

**Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 1987, 1982, and 1978—Con.**

[Data are based on a sample of farms; see text. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	1987		1982	1978
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Total farm production expenses—Con.				
All other farm production expenses..... farms.....	36 327	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
..... \$1,000.....	(X)	101 600	(NA)	(NA)
..... percent of total.....	(X)	6.3	(NA)	(NA)
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$999.....	24 214	8 394	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	9 047	18 857	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	1 489	9 654	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	1 119	16 286	(NA)	(NA)
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	284	9 670	(NA)	(NA)
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	111	7 446	(NA)	(NA)
\$100,000 or more.....	83	31 293	(NA)	(NA)

<sup>1</sup>Data for 1978 are for \$10,000 or more.

<sup>2</sup>Data for 1987 include cost of custom applications; data for agricultural chemicals exclude the cost of lime for 1987 and 1982.

<sup>3</sup>Data for 1987 exclude cost of custom applications for commercial fertilizer and agricultural chemicals.

<sup>4</sup>Data for 1982 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.

**Table 4. Net Cash Return From Agricultural Sales: 1987**

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Item	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text)..... farms.....	43 316	13 875	29 441
..... \$1,000.....	223 741	259 143	-35 403
Average per farm..... dollars.....	5 165	18 677	-1 202
Farms with net gains <sup>1</sup> ..... number.....	21 819	10 226	11 593
..... \$1,000.....	335 002	313 537	21 465
Average per farm..... dollars.....	15 354	30 661	1 852
Gain of—			
Less than \$1,000.....	5 200	501	4 699
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	7 932	1 831	6 101
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	3 018	2 225	793
\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	2 835	2 835	-
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	1 414	1 414	-
\$50,000 or more.....	1 420	1 420	-
Farms with net losses..... number.....	21 497	3 649	17 848
..... \$1,000.....	111 261	54 394	56 867
Average per farm..... dollars.....	5 176	14 906	3 186
Loss of—			
Less than \$1,000.....	5 968	309	5 659
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	9 970	1 110	8 860
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	3 180	859	2 321
\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	1 896	956	940
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	316	271	45
\$50,000 or more.....	167	144	23

<sup>1</sup>Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than \$1,000.