NEW TRENDS IN DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURAL LAND CONSOLIDATION IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

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Agricultural Land Consolidation

 Agricultural Land Consolidation is a merging, enlargement, eliminating of mosaic land ownership and improvement of configuration as well as optimization of size of land plots in order to increase the efficiency of agricultural production via rational use of scare resources: land, labor and capital based on reduction of transaction costs.

Agricultural Land Consolidation Objectives

• Increasing the efficiency of agricultural production; providing sustainable development of agrarian sector; rational use of land, labor and capital in agriculture; optimization of agricultural production structures; increasing the competitiveness of agricultural producers; environmental protection.

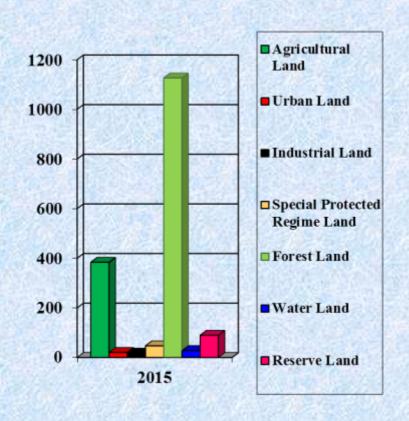
Agricultural Land Consolidation Principles

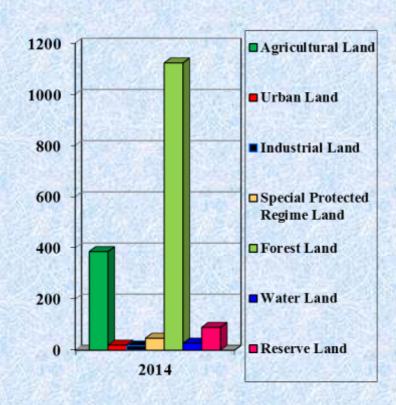
 Voluntariness; openness and transparency; financial and economic feasibility; taking into account the interests of the population groups involved including women and youth as well as indigenous people; step by step implementation; consideration of local conditions; state and NGO support.

Agricultural Land Consolidation Models

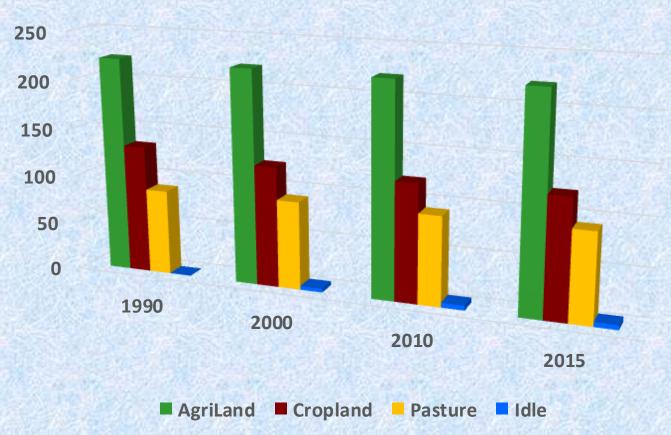
- In theory, Agricultural Land Consolidation can be carried out as:
- Voluntary Land Consolidation;
- Compulsory Land Consolidation.

