

**Table 1. Area Summary Highlights: 1987**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

| Item   | Alaska    | Aleutian Islands Area | Anchorage Area | Fairbanks Area | Juneau Area | Kenai-Cook Inlet, Seward Area |
|--|-----------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Farms..... number..  | 574       | 27                    | 245            | 175            | 8           | 119                           |
| Land in farms..... acres..   | 1 026 732 | 726 596               | 59 297         | 154 913        | 214         | 85 712                        |
| Average size of farm..... acres..  | 1 789     | 26 911                | 242            | 885            | 27          | 720                           |
| Value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :   |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Average per farm..... dollars..  | 553 000   | 3 340 519             | 353 388        | 512 434        | 129 000     | 419 664                       |
| Average per acre..... dollars..  | 309       | 124                   | 1 460          | 579            | 4 822       | 583                           |
| Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :                               |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Average per farm..... dollars..  | 38 901    | 19 737                | 39 966         | 51 104         | 17 806      | 24 632                        |
| Farms by size:   |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| 1 to 9 acres.....  | 96        | 4                     | 52             | 18             | 4           | 18                            |
| 10 to 49 acres.....  | 113       | 3                     | 43             | 32             | 3           | 32                            |
| 50 to 179 acres.....   | 172       | -                     | 88             | 51             | 1           | 32                            |
| 180 to 499 acres.....  | 97        | 1                     | 43             | 39             | -           | 14                            |
| 500 to 999 acres.....  | 24        | 3                     | 9              | 7              | -           | 5                             |
| 1,000 acres or more.....   | 72        | 16                    | 10             | 28             | -           | 18                            |
| Total cropland..... farms..  | 454       | 10                    | 199            | 144            | 6           | 95                            |
| Harvested cropland..... acres..  | 66 305    | (D)                   | 16 966         | 43 362         | (D)         | 5 295                         |
| Irrigated land..... farms..  | 397       | 7                     | 179            | 126            | 6           | 79                            |
| ..... acres..  | 28 949    | 174                   | 10 649         | 15 270         | 38          | 2 818                         |
| ..... farms..  | 74        | 1                     | 44             | 21             | 1           | 7                             |
| ..... acres..  | 1 826     | (D)                   | 1 174          | 614            | (D)         | (D)                           |
| Market value of agricultural products sold..... \$1,000..  | 17 972    | 666                   | 13 132         | 3 489          | 19          | 665                           |
| Average per farm..... dollars..  | 31 309    | 24 662                | 53 600         | 19 938         | 2 375       | 5 592                         |
| Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops..... \$1,000..                                       | 10 768    | (D)                   | 7 748          | 2 523          | (D)         | 419                           |
| Livestock, poultry, and their products..... \$1,000..  | 7 204     | (D)                   | 5 384          | 966            | (D)         | 247                           |
| Farms by value of sales:   |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Less than \$2,500.....   | 242       | 8                     | 96             | 67             | 4           | 67                            |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999.....  | 92        | 6                     | 32             | 29             | 3           | 22                            |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999.....  | 73        | 4                     | 37             | 17             | 1           | 14                            |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999.....  | 65        | 1                     | 22             | 31             | -           | 11                            |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999.....  | 38        | 4                     | 21             | 10             | -           | 3                             |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999.....  | 25        | 1                     | 10             | 13             | -           | 1                             |
| \$100,000 or more.....   | 39        | 3                     | 27             | 8              | -           | 1                             |
| Operators by principal occupation:   |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Farming.....   | 248       | 10                    | 111            | 87             | 2           | 38                            |
| Other.....   | 326       | 17                    | 134            | 88             | 6           | 81                            |
| Operators by days worked off farm:   |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Any.....   | 369       | 16                    | 143            | 115            | 7           | 88                            |
| 200 days or more.....  | 182       | 7                     | 87             | 53             | 3           | 32                            |
| Average age of operator..... years..   | 48.9      | 50.4                  | 48.6           | 48.5           | 48.4        | 47.5                          |
| Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..  | 15 774    | 506                   | 10 297         | 3 813          | 37          | 1 121                         |
| Average per farm..... dollars..  | 27 480    | 18 738                | 42 027         | 21 788         | 4 640       | 9 422                         |
| Livestock and poultry:   |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Cattle and calves inventory..... farms..   | 170       | 20                    | 64             | 40             | 1           | 45                            |
| ..... number..   | 9 433     | 3 639                 | 3 265          | 1 519          | (D)         | (D)                           |
| Beef cows..... farms..   | 112       | 16                    | 37             | 25             | 1           | 33                            |
| ..... number..   | 3 199     | (D)                   | 435            | 532            | (D)         | 508                           |
| Milk cows..... farms..   | 50        | 3                     | 20             | 11             | -           | 16                            |
| ..... number..   | 1 713     | (D)                   | 1 455          | 220            | -           | (D)                           |
| Cattle and calves sold..... farms..  | 134       | 18                    | 56             | 30             | -           | 30                            |
| ..... number..   | 2 538     | 617                   | 930            | 686            | -           | 305                           |
| Hogs and pigs inventory..... farms..   | 45        | 3                     | 24             | 9              | 1           | 8                             |
| ..... number..   | 573       | (D)                   | 310            | 88             | (D)         | 68                            |
| Hogs and pigs sold..... farms..  | 37        | 3                     | 19             | 6              | 1           | 8                             |
| ..... number..   | 1 100     | (D)                   | 648            | (D)            | (D)         | 237                           |
| Sheep and lambs inventory..... farms..   | 27        | 2                     | 11             | 9              | -           | 5                             |
| ..... number..   | 2 394     | (D)                   | 260            | 167            | -           | (D)                           |
| Chickens 3 months old or older inventory..... farms..  | 82        | 2                     | 36             | 20             | 4           | 20                            |
| ..... number..   | 2 385     | (D)                   | 943            | 525            | 160         | (D)                           |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold..... farms..  | 12        | -                     | 4              | 5              | -           | 3                             |
| ..... number..   | 4 141     | -                     | 160            | (D)            | -           | (D)                           |
| Selected crops harvested:  |           |                       |                |                |             |                               |
| Barley for grain..... farms..  | 35        | 1                     | 12             | 22             | -           | -                             |
| ..... acres..  | 5 666     | (D)                   | (D)            | 5 311          | -           | -                             |
| ..... bushels..  | 235 417   | (D)                   | (D)            | 225 834        | -           | -                             |
| Oats for grain..... farms..  | 21        | -                     | 12             | 9              | -           | -                             |
| ..... acres..  | 749       | -                     | 171            | 578            | -           | -                             |
| ..... bushels..  | 44 463    | -                     | 9 444          | 35 019         | -           | -                             |
| Irish potatoes..... farms..  | 54        | 1                     | 32             | 15             | 2           | 4                             |
| ..... acres..  | 743       | (D)                   | 637            | 103            | (D)         | (D)                           |
| ..... cwt..  | 145 635   | (D)                   | 131 708        | 13 589         | (D)         | 268                           |
| Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)..... farms.. | 290       | 3                     | 120            | 88             | 2           | 67                            |
| ..... acres..  | 21 254    | (D)                   | 9 180          | 9 091          | (D)         | 2 832                         |
| ..... tons, dry..  | 28 615    | (D)                   | 14 169         | 11 007         | (D)         | 3 313                         |
| Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)..... farms..  | 46        | -                     | 25             | 14             | 3           | 4                             |
| ..... acres..  | 347       | -                     | 286            | 52             | (D)         | (D)                           |

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.