

Table 31. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1978

[Excludes abnormal farms; see text]

All Farms		Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
			Total	Age of operator					
				Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS									
Farms	number	194 141	80 437	2 736	7 268	9 697	15 059	20 717	24 960
	percent	100.0	41.4	1.4	3.7	4.9	7.7	10.6	12.8
Land in farms	acres	137 088 468	91 885 992	1 216 572	8 746 176	15 657 021	22 952 681	24 813 146	18 500 396
Average size of farm	acres	706	1 142	445	1 203	1 615	1 524	1 198	741
Value of land and buildings ¹	farms	194 140	80 833	2 577	7 255	9 618	14 749	21 449	25 185
	\$1,000	53 275 147	33 375 709	569 396	3 270 735	6 176 772	8 617 764	8 604 467	6 136 574
Average per farm	dollars	274 416	412 897	220 953	450 824	642 209	584 294	401 159	243 659
Average per acre	dollars	386	360	495	376	390	373	342	326
Farms by value of land and buildings:									
\$1 to \$19,999		14 385	4 359	112	411	420	307	831	2 278
\$20,000 to \$39,999		24 388	5 899	189	305	435	755	1 417	2 798
\$40,000 to \$59,999		31 992	9 712	213	562	541	1 188	2 590	4 618
\$60,000 to \$99,999		23 607	7 936	272	385	466	1 115	1 993	3 205
\$100,000 to \$149,999		24 734	9 417	319	778	752	1 391	2 703	3 474
\$150,000 to \$199,999		15 628	6 940	181	631	662	1 135	2 105	2 226
\$200,000 to \$499,999		36 139	20 189	519	2 464	2 951	4 375	5 671	4 209
\$500,000 to \$999,999		14 166	9 677	197	1 090	1 919	2 534	2 527	1 410
\$1,000,000 or more		9 101	6 704	75	629	1 472	1 949	1 612	967
Owned and rented land by operator:									
Land owned	farms	167 677	67 510	1 176	4 230	7 413	12 868	18 594	23 229
	acres	81 404 636	49 718 562	239 620	3 096 407	6 967 114	11 455 215	14 310 048	13 650 158
Land rented or leased from others	farms	85 003	44 294	2 423	5 708	7 108	10 113	10 842	8 100
	acres	64 853 391	47 221 897	1 004 644	6 137 072	9 162 211	12 485 649	11 870 069	6 562 252
Land rented or leased to others	farms	22 700	10 865	112	573	957	1 767	2 762	4 694
	acres	9 169 559	5 054 467	27 692	487 303	472 304	988 183	1 366 971	1 712 014
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE									
Total cropland	farms	158 079	70 287	2 521	6 548	8 601	13 423	18 361	20 833
	acres	40 093 696	28 843 745	670 864	3 524 545	5 581 254	7 503 172	7 166 211	4 397 699
Harvested cropland	farms	119 313	60 454	2 382	6 030	7 844	12 080	15 964	16 154
	acres	20 726 861	17 363 563	453 143	2 336 487	3 625 300	4 867 311	4 157 913	1 923 409
Farms by acres harvested:									
1 to 49 acres		64 421	20 914	906	979	1 502	2 780	5 367	9 380
50 to 99 acres		15 937	7 915	235	594	711	1 386	2 273	2 716
100 to 199 acres		12 441	8 293	417	912	1 002	1 665	2 537	1 760
200 to 499 acres		14 715	12 383	609	1 950	2 032	2 945	3 344	1 503
500 to 999 acres		7 921	7 294	182	1 138	1 689	2 110	1 650	525
1,000 to 1,999 acres		3 102	2 936	30	377	729	943	640	217
2,000 acres or more		776	719	3	80	179	251	153	53
Cropland:									
Pasture or grazing only	farms	89 349	34 279	489	2 404	3 493	5 967	9 221	12 705
	acres	12 117 105	5 834 901	77 535	486 413	765 026	1 207 837	1 554 232	1 743 858
Cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses not harvested or pastured	farms	9 933	5 999	215	786	860	1 351	1 582	1 205
	acres	718 062	501 505	12 621	57 260	96 919	122 172	137 896	74 637
On which all crops failed	farms	16 878	10 066	344	1 344	1 513	2 163	2 598	2 104
	acres	2 650 167	2 008 729	55 640	248 223	395 368	501 946	501 311	306 241
In cultivated summer fallow	farms	10 619	8 179	305	965	1 360	1 958	2 257	1 334
	acres	1 613 665	1 395 258	27 544	172 567	282 076	370 514	396 049	146 508
Idle	farms	21 685	12 906	486	1 643	2 116	2 927	3 242	2 492
	acres	2 267 836	1 739 789	44 381	223 595	416 565	433 392	418 810	203 046
Total woodland									
	farms	45 785	16 008	265	760	1 310	2 544	4 229	6 900
	acres	6 789 828	3 003 529	41 173	154 913	329 331	608 839	852 954	1 016 319
Woodland pastured	farms	37 852	13 528	228	606	1 027	2 102	3 590	5 975
	acres	5 730 605	2 581 481	32 480	135 072	262 774	531 643	743 169	876 343
Woodland not pastured	farms	11 290	3 623	44	209	385	623	978	1 384
	acres	1 059 223	422 048	8 693	19 841	66 557	77 196	109 785	139 976
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured									
	farms	79 100	34 692	618	2 649	4 210	6 923	9 474	10 818
	acres	87 912 782	58 650 754	485 687	4 929 029	9 513 913	14 525 187	16 376 021	12 820 917
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	farms	94 746	40 683	1 438	3 230	4 743	7 446	10 686	13 140
	acres	2 292 162	1 387 964	18 848	137 689	232 523	315 483	417 960	265 461
Pastureland, all types									
	farms	155 199	60 898	1 022	4 349	6 563	11 204	16 259	21 501
	acres	105 760 492	67 067 136	595 702	5 550 514	10 541 713	16 264 667	18 673 422	15 441 118
Irrigated land									
	farms	25 724	17 858	1 271	2 470	3 288	4 353	4 157	2 319
	acres	7 008 763	6 388 120	176 878	899 263	1 524 284	1 924 738	1 388 013	474 944
Harvested cropland irrigated	farms	23 865	17 200	1 260	2 411	3 206	4 209	3 975	2 139
	acres	6 393 248	5 926 178	169 532	837 489	1 436 329	1 790 367	1 269 887	422 574
Pastureland irrigated	farms	3 430	1 714	25	182	264	456	466	321
	acres	357 286	225 885	1 358	26 134	41 066	66 079	69 636	21 612
Other land irrigated	farms	2 218	1 729	65	264	327	462	387	224
	acres	258 229	236 057	5 988	35 640	46 889	68 292	48 490	30 758
Land set aside in the federal farm programs in 1978	farms	25 651	19 315	730	2 541	3 030	4 446	5 180	3 388
	acres	1 493 745	1 299 172	30 302	186 172	255 281	354 941	322 376	150 100
RACE AND TENURE OF OPERATOR									
All operators	number	194 141	80 437	2 736	7 268	9 697	15 059	20 717	24 960
Full owners	number	109 728	36 430	315	1 573	2 616	4 992	9 949	16 985
Part owners	number	56 785	30 396	836	2 567	4 698	7 699	8 475	6 121
Tenants	number	27 628	13 611	1 585	3 128	2 383	2 368	2 293	1 854
White	number	186 797	77 887	2 711	7 175	9 405	14 730	20 245	23 621
Black and other races	number	105 220	34 997	309	1 543	2 543	4 859	6 695	16 048
Full owners	number	54 947	29 713	832	2 544	4 653	7 569	8 328	5 787
Part owners	number	26 630	13 177	1 570	3 088	2 209	2 302	2 222	1 786
Tenants	number	7 344	2 550	25	93	292	329	472	1 339
Black and other races	number	4 508	1 433	6	30	73	133	254	937
Full owners	number	1 838	683	4	23	45	130	147	334
Part owners	number	998	434	15	40	174	66	71	68
Tenants	number								

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FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS								
Farms	number	113 704	2 371	12 043	23 626	32 211	28 064	15 389
	percent	58.5	1.2	6.2	12.1	16.5	14.4	7.9
Land in farms	acres	45 202 476	494 754	3 611 822	8 068 303	12 172 224	12 916 414	7 938 959
Average size of farm	acres	398	209	300	342	378	460	516
Value of land and buildings ¹	farms	113 307	2 349	11 971	23 411	31 948	27 853	15 775
	\$1,000	19 899 436	248 056	1 925 242	4 074 996	5 642 371	5 084 104	2 924 667
Average per farm	dollars	175 624	105 600	160 825	174 063	176 611	182 533	185 398
Average per acre	dollars	437	498	542	503	459	390	363
Farms by value of land and buildings:								
\$1 to \$19,999	farms	10 026	310	1 024	2 002	2 523	2 334	1 833
\$20,000 to \$39,999	farms	18 489	702	2 310	3 621	4 766	4 618	2 472
\$40,000 to \$59,999	farms	22 280	521	2 353	4 711	5 838	5 601	3 256
\$60,000 to \$79,999	farms	15 671	256	1 663	3 420	4 745	3 698	1 889
\$80,000 to \$99,999	farms	15 317	149	1 564	3 092	4 702	3 816	1 994
\$100,000 to \$149,999	farms	8 688	165	855	1 771	2 574	2 138	1 185
\$150,000 to \$199,999	farms	15 950	176	1 592	3 386	4 790	3 921	2 085
\$200,000 to \$499,999	farms	4 489	39	381	920	1 369	1 083	697
\$500,000 to \$999,999	farms	2 397	31	229	488	641	644	364
\$1,000,000 or more	farms							
Owned and rented land by operator:								
Land owned	farms	100 167	1 266	8 774	20 599	29 336	26 090	14 102
	acres	31 686 074	202 739	1 886 493	4 709 810	8 255 099	10 070 252	6 561 681
Land rented or leased from others	farms	40 709	1 585	6 414	9 598	11 140	7 932	4 040
	acres	17 631 494	350 403	2 030 360	3 891 289	4 873 826	3 901 653	2 583 963
Land rented or leased to others	farms	11 835	159	805	2 105	3 359	3 061	2 346
	acres	4 115 092	58 388	305 031	532 796	956 701	1 055 491	1 206 685
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland	farms	87 792	1 411	8 968	18 113	25 087	22 529	11 684
	acres	11 249 951	174 671	1 144 162	2 231 699	3 229 862	2 874 206	1 595 351
Harvested cropland	farms	58 859	860	5 849	12 257	17 283	15 184	7 426
	acres	3 363 298	47 765	352 176	707 147	1 004 715	860 935	390 560
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres	farms	43 507	603	4 034	8 953	12 794	11 561	5 562
50 to 99 acres	farms	8 022	121	963	1 682	2 303	1 942	1 011
100 to 199 acres	farms	4 148	85	495	931	1 184	954	499
200 to 499 acres	farms	2 332	43	267	516	735	516	255
500 to 999 acres	farms	627	8	74	136	190	146	73
1,000 to 1,999 acres	farms	166	—	13	24	61	47	21
2,000 acres or more	farms	57	—	3	15	16	18	5
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only	farms	55 070	877	5 628	11 100	15 583	14 439	7 443
	acres	6 282 204	105 991	638 334	1 207 247	1 768 810	1 601 609	960 213
Cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses not harvested or pastured	farms	3 934	73	443	904	1 160	884	470
	acres	216 557	2 966	15 798	38 292	63 917	58 633	36 951
On which all crops failed	farms	6 812	100	720	1 437	2 150	1 604	801
	acres	641 438	8 641	66 446	124 625	198 966	153 573	89 187
In cultivated summer fallow	farms	2 440	44	247	550	633	628	338
	acres	218 407	1 697	27 883	39 151	56 457	61 052	32 167
Idle	farms	8 779	151	922	2 034	2 504	2 116	1 052
	acres	528 047	7 611	43 525	115 237	136 997	138 404	86 273
Total woodland								
	farms	29 777	349	2 950	5 719	9 041	7 677	4 041
	acres	3 786 299	35 272	275 423	699 531	1 044 180	998 549	733 344
Woodland pastured	farms	24 324	304	2 328	4 583	7 410	6 329	3 370
	acres	3 149 124	32 591	229 814	593 045	862 975	798 581	632 118
Woodland not pastured	farms	7 667	60	776	1 583	2 251	1 988	1 009
	acres	637 175	2 681	45 609	106 486	181 205	199 968	101 226
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured								
	farms	44 408	877	4 603	9 084	13 004	10 853	5 987
	acres	29 262 028	278 469	2 078 540	4 972 046	7 651 271	8 816 348	5 465 354
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	farms	54 063	1 070	5 585	11 452	15 271	13 355	7 330
	acres	904 198	6 342	113 697	165 027	246 911	227 311	144 910
Pastureland, all types								
	farms	94 301	1 632	9 662	19 203	26 895	24 004	12 905
	acres	38 693 356	417 051	2 946 688	6 772 338	10 283 056	11 216 538	7 057 685
Irrigated land								
	farms	7 866	100	711	1 751	2 424	2 090	790
	acres	620 643	4 985	59 102	135 705	203 835	152 161	64 855
Harvested cropland irrigated	farms	6 665	88	611	1 400	2 083	1 824	659
	acres	467 070	3 941	42 226	90 213	167 193	111 906	51 591
Pastureland irrigated	farms	1 716	14	133	412	521	463	173
	acres	131 401	519	15 541	38 856	29 138	35 972	11 375
Other land irrigated	farms	489	8	46	158	152	85	40
	acres	22 172	525	1 335	6 636	7 504	4 283	1 889
Land set aside in the federal farm programs in 1978	farms	6 336	218	804	1 407	1 777	1 412	718
	acres	194 573	4 393	21 029	42 567	57 187	47 434	21 963
RACE AND TENURE OF OPERATOR								
All operators	number	113 704	2 371	12 043	23 626	32 211	28 064	15 389
Full owners	number	73 298	792	5 652	14 084	21 143	20 224	11 403
Part owners	number	26 389	454	3 053	6 407	8 061	5 772	2 642
Tenants	number	14 017	1 125	3 338	3 135	3 007	2 068	1 344
White	number	108 910	2 280	11 730	22 985	30 985	26 558	14 372
Full owners	number	70 223	779	5 501	13 745	20 356	19 124	10 718
Part owners	number	25 234	391	2 970	6 233	7 720	5 519	2 401
Tenants	number	13 453	1 110	3 259	3 007	2 909	1 915	1 253
Black and other races	number	4 794	91	313	641	1 226	1 506	1 017
Full owners	number	3 075	13	151	339	787	1 100	685
Part owners	number	1 155	63	83	174	341	253	241
Tenants	number	564	15	79	128	98	153	91