Land Categories, Russian Federation, 2014-2015, million hectares

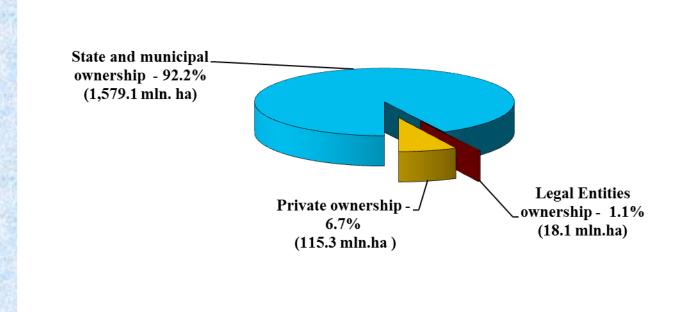




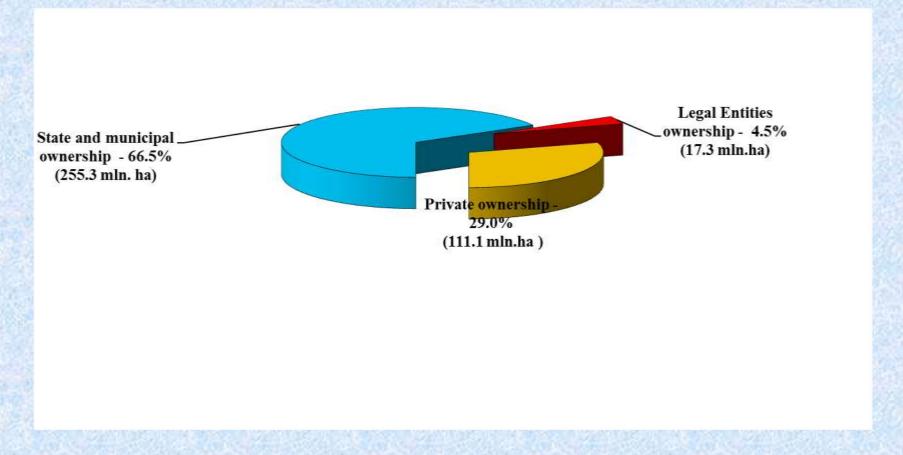
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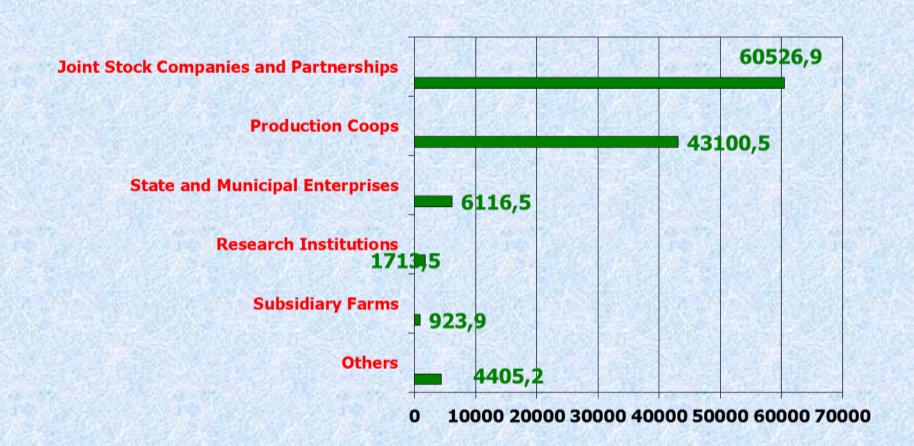
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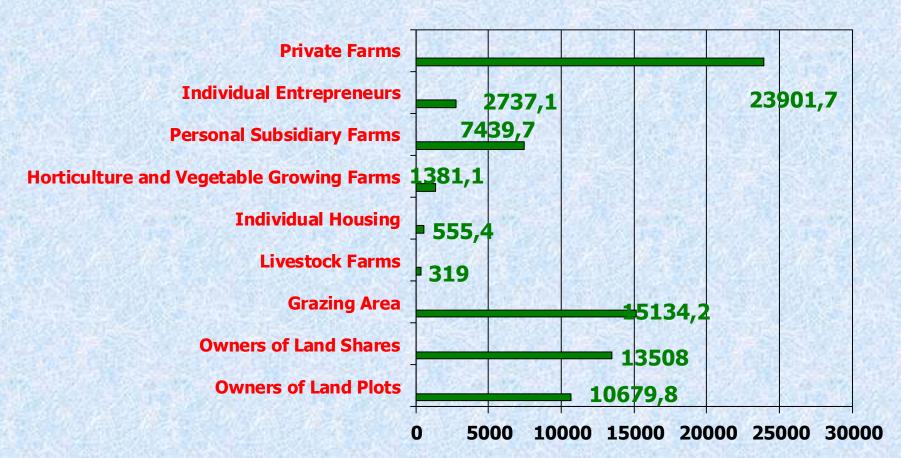
Land Use of Parastatals, Russian Federation, 2015, 1000 hectares



