

GENERAL EXPLANATION Continued

Table 1. Land in Farms and Value of Agricultural Products Sold by Type of Organization

	Total	Individual	Partnerships	Corporations	Other	Percent distribution				
						Total	Individual	Partnerships	Corporations	Other
Farms.....number..	1,695,047	1,517,787	144,969	28,442	3,849	100.0	89.5	8.6	1.7	0.2
Land in farms.....acres..	905,640,107	678,737,911	124,479,156	96,124,823	6,298,217	100.0	74.9	13.7	10.6	.7
Harvested cropland.....acres..	296,133,940	240,105,200	39,310,961	15,819,131	898,648	100.0	81.1	13.3	5.3	.3
Value of agricultural products sold.....\$1,000..	80,598,305	54,293,546	11,231,940	14,648,469	424,350	100.0	67.4	13.9	18.2	.5
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse products sold.....\$1,000..	41,450,308	29,196,380	6,162,191	5,904,553	187,184	100.0	70.4	14.9	14.2	.5
Grain sold.....\$1,000..	24,620,683	19,958,419	3,395,243	1,195,755	71,266	100.0	81.0	13.8	4.9	.3
Tobacco sold.....\$1,000..	1,670,391	1,393,284	218,335	55,761	3,011	100.0	83.4	13.1	3.3	.2
Cotton and cottonseed sold.....\$1,000..	2,260,296	1,410,420	485,895	356,274	7,707	100.0	62.4	21.5	15.8	.3
Field seeds, hay, forage, and silage sold.....\$1,000..	2,002,154	1,508,375	282,999	203,664	7,116	100.0	75.3	14.1	10.2	.4
Other field crops sold.....\$1,000..	3,924,326	2,011,363	620,349	1,278,864	13,750	100.0	51.2	15.8	32.6	.4
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons sold.....\$1,000..	2,338,949	962,884	507,545	863,391	5,129	100.0	41.2	21.7	36.9	.2
Fruits, nuts, and berries sold.....\$1,000..	2,935,001	1,442,559	490,804	926,087	75,551	100.0	49.2	16.7	31.5	2.6
Nursery and greenhouse products sold.....\$1,000..	1,698,508	509,076	161,021	1,024,757	3,654	100.0	30.0	9.5	60.3	.2
Livestock, poultry, and their products sold.....\$1,000..	38,924,744	24,918,792	5,042,054	8,729,295	234,603	100.0	64.0	13.0	22.4	.6
Poultry and poultry products sold.....\$1,000..	6,191,276	4,000,364	427,679	1,737,957	25,276	100.0	64.6	6.9	28.1	.4
Dairy products sold.....\$1,000..	8,193,661	6,320,978	1,344,458	512,509	15,716	100.0	77.1	16.4	6.3	.2
Cattle and calves sold.....\$1,000..	18,300,842	9,784,251	2,350,798	5,995,834	169,959	100.0	53.5	12.8	32.8	.9
Hogs and pigs sold.....\$1,000..	5,394,904	4,290,508	819,196	271,903	13,297	100.0	79.5	15.2	5.0	.3
Sheep, lambs, and wool sold.....\$1,000..	447,768	278,886	64,006	103,410	1,466	100.0	62.3	14.3	23.1	.3
Other livestock and livestock products sold.....\$1,000..	396,293	243,805	35,917	107,682	8,889	100.0	61.5	9.1	27.2	2.2

Table 2. Agricultural Products Sold—Percent Distribution by Type of Organization

	All farms	Individual	Partnerships	Corporations	Other
Value of agricultural products sold.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Grain sold.....	30.5	36.6	30.2	8.2	16.8
Tobacco sold.....	2.1	2.6	2.0	.4	.7
Cotton and cottonseed sold.....	2.8	2.6	4.3	2.4	1.8
Field seeds, hay, forage, and silage sold.....	2.5	2.8	2.5	1.4	1.7
Other field crops sold.....	4.9	3.7	5.5	8.7	3.2
Vegetables, sweet corn and melons sold.....	2.9	1.8	4.5	5.9	1.2
Fruits, nuts, and berries sold.....	3.6	2.6	4.4	6.3	17.8
Poultry and poultry products sold.....	7.7	7.4	3.8	11.9	6.0
Dairy products sold.....	10.2	11.6	12.0	3.5	3.7
Cattle and calves sold.....	22.2	18.3	20.9	40.9	40.1
Hogs and pigs sold.....	6.7	7.9	7.3	1.9	3.1
Sheep, lambs, and wool sold.....	.5	.5	.6	.7	.3
Other livestock and livestock products sold.....	.5	.4	.3	.7	2.1
Nursery and greenhouse products sold.....	2.1	.9	1.4	7.0	.9
Forest products sold.....	.3	.3	.3	.1	.6

Table 3. Selected Corporate Characteristics by Number of Farms Operated

	All firms	Single farm firms	Multifarm firms				
			Total	2 to 4 farms	5 to 9 farms	10 to 14 farms	15 farms and over
Firms.....number..	26,873	26,137	736	640	74	15	7
Farms.....number..	28,442	26,137	2,305	1,508	474	163	160
Average land in farms per firm.....acres..	3,577	2,922	26,838	16,716	82,675	174,188	46,309
Average value of land and buildings per firm....dollars..	916,389	749,662	6,837,239	4,394,282	20,936,252	22,428,675	47,736,315
Average harvested cropland per firm.....acres..	589	517	3,144	2,064	8,151	12,481	28,889
Average value of agricultural products sold per firm.dollars..	545,100	376,528	6,531,446	4,506,195	16,626,382	21,280,292	53,374,654
Average value of machinery and equipment per firm....dollars..	90,730	75,909	617,034	400,505	1,898,622	1,922,000	4,069,429

For single farm firms, the farm and firm data are the same, but for those which operate more than one farm, farm level data do not address the degree of the corporation's involvement in agriculture. Differences between single farm firms and multifarm firms are highlighted in table 3. Tables 30, 31, and 40 present more detailed information on firm-farm differences.

**Kind of corporation**—Family corporations made up almost 80 percent of all corporate firms and accounted for 50 percent of agricultural products sold by corporations. Independent and parent corporations, accounting for 18 and 3 percent of the corporate firms respectively, sold 24 and 26 percent of all corporate agricultural products. Parent corporations produced a dispro-

portionately larger share of almost all commodities, but there was particularly strong concentration in other field crops, especially sugarcane and Irish potatoes. Independent corporations accounted for almost one-third of the corporate sales of cattle and calves. Family corporations accounted for higher percentages of commodity sales than their percentage of corporate firms only for grain and dairy products.

The sale of agricultural products was the only source of business receipts for 88 percent of family corporations but for only 12 percent of parent corporations. For 53 percent of parent corporations, agricultural sales accounted for less than 10 percent of total corporate business receipts.

One-third of the 795 parent corporations were publicly held but they sold 66 percent of the agricultural products marketed by parent corporations.

**Total corporate business receipts**—Corporations with total corporate business receipts of less than \$100,000 made up almost 40 percent of all corporate firms, but accounted for less than 3 percent of the value of farm products sold by corporations. At the opposite extreme, firms with total business receipts of \$5 million or more comprised less than 4 percent of the corporations, yet accounted for 50 percent of the value