

Table 14. Petroleum Products Expenses: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products	38 349	(X)	36 228	40 672
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	80 237	76 567	64 535
Average per farm	(dollars..)	2 092	2 113	1 587
Gasoline and gasohol	24 499	(X)	25 717	28 991
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	22 565	24 166	23 297
Average per farm	(dollars..)	921	940	804
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	14 219	2 682	14 773	17 779
\$500 to \$999	4 385	2 881	4 424	5 006
\$1,000 to \$1,999	3 194	4 112	3 467	3 345
\$2,000 to \$4,999	2 013	5 742	2 212	2 210
\$5,000 to \$9,999	461	3 012	574	481
\$10,000 to \$24,999	191	2 571	239	150
\$25,000 or more	36	1 566	28	20
Diesel fuel	31 678	(X)	27 884	27 673
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	28 614	29 809	25 011
Average per farm	(dollars..)	903	1 069	904
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	21 543	3 969	18 346	18 981
\$500 to \$999	4 911	3 111	4 087	3 544
\$1,000 to \$1,999	2 364	2 991	2 282	2 158
\$2,000 to \$4,999	1 754	4 929	1 874	1 860
\$5,000 to \$9,999	605	4 030	745	770
\$10,000 to \$24,999	414	5 898	444	314
\$25,000 or more	87	3 686	106	46
Natural gas	1 111	(X)	1 027	1 330
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	4 821	2 795	2 283
Average per farm	(dollars..)	4 339	2 722	1 716
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	78	3	83	257
\$100 to \$499	341	81	303	427
\$500 to \$999	149	92	150	240
\$1,000 to \$1,999	121	158	134	125
\$2,000 to \$4,999	145	515	208	157
\$5,000 to \$9,999	139	962	92	88
\$10,000 or more	138	3 010	57	36
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	24 115	(X)	23 630	23 976
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	24 238	19 797	13 945
Average per farm	(dollars..)	1 005	838	582
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	10 686	488	10 733	11 009
\$100 to \$499	8 778	1 721	7 902	8 332
\$500 to \$999	1 593	980	1 460	1 555
\$1,000 to \$1,999	771	997	949	1 069
\$2,000 to \$4,999	821	2 584	1 422	1 446
\$5,000 to \$9,999	780	5 303	815	454
\$10,000 or more	686	12 165	349	111

Table 15. Agricultural Chemicals Used, Including Fertilizer: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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Chemicals used	1997	1992	1987
Any chemicals or fertilizer used ¹	28 623	27 018	30 150
Commercial fertilizer	26 159	25 260	27 141
acres on which used	2 290 837	2 346 150	2 356 337
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	106 011	86 491
Agricultural chemicals	13 672	13 018	17 676
Average per farm	(\$1,000..)	73 867	64 530
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops	3 769	4 614	6 474
acres on which used	606 162	697 881	724 268
Nematodes in crops	1 127	1 344	1 687
acres on which used	211 150	164 732	169 872
Diseases in crops and orchards	1 923	2 331	2 922
acres on which used	233 470	221 448	233 368
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture	8 836	8 480	11 017
acres on which used	1 196 441	1 139 458	1 281 202
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate	1 043	1 319	1 592
acres on which used	308 803	364 754	285 552

¹Data for 1987 include farms on which lime was applied alone or together with fertilizer and/or chemicals.