2018 Agricultural Resource Management Survey (ARMS)

Questionnaire Changes for 2018

**ARMS III – Cost and Returns Version**

Added or Changed

* Section A – Land in Farm / Ranch
  + Questions 13. & 14. acres irrigated,
  + Question 15. types of tillage used,
  + Question 16. conservation management practices,
  + Question 17. pests presence,
  + Question 18. crop insurance
  + Question 19. farm management business strategies used.
* Section E & F Production and Marketing Contracts
  + Two sections were merged into one section for 2019
* Section G – Government Payments & Other Farm Related Income
  + Question 2.c.v. Market Facilitation Program payments,
  + Question 4. receive payments from environmental markets,
  + Question 5. sustainable production practices,
  + Question 6. Which contributed the largest portion to gross sales, crops or livestock?
* Section K – Personal Characteristics and Farm Management
  + Question 16. off farm work by operator and spouse,
  + Question 17. type of off farm work performed,
  + Question 18. type of payment for off farm work (salaried, hourly, owned),
  + Question 19. years of off farm work,
  + Question 20. change in hours worked off farm.

Dropped

* Section I – Operating & Capital Expenditures
  + The majority of the landlord questions were dropped since historically, five items accounted for more than 97% of landlord expenses.
  + All of the Contractor expenses were dropped.
* Section L – Personal Characteristics
  + Questions 2. j. & k. days worked off the farm, operator and partners
  + Question 2. n. served in the Armed Services
  + Question 3. duties individual was hired to do
  + Question 16. direct sales
  + Question 17. local foods