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FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Individual or family	farms.....	172 979	70 613	2 462	6 043	8 223	12 890	18 212	22 783
.....	acres.....	94 062 091	62 532 539	858 012	5 455 285	10 290 742	16 104 852	16 608 297	13 215 351
Partnership	farms.....	17 038	7 716	251	1 011	1 084	1 662	1 928	1 780
.....	acres.....	27 670 643	19 266 352	289 034	2 010 794	3 360 015	4 866 978	5 433 330	3 306 201
Corporations:									
Family held	farms.....	2 281	1 463	16	145	270	363	421	248
.....	acres.....	10 647 442	6 711 858	58 317	1 100 864	1 180 079	1 640 112	1 636 940	1 095 546
More than 10 stockholders	farms.....	100	58	1	5	9	21	10	12
10 or less stockholders	farms.....	2 181	1 405	15	140	261	342	411	236
Other than family held	farms.....	411	264	2	34	66	75	60	27
.....	acres.....	1 792 664	1 215 134	(D)	(D)	587 782	128 494	210 889	174 764
More than 10 stockholders	farms.....	87	53	—	6	13	18	13	3
10 or less stockholders	farms.....	324	211	2	28	53	57	47	24
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, etc.	farms.....	1 432	381	5	35	54	69	96	122
.....	acres.....	2 915 628	2 160 109	(D)	(D)	238 403	212 245	923 690	708 534
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Operators by place of residence:									
On farm operated		106 412	50 268	943	3 739	5 934	9 538	13 224	16 890
Not on farm operated		66 531	21 385	1 624	2 843	2 745	3 931	5 131	5 111
Operators by age group:									
Under 25 years		5 107	2 736	2 736	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years		19 311	7 268	—	7 268	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years		33 323	9 697	—	—	9 697	—	—	—
45 to 54 years		47 270	15 059	—	—	—	15 059	—	—
55 to 64 years		48 781	20 717	—	—	—	—	20 717	—
65 years and over		40 349	24 960	—	—	—	—	—	24 960
Average age		52.3	55.1	22.1	29.6	39.6	50.0	59.6	71.5
Operators by sex:									
Male		182 296	75 544	2 704	7 150	9 411	14 425	19 396	22 458
Female		11 845	4 893	32	118	286	634	1 321	2 502
Operators of Spanish origin		6 742	2 563	100	170	449	610	563	671
Operators by principal occupation:									
Farming		80 437	80 437	2 736	7 268	9 697	15 059	20 717	24 960
Other		113 704	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators reporting days of work off farm:									
None		67 057	52 605	1 079	4 275	5 842	9 048	13 717	18 644
1 to 99 days		17 546	10 724	596	1 443	1 539	2 292	2 853	2 001
100 to 199 days		16 510	4 664	190	554	823	1 312	1 153	632
200 days or more		85 755	5 171	761	614	772	1 174	958	892
FARMS BY SIZE									
1 to 9 acres		11 599	2 601	114	267	365	469	558	828
10 to 49 acres		29 574	6 810	653	406	528	824	1 469	2 930
50 to 69 acres		13 150	3 001	80	127	235	423	733	1 403
70 to 99 acres		16 064	4 664	191	202	265	577	1 091	2 338
100 to 139 acres		18 551	5 802	113	369	408	698	1 421	2 793
140 to 179 acres		14 924	5 546	207	337	349	795	1 372	2 486
180 to 219 acres		10 369	3 878	158	259	286	550	989	1 636
220 to 259 acres		7 712	3 379	123	245	318	497	954	1 242
260 to 499 acres		26 993	13 790	479	1 467	1 523	2 422	3 996	3 903
500 to 999 acres		21 913	14 125	403	1 792	2 232	3 210	3 849	2 639
1,000 to 1,999 acres		12 985	9 311	142	1 100	1 828	2 522	2 309	1 410
2,000 acres or more		10 307	7 530	73	697	1 360	2 072	1 976	1 352
FARMS BY STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION (SEE TEXT)									
Cash grain farms (011)		15 807	11 149	505	1 532	1 900	2 443	2 753	2 016
Field crop, except cash grain farms (013) ..		25 828	17 383	1 408	2 383	2 894	3 893	4 225	2 580
Cotton farms (0131)		16 395	13 469	796	2 011	2 386	3 283	3 354	1 639
Tobacco farms (0132)		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugar crop, Irish potato, hay, peanut, and other field crop farms (0133, 0134, 0139)		9 433	3 914	612	372	508	610	871	941
Vegetable and melon farms (016)		1 919	1 100	25	68	127	242	303	335
Fruit and tree nut farms (017)		3 591	895	6	39	83	176	313	278
Horticultural specialty farms (018)		1 615	735	6	67	93	271	183	115
General farms, primarily crop (019)		4 543	2 740	55	304	368	672	736	605
Livestock farms, except dairy, poultry, and animal specialty (021) ..									
Beef cattle farms, except feedlots (0212) ..		129 783	41 726	623	2 309	3 278	6 264	11 091	18 161
Dairy farms (024)		115 605	36 386	484	1 727	2 591	5 238	9 736	16 610
Poultry and egg farms (025)		3 071	2 460	70	362	574	633	537	284
Animal specialty farms (027)		2 426	1 111	15	114	192	290	285	215
General farms, primarily livestock (029) ..		3 864	568	15	57	156	107	133	100
.....		1 694	570	8	33	32	68	158	271
VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD									
Market value of agricultural products sold ..	farms.....	194 141	80 437	2 736	7 268	9 697	15 059	20 717	24 960
.....	\$1,000.....	8 299 496	6 128 122	101 006	676 706	1 369 916	2 129 611	1 206 426	644 456
Farms by value of agricultural products sold:									
\$500,000 or more		1 306	1 065	9	115	272	360	225	84
\$200,000 to \$499,999		4 125	3 609	37	450	898	1 117	811	296
\$100,000 to \$199,999		7 647	6 571	219	897	1 504	1 882	1 533	536
\$40,000 to \$99,999		16 614	13 613	469	2 080	2 524	3 493	3 471	1 576
\$20,000 to \$39,999		16 851	11 166	494	1 278	1 430	2 306	3 357	2 301
\$10,000 to \$19,999		22 387	11 327	382	915	1 104	1 834	3 415	3 677
\$5,000 to \$9,999		30 291	10 658	245	566	616	1 500	2 730	5 001
\$2,500 to \$4,999		34 891	9 641	159	352	576	1 098	2 447	5 009
Less than \$2,500		60 029	12 787	722	615	773	1 469	2 728	6 480

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All Farms	Total	Other occupations					
		Age of operator					
		Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family.....farms.....	102 366	2 151	10 713	21 262	29 354	25 031	13 855
.....acres.....	31 529 552	381 531	2 521 521	5 649 979	9 031 107	8 157 128	5 788 286
Partnership.....farms.....	9 322	197	1 180	2 090	2 408	2 136	1 311
.....acres.....	8 404 291	83 005	800 154	1 627 238	2 127 360	2 057 353	1 709 181
Corporations:							
Family held.....farms.....	818	12	73	146	221	222	144
.....acres.....	3 935 584	20 177	216 447	504 319	478 093	2 389 925	326 623
More than 10 stockholders.....farms.....	42	—	2	8	8	18	6
10 or less stockholders.....farms.....	776	12	71	138	213	204	138
Other than family held.....farms.....	147	3	17	40	38	34	15
.....acres.....	577 530	146	27 473	195 740	132 948	158 195	63 028
More than 10 stockholders.....farms.....	34	—	5	11	11	7	—
10 or less stockholders.....farms.....	113	3	12	29	27	27	15
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, etc.....farms.....	1 051	8	60	88	190	641	64
.....acres.....	755 519	9 895	46 227	91 027	402 716	153 813	51 841
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated.....farms.....	56 144	1 214	5 777	11 982	15 406	13 547	8 218
Not on farm operated.....farms.....	45 146	971	5 046	9 080	13 250	11 451	5 348
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years.....farms.....	2 371	2 371	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years.....farms.....	12 043	—	12 043	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years.....farms.....	23 626	—	—	23 626	—	—	—
45 to 54 years.....farms.....	32 211	—	—	—	32 211	—	—
55 to 64 years.....farms.....	28 064	—	—	—	—	28 064	—
65 years and over.....farms.....	15 389	—	—	—	—	—	15 389
Average age.....	50.2	22.2	30.5	39.8	49.7	59.1	71.1
Operators by sex:							
Male.....farms.....	106 752	2 221	11 681	22 989	30 820	26 121	12 920
Female.....farms.....	6 952	150	362	637	1 391	1 943	2 469
Operators of Spanish origin.....farms.....	4 179	36	381	998	1 051	1 112	601
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming.....farms.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other.....farms.....	113 704	2 371	12 043	23 626	32 211	28 064	15 389
Operators reporting days of work off farm:							
None.....farms.....	14 452	210	491	937	1 716	3 498	7 600
1 to 99 days.....farms.....	6 822	179	593	1 162	1 734	1 696	1 458
100 to 199 days.....farms.....	11 846	217	1 258	2 140	3 051	3 279	1 901
200 days or more.....farms.....	80 584	1 765	9 701	19 387	25 710	19 591	4 430
FARMS BY SIZE							
1 to 9 acres.....farms.....	8 998	506	1 119	2 200	2 312	1 637	1 224
10 to 49 acres.....farms.....	22 764	421	2 444	5 319	6 102	5 957	2 521
50 to 69 acres.....farms.....	10 149	192	1 156	2 076	3 382	2 221	1 122
70 to 99 acres.....farms.....	11 400	117	1 375	2 414	3 155	2 774	1 565
100 to 139 acres.....farms.....	12 749	364	1 409	2 406	3 488	3 289	1 793
140 to 179 acres.....farms.....	9 378	264	887	1 824	2 720	2 339	1 344
180 to 219 acres.....farms.....	6 491	118	592	1 260	1 957	1 641	923
220 to 259 acres.....farms.....	4 333	53	409	823	1 244	1 155	649
260 to 499 acres.....farms.....	13 203	179	1 392	2 624	3 692	3 416	1 900
500 to 999 acres.....farms.....	7 788	97	725	1 511	2 292	1 961	1 202
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....farms.....	3 674	28	313	711	1 087	933	602
2,000 acres or more.....farms.....	2 777	32	222	458	780	741	544
FARMS BY STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION (SEE TEXT)							
Cash grain farms (011).....farms.....	4 658	124	749	1 004	1 264	989	528
Field crop, except cash grain farms (013).....farms.....	8 445	221	1 048	2 068	2 374	1 875	859
Cotton farms (0131).....farms.....	2 926	148	382	701	769	644	282
Tobacco farms (0132).....farms.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugar crop, Irish potato, hay, peanut, and other field crop farms (0133, 0134, 0139).....farms.....	5 519	73	666	1 367	1 605	1 231	577
Vegetable and melon farms (016).....farms.....	819	25	149	185	183	185	92
Fruit and tree nut farms (017).....farms.....	2 696	6	167	498	882	856	287
Horticultural specialty farms (018).....farms.....	880	10	103	245	249	208	65
General farms, primarily crop (019).....farms.....	1 803	20	199	439	482	474	189
Livestock farms, except dairy, poultry, and animal specialty (021).....farms.....	88 057	1 889	8 695	17 591	24 539	22 425	12 918
Beef cattle farms, except feedlots (0212).....farms.....	79 219	1 674	7 754	15 174	22 170	20 582	11 865
Dairy farms (024).....farms.....	611	22	64	111	210	143	61
Poultry and egg farms (025).....farms.....	1 315	15	92	299	456	324	129
Animal specialty farms (027).....farms.....	3 296	29	549	938	1 275	382	123
General farms, primarily livestock (029).....farms.....	1 124	10	228	248	297	203	138
VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Market value of agricultural products sold.....farms.....	113 704	2 371	12 043	23 626	32 211	28 064	15 389
.....\$1,000.....	2 171 374	17 983	236 772	521 173	733 957	435 610	225 879
Farms by value of agricultural products sold:							
\$500,000 or more.....farms.....	241	2	20	59	80	57	23
\$200,000 to \$499,999.....farms.....	516	5	59	114	147	131	60
\$100,000 to \$199,999.....farms.....	1 076	17	115	203	361	260	120
\$40,000 to \$99,999.....farms.....	3 001	58	330	633	878	694	408
\$20,000 to \$39,999.....farms.....	5 685	90	576	1 148	1 678	1 421	772
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	11 060	131	1 099	2 287	3 319	2 731	1 493
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms.....	19 633	398	2 004	3 873	5 584	4 955	2 819
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms.....	25 250	416	2 614	4 913	7 341	6 511	3 455
Less than \$2,500.....farms.....	47 242	1 254	5 226	10 396	12 823	11 304	6 239

