

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

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

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms.....	number... 32 014	14	140	888	2 798
	percent... 100.0	(Z)	4	2.8	8.7
Land in farms.....	acres... 17 809 165	88 638	662 595	3 866 230	8 404 211
Average size of farm.....	acres... 556	6 331	4 733	4 354	3 004
Value of land and buildings ¹	farms... 32 017	14	140	888	2 766
	\$1,000... 9 597 249	93 677	517 458	1 811 165	3 576 441
Average per farm.....	dollars... 299 755	6 691 214	3 696 129	2 039 600	1 293 001
Average per acre.....	dollars... 542	1 057	781	468	429
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment.....	\$1,000... 1 211 480	19 979	77 629	244 715	507 285
	percent... 100.0	1.6	6.4	20.2	41.9
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland.....	acres... 5 236 393	39 187	260 949	1 093 442	2 503 847
Harvested cropland.....	acres... 2 832 663	32 221	222 883	782 977	1 610 259
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured.....	acres... 11 267 847	27 477	358 855	2 438 122	5 368 743
Market value of agricultural products sold.....	\$1,000... 1 846 067	188 762	461 691	923 393	1 384 649
Average per farm.....	dollars... 57 664	13 483 017	3 297 791	1 039 857	494 871
Grains.....	farms... 4 429	3	47	393	1 267
	\$1,000... 176 295	2 287	11 166	50 174	115 081
Cotton and cottonseed.....	farms... -	-	-	-	-
	\$1,000... -	-	-	-	-
Tobacco.....	farms... -	-	-	-	-
	\$1,000... -	-	-	-	-
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....	farms... 7 714	6	48	331	1 011
	\$1,000... 199 160	5 014	23 546	77 416	139 638
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melon.....	farms... 1 528	2	23	218	543
	\$1,000... 126 933	(D)	11 672	67 441	106 052
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....	farms... 4 354	-	28	151	460
	\$1,000... 187 006	-	32 121	70 794	119 589
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....	farms... 1 612	3	42	154	344
	\$1,000... 205 723	34 442	112 099	152 943	180 794
Other crops.....	farms... 1 024	4	41	233	547
	\$1,000... 153 500	19 075	52 083	104 879	139 282
Poultry and poultry products.....	farms... 1 642	1	12	59	103
	\$1,000... 73 931	(D)	36 668	63 209	72 069
Dairy products.....	farms... 961	2	13	134	452
	\$1,000... 179 328	(D)	22 681	85 124	154 798
Cattle and calves.....	farms... 16 812	6	50	383	1 349
	\$1,000... 459 946	102 058	137 420	217 749	309 795
Hogs and pigs.....	farms... 1 400	-	2	24	88
	\$1,000... 15 384	-	(D)	4 410	8 683
Sheep, lambs, and wool.....	farms... 4 226	2	13	70	204
	\$1,000... 42 194	(D)	17 138	21 527	24 914
Other livestock and livestock products (see text).....	farms... 3 675	-	4	48	159
	\$1,000... 26 669	-	(D)	7 726	13 955
Total farm production expenses ¹	farms... 32 017	14	140	888	2 766
	\$1,000... 1 535 162	176 269	388 878	742 474	1 084 192
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased.....	farms... 10 466	8	59	355	986
	\$1,000... 195 278	81 501	106 704	137 145	159 546
Feed for livestock and poultry.....	farms... 18 677	8	61	443	1 384
	\$1,000... 170 426	22 714	46 080	94 623	134 658
Commercial fertilizer.....	farms... 17 254	10	114	733	2 277
	\$1,000... 97 839	4 190	15 406	40 297	67 623
Agricultural chemicals.....	farms... 18 044	9	115	729	2 233
	\$1,000... 79 341	4 005	14 354	31 662	52 060
Petroleum products.....	farms... 28 845	14	140	883	2 743
	\$1,000... 65 914	1 885	8 382	21 135	37 382
Electricity.....	farms... 23 516	14	137	862	2 629
	\$1,000... 36 067	2 948	8 621	15 667	23 776
Hired farm labor.....	farms... 13 129	14	138	871	2 581
	\$1,000... 257 760	27 485	81 282	154 282	215 170
Interest.....	farms... 14 227	14	125	781	2 377
	\$1,000... 131 483	5 506	19 011	44 429	77 033
Payments from government programs.....	farms... 4 938	3	46	375	1 205
	\$1,000... 81 606	493	3 220	17 687	44 425
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves.....	farms... 17 515	6	50	385	1 352
	number... 1 503 625	73 577	165 563	402 967	783 893
Milk cows.....	farms... 1 937	2	14	142	502
	number... 95 325	(D)	9 503	39 575	75 948
Hogs and pigs.....	farms... 1 482	-	2	25	104
	number... 86 293	-	(D)	21 441	44 576

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.