

Table 47. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1987

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

Characteristics			Fewest number of farms accounting for --			
			All farms	10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales
Farms.....	number.....	27 350	89	390	1 388	3 451
	percent.....	100.0	.3	1.4	5.1	12.6
Land in farms.....	acres.....	8 007 173	375 347	937 286	2 173 893	3 837 608
Average size of farm.....	acres.....	293	4 217	2 403	1 566	1 112
Value of land and buildings ¹	farms.....	27 353	89	390	1 377	3 258
	\$1,000.....	7 347 830	369 727	900 757	1 996 287	3 252 301
Average per farm.....	dollars.....	268 630	4 154 236	2 309 633	1 449 736	998 251
Average per acre.....	dollars.....	940	985	961	921	884
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment.....	\$1,000.....	1 046 373	38 468	116 429	283 325	491 083
	percent.....	100.0	3.7	11.1	27.1	46.9
Land in farms according to use:						
Total cropland.....	acres.....	5 562 736	274 045	745 641	1 717 311	3 057 479
Harvested cropland.....	acres.....	3 599 678	214 678	588 559	1 350 711	2 326 256
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured.....	acres.....	1 839 983	39 542	84 349	273 555	503 602
Market value of agricultural products sold.....	\$1,000.....	1 340 162	134 660	335 214	670 317	1 005 167
Average per farm.....	dollars.....	49 000	1 513 033	859 523	482 938	291 268
Grains.....	farms.....	6 602	35	182	696	1 919
	\$1,000.....	413 471	23 113	61 573	157 050	289 380
Cotton and cottonseed.....	farms.....	2 674	29	138	444	1 099
	\$1,000.....	289 700	28 044	81 800	158 779	242 406
Tobacco.....	farms.....	4	-	-	-	1
	\$1,000.....	37	-	-	-	(D)
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....	farms.....	2 280	5	27	84	155
	\$1,000.....	7 934	19	(D)	663	1 366
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melon.....	farms.....	689	1	3	12	33
	\$1,000.....	7 906	(D)	246	751	2 143
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....	farms.....	532	4	8	25	41
	\$1,000.....	3 129	165	294	778	919
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....	farms.....	488	7	16	31	64
	\$1,000.....	31 617	9 544	14 487	19 017	23 812
Other crops.....	farms.....	1 002	25	98	282	445
	\$1,000.....	176 064	31 841	78 917	136 712	161 835
Poultry and poultry products.....	farms.....	909	16	80	236	321
	\$1,000.....	142 877	30 427	71 583	125 978	139 695
Dairy products.....	farms.....	903	4	20	139	476
	\$1,000.....	113 906	1 904	8 960	40 063	90 825
Cattle and calves.....	farms.....	15 248	22	109	442	1 144
	\$1,000.....	121 614	3 435	7 699	19 757	37 211
Hogs and pigs.....	farms.....	807	2	16	29	69
	\$1,000.....	7 646	(D)	3 328	3 838	5 030
Sheep, lambs, and wool.....	farms.....	489	1	1	5	19
	\$1,000.....	434	(D)	(D)	7	(D)
Other livestock and livestock products (see text).....	farms.....	2 094	9	21	49	125
	\$1,000.....	23 827	5 091	6 132	6 923	10 495
Total farm production expenses ¹	farms.....	27 351	89	390	1 377	3 258
	\$1,000.....	1 022 931	101 844	254 874	499 911	718 721
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :						
Livestock and poultry purchased.....	farms.....	6 447	27	119	399	802
	\$1,000.....	55 167	12 255	19 678	30 331	36 701
Feed for livestock and poultry.....	farms.....	14 532	31	145	525	1 206
	\$1,000.....	135 012	12 858	40 069	82 709	106 224
Commercial fertilizer.....	farms.....	17 096	71	322	1 169	2 892
	\$1,000.....	86 079	5 203	15 071	33 661	56 594
Agricultural chemicals.....	farms.....	14 837	72	329	1 194	2 867
	\$1,000.....	112 347	10 124	26 290	53 930	81 809
Petroleum products.....	farms.....	25 857	89	389	1 360	3 225
	\$1,000.....	74 326	4 250	12 160	26 521	44 591
Electricity.....	farms.....	14 516	85	369	1 282	2 867
	\$1,000.....	14 960	1 101	2 711	5 816	9 445
Hired farm labor.....	farms.....	10 839	89	385	1 332	2 976
	\$1,000.....	121 984	21 766	46 102	78 664	102 250
Interest.....	farms.....	10 284	70	335	1 162	2 606
	\$1,000.....	72 918	4 820	14 641	32 180	48 974
Payments from government programs.....	farms.....	6 008	38	187	662	1 859
	\$1,000.....	106 778	4 814	16 791	38 753	73 921
Inventory of selected livestock:						
Cattle and calves.....	farms.....	16 033	21	112	447	1 156
	number.....	813 295	11 005	34 429	106 785	226 348
Milk cows.....	farms.....	1 581	4	20	143	493
	number.....	83 381	1 221	6 373	25 842	61 231
Hogs and pigs.....	farms.....	1 262	2	16	33	88
	number.....	51 857	(D)	18 902	21 774	27 638

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.