

TABLE 32.—PERCENT OF FARMS REPORTING AND AVERAGE EXPENDITURE FOR SELECTED ITEMS PER FARM, FOR COTTON FARMS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS, BY REGIONS: 1954—Continued

Region and item	Economic class of farm						Region and item	Economic class of farm						
	All classes	I	II	III	IV	V		VI	All classes	I	II	III	IV	V
<b>REGION VII</b>							<b>REGION IX</b>							
Machine hire:							Machine hire:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	82.9	88.4	91.7	89.4	84.6	77.3	Percent of farms reporting.....	90.7	94.2	90.7	90.7	91.2	75.9	47.6
Dollars per farm reporting.....	453	3,128	1,022	507	288	169	Dollars per farm reporting.....	1,431	2,801	1,157	592	352	207	123
Hired labor:							Hired labor:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	85.6	90.5	98.4	94.4	89.9	77.2	Percent of farms reporting.....	93.0	99.0	94.5	92.0	85.3	74.6	23.8
Dollars per farm reporting.....	1,262	11,169	2,973	1,298	606	315	Dollars per farm reporting.....	3,284	6,665	2,440	1,266	618	286	259
Feed for livestock and poultry:							Feed for livestock and poultry:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	69.9	58.9	70.3	73.5	71.4	68.9	Percent of farms reporting.....	65.3	59.9	67.1	68.7	69.5	64.9	57.1
Dollars per farm reporting.....	288	871	513	331	267	192	Dollars per farm reporting.....	470	695	440	367	331	231	138
Gasoline, fuel, and oil:							Gasoline, fuel, and oil:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	90.4	99.7	98.2	96.8	93.0	88.6	Percent of farms reporting.....	98.0	98.7	99.0	98.0	96.1	92.1	85.7
Dollars per farm reporting.....	447	2,151	893	531	328	222	Dollars per farm reporting.....	1,538	2,951	1,303	675	449	301	145
Fertilizer and fertilizer material:							Fertilizer and fertilizer material:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	21.4	29.1	23.4	24.8	20.6	20.0	Percent of farms reporting.....	15.7	28.0	13.8	7.7	5.6	86	4.8
Dollars per farm reporting.....	217	1,138	363	228	161	115	Dollars per farm reporting.....	691	1,035	406	239	108	53	80
Lime and liming material:							Lime and liming material:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	Percent of farms reporting.....	(Z)	(Z)	0.1	-----	-----	-----	-----
Dollars per farm reporting.....	62	154	134	48	46	45	Dollars per farm reporting.....	60	270	6	-----	-----	-----	-----
Average of specified expenses per farm dollars.....	2,107	16,867	5,184	2,493	1,318	721	Average of specified expenses per farm dollars.....	6,274	12,858	4,998	2,633	1,515	802	327
<b>REGION VIII</b>							<b>REGION X</b>							
Machine hire:							Machine hire:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	58.5	69.1	62.9	53.5	49.5	56.3	Percent of farms reporting.....	81.3	86.7	84.4	77.9	73.7	61.5	63.2
Dollars per farm reporting.....	1,081	2,919	966	503	319	223	Dollars per farm reporting.....	3,365	7,023	1,356	634	357	322	79
Hired labor:							Hired labor:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	93.8	100.0	98.1	97.4	91.8	85.4	Percent of farms reporting.....	93.1	99.1	94.5	89.0	89.8	78.6	44.7
Dollars per farm reporting.....	4,171	13,957	3,735	1,842	981	441	Dollars per farm reporting.....	9,099	19,834	2,828	1,418	750	352	188
Feed for livestock and poultry:							Feed for livestock and poultry:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	34.1	37.2	40.0	35.2	29.2	25.8	Percent of farms reporting.....	43.8	38.2	51.4	48.4	44.3	33.4	36.8
Dollars per farm reporting.....	565	1,508	403	415	372	116	Dollars per farm reporting.....	1,298	3,016	490	554	277	225	155
Gasoline, fuel, and oil:							Gasoline, fuel, and oil:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	91.8	98.9	98.3	96.5	89.5	78.8	Percent of farms reporting.....	94.6	97.6	97.9	95.0	88.8	77.1	65.8
Dollars per farm reporting.....	1,109	3,128	1,108	623	360	230	Dollars per farm reporting.....	2,001	4,103	966	535	291	177	84
Fertilizer and fertilizer material:							Fertilizer and fertilizer material:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	48.7	68.0	54.5	50.4	39.0	31.7	Percent of farms reporting.....	77.4	92.1	79.6	70.2	58.5	47.5	18.4
Dollars per farm reporting.....	826	2,198	677	309	201	117	Dollars per farm reporting.....	2,612	5,214	717	303	176	108	53
Lime and liming material:							Lime and liming material:							
Percent of farms reporting.....	0.4	1.8	-----	0.4	-----	-----	Percent of farms reporting.....	1.6	1.8	1.8	2.2	0.4	-----	-----
Dollars per farm reporting.....	319	376	-----	134	-----	-----	Dollars per farm reporting.....	562	847	418	253	250	-----	-----
Average of specified expenses per farm dollars.....	6,129	21,132	5,891	2,966	1,567	752	Average of specified expenses per farm dollars.....	15,695	35,726	5,593	2,751	1,422	738	256

Z 0.05 percent or less.

The interpretation of these sales levels in terms of the levels of income from farming that are associated with them is facilitated by examination of the data in table 33. In this table the total of specified production expense items has been subtracted from total sales per farm. The fact should be borne in mind that, in general, the total of these specified items of expense probably does not exceed 60 percent of total cash production expenses when all items are included.

For Class IV farms the sales minus specified expenses per farm are, for most regions, between \$2,200 and \$2,500. Only in Regions IV and VI, which show \$2,600 and \$2,700, respectively, does the average of sales minus specified expenses for Class IV farms exceed \$2,500.

In the instance of Class V farms, the cash incomes above specified expenses are between \$1,100 and \$1,200 for seven of the ten regions. Farms in Region IV have the highest value for per farm sales minus specified expenses for Class V farms. This is shown to be \$1,400.

For farms in Class VI average value of sales minus specified expenses for the ten regions is \$520. The highest value for any

region is \$603, while in the region having the lowest value the amount is \$394.

TABLE 33.—SALES MINUS SPECIFIED EXPENSES PER FARM FOR COTTON FARMS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS, BY REGIONS: 1954

Region	Economic class of farm						
	All classes	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
I.....	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
II.....	1,699	18,272	6,546	3,910	2,355	1,158	496
III.....	1,087	21,787	6,884	3,716	2,254	1,199	498
IV.....	1,530	28,429	8,494	4,403	2,485	1,303	531
V.....	3,172	34,345	9,039	4,836	2,644	1,409	596
VI.....	1,725	34,711	8,029	4,195	2,227	1,159	396
VII.....	3,867	27,590	10,631	4,772	2,721	1,382	524
VIII.....	3,860	35,828	9,289	4,415	2,295	1,194	509
IX.....	10,791	38,076	10,779	4,860	1,946	1,166	457
X.....	15,638	33,817	11,964	5,090	2,461	1,167	394
Total, 10 regions.....	32,185	74,714	10,403	4,441	2,499	1,142	603
Total, 10 regions.....	3,406	46,103	9,887	4,547	2,478	1,289	520