

percent of the value of cotton sold in 1969. Six leading States—Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, California, Louisiana, and Alabama—accounted for 72 percent of the value of all cotton sold from cotton farms.

The sales of cotton made up 68.6 percent of the value of all farm products sold from cotton farms. There were 10 thousand cotton farms with a value of farm products sold of \$20,000 or more. These farms accounted for 74 percent of the value of cotton sold from all class 1-5 farms. One-half of the cotton farms had a value of farm products sold of less than \$10,000. These 23 thousand farms accounted for only 12.5 percent of the total value of farm products sold from cotton farms. The data in table 5 show differences among value-of-sales classes of cotton farms in 1969.

Other field-crop farms—Only 1.8 percent of the class 1-5 farms in 1969 were other field-crop farms. In most areas, it was

possible to identify other field-crop farms with a specific crop. Irish potatoes and peanuts were the principal crops sold on other field-crop farms. Over 55 percent of the potato farms were located in Idaho, Maine, New York, Washington, Minnesota, and North Dakota, and 95 percent of the peanut farms were located in Georgia, Texas, Alabama, Virginia, North Carolina, and Oklahoma.

Other field-crop farms had 2.1 percent of the total cropland and 2.4 percent of cropland harvested on class 1-5 farms. They accounted for 3.1 percent of the value of all farm products sold and for more than 71 percent of the value of other field-crop products sold from class 1-5 farms. Fertilizer was used on 94 percent of the farms and the average amount of fertilizer used per acre fertilized was 597 pounds.

About 75 percent of the value of all the farm products sold from other field-crop farms came from 7 thousand farms with a value of farm products sold of \$40,000 or more. These class 1

Class 1-5 Farms

Table 7. Vegetable Farms—Characteristics by Economic Class: 1969

	All vegetable farms	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
Percent distribution:						
Number of farms.....	100.0	23.8	14.7	17.3	21.6	22.6
Land in farms.....	100.0	65.3	11.2	8.5	8.0	7.0
Value of land and buildings.....	100.0	72.2	9.8	7.2	6.0	4.8
Total cropland.....	100.0	68.5	11.0	8.0	6.9	5.6
Cropland harvested.....	100.0	73.9	10.3	6.8	5.3	3.7
Total value of all agricultural products sold.....	100.0	85.0	7.0	4.1	2.6	1.3
Value of vegetables sold.....	100.0	85.6	6.7	4.0	2.5	1.2
Expenditures for hired farm labor.....	100.0	89.9	5.7	2.5	1.2	0.7
Acres of vegetables harvested for sale.....	100.0	76.6	9.2	6.2	4.6	3.4
Average per farm:						
Land in farm..... acres..	236	647	181	116	87	74
Value of land and buildings..... dollars..	167,506	507,275	111,762	60,739	46,352	35,689
Total cropland..... acres..	178	511	133	83	57	44
Cropland harvested..... acres..	146	453	103	57	36	24
Land irrigated..... acres..	175	393	64	34	19	12
Value of all agricultural products sold..... dollars..	59,765	213,099	28,479	14,239	7,135	3,383
Value of machinery and equipment..... dollars..	18,840	50,788	15,697	9,749	6,726	5,207
Commercial fertilizer used..... acres..	147	450	93	51	31	21
Value of all vegetables harvested for sale..... dollars..	51,125	183,567	23,393	11,743	5,839	2,767
Acres of vegetables harvested for sale..... acres..	103	327	63	37	22	16
Vegetables irrigated..... acres..	132	295	47	25	14	9
Tomatoes harvested..... acres..	32	107	17	9	4	3
Sweet corn harvested..... acres..	50	195	38	25	16	14
Expenditures for—						
Farm production expenses.....	49,856	180,662	21,739	10,054	5,035	3,352
Livestock and poultry.....	3,332	15,507	1,545	986	615	393
Feed for livestock and poultry.....	1,326	5,229	967	699	438	312
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees.....	1,764	5,642	1,227	621	327	220
Commercial fertilizer purchased.....	4,676	15,813	2,433	1,238	647	411
Lime.....	514	1,217	359	217	155	110
Other agricultural chemicals.....	3,747	11,619	1,210	592	307	168
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil for the farm business.....	1,737	5,232	1,280	744	462	321
Hired farm labor.....	17,711	52,394	5,890	2,509	1,159	750
Contract labor.....	21,730	43,146	5,758	2,510	1,293	863
Machine hire and customwork.....	2,646	7,403	1,070	573	351	249
All other production expenses.....	18,624	66,312	7,964	4,009	2,106	1,656
Income from government farm programs..... dollars..	2,941	7,942	1,787	1,166	995	859
Workers by number of days worked:						
150 days and over.....	9	13	3	2	2	1
Under 150 days.....	27	69	18	10	7	5
Tractors other than garden tractors and motor tillers..... number..						
	4	7	3	2	2	2
Percent of farms with—						
Income from government farm programs.....	31.1	34.2	34.1	30.8	26.6	30.5
Tractors other than garden tractors and motor tillers....	91.0	97.1	94.3	92.3	87.4	84.7
Fertilizer used.....	89.0	96.2	94.7	90.8	84.3	80.6
Average per acre:						
Value of vegetables harvested for sale..... dollars..	502	562	369	320	268	179
Fertilizer and fertilizing materials used per acre of vegetables fertilized..... pounds..	990	1,062	820	731	678	594
Percent of farms operated by—						
Full owners.....	43.6	17.2	32.0	45.8	56.7	65.0
Part owners.....	37.5	57.0	48.4	37.5	27.0	19.9
Tenants.....	18.8	25.8	19.5	16.7	16.3	15.1