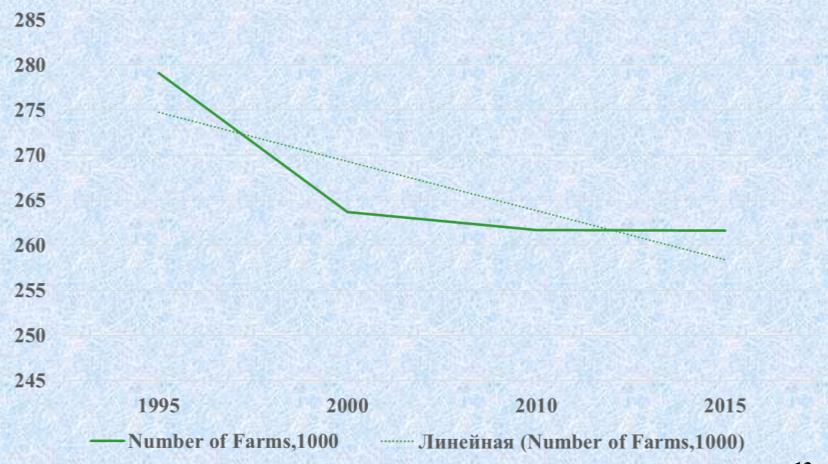
Land Tenure of the largest Agricultural Holdings, Russian Federation, 2016

Item	Agricultural Land, 1000 ha	%
Prodimex & Agrokultura	790	16.1
Miratorg	594	12.1
Rusagro	594	12.1
Ivolga-holding	511	10.4
HK Ak bars	505	10.3
Agrokomplex	456	9.3
Rosagro	400	8.2
Avangard-agro	370	7. 5
Krasny Vostok agro	350	7.1
Cherkizovo & Napko	340	6.9
Total	4,910	100.0

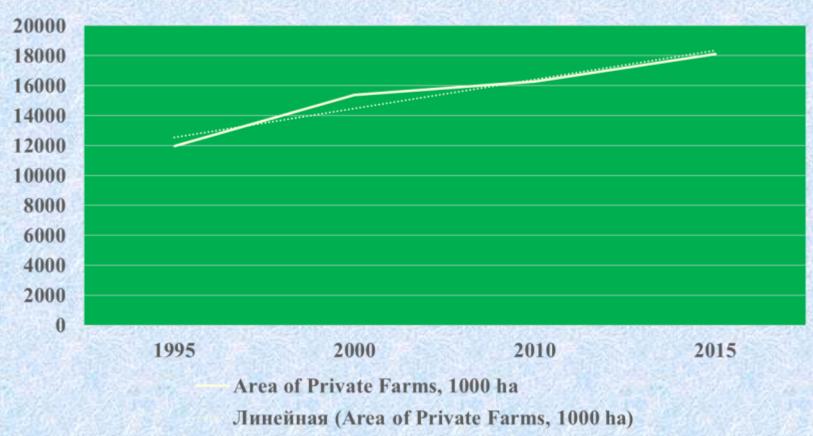
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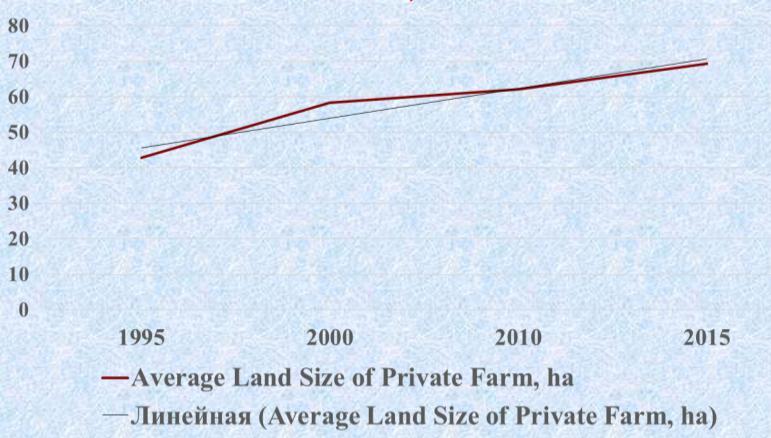
Number of Private Farms, Russian Federation, 1995-2015, 1000