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Table 31. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1978—Con.

[Excludes abnormal farms; see text]

All Farms	Total farming and other occupations	Farming							
		Total	Age of operator						
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over	
VALUE OF PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.									
Market value of agricultural products sold—Con.									
Grain	farms	36 154	26 468	992	3 275	4 235	5 999	7 088	4 879
	\$1,000	1 094 903	997 978	22 335	143 470	233 678	285 549	226 082	86 864
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	6 676	6 272	155	1 025	1 469	1 775	1 400	448
	\$1,000	834 880	789 110	12 928	115 805	200 296	236 154	168 494	55 433
Commodity Credit Corporation loans	farms	7 271	5 772	233	797	958	1 366	1 502	916
	\$1,000	90 625	81 310	1 778	12 246	15 596	23 621	19 524	8 544
Cotton and cottonseed	farms	23 346	19 273	1 034	2 772	3 352	4 697	4 912	2 506
	\$1,000	993 201	922 920	27 072	127 350	211 204	276 831	212 348	68 114
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	7 490	7 137	226	1 095	1 680	2 123	1 613	400
	\$1,000	763 182	726 549	14 889	96 660	181 004	231 059	158 058	44 880
Commodity Credit Corporation loans	farms	3 825	3 319	212	577	669	790	792	279
	\$1,000	70 054	66 265	3 158	11 149	15 320	19 457	13 942	3 239
Tobacco	farms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Field seeds, hay, forage, and silage	farms	22 736	9 865	222	882	1 304	1 938	2 706	2 813
	\$1,000	116 535	77 677	1 584	10 100	16 350	20 410	17 002	12 231
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	410	342	6	32	92	106	76	30
	\$1,000	40 149	35 312	481	5 358	9 536	10 933	6 099	2 905
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	farms	3 806	2 313	40	201	307	519	623	623
	\$1,000	204 247	154 561	892	9 650	29 757	40 645	55 961	17 657
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	555	510	5	47	101	156	143	58
	\$1,000	183 186	139 219	464	8 025	27 042	36 888	51 759	15 040
Fruits, nuts, and berries	farms	3 915	1 600	15	75	168	284	552	506
	\$1,000	63 509	45 589	819	2 071	11 352	8 434	13 130	9 783
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	212	146	1	11	23	39	50	22
	\$1,000	45 138	37 005	(D)	(D)	10 329	6 833	10 088	7 395
Nursery and greenhouse products	farms	1 827	853	6	75	112	294	211	155
	\$1,000	104 401	68 139	436	9 360	11 658	28 255	13 465	4 966
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	331	238	4	32	53	66	58	25
	\$1,000	93 864	62 656	389	8 918	10 937	26 174	12 262	3 976
Other crops	farms	4 519	3 437	600	368	481	686	833	469
	\$1,000	119 509	105 223	3 150	14 688	22 996	31 003	25 099	8 286
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	792	725	14	123	174	215	155	44
	\$1,000	84 669	77 414	1 315	11 030	18 436	23 926	17 665	5 041
Poultry and poultry products	farms	7 430	3 554	537	169	376	531	831	1 110
	\$1,000	419 064	307 062	4 679	43 138	66 888	118 939	52 633	20 786
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	1 364	888	13	99	173	273	230	100
	\$1,000	412 661	303 750	4 601	42 880	66 488	118 493	51 502	19 786
Dairy products	farms	3 967	2 932	176	394	608	706	653	395
	\$1,000	355 894	320 780	14 801	47 131	86 333	92 866	57 697	21 953
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	2 510	2 256	166	341	540	586	446	177
	\$1,000	341 564	311 650	14 615	46 092	85 093	90 960	54 936	19 954
Cattle and calves	farms	148 802	57 293	909	3 890	5 940	10 189	15 496	20 869
	\$1,000	4 544 440	2 940 185	23 174	248 202	633 965	1 178 658	488 036	368 149
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	8 564	6 114	184	632	1 105	1 653	1 565	975
	\$1,000	3 693 728	2 528 928	17 414	216 741	586 897	1 098 238	368 788	240 849
Hogs and pigs	farms	13 865	5 253	660	536	785	1 029	1 195	1 048
	\$1,000	109 122	76 907	924	11 406	20 624	20 271	16 282	7 400
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	460	372	4	58	92	101	93	24
	\$1,000	68 147	55 455	211	8 888	16 651	15 137	10 393	4 176
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms	8 158	4 354	51	308	489	962	1 154	1 390
	\$1,000	104 626	72 124	828	7 226	16 669	17 080	18 141	12 181
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	543	420	5	28	79	110	119	79
	\$1,000	68 372	48 506	482	5 014	13 579	11 059	12 161	6 212
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms	13 627	4 498	133	371	624	1 044	1 226	1 100
	\$1,000	70 046	38 976	312	2 914	8 442	10 671	10 550	6 086
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms	339	237	2	21	49	66	61	38
	\$1,000	33 930	24 074	(D)	(D)	6 196	6 957	6 199	3 171
SELECTED FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES ¹									
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms	67 999	27 293	1 190	2 610	3 493	5 602	7 256	7 142
	\$1,000	2 346 632	1 548 704	12 223	156 745	361 340	676 249	210 725	131 421
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999	farms	49 444	16 779	885	1 265	1 615	2 872	4 592	5 550
\$5,000 to \$19,999	farms	11 039	5 231	74	593	775	1 225	1 451	1 113
\$20,000 to \$49,999	farms	4 252	2 883	190	391	572	754	692	284
\$50,000 or more	farms	3 264	2 400	41	361	531	751	521	195
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms	148 884	55 859	1 385	4 025	5 896	9 777	15 123	19 653
	\$1,000	1 524 700	1 043 045	12 632	92 809	252 512	405 574	177 272	102 246
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999	farms	130 642	43 849	1 098	2 845	3 878	6 742	11 773	17 513
\$5,000 to \$19,999	farms	11 260	6 675	92	574	927	1 532	2 011	1 539
\$20,000 to \$49,999	farms	3 492	2 613	151	237	393	720	741	371
\$50,000 or more	farms	3 490	2 722	44	369	698	783	598	230
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms	55 362	21 338	399	1 699	2 458	4 056	5 576	7 150
	\$1,000	3 537 929	2 582 305	56 929	311 005	619 698	829 205	531 460	234 009
Farms by tons purchased:									
1 to 99 tons	farms	50 385	17 523	229	1 273	1 622	3 040	4 590	6 769
100 to 499 tons	farms	3 560	2 726	152	285	569	667	750	303
500 tons or more	farms	1 417	1 089	18	141	267	349	236	78
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999	farms	47 101	15 415	197	1 051	1 329	2 461	4 020	6 357
\$5,000 to \$19,999	farms	3 967	2 585	38	252	375	680	775	465
\$20,000 to \$49,999	farms	2 164	1 716	140	202	303	428	434	209
\$50,000 or more	farms	2 130	1 622	24	194	451	487	347	119

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(Excludes abnormal farms; see text)

All Farms		Other occupations						
		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
VALUE OF PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Market value of agricultural products sold—Con.								
Grain	farms.....	9 686	220	1 370	2 167	2 554	2 245	1 130
	\$1,000.....	96 925	1 423	11 523	19 147	27 557	26 515	10 760
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	404	8	44	67	132	111	42
	\$1,000.....	45 770	427	4 002	6 624	13 771	15 659	5 286
Commodity Credit Corporation loans	farms.....	1 499	28	196	349	439	337	150
	\$1,000.....	9 315	45	734	1 567	2 277	4 089	602
Cotton and cottonseed	farms.....	4 073	172	511	960	1 140	893	397
	\$1,000.....	70 281	1 642	7 341	16 258	20 769	17 481	6 790
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	353	5	31	90	112	82	33
	\$1,000.....	36 633	250	3 191	8 272	11 087	10 098	3 736
Commodity Credit Corporation loans	farms.....	506	26	79	145	134	82	40
	\$1,000.....	3 789	148	499	1 335	872	630	306
Tobacco	farms.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Field seeds, hay, forage, and silage	farms.....	12 871	132	1 455	3 051	3 846	2 959	1 428
	\$1,000.....	38 858	304	3 807	9 334	12 329	8 676	4 409
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	68	—	6	19	27	11	5
	\$1,000.....	4 837	—	344	1 426	1 759	904	404
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	farms.....	1 493	27	245	308	395	346	172
	\$1,000.....	49 686	106	1 019	18 234	6 578	4 454	19 293
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	45	—	1	8	21	9	6
	\$1,000.....	43 967	—	(D)	(D)	5 277	3 247	18 544
Fruits, nuts, and berries	farms.....	2 315	7	148	404	759	700	297
	\$1,000.....	17 920	16	844	3 043	6 648	4 681	2 688
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	66	—	6	14	18	16	12
	\$1,000.....	8 133	—	309	1 162	3 978	1 254	1 429
Nursery and greenhouse products	farms.....	974	10	109	270	274	236	75
	\$1,000.....	36 261	393	3 675	16 845	11 926	2 217	1 205
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	93	2	23	22	26	12	8
	\$1,000.....	31 208	(D)	(D)	15 305	10 581	1 109	819
Other crops	farms.....	1 082	26	152	237	297	253	117
	\$1,000.....	14 286	135	1 509	3 743	4 792	2 688	1 419
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	67	—	5	17	20	18	7
	\$1,000.....	7 255	—	325	2 044	2 747	1 261	877
Poultry and poultry products	farms.....	3 876	290	324	779	1 155	923	405
	\$1,000.....	112 001	1 360	11 388	31 884	35 007	25 718	6 645
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	476	12	61	117	154	99	33
	\$1,000.....	108 911	1 272	11 216	31 304	34 010	24 947	6 162
Dairy products	farms.....	1 035	26	147	184	308	247	123
	\$1,000.....	35 114	1 595	3 954	7 742	11 638	7 868	2 318
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	254	16	35	58	88	45	12
	\$1,000.....	29 915	1 496	3 494	6 959	9 953	6 482	1 531
Cattle and calves	farms.....	91 509	1 785	9 070	17 963	26 032	23 362	13 297
	\$1,000.....	1 604 255	9 044	181 122	378 101	563 397	316 540	156 052
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	2 450	31	233	468	720	626	372
	\$1,000.....	1 164 801	3 353	140 508	293 674	435 842	201 150	90 274
Hogs and pigs	farms.....	8 612	494	970	2 352	2 070	1 997	729
	\$1,000.....	32 214	1 213	5 321	7 631	9 594	5 930	2 525
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	88	2	13	20	20	24	9
	\$1,000.....	12 692	(D)	(D)	2 613	3 892	2 289	984
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.....	3 804	71	385	783	985	899	681
	\$1,000.....	32 502	476	1 979	2 744	12 871	5 726	8 705
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	123	2	9	9	38	34	31
	\$1,000.....	19 865	(D)	(D)	464	9 704	2 660	6 149
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.....	9 129	186	1 293	2 623	2 793	1 447	787
	\$1,000.....	31 070	277	3 292	6 466	10 851	7 115	3 070
Sales of \$40,000 or more	farms.....	102	—	9	21	33	26	13
	\$1,000.....	9 856	—	546	1 627	3 336	3 241	1 106
SELECTED FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES ¹								
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.....	40 706	1 170	5 283	9 156	11 924	8 628	4 545
	\$1,000.....	797 928	5 059	103 456	212 826	289 609	132 083	54 895
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	.....	32 665	891	4 167	7 214	9 610	6 981	3 802
\$5,000 to \$19,999	.....	5 808	239	861	1 326	1 594	1 212	576
\$20,000 to \$49,999	.....	1 369	19	183	397	411	268	91
\$50,000 or more	.....	864	21	72	219	309	167	76
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.....	93 025	1 772	9 663	19 189	26 230	23 023	13 148
	\$1,000.....	481 655	4 188	54 278	108 635	182 375	88 725	43 455
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	.....	86 793	1 679	9 028	18 067	24 258	21 477	12 284
\$5,000 to \$19,999	.....	4 585	50	441	775	1 471	1 174	674
\$20,000 to \$49,999	.....	879	26	74	176	270	208	125
\$50,000 or more	.....	768	17	120	171	231	164	65
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.....	34 024	977	3 716	7 135	9 750	8 386	4 060
	tons.....	955 624	16 120	107 212	246 649	331 453	180 361	73 830
	\$1,000.....	135 037	2 449	15 403	32 023	47 005	27 019	11 139
Farms by tons purchased:								
1 to 99 tons	.....	32 862	935	3 543	6 897	9 374	8 164	3 949
100 to 499 tons	.....	834	39	120	161	260	164	90
500 tons or more	.....	328	3	53	77	116	58	21
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	.....	31 686	933	3 411	6 679	8 997	7 859	3 807
\$5,000 to \$19,999		1 382	7	167	247	448	348	165
\$20,000 to \$49,999		448	31	52	91	139	82	53
\$50,000 or more		508	6	86	118	166	97	35

