Table B–100. Farm input use, selected inputs, 1950–2010

Year	Farm employment (thousands) [1]			Crops harvested (millions of acres) [4]	Selected indexes of input use (1996=100)										
						Capital input		Labor input			Intermediate input				
	Total	Self-employed and unpaid family workers [2]	Hired workers [3]		Total farm input	Total	Durable equipment	Total	Hired labor	Self-employed and unpaid family labor	Total	Feed and seed	Energy and lubricants [5]	Agricultural chemicals	Purchased services
1950	9,283	6,965	2,318	345	97	118	90	305	268	323	53	59	73	21	45
1951	8,653	6,464	2,189	344	98	120	100	293	259	311	55	61	76	21	49
1952	8,441	6,301	2,140	349	98	122	109	287	253	304	55	60	80	23	52
1953	7,904	5,817	2,087	348	98	123	114	275	246	289	55	61	81	23	50
1954	7,893	5,782	2,111	346	96	124	120	269	232	288	53	58	81	24	49
1955	7,719	5,675	2,044	340	99	124	123	263	228	281	58	65	83	24	51
1956	7,367	5,451	1,916	324	100	124	124	247	208	266	60	68	83	26	53
1957	6,966	5,046	1,920	324	99	123	123	229	199	244	62	71	82	25	54
1958	6,667	4,705	1,962	324	100	121	121	218	201	226	66	76	80	26	56
1959	6,565	4,621	1,944	324	102	121	121	217	196	227	68	77	81	30	76
1960	6,155	4,260	1,895	324	101	121	123	205	196	208	68	77	82	30	73
1961	5,994	4,135	1,859	302	100	121	121	200	195	201	68	76	84	31	72
1962	5,841	3,997	1,844	295	102	120	119	200	195	202	70	79	85	34	72
1963	5,500	3,700	1,800	298	102	120	119	192	195	190	72	82	86	37	71
1964	5,206	3,585	1,621	298	100	121	121	180	175	182	71	79	88	41	68
1965	4,964	3,465	1,499	298	100	121	123	176	165	181	72	79	89	41	70
1966	4,574	3,224	1,350	294	101	121	126	163	149	170	76	85	91	45	70
1967	4,303	3,036	1,267	306	101	122	131	154	138	161	78	86	90	52	73
1968	4,207	2,974	1,233	300	102	123	136	153	134	162	78	87	90	52	71
1969	4,050	2,843	1,207	290	103	123	139	150	135	158	81	91	92	58	69
1970	3,951	2,727	1,224	293	103	122	140	144	136	147	83	92	92	72	65
1971	3,868	2,665	1,203	305	104	121	142	142	134	145	85	94	90	79	66
1972	3,870	2,664	1,206	294	105	121	142	141	134	144	88	98	89	85	65
1973	3,947	2,702	1,245	321	106	120	145	140	136	141	90	97	90	98	70
1974	3,919	2,588	1,331	328	105	121	153	139	145	136	88	94	86	101	68
1975	3,818	2,481	1,337	336	103	123	159	137	147	131	83	91	102	75	71
1976	3,741	2,369	1,372	337	106	124	163	135	149	127	89	94	114	89	75
1977	3,660	2,347	1,313	345	106	126	169	131	145	124	89	94	120	91	74
1978	3,682	2,410	1,272	338	113	127	173	129	136	125	101	105	126	96	89
1979	3,549	2,320	1,229	348	116	128	179	131	141	125	104	109	115	103	94
1980	3,605	2,302	1,303	352	115	130	186	128	140	121	102	109	112	105	85
1981	3,497	2,241	1,256	366	111	129	187	127	140	121	97	103	108	98	81
1982	3,335	2,142	1,193	362	110	127	184	118	125	114	98	106	101	89	88
1983	3,282	1,991	1,291	306	109	125	176	117	138	106	97	106	98	83	87
1984	3,091	1,930	1,161	348	105	121	168	113	129	105	94	99	102	95	85
1985	2,760	1,753	1,007	342	103	119	159	105	117	98	93	99	91	89	87
1986	2,693	1,740	953	325	101	115	148	106	112	103	91	100	85	88	80
1987	2,681	1,717	964	302	101	112	137	108	115	105	92	99	95	87	83
1988	2,727	1,725	1,002	297	100	109	130	110	118	105	92	99	95	82	83
1989	2,637	1,709	928	318	99	107	125	106	111	103	91	95	94	90	89
1990	2,568	1,649	919	322	99	106	121	99	111	93	96	101	94	95	85
1991	2,591	1,682	909	318	100	105	118	100	110	94	97	101	94	99	89
1992	2,505	1,640	865	319	97	104	114	97	104	94	94	101	92	87	85
1993	2,367	1,510	857	308	99	103	110	93	104	88	98	103	93	92	95
1994	2,613	1,774	839	321	102	102	106	107	101	111	101	103	95	94	100
1995	2,597	1,730	867	314	105	101	103	108	105	110	105	109	100	93	105
1996	2,433	1,602	831	326	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1997	2,432	1,557	875	333	103	100	98	99	105	96	105	105	102	103	106
1998	2,284	1,405	879	326	104	99	98	94	107	87	110	111	103	104	113
1999	2,239	1,326	913	327	105	99	98	93	112	84	113	116	105	104	117
2000	2,126	1,249	877	325	101	98	98	84	94	79	109	114	103	104	107
2001	2,084	1,211	873	321	100	98	98	84	95	78	108	111	100	102	110
2002	2,115	1,243	872	316	99	98	99	85	96	79	106	110	109	99	104
2003	2,066	1,181	885	324	98	97	100	82	94	76	105	114	91	94	101
2004	2,012	1,188	824	321	96	97	103	79	87	75	103	112	98	96	98
2005	1,988	1,208	780	321	97	98	107	79	87	74	106	113	91	100	103
2006	1,900	1,148	752	312	97	98	109	74	83	69	107	114	87	102	105
2007	1,832	1,082	750	322	102	97	109	76	90	68	116	118	100	115	115
2008	1,786	1,054	732	327	95	97	111	73	86	67	104	110	88	92	107
2009	1,757	1,018	739	319	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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[1] Persons involved in farmwork. Total farm employment is the sum of self-employed and unpaid family workers and hired workers shown here.
[2] Data from Current Population Survey (CPS) conducted by the Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, for the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
[3] Data from national income and product accounts from Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.
[4] Acreage harvested plus acreages in fruits, tree nuts, and vegetables and minor crops. Includes double-cropping.
[5] Consists of petroleum fuels, natural gas, electricity, hydraulic fluids, and lubricants.

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