Land Area of Private Farms, Russian Federation, 1995-2015, 1000 hectares



Average Land Size of Private Farm, Russian Federation, 1995-2015, hectares



Orel Oblast Flag and Emblem





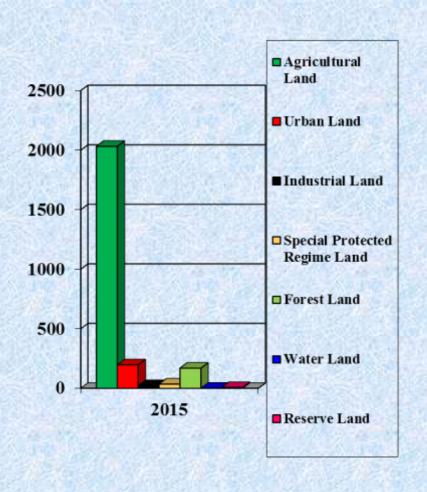
Orel Region (Oblast) Location on the territory of the Russian Federation

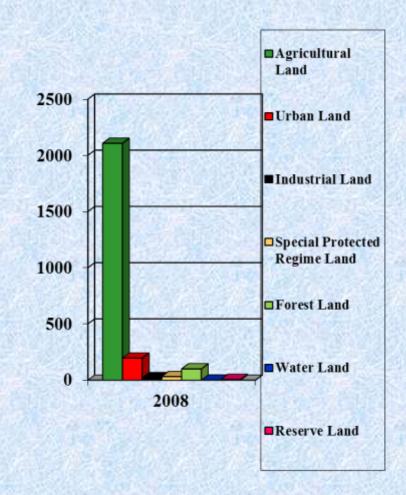


Orel Oblast Map

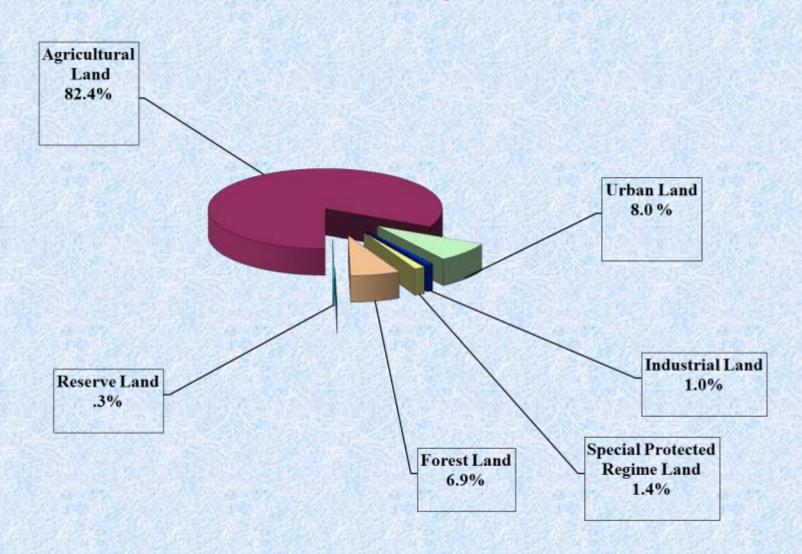


Orel Oblast Land Categories, 2008-2015, 1000 hectares

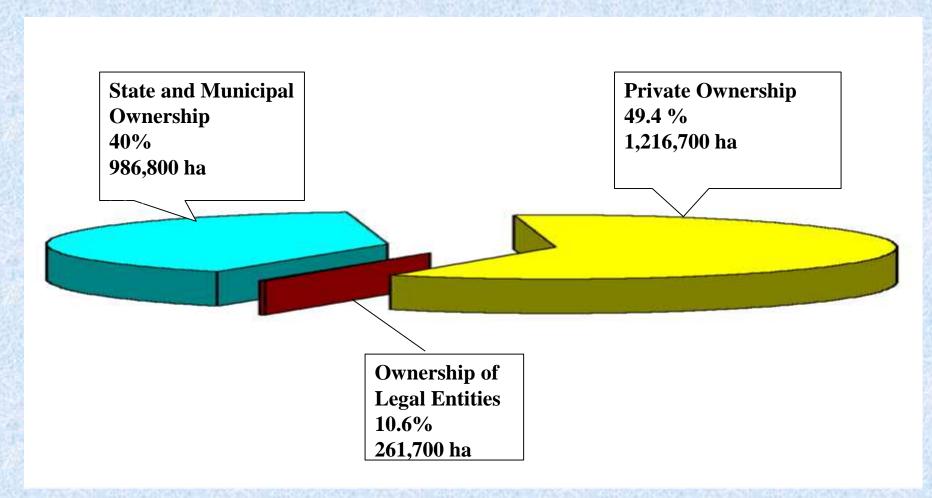




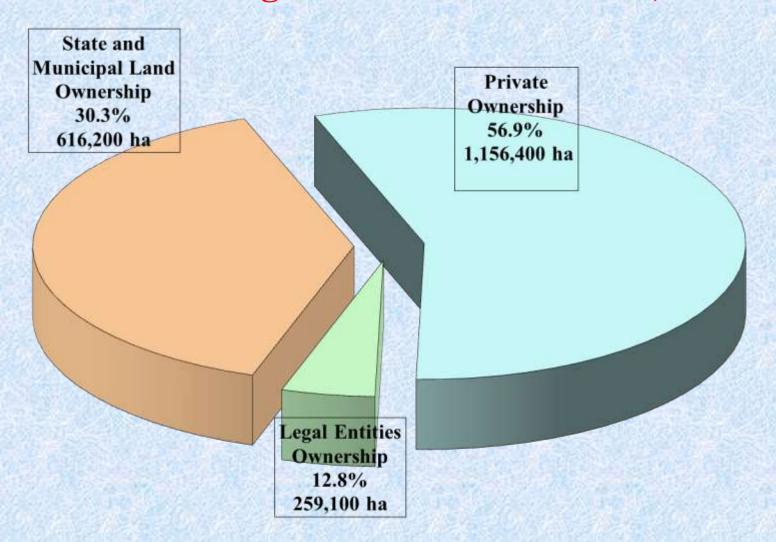
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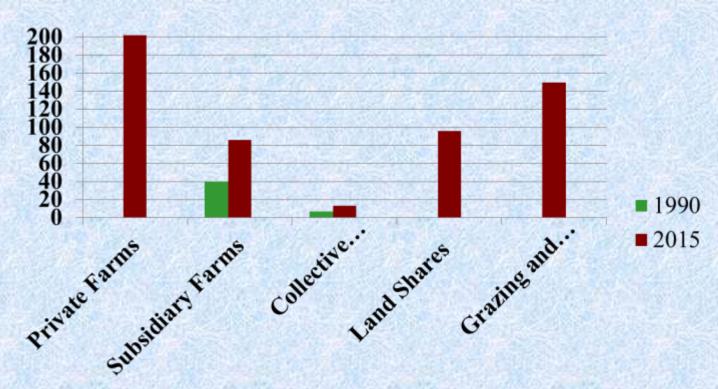