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		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
SELECTED FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES ¹ — Con.								
Animal health costs.....farms.....	111 430	44 342	1 227	3 488	4 971	8 256	12 341	14 059
.....\$1,000.....	50 525	30 739	352	3 772	6 030	10 884	5 926	3 775
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$499.....farms.....	98 066	35 819	985	2 535	3 278	5 905	10 167	12 949
\$500 to \$999.....farms.....	6 910	4 107	173	403	769	1 043	1 138	581
\$1,000 to \$2,999.....farms.....	4 666	3 096	57	394	585	940	713	407
\$3,000 or more.....farms.....	1 788	1 320	12	156	339	368	323	122
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees.....farms.....	79 146	46 657	2 108	5 232	6 596	9 819	12 827	10 075
.....\$1,000.....	155 817	132 914	3 386	18 295	29 197	36 894	31 353	13 789
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999.....farms.....	51 167	23 018	1 290	1 795	2 131	3 817	6 585	7 400
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....farms.....	20 277	16 547	633	2 521	2 824	3 957	4 565	2 047
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms.....	4 719	4 333	146	563	888	1 224	1 103	409
\$10,000 or more.....farms.....	2 983	2 759	39	353	753	821	574	219
Commercial fertilizer.....farms.....	108 717	50 302	1 889	4 778	6 433	9 630	14 054	13 518
.....\$1,000.....	333 575	261 991	5 429	32 273	55 422	72 333	65 505	31 028
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$2,499.....farms.....	81 347	28 800	1 234	1 868	2 387	4 315	8 125	10 871
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....farms.....	19 420	14 323	547	1 917	2 336	3 210	4 283	2 030
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	4 928	4 375	89	670	995	1 171	1 034	416
\$20,000 or more.....farms.....	3 022	2 804	19	323	715	934	612	201
Other agricultural chemicals including lime.....farms.....	82 808	44 395	1 580	5 147	6 485	9 442	12 215	9 526
.....\$1,000.....	168 488	140 118	3 270	18 081	30 557	37 780	34 920	15 510
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$2,499.....farms.....	68 253	31 784	1 238	3 188	3 741	6 141	9 055	8 421
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....farms.....	11 227	9 576	279	1 565	2 012	2 428	2 435	857
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	2 113	1 915	41	272	462	519	480	141
\$20,000 or more.....farms.....	1 215	1 120	22	122	270	354	245	107
Energy and petroleum products.....farms.....	192 204	80 436	2 557	7 220	9 593	14 703	21 338	25 025
.....\$1,000.....	500 426	397 735	8 533	50 760	85 504	113 239	95 774	43 924
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$2,499.....farms.....	155 152	50 040	1 639	3 154	3 777	6 678	13 387	21 405
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....farms.....	26 043	20 285	694	2 571	3 321	5 135	5 675	2 889
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	6 499	5 930	164	936	1 400	1 598	1 381	451
\$20,000 or more.....farms.....	4 510	4 181	60	559	1 095	1 292	895	280
Petroleum products.....farms.....	191 876	80 397	2 557	7 220	9 590	14 699	21 319	25 012
.....\$1,000.....	408 928	327 869	7 547	41 494	69 757	93 366	79 565	36 140
Gasoline.....farms.....	170 965	72 848	2 295	6 621	8 653	13 227	19 286	22 766
.....\$1,000.....	140 594	97 876	2 166	11 221	18 196	25 897	25 082	15 314
Diesel fuel.....farms.....	82 293	44 867	1 468	5 205	6 939	10 051	12 438	8 766
.....\$1,000.....	117 906	101 066	2 471	12 951	22 580	29 660	24 237	9 167
LP gas, butane, and propane.....farms.....	47 482	27 476	1 141	2 670	3 843	6 238	7 578	6 006
.....\$1,000.....	36 589	28 344	455	3 522	5 364	7 747	7 334	3 922
Fuel oil.....farms.....	13 460	7 593	288	807	926	1 429	2 217	1 926
.....\$1,000.....	4 412	3 721	156	438	664	1 048	1 011	404
Natural gas.....farms.....	11 298	8 983	319	1 360	1 729	2 266	2 257	1 052
.....\$1,000.....	82 741	76 639	1 781	10 758	18 741	23 572	16 996	4 791
Kerosene, motor oil, and grease.....farms.....	191 864	80 388	2 557	7 217	9 590	14 697	21 316	25 011
.....\$1,000.....	26 686	20 222	517	2 605	4 212	5 441	4 905	2 542
Electricity.....farms.....	104 563	50 938	1 560	4 567	7 048	10 582	14 238	12 943
.....\$1,000.....	90 902	69 519	980	9 242	15 712	19 788	16 086	7 711
Other—coal, wood, coke, etc.....farms.....	2 855	1 284	19	62	114	252	381	456
.....\$1,000.....	596	347	6	24	36	85	123	73
Hired farm labor.....farms.....	72 229	38 841	835	4 002	5 889	8 636	10 453	9 026
.....\$1,000.....	430 935	336 208	3 612	32 795	72 910	105 927	80 330	40 634
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....farms.....	55 335	24 705	608	2 473	2 906	4 646	6 834	7 238
\$5,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	12 643	10 424	196	1 170	2 062	2 834	2 740	1 422
\$20,000 to \$49,999.....farms.....	3 162	2 801	30	273	714	854	663	267
\$50,000 or more.....farms.....	1 089	911	1	86	207	302	216	99
Workers by number of days worked:								
150 days or more.....farms.....	26 460	19 262	349	2 011	3 630	5 101	5 052	3 119
.....workers.....	64 579	49 683	605	4 731	10 170	14 928	12 557	6 692
Less than 150 days.....farms.....	59 644	30 107	626	3 095	4 300	6 353	8 201	7 532
.....workers.....	233 292	150 446	3 419	18 807	23 206	36 939	41 052	27 023
Contract labor.....farms.....	30 049	16 616	390	1 942	2 656	3 811	4 585	3 232
.....\$1,000.....	86 936	68 010	1 307	7 734	13 826	15 997	21 410	7 737
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$2,499.....farms.....	22 414	10 712	234	1 089	1 340	2 315	3 079	2 655
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....farms.....	6 307	4 740	135	694	1 048	1 176	1 211	476
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	884	771	18	116	185	209	179	64
\$20,000 or more.....farms.....	444	393	3	43	83	111	116	37
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment.....farms.....	74 847	36 575	874	3 296	4 647	6 991	10 489	10 278
.....\$1,000.....	153 519	110 891	2 194	12 066	21 105	27 765	30 335	17 426
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$2,499.....farms.....	60 762	26 106	669	2 012	2 769	4 439	7 520	8 697
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....farms.....	11 336	8 099	160	1 028	1 261	1 915	2 374	1 361
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms.....	1 884	1 613	42	174	453	412	398	134
\$20,000 or more.....farms.....	865	757	3	82	164	225	197	86
FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Income from machine work, customwork, and other agricultural services.....farms.....	13 487	9 502	989	1 531	1 660	2 158	2 162	1 002
.....\$1,000.....	48 798	38 813	1 850	6 282	8 505	10 248	9 447	2 481
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption.....farms.....	6 745	2 718	43	188	267	410	830	980
.....\$1,000.....	12 339	6 989	116	745	1 242	1 476	1 966	1 445

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Table 31. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1978—Con.

(Excludes abnormal farms; see text)

