

Table 32.—GROSS SALES AND SPECIFIED EXPENDITURES PER FARM, FOR POULTRY FARMS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM, FOR SELECTED POULTRY SUBREGIONS: 1954.—Continued

Subregion and item	Average per farm by economic class of farm (dollars)						
	Total	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Subregion 116:							
Gross sales.....	23,265	67,891	17,822	7,908	4,224	2,284	835
Selected expenses, total.....	17,355	49,567	13,681	5,913	3,775	2,105	1,192
Feed for livestock and poultry.....	15,534	43,979	12,398	5,416	3,594	2,011	775
Hired labor.....	1,366	4,443	908	251	64	41	265
Machine hire.....	108	219	80	103	28	63	11
Gasoline and other petroleum products.....	302	783	259	132	79	49	149
Fertilizer.....	44	138	26	11	10	1	2
Lime.....	1	5	1				
Gross sales minus selected expenses.....	5,910	18,324	4,141	1,995	449	119	-357
Subregion 117:							
Gross sales.....	15,442	54,048	16,332	7,497	3,721	2,440	773
Selected expenses, total.....	12,925	41,800	14,123	6,998	4,028	2,283	1,385
Feed for livestock and poultry.....	11,969	38,244	13,208	6,548	3,803	2,160	1,235
Hired labor.....	695	3,017	576	228	104	41	101
Machine hire.....	41	62	76	25	16	11	11
Gasoline and other petroleum products.....	214	462	259	190	102	68	37
Fertilizer.....	6	14	4	7	3	3	1
Lime.....	(Z)	1	(Z)			(Z)	
Gross sales minus selected expenses.....	2,517	12,248	2,209	499	-307	157	-612
Subregion 119:							
Gross sales.....	9,098	47,813	15,034	6,826	3,573	1,832	886
Selected expenses, total.....	6,695	30,538	11,125	5,946	2,894	1,593	966
Feed for livestock and poultry.....	6,018	26,272	10,143	5,548	2,661	1,460	858
Hired labor.....	402	3,246	561	147	64	30	33
Machine hire.....	54	157	83	48	43	19	30
Gasoline and other petroleum products.....	178	646	283	154	114	71	36
Fertilizer.....	37	184	53	40	10	12	8
Lime.....	6	33	2	9	2	1	1
Gross sales minus selected expenses.....	2,403	17,275	3,909	880	679	239	-80

Z 50 cents or less.

Practically all poultry farms have electricity and a high proportion have piped running water. Roughly two-thirds have telephones, about half television sets, and somewhat less than half, home freezers. About two-thirds of the farms in Class I have television sets and home freezers compared with less than one-third of the farms in Class VI.

Production expenses.—Expenditures on poultry farms are high. Expenses were particularly high in relation to income in 1954, as compared with earlier years, because of the relatively low prices for broilers. The total of specified expenses in 1954 generally ranged from 60 to 90 percent of the sales reported among the areas and classes of farms. Cost of feed is the largest item of expense. Of the six items included in the 1954 Census, feed represented 89 percent of the total expense for all poultry farms in the country. The other specified costs were; hired labor, 6 percent; gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil, 2.6 percent; cost of machine hire, fertilizer, and lime, 2.4 percent. In some cases the total of specified expenses exceeded gross sales, in 1954. This situation sometimes arose when the number of farms in the group was very small and one or more of the farms in the group were just starting in the poultry business that year, and when the gross sales of poultry products were not fully reported. On some of the farms in Classes V and VI, expenditures exceeded gross sales because considerable quantities of poultry products were consumed on farms.

The six specified expenditures do not, of course, represent all of the costs on poultry farms. It is significant, however, that the proportion that feed is of the total specified expenditures varies little with the size of operation as measured by economic class of farm. Feed represents between 80 and 90 percent of the total in each economic class. Hired labor, the next largest item, ranges from 8 percent for Class I farms to 3 percent for the poultry farms with the smallest gross sales.

Table 33.—WORK OFF THE FARM AND OTHER INCOME FOR POULTRY FARMS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM, FOR SELECTED POULTRY SUBREGIONS: 1954

Subregion and item	Economic class of farm						
	Total	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
United States:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	60.6	74.2	63.7	55.4	49.6	47.1	81.3
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	13.1	10.0	15.3	13.6	12.7	11.6	13.7
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	5.2	3.3	5.2	6.7	7.4	7.4	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	18.9	11.0	14.7	22.5	28.5	31.8	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	23.3	9.8	16.0	25.7	34.7	45.5	
Subregion 2:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	60.1	72.4	69.0	50.0	44.6	49.3	82.3
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	12.2	5.2	12.9	13.8	14.5	10.4	17.7
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	3.7	2.6	2.6	6.4	6.0	3.0	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	22.2	19.8	15.5	25.5	31.3	35.8	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	25.3	10.4	15.5	20.2	38.6	67.2	
Subregion 3:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	65.5	91.3	68.6	67.7	54.8	41.3	93.6
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	5.3		6.9	5.0	3.2	8.2	6.4
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	3.6		6.9	4.0	1.1	5.9	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	23.1	4.3	16.7	18.2	37.6	43.4	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	24.9	4.8	13.7	14.1	40.9	57.7	
Subregion 4:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	64.6	86.2	68.2	58.0	53.5	48.0	84.4
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	5.0	4.0	7.0	6.8	4.0	2.0	3.1
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	4.3	2.0	7.0	5.7	3.0	3.9	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	24.0	4.9	17.2	29.5	39.4	41.2	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	24.0	3.0	17.2	25.0	32.3	53.9	
Subregion 5:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	68.9	82.4	75.2	73.5	52.5	52.4	76.4
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	5.5	2.3	7.0	3.0	8.6	6.0	3.6
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	3.0		3.7	1.8	4.3	6.0	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	17.2	11.7	8.4	21.1	28.8	29.8	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	17.0	2.6	5.6	19.9	34.5	36.9	