Orel Oblast Agricultural Land Tenure, 2015

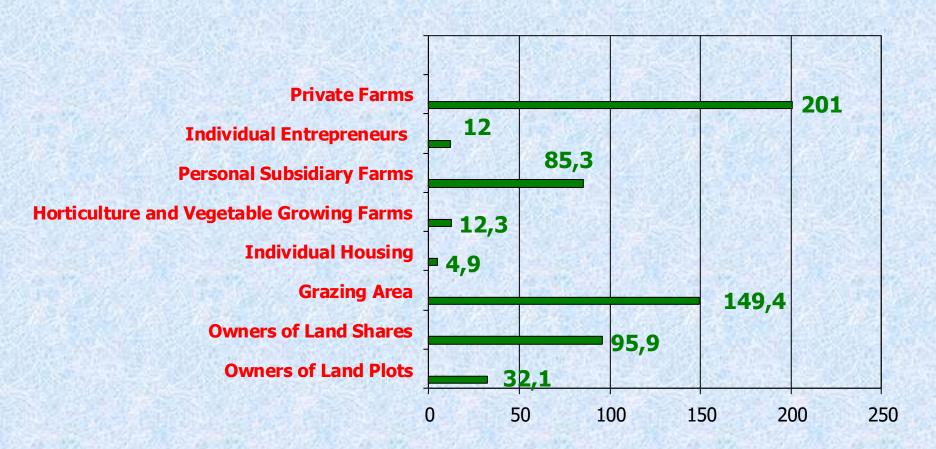


Private Agricultural Land Ownership, Orel Oblast, 1990-2015

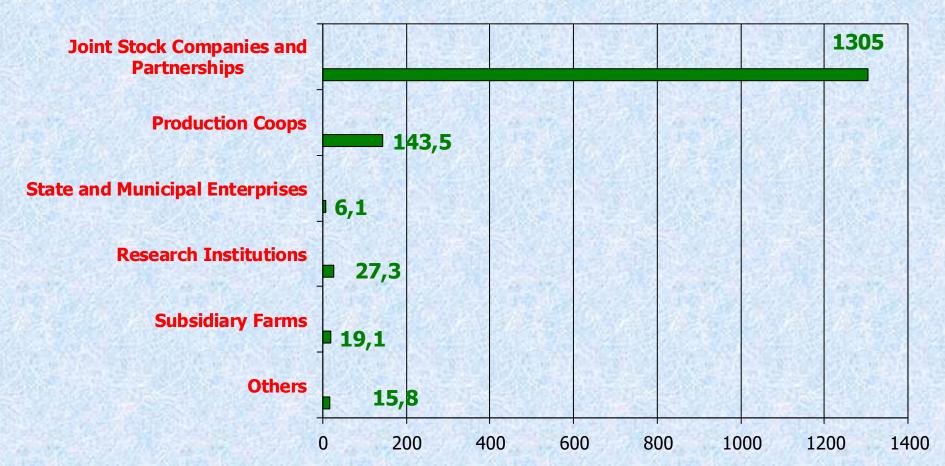




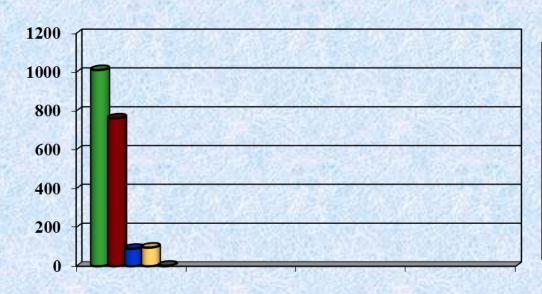
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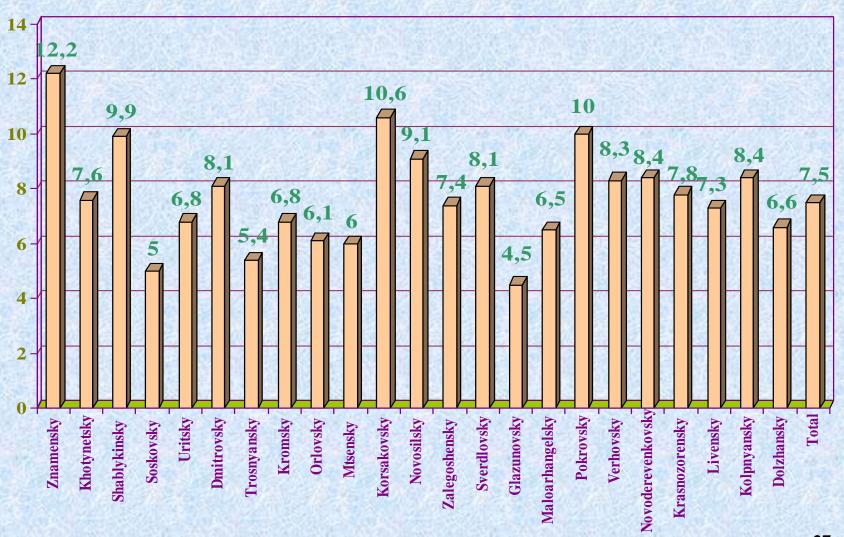


Agricultural Land Shares Area Rented, Orel Oblast, 2015, 1000 hectares

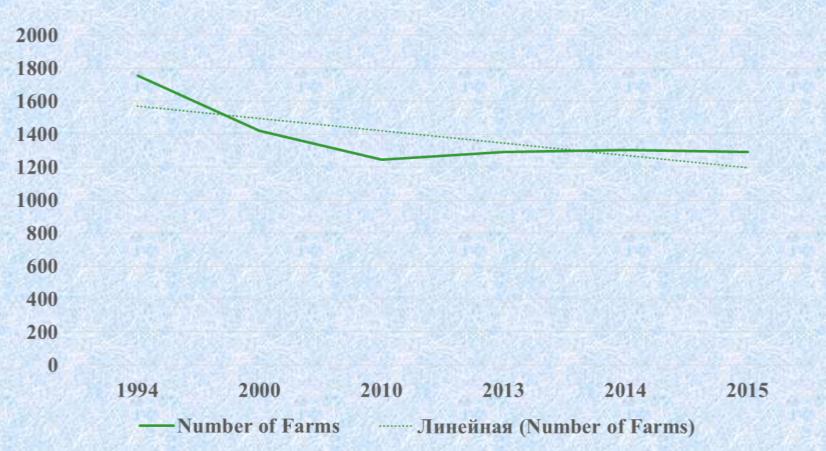


- Land Shares Area Total
- Land Shares Area rented by Joint Stock Companies and Partnerships
- Land Shares Area rented by Production Coops
- Land Shares Area rented by Private Farms
- Land Shares Area rented by Subsidiary Farms

