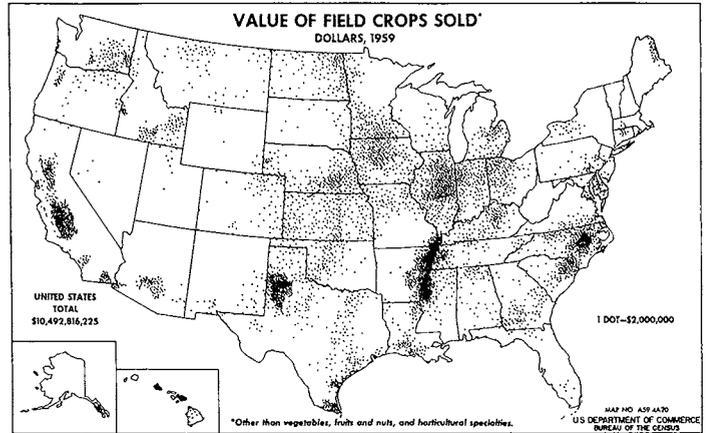


PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS SOLD

The following table lists the farm products, each with a value of sales of \$100 million or more in 1959, in order of their importance as measured by the value of sales for the 50 States. These 27 farm products accounted for about 91 percent of the value of all farm products sold in 1959.

VALUE OF SALES OF 27 PRINCIPAL FARM PRODUCTS FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1959

Farm product	Rank	Value (\$1,000,000)
Total, all farm products sold	XXX	30,493
Total, 27 farm products sold	XXX	27,722
Cattle (excluding calves) sold alive	1	5,952
Whole milk and cream	2	4,022
Hogs and pigs sold alive	3	2,435
Cotton	4	2,343
Calves sold alive	5	1,880
Corn for grain	6	1,780
Wheat	7	1,736
Chicken eggs	8	1,061
Soybeans for beans	9	981
Tobacco	10	948
Broilers	11	750
Irish potatoes	12	415
Oranges (all)	13	395
Turkeys, ducks, geese, and their eggs sold	14	340
Sheep and lambs sold alive	15	338
Sorghums for grain	16	333
Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures for hay	17	278
Rice	18	245
Barley	19	241
Apples	20	205
Sugar beets for sugar	21	187
Oats for grain	22	179
Grapes	23	165
Dry field and seed beans	24	136
Peanuts for nuts	25	131
Peaches	26	126
Sugarcane for sugar	27	121



Crops sold in the conterminous United States in 1959 were valued at \$13.3 billion. Although this was up from the \$12.2 billion in 1954 it represented a smaller percent of the value of all products sold in 1959 than 1954. The areas of greatest concentration of crop sales include the cotton and rice producing areas of the Mississippi Valley; the irrigated areas producing cotton, vegetables, and fruits in the West; the cotton and tobacco producing areas of North and South Carolina; the citrus and vegetable producing areas of Florida and Texas; and the wheat, corn, and soybean producing areas of the Midwest.

All crops.—The total value of all crops sold—field crops, vegetables, fruits, nuts, forest products, and horticultural specialties—amounted to \$13.3 billion for 1959.

Cotton.—Cotton was the most important crop sold on the basis of the value of sales. The value of sales for 1959 was \$2,343 million and represented 7.7 percent of the total value of all agricultural products sold and 17.6 percent of the total value of all crops sold.

Corn.—Corn was the second most important single crop item from the standpoint of total value of sales. The 1959 value of the portion sold as grain was \$1,780 million and represented 5.9 percent of the total value of sales of all farm products. The 1959 value of sales comprised 13.4 percent of the total value of the sales of all crops.

Wheat.—Wheat was the third most important crop on the basis of the value of sales. The value of sales for the 1959 crop was \$1,736 million and represented 5.7 percent of the total value of farm products sold and 13.0 percent of the total value of all crops sold. The quantity of wheat sold represented 92.8 percent of the quantity harvested in 1959 as compared with 88.4 percent in 1954.

Vegetables.—The total value of vegetables sold in 1959 was \$736 million. The value of vegetables sold was 5.5 percent of the total value of all crops sold for 1959. For 1959, vegetables sold