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Subregion and item	Economic class of farm:						
	Total	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Subregion 14:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	66.2	83.3	70.1	62.9	47.4	40.0	77.8
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	5.3	8.3	4.7	2.9	5.3	6.7	11.1
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	3.8		7.0	2.9		6.7	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	21.1	8.3	9.3	22.9	42.1	46.7	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	20.3		4.7	37.1	31.6	40.0	
Subregion 15:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	67.7	74.4	71.8	60.9	55.0	56.7	85.1
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	9.5	7.7	10.0	8.9	8.3	11.7	12.6
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	5.3	3.6	5.6	5.7	8.9	5.0	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	16.2	12.5	12.0	22.4	26.0	25.8	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	18.9	11.3	14.1	22.8	37.9	33.3	
Subregion 16:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	52.9	70.2	60.8	48.9	51.2	35.6	72.4
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	15.6	14.7	16.8	22.3	9.4	11.5	22.4
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	5.1	7.4	4.8	5.0	4.4	8.0	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	23.3	7.4	14.4	22.3	30.6	42.0	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	23.3	5.5	10.4	18.7	28.8	50.0	
Subregion 18:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	43.8	62.2	53.0	34.8	34.3	30.1	65.9
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	21.6	13.8	33.7	19.6	17.6	16.9	34.1
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	6.8	3.2	7.2	6.5	11.8	7.2	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	27.3	20.9	4.8	39.1	37.3	43.4	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	29.6	13.5	14.5	42.4	44.1	41.0	
Subregion 28:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	45.8	65.5	52.0	38.7	44.1	38.3	63.6
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	24.4	26.2	20.9	28.2	18.0	27.2	27.3
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	5.7		8.9	6.5	7.8	3.7	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	18.5	8.3	12.8	18.5	25.6	27.2	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	27.0	25.5	19.1	27.6	34.5	37.0	
Subregion 33:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	59.0	77.1	63.2	52.0	53.4	54.5	82.6
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	14.4	8.9	16.1	15.2	15.0	11.5	15.1
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	6.4	2.8	4.5	10.0	7.8	6.1	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	19.7	11.2	15.6	22.4	23.8	27.3	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	29.5	16.8	21.2	29.5	37.3	46.1	
Subregion 42:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	52.7	60.8	57.4	51.9	46.9	46.2	76.0
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	12.9	11.1	14.6	14.1	11.0	8.0	25.0
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	7.1	10.0	6.0	8.2	6.0	8.5	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	27.5	18.1	22.0	26.3	35.8	37.2	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	37.0	23.7	24.8	37.0	45.3	59.3	
Subregion 82:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	54.7	70.3	50.7	54.0	53.0	47.5	78.6
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	18.2	4.8	25.2	18.6	15.7	13.5	17.9
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	8.9	10.0	6.8	9.9	10.4	12.1	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	17.5	12.4	17.3	16.1	20.0	26.9	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	27.3	12.4	23.0	27.9	27.0	57.9	
Subregion 115:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	64.2	88.4	68.6	62.1	46.1	48.8	81.5
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	5.8	5.7	7.1	3.9	3.3	7.7	18.5
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	5.2	2.5	3.4	6.6	8.9	6.2	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	24.6	3.4	20.9	27.4	41.7	35.8	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	28.4	5.7	22.5	28.6	47.2	60.5	
Subregion 116:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	69.4	82.3	78.3	58.9	54.2	58.7	85.7
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	9.5	6.0	9.3	9.2	14.5	9.5	14.3
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	2.9	1.5	2.3	4.1	6.0	1.6	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	17.7	8.7	10.8	26.2	26.5	28.6	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	19.7	7.2	11.6	24.5	39.8	33.3	
Subregion 117:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	64.4	74.7	76.1	62.8	43.2	47.9	88.5
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	7.6	10.4	7.0	8.0	8.0	2.8	11.5
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	4.6	1.4	4.1	4.4	9.0	5.6	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	23.2	13.5	12.8	24.1	39.8	43.7	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	26.4	5.6	10.5	27.0	54.8	59.2	
Subregion 119:							
Percent of farms reporting:							
No off-farm work.....	56.7	72.9	62.3	54.1	51.3	42.6	85.5
1 to 99 days of off-farm work.....	16.0	16.2	22.3	15.1	13.5	14.9	14.5
100 to 199 days of off-farm work.....	7.1	5.4	3.8	7.5	10.3	9.2	
200 days or more of off-farm work.....	20.2	5.4	11.6	23.3	24.9	33.3	
Income of operator and members of family greater than value of all farm products sold.....	26.6	10.8	14.6	23.3	35.7	47.5	