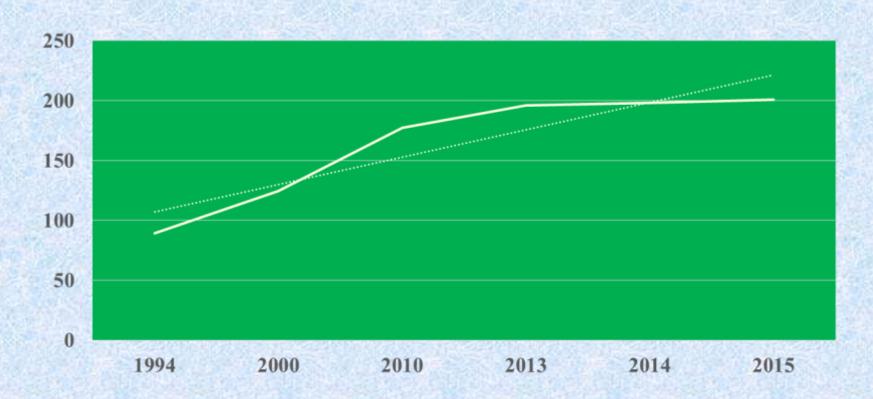
Average Agricultural Land Share Size, Orel Oblast, 2015, hectares



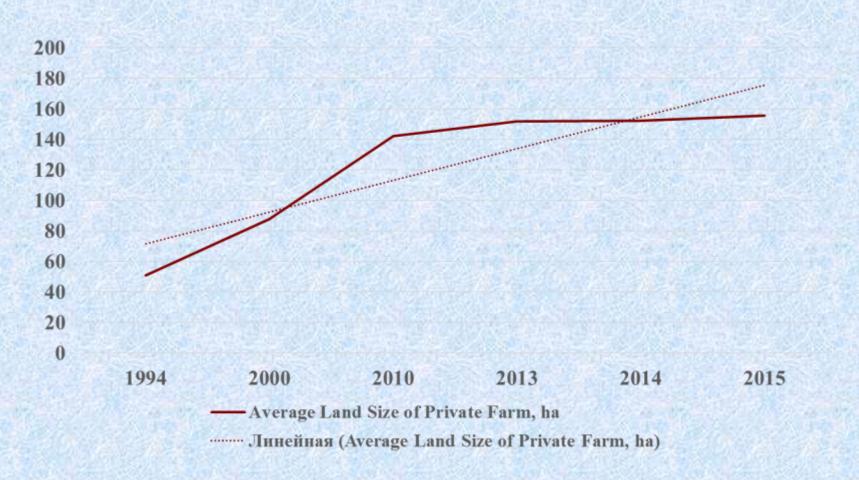
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Average Land Size of Private Farm, Orel Oblast, 1994-2015, hectares



Conclusion

- The following measures must be implemented to strengthen the organizational as well as institutional sustainability of Agricultural Land Consolidation in the Russian Federation:
- Agricultural Land Consolidation Legislation must be revised and improved both at the federal as well as regional level;
- The institutional framework for implementation of Agricultural Land Consolidation must be improved both at the federal as well as regional level too;

Conclusion

- Agricultural Land Auctions must be introduced to stimulate development of Agricultural Land Market and Agricultural Land Consolidation in some of the regions of the Russian Federation;
- The training and retraining programs related to Agricultural Land Consolidation issues must be introduced;
- The public relation campaign to strengthen people's ability to understand the role and importance of Agricultural Land Consolidation Development must be initiated;

Conclusion

- The pilot projects focused on Agricultural Land Consolidation Development should be launched in some regions of the Russian Federation to make demonstration effect;
- The Agricultural Land Consolidation Development experience should be collected, scrutinized and disseminated;
- Orel Oblast Agricultural Land Consolidation experience should be scrutinized and replicated in other regions of the Russian Federation.

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