All Farms	Other occupations							
	Total	Age of operator						65 years and over
		Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years		
SELECTED FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES ¹ — Con.								
Animal health costs.....farms.....	67 088	1 239	7 403	14 607	19 294	16 420	8 125	
\$1,000.....	19 786	194	2 709	4 491	6 448	4 217	1 729	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$499.....	62 247	1 159	6 828	13 552	17 686	15 390	7 632	
\$500 to \$999.....	2 803	39	329	565	975	622	273	
\$1,000 to \$2,999.....	1 570	40	197	373	486	305	169	
\$3,000 or more.....	468	1	49	117	147	103	51	
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees.....farms.....	32 489	619	3 609	6 709	9 961	7 985	3 606	
\$1,000.....	22 904	366	2 419	4 913	7 703	5 216	2 287	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$999.....	28 149	547	3 121	5 760	8 502	7 003	3 216	
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	3 730	65	427	819	1 259	830	330	
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	386	—	40	91	126	102	27	
\$10,000 or more.....	224	7	21	39	74	50	33	
Commercial fertilizer.....farms.....	58 415	885	6 026	12 314	17 959	14 535	6 696	
\$1,000.....	71 585	875	6 316	15 622	22 276	18 426	8 069	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$2,499.....	52 547	819	5 493	10 967	16 113	13 097	6 058	
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	5 097	55	478	1 183	1 606	1 231	544	
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	553	11	45	111	177	140	69	
\$20,000 or more.....	218	—	10	53	63	67	25	
Other agricultural chemicals including lime.....farms.....	38 413	822	4 191	8 539	11 128	9 173	4 560	
\$1,000.....	28 369	296	2 523	6 383	8 421	7 127	3 619	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$2,499.....	36 469	788	4 021	8 104	10 531	8 689	4 336	
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	1 651	34	142	386	502	414	173	
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	198	—	20	34	61	45	38	
\$20,000 or more.....	95	—	8	15	34	25	13	
Energy and petroleum products.....farms.....	111 768	2 325	11 794	23 121	31 535	27 519	15 474	
\$1,000.....	102 691	1 451	10 286	21 043	31 818	25 199	12 893	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$2,499.....	105 112	2 233	11 128	21 757	29 351	26 003	14 640	
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	5 758	82	580	1 195	1 895	1 283	723	
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	569	8	57	103	175	151	75	
\$20,000 or more.....	329	2	29	66	114	82	36	
Petroleum products.....farms.....	111 479	2 313	11 778	23 069	31 466	27 458	15 395	
\$1,000.....	81 059	1 204	8 430	16 367	25 072	19 835	10 152	
Gasoline.....farms.....	98 117	2 088	10 467	19 929	27 528	24 387	13 718	
\$1,000.....	42 718	672	4 441	8 122	12 816	10 653	6 014	
Diesel fuel.....farms.....	37 426	535	3 948	8 120	11 524	9 000	4 299	
\$1,000.....	16 839	227	1 628	3 617	5 195	4 299	1 874	
LP gas, butane, and propane.....farms.....	20 006	327	1 948	4 546	5 743	4 759	2 683	
\$1,000.....	8 245	112	790	1 812	2 558	1 941	1 034	
Fuel oil.....farms.....	5 867	67	487	1 165	1 824	1 459	865	
\$1,000.....	691	9	54	137	220	184	87	
Natural gas.....farms.....	2 315	28	264	526	730	533	234	
\$1,000.....	6 101	72	887	1 315	2 286	1 195	346	
Kerosene, motor oil, and grease.....farms.....	111 476	2 311	11 778	23 068	31 466	27 458	15 395	
\$1,000.....	6 463	112	631	1 364	1 998	1 563	797	
Electricity.....farms.....	53 625	1 050	4 956	10 588	15 808	14 060	7 163	
\$1,000.....	21 383	243	1 835	4 630	6 689	5 298	2 687	
Other—coal, wood, coke, etc.....farms.....	1 571	17	154	305	406	387	302	
\$1,000.....	249	5	21	46	56	67	55	
Hired farm labor.....farms.....	33 388	369	3 309	6 648	9 984	8 497	4 581	
\$1,000.....	94 727	719	7 703	21 794	28 304	23 947	12 260	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	30 630	328	3 105	6 143	9 188	7 760	4 106	
\$5,000 to \$19,999.....	2 219	38	156	411	630	588	396	
\$20,000 to \$49,999.....	361	3	30	57	106	110	55	
\$50,000 or more.....	178	—	18	37	60	39	24	
Workers by number of days worked:								
150 days or more.....farms.....	7 198	85	556	1 349	2 164	1 869	1 175	
Less than 150 days.....workers.....	14 896	119	1 168	3 163	4 573	3 793	2 080	
Contract labor.....farms.....	29 537	312	3 005	5 948	8 835	7 516	3 921	
\$1,000.....	82 846	912	7 704	18 028	24 195	20 187	11 820	
Contract labor.....farms.....	13 433	237	1 317	2 793	3 676	3 739	1 671	
\$1,000.....	18 927	277	1 327	4 303	5 474	4 482	3 063	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$2,499.....	11 702	215	1 177	2 409	3 148	3 328	1 425	
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	1 567	19	125	340	479	379	225	
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	113	2	15	23	33	25	15	
\$20,000 or more.....	51	1	—	21	16	7	6	
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment.....farms.....	38 272	604	3 750	8 007	11 222	9 925	4 764	
\$1,000.....	42 628	669	3 681	7 942	12 833	12 193	5 309	
Farms with expenses of —								
\$1 to \$2,499.....	34 656	509	3 450	7 278	10 166	8 955	4 298	
\$2,500 to \$9,999.....	3 237	90	266	656	938	877	410	
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	271	5	24	53	78	68	43	
\$20,000 or more.....	108	—	10	20	40	25	13	
FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Income from machine work, customwork, and other agricultural services.....farms.....	3 985	154	670	986	1 085	798	292	
\$1,000.....	9 985	211	1 900	2 484	3 253	1 687	450	
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption.....farms.....	4 027	63	413	953	1 251	893	454	
\$1,000.....	5 350	81	438	1 205	1 813	1 073	740	

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All Farms	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT ¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ---farms---	193 211	80 638	2 565	7 231	9 596	14 723	21 404	25 119
.....\$1,000---	4 625 915	3 270 092	77 839	386 558	646 271	899 316	815 402	444 706
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	41 175	11 779	268	606	715	1 234	2 676	6 280
\$5,000 to \$9,999	63 775	17 518	380	906	1 073	2 041	4 504	8 614
\$10,000 to \$19,999	35 211	14 073	809	1 055	1 305	2 211	4 036	4 657
\$20,000 to \$49,999	29 267	17 234	675	1 976	2 470	3 532	5 026	3 555
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13 055	10 413	292	1 567	1 758	2 651	2 888	1 257
\$100,000 to \$199,999	7 593	6 721	107	795	1 516	2 065	1 679	559
\$200,000 to \$499,999	2 889	2 684	33	309	694	909	559	180
\$500,000 or more	246	216	1	17	65	80	36	17
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT ¹								
Automobiles	100 423	52 332	1 113	4 357	6 514	10 504	14 832	15 012
.....number---	133 626	69 371	1 517	5 578	9 267	15 317	19 468	18 224
Motortrucks, including pickups	158 982	71 789	2 287	6 602	8 919	13 635	19 409	20 937
.....number---	256 659	141 338	3 264	13 641	22 197	33 447	37 725	31 064
Wheel tractors	156 069	68 626	2 170	6 244	8 419	12 940	18 631	20 222
.....number---	279 490	155 621	4 592	14 330	23 623	34 988	43 570	34 518
2 or 3	52 911	29 994	1 120	2 916	4 136	6 153	8 615	7 054
.....number---	122 284	71 363	2 971	6 792	10 016	14 946	20 540	16 098
4 or more	13 103	10 897	148	1 066	2 151	3 113	3 163	1 256
.....number---	67 151	56 523	719	5 276	11 475	16 368	16 177	6 508
Grain and bean combines, self-propelled only	19 273	15 421	869	1 844	2 776	3 955	3 940	2 037
.....number---	23 711	19 253	957	2 258	3 614	5 042	4 932	2 450
Cornpickers, corn heads, and picker-shellers	6 700	4 862	129	542	863	1 165	1 330	833
.....number---	7 518	5 501	147	594	1 058	1 334	1 485	883
Corn heads for combines	3 292	2 843	114	428	671	827	627	176
.....number---	3 675	3 181	117	446	776	946	707	189
Other cornpickers and picker-shellers	3 650	2 175	30	142	214	364	759	666
.....number---	3 843	2 320	30	148	282	388	778	694
Cottonpickers	6 402	5 580	182	727	981	1 392	1 588	710
.....number---	8 997	7 921	225	971	1 476	2 130	2 227	892
Mower conditioners	29 869	13 325	726	1 032	1 616	2 865	3 869	3 217
.....number---	34 230	15 275	749	1 196	1 861	3 437	4 366	3 666
Pickup balers	24 607	13 336	647	1 118	1 804	3 027	3 911	2 829
.....number---	28 286	15 936	1 178	1 324	2 117	3 721	4 385	3 211
Field forage harvesters, shear bar or flywheel type	4 493	2 263	44	177	317	631	644	450
.....number---	5 421	2 771	45	249	392	758	755	572
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS ¹								
Agricultural chemicals, including commercial fertilizer and lime	128 856	60 440	2 290	5 996	7 783	11 766	16 706	15 899
.....\$1,000---	502 063	402 109	8 699	50 355	85 978	110 113	100 426	46 538
Commercial fertilizer	100 339	47 371	1 846	4 616	6 217	9 194	13 229	12 269
.....acres on which used---	16 940 539	13 220 645	305 093	1 654 969	2 724 667	3 619 552	3 317 999	1 598 365
Lime	8 132	2 950	24	131	280	514	848	1 153
.....acres on which used---	348 392	165 950	1 205	7 297	21 798	45 562	46 179	43 909
.....tons---	409 169	193 055	1 983	7 390	22 062	58 749	50 875	51 996
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc. to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops	32 615	20 074	711	2 550	3 098	4 243	5 442	4 030
.....acres on which used---	6 655 281	5 787 142	135 698	818 417	1 292 622	1 562 333	1 388 260	589 812
Nematodes in crops	2 902	1 930	101	335	299	422	510	263
.....acres on which used---	497 853	455 285	17 521	89 509	88 273	118 203	110 125	31 654
Diseases in crops and orchards	7 927	3 950	123	435	601	909	1 015	867
.....acres on which used---	921 928	778 294	26 629	114 492	160 884	197 915	198 909	79 465
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture	48 704	27 843	1 136	3 605	4 503	5 981	7 520	5 098
.....acres on which used---	11 877 555	9 753 403	267 439	1 340 897	2 201 151	2 727 115	2 297 943	918 858
Chemicals for —								
Defoliation or for growth control of crops, or thinning of fruit	9 428	7 378	376	1 129	1 156	1 602	2 076	1 039
.....acres on which used---	1 697 561	1 537 737	44 568	236 987	301 665	412 071	399 454	142 992
Insect control on livestock and poultry	46 591	20 784	434	1 787	2 652	4 266	6 054	5 591
Sanitation and rodent and bird control	16 620	8 119	139	810	1 108	1 735	2 434	1 893
LIVESTOCK								
Cattle and calves inventory	146 678	57 162	1 415	3 965	5 901	10 125	15 233	20 523
.....number---	12 950 100	7 837 976	81 214	700 314	1 338 676	2 258 839	1 949 260	1 509 673
Farms with —								
1 to 9	20 020	5 830	601	397	533	793	1 222	2 284
10 to 49	81 242	25 518	441	1 282	1 802	3 507	6 752	11 734
50 to 99	22 249	10 799	176	793	1 122	2 069	3 104	3 535
100 to 199	12 725	7 660	111	723	1 157	1 745	2 198	1 726
200 to 499	7 277	5 005	63	521	815	1 282	1 398	926
500 or more	3 165	2 350	23	249	472	729	559	318
Cows and heifers that had calved	134 847	52 330	1 268	3 395	5 090	9 073	14 060	19 444
.....number---	5 692 335	3 240 653	36 950	249 171	455 715	768 954	913 913	815 950
Beef cows	130 526	49 550	1 095	3 019	4 535	8 462	13 456	18 983
.....number---	5 371 770	2 962 262	25 823	209 022	386 508	688 094	860 579	792 236
Farms with —								
1 to 9	37 419	10 490	666	632	687	1 323	2 453	4 729
10 to 49	69 260	25 201	292	1 392	2 042	3 944	6 874	10 657
50 to 99	13 351	7 155	82	460	829	1 512	2 204	2 068
100 to 199	6 318	3 829	31	297	547	903	1 117	934
200 to 499	3 209	2 161	21	193	317	555	622	453
500 or more	969	714	3	45	113	225	186	142

