

**Table 26. SAMPLING RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES OF OPERATOR DEBT, FOR  
SELECTED CLASSIFICATIONS OF FARMS**

Subject	Total operator debt				
	All debt	Real estate debt	Non-real estate debt	Major real estate debt	Non-real estate and related debt
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
All farms with operator debt.....	2.1	2.4	3.0	2.5	2.8
By economic class:					
Class I.....	3.3	4.1	3.6	4.1	3.4
Class II.....	6.7	7.2	9.5	7.5	8.6
Class III.....	5.3	6.0	7.0	6.0	6.7
Class IV.....	5.6	6.9	6.7	6.8	6.4
Class V.....	7.0	8.1	8.0	8.0	7.9
Class VI.....	11.3	13.7	13.6	14.0	13.3
Part-time.....	6.6	7.0	10.5	7.1	10.4
Part-retirement.....	17.1	17.0	23.5	17.5	21.6
By region:					
North.....	3.5	4.3	3.7	4.3	3.6
South.....	4.3	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.5
West.....	3.2	3.6	5.6	3.6	5.0
By type of farm:					
Cash-grain.....	5.6	6.6	5.6	6.8	5.3
Tobacco.....	10.9	13.6	9.5	14.9	10.6
Cotton.....	8.5	10.9	7.7	10.7	8.0
Other field-crop.....	12.8	15.8	12.5	14.5	14.1
Vegetable.....	15.0	13.5	22.9	13.1	22.5
Fruit and nut.....	9.5	11.8	11.1	11.9	10.5
Poultry.....	9.0	10.5	10.5	11.1	9.4
Dairy.....	5.1	6.1	5.8	5.9	5.9
Livestock other than poultry, dairy, and livestock ranches.....	4.5	5.6	4.9	5.7	4.8
Livestock ranches.....	8.4	11.7	11.6	11.5	11.0
General.....	6.8	7.5	8.9	7.6	8.4
Miscellaneous.....	17.2	10.0	31.0	10.1	24.6
By tenure of operator:					
Full owners.....	3.4	3.4	6.1	3.4	5.4
Tenants.....	5.5	11.2	4.8	11.4	4.7
By age of operator:					
Under 35.....	4.8	5.9	6.0	6.1	5.9
45 to 54.....	3.8	4.5	4.2	4.5	4.1
By years of operator on farm:					
2 to 4.....	6.6	7.4	8.7	7.6	8.7
15 to 19.....	5.0	6.1	5.7	6.4	5.3
By size of total debt:					
Less than \$1,000.....	9.0	15.8	9.0	16.4	9.0
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	3.7	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.9
\$40,000 to \$99,999.....	5.5	5.8	7.7	5.9	7.3
All farms with operator real estate debt.....	2.3	2.4	4.3	2.5	3.6
By size of real estate debt:					
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	5.5	5.4	8.1	5.3	7.9
\$20,000 to \$39,999.....	4.7	4.8	6.9	4.9	6.4
\$100,000 or more.....	6.3	6.7	8.2	7.1	6.8
By operator real estate debt to source specified:					
Federal Land Bank.....	4.4	4.4	-	4.4	-
Farmers Home Administration.....	7.4	7.3	19.1	7.3	13.8
Insurance companies.....	6.6	6.7	41.3	6.7	41.3
Commercial or savings banks.....	4.9	5.1	9.4	5.7	7.1
Production credit associations.....	8.9	9.2	25.8	-	8.9
Other lending institutions.....	11.6	8.4	17.0	8.5	17.2
Merchants and dealers.....	18.7	18.5	27.1	-	-
Tractors and farm machinery.....	26.7	26.7	-	-	26.7
Autos and trucks.....	30.2	30.2	-	-	30.2
Gasoline, etc.....	69.2	69.2	-	-	69.2
Feed, seed, etc.....	40.0	36.9	83.5	-	40.0
Livestock and poultry.....	53.6	53.6	-	-	53.6
Household furniture, etc.....	78.0	78.0	-	-	78.0
All other purchases.....	47.2	47.3	-	-	47.2
Individual from whom part or all of farm was purchased:					
Mortgage or deed of trust.....	6.2	6.2	-	6.2	-
Land purchase contract.....	8.7	8.7	-	8.7	-
Any other individual.....	10.6	10.7	41.2	12.3	23.2

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Subject	Total operator debt				
	All debt	Real estate debt	Non-real estate debt	Major real estate debt	Non-real estate and related debt
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
All farms with operator non-real estate debt:.....	2.4	2.7	3.0	2.7	2.9
By size of non-real estate debt:					
Less than \$500.....	14.0	9.0	9.0	9.2	16.0
\$2,000 to \$4,999.....	4.6	5.8	3.4	5.6	4.2
\$20,000 to \$39,999.....	7.6	10.0	7.4	10.3	7.4
\$40,000 to \$99,999.....	10.1	12.7	9.5	13.2	9.2
\$100,000 or more.....	7.4	10.3	6.8	10.3	6.8
By operator non-real estate debt owed to source specified:					
Farmers Home Administration.....	11.4	18.6	11.2	18.7	11.1
Insurance companies.....	18.5	38.1	20.0	38.1	20.0
Commercial or savings banks.....	3.7	13.3	3.7	14.4	3.6
Production credit associations.....	7.2	28.6	7.4	-	7.2
Other lending institutions.....	10.1	21.2	10.5	22.8	10.4
Merchants and dealers.....	3.6	26.8	3.6	-	-
Tractors and farm machinery.....	5.2	-	5.2	-	5.2
Autos and trucks.....	5.8	-	5.8	-	5.8
Gasoline, etc.....	5.4	-	5.4	-	5.4
Feed, seed, etc.....	6.1	59.0	6.1	-	6.1
Livestock and poultry.....	10.4	-	10.4	-	10.4
Household furniture, etc.....	8.5	-	8.5	-	8.5
All other purchases.....	9.0	-	9.0	-	9.0
Any other individual.....	6.2	38.7	6.1	43.4	6.2
Miscellaneous.....	11.8	-	11.8	-	11.8