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	5 700	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
$1,000	(X)	38 248	(NA)	(NA)
percent of total	(X)	15.2	(NA)	(NA)
Farms with expenses of—				
$1 to $999	2 757	1 110	(NA)	(NA)
$1,000 to $4,999	1 937	3 960	(NA)	(NA)
$5,000 to $9,999	371	2 542	(NA)	(NA)
$10,000 to $24,999	373	5 590	(NA)	(NA)
$25,000 to $49,999	143	4 785	(NA)	(NA)
$50,000 to $99,999	70	4 572	(NA)	(NA)
$100,000 or more	49	15 690	(NA)	(NA)

[1]Data for 1978 are for $10,000 or more.
[2]Data for 1987 include cost of custom applications; data for agricultural chemicals exclude the cost of lime for 1987 and 1982.
[3]Data for 1987 exclude cost of custom applications for commercial fertilizer and agricultural chemicals.
[4]Data for 1982 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.

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

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

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	6 216	2 490	3 726
$1,000	84 172	99 131	-14 959
Average per farm ..... dollars	13 541	39 811	-4 015
Farms with net gains[1] ..... number	3 017	2 084	933
$1,000	106 761	104 955	1 806
Average per farm ..... dollars	35 387	50 362	1 936
Gain of—			
Less than $1,000	374	24	350
$1,000 to $4,999	820	284	536
$5,000 to $9,999	311	264	47
$10,000 to $24,999	666	666	-
$25,000 to $49,999	411	411	-
$50,000 or more	435	435	-
Farms with net losses ..... number	3 199	406	2 793
$1,000	22 590	5 825	16 765
Average per farm ..... dollars	7 062	14 346	6 003
Loss of—			
Less than $1,000	463	39	424
$1,000 to $4,999	1 607	122	1 485
$5,000 to $9,999	588	63	525
$10,000 to $24,999	369	113	256
$25,000 to $49,999	121	51	70
$50,000 or more	51	18	33

[1]Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than $1,000.