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	Last Name	First	Age	Sex	County	Experience
✓	Ackerman	John	46	M	Tazewell	Pumpkin farmer; diversified to preserve family farm
✓	Ackerman	Raymond	89	M	Tazewell	Memories of Ackerman Farms as a young man
✓	Ackerman	Yvette	45	F	Tazewell	Operates Ackerman Farms Store and a shop in town
✓	Arteman	Benjamin	18	M	McLean	State Reporter of FFA in Illinois, 2008-2009
✓	Ashby	Austin	18	M	Carroll	State Vice President of FFA in Illinois, 2008-2009
✓	Barker	Makenna	12	F	Fulton	4-H member who displayed vegetables at Illinois State Fair
√	Biehl	Dr. LeRoy G.	74	M	Champaign	Emeritus Professor; Swine Extension veterinarian
✓	Black	Stephen J.	62	M	Greene	Operates a 5th-generation Sesquicentennial Farm
	Block	John R.	73	M	Knox	Former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture (1981-1986)
✓	Brewer	Parris	49	M	Cook	Marketing Coordinator for <i>Growing Home</i> , Chicago
✓	Burrus	Jim	58	M	Morgan	Raises grass-fed beef and organic chickens
✓	Cunningham	Eileen	86	F	Greene	Retired nurse & farm wife raised near the Illinois River
✓	Dahlstrom	Neil	32	M	Rock Island	Author of The John Deere Story (2005)
√	Eckert	Chris	35	M	St. Clair	President of Eckert's Orchards, Inc.
✓	Gebhart	Paul	57	M	Christian	Organic chickens, turkeys, and cattle
✓	Geerts-Davis	Manda	26	F	Whiteside	National Junior Advisor for Columbia Sheep Association
✓	Glosser	Dr. Deanna	58	F	Sangamon	Director of Slow Food Springfield
√	Goldsmith	Dr. Peter	49	M	Champaign	NSRC Soybean marketing
✓	Gray	Pam	54	F	Sangamon	Director of Illinois State Fair Museum
✓	Hambleton	Ruth	54	F	Jefferson	U. of Illinois Extension educator; founded Annie's Project
✓	Harrington	Roy	82	M	Rock Island	Retired mechanical engineer for John Deere & Company
√	Harston	Myles	56	M	Livingston	AquaRanch Industries: Tilapia fish and hydroponic crops
√	Hartke	Charles	63	M	Sangamon	Director of Illinois Department of Agriculture
√	Hatfield	Dianna	19	F	Wayne	Active 4-H & FFA member; seeks career in Ag marketing
✓	Heavner	Andrew	20	M	Monroe	State Secretary of FFA in Illinois, 2008-2009
√	Heavner	Jody	38	F	Pike	Manager of elk production at Pea Ridge Elk Ranch
✓	Herschberger	Lorene	57	F	Moultrie	Amish farm wife. Mother of 13 children
✓	Herschberger	Oba	59	M	Moultrie	Amish farmer. Holstein dairy and Belgian horse breeding
√	Holst	Brian	44	M	Rock Island	Manager of the John Deere Collectors Center
√	Hughes	Matthew	43	M	McLean	Corn and soybean farmer in a productive county
√	Jackson	Jacqueline	79	F	Rock, WI	Author of Stories from the Round Barn (1997)
√	Janssen	Nate	33	M	Lake	Manages large dairy operation at Golden Oaks Farm
/	Jeckel	Russ	82	M	Tazewell	Pork producer who started confinement
√	Johnson	Jay	41	M	Morgan	Organized large-scale train shipments of corn to Texas
√	Johnson	Lloyd	69	M	Madison	Retired African-American farmer and gospel singer
✓	Johnson	Mark	42	M	La Salle	Raises Southdown sheep and judges sheep shows
√	Johnson	Mark	42	M	DuPage	Agricultural Specialist for Kline Creek Farm
√	Johnson	Michael	59	M	Carroll	Tree farmer and professional landscape photographer
√	Johnson	Patricia	63	F	Carroll	Manages tree farm and high-grade lumber business
✓	Kinsella	Jim	67	M	McLean	Farmer widely regarded as father of no-till agriculture
	Kruckeberg	Jerry		M	St. Clair	Horseradish farmer
✓	Kull	Dr. Linda	54	F	Champaign	Coordinator of soybean production research for NSRC
√	Larsen	Ann	18	F	DeKalb	State Treasurer of FFA in Illinois, 2008-2009
√	Latting	Mike	55	M	Kankakee	African-American farmer and rodeo operator

