

Table 8. COMPARISON OF INCOME OF INDEBTED AND DEBT FREE FARM OPERATORS, FOR COMMERCIAL FARMS

Subject	Average per farm for indebted operators (dollars)				Average per farm for debt free operators (dollars)			
	Operator's share of farm products sold minus cash rent	Net cash farm income	Off farm cash income	Total net cash income	Operator's share of farm products sold minus cash rent	Net cash farm income	Off farm cash income	Total net cash income
Commercial farms.....	17,241	3,979	4,068	8,047	10,660	2,989	3,711	6,701
Economic class:								
Class I.....	95,338	15,227	6,820	22,047	107,714	19,447	7,664	27,111
Class II.....	25,198	6,864	3,981	10,845	25,736	7,495	4,749	12,244
Class III.....	14,201	4,158	3,525	7,683	12,406	4,485	3,623	8,108
Class IV.....	7,645	2,305	3,993	6,298	6,731	2,339	3,803	6,143
Class V.....	3,852	1,093	4,424	5,516	3,790	1,411	3,404	4,815
Class VI.....	2,127	597	3,070	3,667	1,258	470	3,102	3,573
Tenure of operator:								
Full owners.....	13,280	3,312	4,495	7,807	7,988	2,476	3,880	6,357
Part owners.....	21,924	4,771	4,182	8,953	13,944	4,017	4,339	8,156
Managers.....	110,624	17,141	7,173	24,313	133,241	18,752	8,128	26,880
Tenants.....	12,694	3,333	2,899	6,232	9,452	2,634	2,440	5,074
Type of farm:								
Cash-grain.....	14,205	4,578	4,739	9,317	8,969	3,191	4,339	7,530
Tobacco.....	5,744	1,989	2,331	4,320	4,382	1,692	2,322	4,014
Cotton.....	13,944	2,998	2,889	5,887	7,768	2,479	2,084	4,563
Other field-crop.....	33,937	6,333	4,181	10,514	33,513	8,246	3,728	11,974
Vegetable.....	43,565	4,252	3,764	8,017	21,673	3,361	3,716	7,078
Fruit and nut.....	29,743	4,356	7,456	11,812	21,204	4,948	6,285	11,234
Poultry.....	38,621	6,446	4,842	11,288	24,855	4,432	3,365	7,798
Dairy.....	15,944	3,849	2,854	6,702	12,535	3,820	2,747	6,567
Livestock other than poultry, dairy, and livestock ranches.....	19,347	4,508	4,432	8,940	10,612	2,869	3,844	6,713
Livestock ranches.....	18,418	2,652	7,232	9,884	11,969	2,201	8,238	10,440
General.....	14,602	3,498	4,129	7,627	6,937	2,228	3,314	5,562
Miscellaneous.....	17,000	2,621	5,955	8,575	10,255	2,313	4,437	6,751
Age of operator:								
Not reported.....	25,068	5,763	5,071	10,835	8,927	2,209	5,326	7,535
Under 35.....	17,120	4,245	3,927	8,172	13,827	3,596	3,497	7,092
35 to 44.....	19,599	4,433	4,456	8,889	15,111	3,592	4,043	7,635
45 to 54.....	17,603	4,116	4,162	8,280	11,979	3,316	3,911	7,227
55 to 64.....	13,915	3,173	3,476	6,649	8,337	2,563	3,430	5,993
65 and over.....	16,395	3,234	4,269	7,503	9,068	2,755	3,840	6,595
Years on the farm:								
Not reported.....	15,765	2,860	3,027	5,886	13,541	3,201	3,850	7,052
Under 2.....	12,760	3,251	3,855	7,106	13,064	2,784	4,530	7,314
2 to 4.....	15,671	3,367	4,376	7,743	9,898	2,168	3,756	5,934
5 to 9.....	16,766	3,744	4,245	7,989	11,673	2,853	3,378	6,231
10 to 14.....	17,874	4,213	4,400	8,613	10,592	2,885	4,181	7,066
15 to 19.....	18,253	4,225	3,754	7,979	10,657	2,991	3,681	6,673
20 to 29.....	18,196	4,342	4,234	8,577	10,718	3,307	3,721	7,029
30 and over.....	18,247	4,067	3,609	7,676	9,323	2,939	3,427	6,366

Some groups of farm operators not only had larger debts but the proportion with debts was higher than for other groups. For example, farm operators of farms in economic classes I, II, and III had larger debts per farm and a higher proportion of these farm operators had debts than farm operators of farms in economic classes IV, V, and VI. Farm operators under 45 years of age had larger debts than farm operators 45 years old and over.

Table 9. PERCENT OF COMMERCIAL FARMS WITH OPERATOR DEBT, BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM

Subject	Percent
Commercial farms.....	64.7
Economic class:	
Class I.....	79.8
Class II.....	77.1
Class III.....	73.2
Class IV.....	65.5
Class V.....	58.4
Class VI.....	46.8

Commercial farms with 260 or more acres comprised a larger proportion of indebted farm operators than of debt free farm operators.

Table 10. PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF FARM OPERATORS WITH OPERATOR DEBT AND FARM OPERATORS WITH NO OPERATOR DEBT, BY SIZE OF FARM, FOR COMMERCIAL FARMS

Subject	Farm operators with operator debt	Farm operators with no operator debt
Number of commercial operators.....(1,000)...	Number 1,487	Number 812
All commercial farms.....	Percent 100.0	Percent 100.0
Size of farm:		
Less than 50 acres.....	13.0	19.9
50 to 99 acres.....	12.3	17.1
100 to 179 acres.....	20.0	23.5
180 to 259 acres.....	13.5	12.2
260 to 499 acres.....	21.9	14.8
500 to 999 acres.....	11.6	7.9
1,000 or more acres.....	7.7	4.6