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All Farms	Other occupations						
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		Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT ¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment — farms — \$1,000 —	112 573 1 355 823	2 339 26 793	11 804 139 271	23 321 289 055	31 740 402 032	27 726 326 636	15 643 172 036
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	29 396	772	3 048	6 251	8 206	6 704	4 415
\$5,000 to \$9,999	46 257	887	5 131	9 516	11 944	11 995	6 784
\$10,000 to \$19,999	21 138	334	1 918	4 284	6 641	5 452	2 509
\$20,000 to \$49,999	12 033	274	1 319	2 490	3 779	2 733	1 438
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 642	49	303	542	825	572	351
\$100,000 to \$199,999	872	17	69	173	270	215	128
\$200,000 to \$499,999	205	6	12	55	66	50	16
\$500,000 or more	30	—	4	10	9	5	2
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT ¹							
Automobiles — farms —	48 091	768	4 651	9 387	13 286	12 200	7 799
number —	64 255	926	5 945	13 057	18 406	15 955	9 966
Motortrucks, including pickups — farms —	87 193	1 996	9 271	18 186	25 137	20 805	11 798
number —	115 321	2 553	11 832	24 504	33 986	27 323	15 123
Wheel tractors — farms —	87 443	1 332	8 250	18 424	25 685	22 408	11 344
number —	123 869	1 868	11 505	25 715	37 205	31 768	15 808
2 or 3 — farms —	22 917	329	2 136	4 662	7 262	5 713	2 815
number —	50 921	728	4 675	10 373	16 183	12 784	6 178
4 or more — farms —	2 206	42	197	405	672	616	274
number —	10 628	179	913	1 985	3 271	2 905	1 375
Grain and bean combines, self-propelled only — farms —	3 852	75	573	715	1 171	850	468
number —	4 458	76	638	842	1 333	1 022	547
Cornpickers, corn heads, and picker-shellers — farms —	1 838	40	244	281	620	464	189
number —	2 017	40	257	304	688	512	216
Corn heads for combines — farms —	449	16	50	90	160	103	30
number —	494	16	54	90	164	127	43
Other cornpickers and picker-shellers — farms —	1 475	24	199	197	521	371	163
number —	1 523	24	203	214	524	385	173
Cottonpickers — farms —	822	16	95	207	264	176	64
number —	1 076	24	99	283	343	246	81
Mower conditioners — farms —	16 544	200	1 590	3 512	5 051	4 404	1 787
number —	18 955	266	1 893	4 058	5 771	4 922	2 045
Pickup balers — farms —	11 271	164	927	2 353	3 661	2 941	1 225
number —	12 350	172	978	2 635	4 079	3 168	1 318
Field forage harvesters, shear bar or flywheel type — farms —	2 230	15	168	511	722	585	229
number —	2 650	15	210	631	857	676	261
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS ¹							
Agricultural chemicals, including commercial fertilizer and lime — farms —	68 416	1 331	7 090	14 599	20 362	16 849	8 185
\$1,000 —	99 954	1 171	8 840	22 005	30 697	25 553	11 689
Commercial fertilizer — farms —	52 968	849	5 453	11 174	16 287	13 260	5 945
acres on which used —	3 719 894	54 233	341 936	774 747	1 185 538	953 591	409 849
Lime — farms —	5 182	60	480	1 028	1 475	1 517	622
acres on which used —	182 442	1 689	14 022	28 714	55 781	56 964	25 272
tons —	216 114	1 626	15 710	38 036	67 624	64 642	28 476
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc. to control —							
Insects on hay and other crops — farms —	12 541	130	1 427	2 847	3 621	3 108	1 408
acres on which used —	868 139	14 438	94 149	195 226	244 050	227 052	93 224
Nematodes in crops — farms —	972	16	142	181	268	281	84
acres on which used —	42 568	290	5 838	6 656	16 264	5 936	7 584
Diseases in crops and orchards — farms —	3 977	37	336	903	1 154	1 133	414
acres on which used —	143 634	3 661	7 809	25 931	45 049	38 460	22 724
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture — farms —	20 861	385	2 303	4 533	6 228	4 945	2 467
acres on which used —	2 124 152	30 084	194 719	430 773	629 539	562 661	276 376
Chemicals for —							
Defoliation or for growth control of crops, or thinning of fruit — farms —	2 050	61	284	505	573	363	264
acres on which used —	159 824	4 154	26 096	38 965	39 623	32 802	18 184
Insect control on livestock and poultry — farms —	25 807	532	2 920	5 667	7 539	6 049	3 100
Sanitation and rodent and bird control — farms —	8 501	109	825	1 985	2 470	2 058	1 054
LIVESTOCK							
Cattle and calves inventory — farms —	89 516	1 576	8 903	17 771	25 443	23 051	12 772
number —	5 112 124	55 704	494 953	1 068 365	1 472 926	1 297 168	723 008
Farms with —							
1 to 9 —	14 190	284	1 529	3 199	3 874	3 354	1 950
10 to 49 —	55 724	1 089	5 576	10 817	15 825	14 514	7 903
50 to 99 —	11 450	111	1 030	2 201	3 392	3 043	1 673
100 to 199 —	5 065	55	497	988	1 470	1 312	743
200 to 499 —	2 272	27	188	420	667	613	357
500 or more —	815	10	83	146	215	215	146
Cows and heifers that had calved — farms —	82 517	1 418	7 954	16 137	23 496	21 551	11 961
number —	2 451 682	28 384	200 887	445 410	670 287	710 996	395 718
Beef cows — farms —	80 976	1 394	7 792	15 725	23 104	21 261	11 700
number —	2 409 508	26 973	196 021	436 373	657 307	701 635	391 199
Farms with —							
1 to 9 —	26 929	695	2 979	5 373	7 734	6 449	3 699
10 to 49 —	44 059	608	4 004	8 604	12 430	12 072	6 341
50 to 99 —	6 196	56	525	1 104	1 829	1 676	1 006
100 to 199 —	2 489	20	181	425	769	698	396
200 to 499 —	1 048	13	84	175	295	284	197
500 or more —	255	2	19	44	47	82	61

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[Excludes abnormal farms; see text]

All Farms	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves inventory—Con.								
Cows and heifers that had calved—Con.								
Milk cows.....farms.....	11 380	6 018	199	547	882	1 268	1 465	1 657
.....number.....	320 565	278 391	11 127	40 149	69 207	80 860	53 334	23 714
Farms with—								
1 to 4.....farms.....	7 598	3 170	23	155	269	574	856	1 293
5 to 9.....farms.....	554	194	1	9	18	35	50	81
10 to 49.....farms.....	1 001	670	113	57	84	102	146	168
50 to 99.....farms.....	1 128	985	42	175	208	276	220	64
100 to 199.....farms.....	815	738	13	118	235	184	152	36
200 to 499.....farms.....	252	232	6	29	64	85	36	12
500 or more.....farms.....	32	29	1	4	4	12	5	3
Heifers and heifer calves.....farms.....	117 064	46 590	1 228	3 120	4 571	8 242	12 563	16 866
.....number.....	3 180 706	1 986 863	21 536	177 352	367 538	599 931	468 859	351 647
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves.....farms.....	130 381	50 799	793	3 382	5 105	9 159	13 893	18 467
.....number.....	4 077 059	2 610 460	22 728	273 791	515 423	889 954	566 488	342 076
Cattle and calves sold.....farms.....	148 802	57 293	909	3 890	5 940	10 189	15 496	20 869
.....number.....	12 229 660	7 668 197	70 127	645 288	1 493 730	2 731 641	1 562 185	1 165 226
Calves.....\$1,000.....	4 544 440	2 940 185	23 174	248 202	633 965	1 178 658	488 036	368 149
.....farms.....	123 987	45 675	703	2 765	4 319	7 598	12 420	17 870
.....number.....	3 537 053	1 970 345	26 724	177 626	280 000	423 297	554 937	507 761
Cattle.....\$1,000.....	760 816	432 975	5 581	43 402	62 834	92 854	120 262	108 042
.....farms.....	102 726	40 889	649	2 841	4 360	7 478	11 224	14 337
.....number.....	8 692 607	5 697 852	43 403	467 662	1 213 730	2 308 344	1 007 248	657 465
Fattened on grain and concentrates.....\$1,000.....	3 783 624	2 507 210	17 593	204 800	571 131	1 085 804	367 774	260 107
.....farms.....	8 777	3 668	43	260	381	754	1 013	1 217
.....number.....	4 910 578	3 240 744	4 396	229 085	776 023	1 603 374	360 513	267 353
.....\$1,000.....	2 545 813	1 693 159	2 190	124 688	422 071	848 810	156 716	138 684
Hogs and pigs inventory.....farms.....	17 417	6 274	670	511	862	1 303	1 447	1 481
.....number.....	806 178	530 151	9 440	88 219	141 933	129 266	109 349	51 944
Farms with—								
1 to 9.....farms.....	9 377	3 000	546	123	298	567	616	850
10 to 49.....farms.....	5 595	1 814	89	185	247	397	452	444
50 to 99.....farms.....	1 129	561	13	66	131	119	137	95
100 to 199.....farms.....	625	376	13	46	60	81	111	65
200 to 499.....farms.....	465	338	9	57	68	88	97	19
500 or more.....farms.....	226	185	—	34	58	51	34	8
Used or to be used for breeding.....farms.....	12 261	4 207	640	390	618	784	930	845
.....number.....	130 116	78 227	1 929	13 177	21 534	18 629	16 167	6 791
Other.....farms.....	14 943	5 237	150	422	798	1 227	1 345	1 295
.....number.....	676 062	451 924	7 511	75 042	120 399	110 637	93 182	45 153
Hogs and pigs sold.....farms.....	13 865	5 253	660	536	785	1 029	1 195	1 048
.....number.....	1 256 565	848 610	15 369	120 248	219 768	229 358	179 480	84 387
.....\$1,000.....	109 122	76 907	924	11 406	20 624	20 271	16 282	7 400
Feeder pigs sold.....farms.....	3 629	1 285	83	263	154	202	287	296
.....number.....	223 447	123 059	3 341	12 729	25 307	47 317	21 630	12 735
.....\$1,000.....	8 251	4 620	120	455	1 067	1 778	777	424
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30.....farms.....	12 717	4 465	642	517	647	804	969	886
.....number.....	163 748	107 250	2 755	18 072	28 109	25 891	22 506	9 917
Dec. 1 and May 31.....farms.....	10 521	3 894	632	459	718	852	852	776
.....number.....	83 827	54 781	2 055	8 878	13 955	12 920	11 680	5 293
June 1 and Nov. 30.....farms.....	8 799	2 982	63	354	566	596	796	607
.....number.....	79 921	52 469	700	9 194	14 154	12 971	10 826	4 624
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory.....farms.....	8 771	4 514	54	321	567	986	1 213	1 373
.....number.....	2 441 927	1 767 631	15 629	142 169	319 019	465 417	459 800	365 597
Ewes 1 year old or older.....farms.....	7 874	4 121	45	287	434	912	1 149	1 294
.....number.....	1 652 623	1 215 819	9 629	97 029	204 291	323 595	328 176	253 099
Sheep and lambs sold.....farms.....	7 971	4 296	51	305	476	952	1 141	1 371
.....number.....	1 841 102	1 263 259	16 515	120 027	285 420	293 040	325 085	223 172
Sheep and lambs shorn.....farms.....	7 186	3 923	44	277	426	796	1 083	1 297
.....number.....	2 398 146	1 693 054	12 406	156 691	343 365	408 193	443 192	329 207
pounds of wool.....	16 137 185	11 777 477	80 202	928 044	2 263 225	3 049 075	3 122 508	2 334 423
Horses and ponies inventory.....farms.....	46 985	16 279	317	1 634	2 341	3 632	4 324	4 031
.....number.....	213 304	84 270	1 175	8 140	14 311	20 606	23 035	17 003
Horses and ponies sold.....farms.....	9 418	2 601	56	245	377	584	717	622
.....number.....	28 069	8 841	185	877	1 520	1 901	2 535	1 823
.....\$1,000.....	31 128	11 025	154	876	3 755	2 288	2 758	1 194
Goats inventory.....farms.....	4 065	1 963	72	228	243	497	433	490
.....number.....	945 545	694 707	5 245	62 963	114 885	217 739	173 563	120 312
Goats sold.....farms.....	2 010	1 065	68	54	157	280	262	244
.....number.....	178 952	106 503	1 321	9 020	14 441	29 546	34 354	17 821
.....\$1,000.....	5 159	3 256	30	247	475	888	1 043	573
POULTRY								
Chickens 3 months old or older inventory.....farms.....	24 421	9 810	641	442	929	1 486	2 124	4 188
.....number.....	13 855 429	11 077 370	319 187	1 227 413	2 130 712	4 888 222	1 599 706	912 130
Farms with—								
1 to 399.....farms.....	23 995	9 526	634	417	893	1 389	2 037	4 156
400 to 3,199.....farms.....	101	55	—	—	6	10	25	14
3,200 to 9,999.....farms.....	66	44	1	2	2	14	23	2
10,000 to 19,999.....farms.....	87	57	—	5	6	22	19	5
20,000 to 49,999.....farms.....	118	81	4	13	13	31	13	7
50,000 to 99,999.....farms.....	32	26	2	2	4	11	5	2
100,000 or more.....farms.....	22	21	—	3	5	9	2	2
Hens and pullets of laying age.....farms.....	24 110	9 725	639	440	914	1 466	2 098	4 168
.....number.....	12 071 936	9 763 387	283 517	1 183 114	1 867 814	4 334 293	1 224 050	870 599
Pullets 3 months old or older not of laying age.....farms.....	4 282	1 490	16	50	268	319	276	561
.....number.....	1 783 493	1 313 983	35 670	44 299	262 898	553 929	375 656	41 531

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[Excludes abnormal farms; see text]