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✓	Martinez	Jose	45	M	St. Clair	Mexican migrant worker at Eckert's Orchards
\checkmark	Mauricio	Martin	36	M	St. Clair	Manager of migrant workers at Eckert's Orchards
\checkmark	Meteer	Sam	19	M	Menard	State Vice President of FFA in Illinois, 2007-2008
\checkmark	McClow	Keith	42	M	DuPage	Director of Kline Creek Farm, an 1890s living-history farm
\checkmark	McGuire	Irene	76	M	Jackson	Operated peach and apple orchard in family since 1820s
\checkmark	Nash	Dr. Marilyn	51	F	Champaign	NSRC Soy products
\checkmark	Nelson	Phillip	50	M	La Salle	Current President of Illinois Farm Bureau
\checkmark	Parrett	Dr. Douglas	57	M	Champaign	Professor of Animal Sciences at UIUC
\checkmark	Reed	Timothy	36	M	Jersey	Agriculture teacher at Southwestern High School
\checkmark	Reid	Dr. Debra	48	F	Coles	Associate Professor of History at Eastern Illinois Univ.
\checkmark	Rhodes	Harry	48	M	Cook	Executive Director of Growing Home, Chicago
\checkmark	Ross	Charles	61	M	Morgan	Farmer who raises Montadale sheep
\checkmark	Roney	Janet Shuman		F	Moultrie	Daughter of Charles Shuman (Pres. Amer. Farm Bureau)
\checkmark	Runge	Dr. Edward		M	Fayette	Professor of Soil & Crop Sciences, Texas A&M University
\checkmark	Russell	Edward	64	M	Johnson	Operates new vineyard and winery: Bella Terra Winery
\checkmark	Samuelson	Orion		M	Cook	Host of National Farm Report, WGN Radio, Chicago
\checkmark	Scates	Stephen J.	70	M	Gallatin	Senior partner in large family farm near Ohio River
\checkmark	Scully	Michael	82	M	Sangamon	Applied principles of biodynamics and organic farming
\checkmark	Shuman	Paul	69	M	Moultrie	Former IFB Board member; Son of Charles Shuman
\checkmark	Siebert	David		M	Peoria	Extension livestock specialist
\checkmark	Steele	Harold	81	M	Bureau	Former President of Illinois Farm Bureau
\checkmark	Sirles	Betty	66	F	Union	Manages fruit harvest crews at Rendleman Orchards
\checkmark	Sirles	Wayne D.	41	M	Union	Manages packing shed at Rendleman Orchards
\checkmark	Sirles	Wayne "Ren"	66	M	Union	Operates Rendleman Orchards (peaches, apples, nectar.)
\checkmark	Sullivan	Cavan	24	M	Menard	Raises ring-necked pheasant, quail, deer, and bison
\checkmark	Sweatman	Leland	79	M	Cass	Retired farmer and Allis Chalmers implement dealer
\checkmark	Sweet	Geneva	96	F	Morgan	Farm wife whose father-in-law photographed farm in 1890s
√	Thurman	John	48	M	Kankakee	African-American farmer in economically challenged area
\checkmark	Vanderpool	Ellis	75	M	Cass	Beekeeper who sells honey at Springfield farmer's market
\checkmark	VanDrunen	Ed	71	M	Will	President of Van Drunen Farms (herbs, food processing)
\checkmark	Weingartner	Dr. Karl	62	M	Champaign	NSRC Soybean processing
\checkmark	Weitekamp	Kaitlin	19	F	Montgomery	State President of FFA in Illinois, 2007-2008
√	Wieneke	Robert	46	M	Calhoun	Produces peaches, wine & small grains
\checkmark	Zwilling	Clayton	18	M	Mercer	State President of FFA in Illinois, 2008-2009

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Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (ALPLM) Interviewees

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