

Table 5. Reliability of Farm Estimates by Sales Group, Size of Farm, and Components of Coverage: 1978

	Estimated total farms			Farms included in census			Farms missed		
	Number	Standard error		Number	Standard error		Number	Standard error	
		Absolute	Relative (percent)		Absolute	Relative (percent)		Absolute	Relative (percent)
UNITED STATES									
Farms.....	2,279,470	102,576	4.5	2,202,360	101,309	4.6	101,072	11,320	11.2
Farms by value of sales:									
Less than \$2,500.....	540,848	32,992	6.1	505,670	31,857	6.3	38,226	7,913	20.7
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	574,074	42,481	7.4	555,166	42,748	7.7	29,518	8,501	28.8
\$10,000 to \$39,999.....	567,301	49,922	8.8	547,957	49,864	9.1	23,024	7,114	30.9
\$40,000 or more.....	597,247	43,599	7.3	593,567	43,924	7.4	10,304	4,462	43.3
\$2,500 or more.....	1,738,622	88,670	5.1	1,696,690	86,531	5.1	62,846	9,930	15.8
Farms by size:									
1 to 99 acres.....	910,948	65,588	7.2	855,928	63,339	7.4	64,206	15,345	23.9
100 to 499 acres.....	988,802	66,250	6.7	969,864	65,951	6.8	30,034	8,079	26.9
500 acres or more.....	379,720	50,123	13.2	376,568	50,084	13.3	6,832	3,614	52.9
NORTHEAST									
Farms.....	154,216	16,810	10.9	144,876	16,516	11.4	9,790	3,006	30.7
Farms by value of sales:									
Less than \$2,500.....	46,362	9,829	21.2	40,988	9,099	22.2	5,374	2,789	51.9
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	35,264	8,428	23.9	34,242	8,184	23.9	1,472	1,472	100.0
\$10,000 to \$39,999.....	22,816	6,525	28.6	21,344	6,147	28.8	1,472	1,472	100.0
\$40,000 or more.....	49,774	9,706	19.5	48,302	9,660	20.0	1,472	1,135	77.1
\$2,500 or more.....	107,854	12,188	11.3	103,888	11,843	11.4	4,416	2,221	50.3
Farms by size:									
1 to 99 acres.....	63,768	12,881	20.2	54,714	11,326	20.7	9,054	5,333	58.9
100 to 499 acres.....	78,672	14,318	18.2	78,386	14,501	18.5	736	569	77.3
500 acres or more.....	11,776	4,440	37.7	11,776	4,440	37.7	-	-	-
NORTH CENTRAL									
Farms.....	938,248	71,307	7.6	907,346	68,958	7.6	37,132	7,983	21.5
Farms by value of sales:									
Less than \$2,500.....	156,090	17,170	11.0	143,584	16,512	11.5	13,242	5,310	40.1
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	202,002	24,644	12.2	193,174	24,147	12.5	12,114	6,517	53.8
\$10,000 to \$39,999.....	271,865	36,430	13.4	261,561	35,834	13.7	10,304	4,740	46.0
\$40,000 or more.....	308,291	34,529	11.2	309,027	34,611	11.2	1,472	1,220	82.9
\$2,500 or more.....	782,158	62,573	8.0	763,762	61,865	8.1	23,890	7,239	30.3
Farms by size:									
1 to 99 acres.....	305,858	36,397	11.9	285,198	34,794	12.2	22,132	9,074	41.0
100 to 499 acres.....	451,427	45,594	10.1	439,713	45,290	10.3	14,264	6,048	42.4
500 acres or more.....	180,963	38,907	21.5	182,435	39,041	21.4	736	736	100.0
SOUTH									
Farms.....	903,984	64,183	7.1	882,028	64,388	7.3	37,030	5,962	16.1
Farms by value of sales:									
Less than \$2,500.....	250,780	23,573	9.4	240,570	23,335	9.7	12,522	3,844	30.7
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	281,856	30,159	10.7	273,998	30,688	11.2	14,732	4,685	31.8
\$10,000 to \$39,999.....	203,346	29,485	14.5	200,194	29,829	14.9	6,832	3,635	53.2
\$40,000 or more.....	168,002	20,496	12.2	167,266	20,574	12.3	2,944	2,087	70.9
\$2,500 or more.....	653,204	52,256	8.0	641,458	51,958	8.1	24,508	5,784	23.6
Farms by size:									
1 to 99 acres.....	406,740	45,962	11.3	392,666	45,157	11.5	21,052	7,579	36.0
100 to 499 acres.....	377,055	41,853	11.1	372,325	42,445	11.4	12,090	4,788	39.6
500 acres or more.....	120,189	18,028	15.0	117,037	18,141	15.5	3,888	2,675	68.8
WEST									
Farms.....	283,022	32,265	11.4	268,110	31,101	11.6	17,120	4,503	26.3
Farms by value of sales:									
Less than \$2,500.....	87,616	11,478	13.1	80,528	10,388	12.9	7,088	3,012	42.5
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	54,952	13,518	24.6	53,752	13,546	25.2	1,200	1,200	100.0
\$10,000 to \$39,999.....	69,274	14,755	21.3	64,858	14,658	22.6	4,416	3,281	74.3
\$40,000 or more.....	71,180	12,029	16.9	68,972	11,587	16.8	4,416	3,338	75.6
\$2,500 or more.....	195,406	28,920	14.8	187,582	28,325	15.1	10,032	3,461	34.5
Farms by size:									
1 to 99 acres.....	134,582	23,417	17.4	123,350	22,326	18.1	11,968	5,517	46.1
100 to 499 acres.....	81,648	14,860	18.2	79,440	15,173	19.1	2,944	2,379	80.8
500 acres or more.....	66,792	22,910	34.3	65,320	22,731	34.8	2,208	1,473	66.7