage used (see text):				
1 to 9 acres .....	3,260	13,960	2,998	13,021
10 to 49 acres .....	4,851	119,873	4,864	121,817
50 to 99 acres .....	2,053	143,783	2,115	149,738
100 to 199 acres .....	1,533	212,865	1,711	240,150
200 to 499 acres .....	1,155	353,939	1,455	445,854
500 to 999 acres .....	413	284,158	501	338,619
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	191	256,945	173	229,681
2,000 acres or more .....	72	275,958	65	243,154
Cropland planted to a cover crop (excluding CRP) .....	8,187	751,093	8,567	717,759
Average per farm .....	(X)	92	(X)	84
Cover crop acres (excluding CRP):				
1 to 9 acres .....	2,324	8,293	2,431	9,204
10 to 49 acres .....	2,670	64,797	3,119	73,030
50 to 99 acres .....	1,226	82,315	1,176	77,924
100 to 199 acres .....	938	122,299	833	108,569
200 to 499 acres .....	734	212,883	722	204,206
500 to 999 acres .....	198	125,937	209	133,701
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	90	112,457	67	83,941
2,000 acres or more .....	7	22,112	10	27,184
Use of precision agriculture practices (see text) .....	11,358	(X)	(NA)	(X)