All Farms	Other occupations							
	Total	Age of operator					65 years and over	
		Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years		
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves inventory—Con.								
Cows and heifers that had calved—Con.								
Milk cows	farms.....	5 362	116	557	1 195	1 345	1 299	850
	number.....	42 174	1 411	4 866	9 037	12 980	9 361	4 519
Farms with—								
1 to 4	.....	4 428	94	470	1 036	1 056	1 108	664
5 to 9	.....	360	3	20	59	96	62	120
10 to 49	.....	331	6	30	44	114	82	55
50 to 99	.....	143	10	21	31	48	28	5
100 to 199	.....	77	3	15	18	24	13	4
200 to 499	.....	20	—	1	7	6	5	1
500 or more	.....	3	—	—	—	1	1	1
Heifers and heifer calves	farms.....	70 474	1 183	7 030	14 025	20 367	17 884	9 985
	number.....	1 193 843	12 055	132 397	246 091	392 894	255 440	154 966
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	farms.....	79 582	1 234	7 811	15 609	22 631	20 833	11 464
	number.....	1 466 599	15 265	161 669	376 864	409 745	330 732	172 324
Cattle and calves sold	farms.....	91 509	1 785	9 070	17 963	26 032	23 362	13 297
	number.....	4 561 463	37 065	495 898	1 019 785	1 503 642	962 905	542 168
	\$1,000.....	1 604 255	9 044	181 122	378 101	563 397	316 540	156 052
Calves	farms.....	78 312	1 463	7 747	15 025	22 186	20 224	11 667
	number.....	1 566 708	22 214	140 461	291 570	441 597	413 817	257 049
	\$1,000.....	327 841	4 041	29 348	61 120	93 599	86 890	52 842
Cattle	farms.....	61 837	998	6 062	11 914	17 800	16 316	8 747
	number.....	2 994 755	14 851	355 437	728 215	1 062 045	549 088	285 119
	\$1,000.....	1 276 414	5 003	151 774	316 981	469 797	229 650	103 210
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.....	5 109	63	422	1 216	1 458	1 278	672
	number.....	1 669 834	2 908	235 375	471 567	627 244	225 919	106 821
	\$1,000.....	852 654	1 194	113 554	235 036	328 158	126 259	48 453
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.....	11 143	540	1 159	2 829	2 702	3 034	879
	number.....	276 027	10 144	43 652	67 952	74 490	58 872	20 917
Farms with—								
1 to 9	.....	6 377	423	489	1 559	1 358	2 129	419
10 to 49	.....	3 781	70	525	1 009	1 067	737	373
50 to 99	.....	568	28	90	155	160	90	45
100 to 199	.....	249	9	35	60	77	41	27
200 to 499	.....	127	9	17	36	28	25	12
500 or more	.....	41	1	3	10	12	12	3
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.....	8 054	430	816	1 919	1 777	2 495	617
	number.....	51 889	2 642	7 407	12 009	13 627	12 913	3 291
Other	farms.....	9 706	464	1 054	2 659	2 218	2 503	808
	number.....	224 138	7 502	36 245	55 943	60 863	45 959	17 626
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.....	8 612	494	970	2 352	2 070	1 997	729
	number.....	407 955	17 605	64 314	99 611	118 414	76 831	31 180
	\$1,000.....	32 214	1 213	5 321	7 631	9 594	5 930	2 525
Feeder pigs sold	farms.....	2 344	110	411	785	485	406	147
	number.....	100 388	5 516	18 807	27 300	24 275	18 878	5 612
	\$1,000.....	3 631	196	762	960	825	704	185
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.....	8 252	432	839	1 996	1 805	2 539	641
	number.....	56 498	2 772	9 016	13 777	15 409	11 927	3 597
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.....	6 627	406	729	1 476	1 463	2 017	536
	number.....	29 046	1 403	4 530	6 740	7 975	6 342	2 056
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.....	5 817	414	675	1 441	1 276	1 665	346
	number.....	27 452	1 369	4 486	7 037	7 434	5 585	1 541
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.....	4 257	73	351	870	1 083	1 177	703
	number.....	674 296	9 663	52 040	97 809	185 177	172 156	157 451
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.....	3 753	66	301	704	930	1 114	638
	number.....	436 804	5 437	33 729	64 573	126 051	113 954	93 060
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.....	3 675	70	374	747	948	869	667
	number.....	577 843	7 547	35 935	54 193	208 919	108 655	162 594
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.....	3 263	62	269	647	857	807	621
	number.....	705 092	8 025	43 633	79 542	231 015	149 119	193 758
	pounds of wool.....	4 359 708	56 528	299 153	552 355	1 363 213	1 040 032	1 048 427
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.....	30 706	649	3 940	7 264	9 026	6 938	2 889
	number.....	129 034	2 319	15 028	29 905	41 673	28 246	11 863
Horses and ponies sold	farms.....	6 817	155	1 035	1 980	2 209	951	487
	number.....	19 228	354	3 065	5 544	5 788	3 014	1 463
	\$1,000.....	20 103	197	2 224	4 332	8 017	4 093	1 240
Goats inventory	farms.....	2 102	31	182	385	608	633	263
	number.....	250 838	3 309	23 539	40 733	52 302	82 164	48 791
Goats sold	farms.....	945	12	85	231	223	218	176
	number.....	72 449	490	3 250	20 018	13 241	18 248	17 202
	\$1,000.....	1 903	10	78	609	375	375	456
POULTRY								
Chickens 3 months old or older inventory								
	farms.....	14 611	428	1 185	3 098	3 795	3 621	2 484
	number.....	2 778 059	43 454	331 615	736 958	783 020	664 782	218 230
Farms with—								
1 to 399	.....	14 469	424	1 170	3 070	3 755	3 587	2 463
400 to 3,199	.....	46	1	1	5	12	16	11
3,200 to 9,999	.....	22	1	3	6	6	2	4
10,000 to 19,999	.....	30	2	6	6	7	6	3
20,000 to 49,999	.....	37	—	4	9	14	7	3
50,000 to 99,999	.....	6	—	1	1	1	3	—
100,000 or more	.....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hens and pullets of laying age	farms.....	14 385	370	1 171	3 067	3 710	3 603	2 464
	number.....	2 308 549	40 584	198 813	667 898	634 404	614 076	152 774
Pullets 3 months old or older not of laying age	farms.....	2 792	324	233	608	627	643	357
	number.....	469 510	2 870	132 802	69 060	148 616	50 706	65 456

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All Farms		Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
			Total	Age of operator					
				Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
POULTRY—Con.									
Chickens 3 months old or older sold	farms	1 973	795	11	51	88	152	200	293
	number	14 783 485	11 685 500	276 261	1 511 074	2 722 407	4 360 509	1 861 109	954 140
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms	1 264	742	12	77	134	166	246	107
	number	168 162 967	118 061 819	2 518 006	13 674 665	26 819 094	35 431 730	29 975 752	9 642 572
Farms with—									
1 to 1,999		251	111	2	9	7	6	73	14
2,000 to 59,999		199	122	2	17	15	17	35	36
60,000 to 99,999		200	91	1	5	21	17	29	18
100,000 or more		614	418	7	46	91	126	109	39
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms	1 421	383	5	24	103	62	98	91
	number	598 529	313 282	17	33 829	29 428	220 504	28 993	511
Turkeys sold	farms	393	204	—	17	77	46	35	29
	number	7 157 397	5 098 148	—	1 450 521	796 060	2 310 274	415 796	125 497
CROPS HARVESTED									
Corn for all purposes	farms	13 935	9 611	744	886	1 401	1 970	2 311	2 299
	acres	1 392 592	1 257 986	31 006	168 504	329 690	372 353	261 969	94 464
For grain or seed	farms	12 682	8 643	225	840	1 318	1 859	2 198	2 203
	acres	1 281 832	1 159 711	25 753	157 138	299 317	349 125	240 215	88 163
Irrigated	bushels	115 369 979	107 866 382	2 276 359	15 546 609	29 336 621	32 853 070	21 704 491	6 149 232
	farms	3 718	3 331	140	535	781	906	734	235
	acres	904 120	857 327	19 197	124 517	228 183	268 524	176 338	40 568
Farms by acres harvested:									
1 to 24 acres		6 842	3 696	53	131	253	559	1 037	1 663
25 to 99 acres		2 601	1 945	71	238	335	427	519	355
100 to 499 acres		2 631	2 427	98	405	554	681	533	156
500 acres or more		608	575	3	66	176	192	109	29
Sorghums for all purposes	farms	25 612	19 338	714	2 322	3 036	4 550	5 211	3 505
	acres	4 648 907	4 068 396	92 793	555 984	786 705	1 141 090	1 028 975	462 849
For grain or seed	farms	23 620	18 195	705	2 239	2 919	4 304	4 881	3 147
	acres	4 501 145	3 954 907	91 671	545 109	760 183	1 113 675	1 000 201	444 068
Irrigated	bushels	205 334 613	183 093 614	4 399 970	24 902 797	35 993 228	53 134 697	45 602 140	19 060 782
	farms	5 716	5 071	260	750	1 035	1 356	1 151	519
	acres	952 290	890 898	27 040	118 818	204 927	282 987	183 608	73 518
Farms by acres harvested:									
1 to 24 acres		3 689	2 128	88	149	257	307	549	778
25 to 99 acres		8 459	5 998	337	632	771	1 263	1 662	1 333
100 to 499 acres		9 491	8 227	256	1 208	1 489	2 152	2 236	886
500 acres or more		1 981	1 842	24	250	402	582	434	150
Wheat for grain	farms	15 406	11 321	299	1 318	1 815	2 618	3 116	2 155
	acres	2 701 858	2 270 754	36 589	263 938	429 035	631 301	591 584	318 307
Irrigated	bushels	55 476 615	47 654 008	737 442	5 616 439	9 928 969	12 979 432	12 632 454	5 759 272
	farms	3 348	3 033	98	447	668	785	717	318
	acres	626 930	584 629	9 753	77 650	140 208	186 615	124 855	45 548
Farms by acres harvested:									
1 to 24 acres		2 731	1 634	56	142	211	274	440	511
25 to 99 acres		5 757	3 927	131	475	528	841	1 139	813
100 to 499 acres		5 679	4 657	103	576	860	1 170	1 265	683
500 acres or more		1 239	1 103	9	125	216	333	272	148
Oats for grain	farms	6 957	4 250	70	319	530	855	1 258	1 218
	acres	352 347	246 903	3 751	22 371	39 344	55 705	71 800	53 932
Irrigated	bushels	12 393 526	9 126 589	149 814	858 483	1 575 108	2 196 140	2 527 624	1 819 420
	farms	280	209	5	22	58	51	46	27
	acres	14 106	11 950	226	1 713	2 155	3 725	2 297	1 834
Rice	farms	1 391	1 253	66	249	268	288	277	105
	acres	597 079	563 742	14 470	93 978	134 826	143 709	128 873	47 886
Irrigated	100-lb bags	27 777 490	26 297 903	651 533	4 409 716	6 559 841	6 660 210	5 855 557	2 161 046
	farms	1 391	1 253	66	249	268	288	277	105
	acres	597 079	563 742	14 470	93 978	134 826	143 709	128 873	47 886
Soybeans for beans	farms	3 448	2 845	151	492	639	684	608	271
	acres	716 832	650 938	22 990	104 321	187 108	179 712	121 249	35 558
Irrigated	bushels	15 999 980	14 714 107	566 065	2 500 200	3 942 976	4 232 963	2 662 382	809 521
	farms	1 650	1 536	73	238	353	392	344	136
	acres	175 355	167 374	6 425	24 945	43 872	49 408	33 633	9 091
Farms by acres harvested:									
1 to 24 acres		525	388	17	48	62	65	97	99
25 to 99 acres		1 233	928	55	170	185	229	214	75
100 to 499 acres		1 341	1 205	71	220	290	305	235	84
500 acres or more		349	324	8	54	102	85	62	13
Cotton	farms	23 382	19 288	1 035	2 774	3 354	4 698	4 915	2 512
	acres	6 482 462	6 006 062	211 956	912 238	1 346 369	1 772 438	1 341 905	421 156
Irrigated	bales	3 748 515	3 493 295	109 075	492 093	799 703	1 043 798	803 990	244 636
	farms	9 282	8 214	491	1 304	1 701	2 171	1 872	675
	acres	2 267 401	2 150 297	80 181	321 361	525 967	660 355	445 429	117 004
Farms by acres harvested:									
1 to 24 acres		2 063	1 043	50	73	162	148	225	385
25 to 99 acres		6 187	4 398	327	516	467	834	1 202	1 052
100 to 499 acres		11 372	10 252	580	1 669	1 782	2 568	2 747	906
500 acres or more		3 760	3 595	78	516	943	1 148	741	169

See footnote at end of table.

Table 31. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1978—Con.

