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Report: Sales of Tractors, Combines Down

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) - A new industry report shows that sales of farm tractors and combines are down in September as well down overall for the first nine months of this year.

The Association of Equipment Manufacturers reported Monday that the 16,546 tractors sold nationwide in September represents a 12.5 percent drop from the same month a year ago. Year-to-date sales of tractors at 159,191 are down almost 1 percent from the same period last year.

Sales of combines are doing even worse with an almost 20 percent drop in September with 694 of them sold. Sales of combines during the first nine months of this year fell nearly 37 percent with 4,033 combines sold in the United States.

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