Farm Loan Information Chart



Program	Maximum Loan Amount	Rates and Terms	Common Use of Loan Funds
Direct Farm Ownership (FO)	\$600,000	Rate based on agency borrowing costsTerm up to 40 years	 Purchase farm Construct buildings or other capital improvements Soil and water conservation Pay closing costs
Direct Farm Ownership (FO) Participation	\$600,000	 Rate is direct FO rate less 2% with a floor of 2.5% if at least 50% of loan amount is provided by other lender Term up to 40 years 	Same as direct FO
Direct Farm Ownership Microloan (FO ML)	\$50,000	Rate based on agency borrowing costsTerm up to 40 years	 Purchase farm Construct buildings or other capital improvements Soil and water conservation Pay closing costs
Direct Down Payment Farm Ownership Program	The lesser of 45% of: • the purchase price; • the appraised value; or • \$667,000 (\$300,150 maximum)	 Rate is direct FO rate less 4% with a floor of 1.5% Term of 20 years Down payment of at least 5% 	Purchase of farm by a beginning or underserved farmer
Direct Operating (OL)	\$400,000	Rate based on agency borrowing costTerm from 1 to 7 years	 Purchase livestock, poultry, equipment, feed, seed, farm chemicals, and supplies Soil and water conservation Refinance debts with certain limitations
Direct Operating Microloan (ML)	\$50,000	 Same as direct OL, except Beginning and Veteran farmers have a cap of 5% 	Same as direct OL

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Direct Emergency (EM)	100% actual or physical losses \$500,000 maximum program indebtedness	 Rate is based on the OL rate plus 1%; with a cap of 3.75% Term from 1 to 7 years for nonreal estate purposes Term up to 40 years for physical losses on real estate 	 Restore or replace essential property Pay all or part of production costs associated with the disaster year Pay essential family living expenses Reorganize the farming operation Refinance debts with certain limitations
EZ Guarantee	\$100,000	Same as Guaranteed Operating or Guaranteed Farm Ownership	Same as Guaranteed Operating or Guaranteed Farm Ownership
Guaranteed Operating	\$2,251,000 (Amount adjusted annually for inflation)	Rate determined by the lenderTerm from 1 to 7 yearsLoan guarantee fee is 1.5%	Same as direct OL
Guaranteed Farm Ownership	\$2,251,000 (Amount adjusted annually for inflation)	Rate determined by the lenderTerm up to 40 yearsLoan guarantee fee is 1.5%	Same as direct FO except loan may be used to refinance debts
Guaranteed Conservation Loan (CL)	\$2,251,000 (Amount adjusted annually for inflation)	 Rate determined by the lender Term not to exceed 30 years, or shorter period, based on the life of the security Loan guarantee fee is 1.5% Eligibility requirements expanded to include large and financially strong operations 	 Implement any conservation practice in an NRCS-approved conservation plan May be used to refinance debts related to implementing an NRCS-approved conservation plan
Land Contract (LC) Guarantee	The purchase price of the farm cannot exceed the lesser of: • \$500,000; or • The current market value of the property	 Rate cannot exceed the direct FO interest rate plus 3% Amortized over a minimum of 20 years with no balloon payments during the first 10 years Down payment of at least 5% 	 Sell real estate through a land contract to a beginning or underserved farmer Guarantee is with the seller of the real estate

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