(Excludes abnormal farms; see text)

All Farms		Other occupations						
		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
POULTRY—Con.								
Chickens 3 months old or older sold	farms.....	1 178	265	70	165	226	299	153
	number.....	3 097 985	115 299	422 486	670 403	1 117 445	510 872	261 480
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.....	522	7	66	156	159	99	35
	number.....	50 101 148	509 385	4 763 686	14 249 990	15 438 644	10 326 810	2 812 633
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999		140	3	18	62	35	18	4
2,000 to 59,999		77	—	5	18	28	16	10
60,000 to 99,999		109	2	15	27	35	21	9
100,000 or more		196	2	28	49	61	44	12
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.....	1 038	257	67	237	201	182	94
	number.....	285 247	13 413	5 233	235 892	661	29 673	375
Turkeys sold	farms.....	189	2	11	43	41	81	11
	number.....	2 059 249	(D)	(D)	896 018	684 463	245 338	210 232
CROPS HARVESTED								
Corn for all purposes	farms.....	4 324	64	456	847	1 324	1 059	574
	acres.....	134 606	2 434	14 083	25 189	38 049	38 260	16 591
For grain or seed	farms.....	4 039	62	430	740	1 247	1 012	548
	acres.....	122 121	2 415	13 451	22 658	32 442	35 373	15 782
	bushels.....	7 503 597	181 401	851 270	1 314 122	2 254 915	2 042 591	859 298
Irrigated	farms.....	387	11	42	89	131	83	31
	acres.....	46 793	807	5 533	8 024	16 620	10 743	5 066
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		3 146	41	323	552	992	794	444
25 to 99 acres		656	15	81	144	186	152	78
100 to 499 acres		204	6	22	40	64	53	19
500 acres or more		33	—	4	4	5	13	7
Sorghums for all purposes	farms.....	6 274	133	839	1 416	1 641	1 469	776
	acres.....	580 511	9 871	70 424	132 660	157 845	156 383	53 328
For grain or seed	farms.....	5 425	125	758	1 265	1 419	1 250	608
	acres.....	546 238	9 646	67 449	126 461	148 653	145 918	48 111
	bushels.....	22 240 999	424 979	2 536 172	4 949 315	6 078 672	6 342 774	1 909 087
Irrigated	farms.....	645	9	72	146	186	173	59
	acres.....	61 392	344	5 513	12 274	25 295	11 504	6 462
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		1 561	36	201	331	377	393	223
25 to 99 acres		2 461	62	359	595	647	551	247
100 to 499 acres		1 264	27	180	306	352	274	125
500 acres or more		139	—	18	33	43	32	13
Wheat for grain	farms.....	4 085	74	496	939	1 163	944	469
	acres.....	431 104	5 029	56 470	92 014	126 811	100 977	49 803
	bushels.....	7 822 607	75 371	977 624	1 621 762	2 442 348	1 884 149	821 353
Irrigated	farms.....	315	2	25	68	125	69	26
	acres.....	42 301	(D)	(D)	7 181	20 266	6 944	4 212
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		1 097	17	117	212	331	293	127
25 to 99 acres		1 830	44	217	493	495	382	199
100 to 499 acres		1 022	12	141	208	297	237	127
500 acres or more		136	1	21	26	40	32	16
Oats for grain	farms.....	2 707	36	350	608	748	613	352
	acres.....	105 444	2 325	12 999	20 683	28 569	24 898	15 970
	bushels.....	3 266 937	87 509	449 726	645 907	862 297	766 594	454 904
Irrigated	farms.....	71	—	9	12	25	16	9
	acres.....	2 156	—	178	502	638	518	320
Rice	farms.....	138	—	18	27	32	41	20
	acres.....	33 337	—	3 211	3 127	8 593	11 528	6 878
	100-lb bags.....	1 479 587	—	138 518	101 287	380 242	492 981	366 559
Irrigated	farms.....	138	—	18	27	32	41	20
	acres.....	33 337	—	3 211	3 127	8 593	11 528	6 878
Soybeans for beans	farms.....	603	12	119	148	141	144	39
	acres.....	65 894	539	11 043	16 079	16 900	18 073	3 260
	bushels.....	1 285 873	8 082	246 304	325 183	336 363	318 573	51 368
Irrigated	farms.....	114	—	16	32	44	15	7
	acres.....	7 981	—	678	2 348	3 551	730	674
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		137	4	19	39	32	33	10
25 to 99 acres		305	7	72	66	61	77	22
100 to 499 acres		136	1	25	36	42	26	6
500 acres or more		25	—	3	7	6	8	1
Cotton	farms.....	4 094	174	515	966	1 143	896	400
	acres.....	476 400	13 929	49 987	110 821	146 328	114 898	40 437
	bales.....	255 220	6 555	27 844	57 776	74 933	63 843	24 269
Irrigated	farms.....	1 068	33	129	248	319	252	87
	acres.....	117 104	1 877	13 017	25 842	37 854	29 618	8 896
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		1 020	58	149	245	252	197	119
25 to 99 acres		1 789	73	202	409	509	426	170
100 to 499 acres		1 120	41	148	279	321	232	99
500 acres or more		165	2	16	33	61	41	12

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Table 31. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1978—Con.

[Excludes abnormal farms; see text]

All Farms

CROPS HARVESTED—Con.

	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
Irish potatoes ----- farms...	1 294	997	518	27	52	128	121	151
----- acres...	17 668	16 247	1 348	2 897	3 609	5 490	2 181	721
----- hundredweight...	2 946 108	2 673 796	184 029	492 335	625 134	903 703	338 812	129 783
Irrigated ----- farms...	698	649	518	23	31	40	23	14
----- acres...	16 490	15 419	1 093	2 844	3 544	5 366	1 932	640
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres.....	493	279	—	4	14	70	77	114
1.0 to 4.9 acres.....	449	592	512	2	9	21	21	27
5.0 to 24.9 acres.....	55	38	3	4	9	10	7	5
25.0 to 99.9 acres.....	56	51	2	8	13	16	9	3
100.0 acres or more.....	41	37	1	9	7	11	7	2
Peanuts for nuts ----- farms...	2 911	2 086	68	279	344	482	562	351
----- acres...	260 933	223 629	5 482	32 578	50 300	60 210	55 799	19 260
----- pounds...	397 931 643	349 503 033	8 267 261	54 584 437	78 512 735	97 328 350	83 834 481	26 975 769
Irrigated ----- farms...	1 021	847	28	138	172	225	206	78
----- acres...	102 152	92 824	2 606	14 120	22 022	27 043	20 986	6 047
Sugarcane for sugar ----- farms...	104	84	—	3	13	37	21	10
----- acres...	33 137	27 318	—	1 075	4 405	11 908	5 637	4 293
----- tons...	1 084 039	880 345	—	38 975	129 287	378 138	184 719	149 226
Irrigated ----- farms...	104	84	—	3	13	37	21	10
----- acres...	33 137	27 318	—	1 075	4 405	11 908	5 637	4 293
Hay crops (see text) ----- farms...	76 327	32 757	571	2 352	3 378	6 017	9 278	11 161
----- acres...	3 131 452	1 745 545	30 622	154 600	264 014	416 559	455 057	424 693
----- tons, dry...	5 385 486	3 250 323	67 026	297 893	567 951	808 369	784 197	724 887
Irrigated ----- farms...	4 946	3 002	77	346	524	785	729	541
----- acres...	288 042	225 843	3 731	27 504	50 163	64 209	41 177	39 059
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres.....	41 972	15 107	187	912	1 083	2 280	4 146	6 499
25 to 99 acres.....	27 670	13 252	304	970	1 549	2 566	3 996	3 867
100 to 499 acres.....	6 364	4 179	79	451	700	1 104	1 084	761
500 acres or more.....	321	219	1	19	46	67	52	34
Alfalfa hay ----- farms...	4 858	2 812	54	216	387	602	763	790
----- acres...	246 154	189 526	2 642	19 331	41 048	45 657	39 916	40 932
----- tons, dry...	815 347	683 239	8 383	78 331	157 140	178 603	128 345	132 437
Irrigated ----- farms...	1 842	1 269	32	137	237	349	313	201
----- acres...	147 089	128 290	2 029	15 376	28 956	35 131	21 372	25 426
Wild hay ----- farms...	6 978	2 886	27	157	240	500	829	1 133
----- acres...	242 719	117 375	1 477	8 219	16 263	27 155	30 949	33 312
----- tons, dry...	274 351	138 003	2 388	9 397	17 289	31 025	35 427	42 477
Irrigated ----- farms...	91	47	—	9	5	7	15	11
----- acres...	5 008	3 082	—	302	222	2 082	253	223
All vegetables harvested for sale (see text) ----- farms...	3 812	2 315	40	201	308	519	623	624
----- acres...	216 867	180 789	1 435	14 553	28 792	52 661	64 007	19 341
Irrigated ----- farms...	1 670	1 207	21	109	205	310	313	249
----- acres...	158 099	134 931	664	8 721	22 850	38 809	50 639	13 248
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres.....	1 422	572	1	26	26	73	142	304
5.0 to 24.9 acres.....	1 197	744	22	74	102	147	199	200
25.0 to 99.9 acres.....	753	608	13	60	113	168	168	86
100.0 acres or more.....	440	391	4	41	67	131	114	34
Land in orchards ----- farms...	10 175	3 607	28	151	339	633	1 141	1 315
----- acres...	249 121	148 258	1 850	8 618	25 633	30 494	48 858	32 805
Irrigated ----- farms...	3 620	1 193	12	59	127	229	420	346
----- acres...	126 949	84 911	1 341	4 311	16 150	16 072	28 928	18 110
Farms by acres in orchards:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres.....	4 087	1 393	5	33	92	210	393	660
5.0 to 24.9 acres.....	4 268	1 292	12	57	118	222	452	431
25.0 to 99.9 acres.....	1 405	653	6	36	82	133	218	178
100.0 acres or more.....	415	269	5	25	47	68	78	46

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[Excludes abnormal farms; see text]

All Farms		Other occupations						
		Total	Age of operator					
			Under 25 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
CROPS HARVESTED — Con.								
Irish potatoes	farms	297	3	19	46	79	111	39
	acres	1 421	4	64	694	170	321	169
	hundredweight	272 312	115	14 001	162 388	22 883	33 374	39 551
Irrigated	farms	49	—	3	9	14	21	2
	acres	1 071	—	50	663	76	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres		214	2	13	30	56	88	25
1.0 to 4.9 acres		57	1	4	11	17	15	9
5.0 to 24.9 acres		17	—	1	2	4	6	4
25.0 to 99.9 acres		5	—	1	1	2	1	—
100.0 acres or more		4	—	—	2	—	1	1
Peanuts for nuts	farms	825	22	123	193	214	189	84
	acres	37 304	608	5 795	9 069	10 178	8 362	3 292
	pounds	48 428 610	736 133	7 021 882	11 272 443	13 951 277	10 825 462	4 621 413
Irrigated	farms	174	5	30	42	43	40	14
	acres	9 328	134	1 324	1 963	2 600	2 095	1 212
Sugarcane for sugar	farms	20	—	1	2	11	5	1
	acres	5 819	—	(D)	(D)	4 549	441	(D)
	tons	203 694	—	(D)	(D)	164 735	11 037	(D)
Irrigated	farms	20	—	1	2	11	5	1
	acres	5 819	—	(D)	(D)	4 549	441	(D)
Hay crops (see text)	farms	43 570	505	4 051	8 902	12 875	11 564	5 673
	acres	1 385 907	12 560	121 332	278 709	428 208	359 492	185 606
	tons, dry	2 135 163	17 515	182 734	445 966	676 650	531 134	281 164
Irrigated	farms	1 944	19	177	436	623	485	204
	acres	62 199	433	5 848	13 647	21 022	14 635	6 614
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		26 865	341	2 450	5 475	7 759	7 296	3 544
25 to 99 acres		14 418	146	1 412	2 987	4 375	3 683	1 815
100 to 499 acres		2 185	18	182	423	703	564	295
500 acres or more		102	—	7	17	38	21	19
Alfalfa hay	farms	2 046	6	172	392	547	535	394
	acres	56 628	93	4 753	13 295	15 022	13 846	9 619
	tons, dry	132 108	303	12 356	35 458	38 721	27 090	18 180
Irrigated	farms	573	4	63	163	176	127	40
	acres	18 799	65	1 917	6 221	5 791	3 543	1 262
Wild hay	farms	4 092	45	341	781	1 176	1 105	644
	acres	125 344	1 078	10 772	22 483	36 989	32 901	21 121
	tons, dry	136 348	1 197	11 118	25 107	39 147	37 093	22 686
Irrigated	farms	44	1	3	8	19	6	7
	acres	1 926	(D)	(D)	849	774	202	70
All vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	farms	1 497	27	245	312	395	346	172
	acres	36 078	263	2 698	10 067	9 460	7 396	6 193
Irrigated	farms	463	8	47	113	115	130	50
	acres	23 168	76	657	6 969	6 346	4 497	4 622
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres		850	9	155	151	237	196	102
5.0 to 24.9 acres		453	16	62	113	94	117	51
25.0 to 99.9 acres		145	2	23	40	45	21	14
100.0 acres or more		49	—	5	8	19	12	5
Land in orchards	farms	6 568	41	438	1 303	2 145	1 817	824
	acres	100 864	666	7 038	17 736	34 132	28 455	12 837
Irrigated	farms	2 427	9	148	440	766	811	253
	acres	42 038	103	1 901	8 114	15 369	11 499	5 053
Farms by acres in orchards:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres		2 694	16	179	519	978	653	349
5.0 to 24.9 acres		2 976	14	188	619	888	910	357
25.0 to 99.9 acres		752	11	59	140	234	212	96
100.0 acres or more		146	—	12	25	45	42	22

1978 data are based on a sample of farms; see text.