

Table 4. Net Cash Return From Agricultural Sales: 1997 and 1992

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

Item	1997			1992		
	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000	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..	45 139	20 164	24 975	43 936	21 028	22 908
Average per farm \$1,000..	1 007 988	1 065 318	-57 330	778 566	821 291	-42 725
..... dollars..	22 331	52 833	-2 296	17 720	39 057	-1 865
Farms with net gains ¹ number..	23 043	15 354	7 689	24 722	16 658	8 064
Average per farm \$1,000..	1 200 382	1 185 814	14 568	902 184	886 379	15 805
..... dollars..	52 093	77 232	1 895	36 493	53 210	1 960
Gain of—						
Less than \$1,000	3 308	489	2 819	3 433	378	3 055
\$1,000 to \$4,999	6 495	2 067	4 428	6 725	2 236	4 489
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 947	2 505	442	2 872	2 352	520
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2 839	2 839	—	3 588	3 588	—
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 997	1 997	—	2 897	2 897	—
\$50,000 or more	5 457	5 457	—	5 207	5 207	—
Farms with net losses number..	22 096	4 810	17 286	19 214	4 370	14 844
Average per farm \$1,000..	192 394	120 496	71 898	123 618	65 087	58 530
..... dollars..	8 707	25 051	4 159	6 434	14 894	3 943
Loss of—						
Less than \$1,000	4 364	375	3 989	3 554	314	3 240
\$1,000 to \$4,999	9 586	1 233	8 353	8 731	1 138	7 593
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4 386	989	3 397	3 751	962	2 789
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2 681	1 275	1 406	2 327	1 164	1 163
\$25,000 to \$49,999	584	466	118	623	573	50
\$50,000 or more	495	472	23	228	219	9

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