Table 45. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1997

[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..	45 142	88	589	2 217	5 214
percent..	100.0	.2	1.3	4.9	11.6
Land in farms ....acres..	14 364 955	238 250	1 192 622	3 025 918	5 485 043
Average size of farm ....acres..	318	2 707	2 025	1 365	1 052
Estimated market value of land and buildings[1].....................farms..	45 139	88	589	2 217	5 141
$1,000..	16 255 201	344 195	1 430 557	3 575 801	6 310 317
Average per farm ....dollars..	360 114	3 911 310	2 428 789	1 612 901	1 227 449
Average per acre ....dollars..	1 151	1 445	1 200	1 182	1 157
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment[1] ....$1,000..	2 510 490	67 742	231 480	606 021	1 116 895
percent..	100.0	2.7	9.2	24.1	44.5
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland..acres..	10 062 289	193 516	1 040 407	2 637 412	4 774 278
Harvested cropland ....acres..	7 665 490	180 308	974 721	2 455 484	4 407 784
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured........................acres..	3 474 314	25 993	86 763	236 714	440 994
Market value of agricultural products sold ....$1,000..	5 479 692	550 588	1 370 142	2 740 296	4 110 014
Average per farm ....dollars..	121 388	6 256 681	2 326 216	1 236 038	788 265
Grains ....farms..	7 393	20	211	840	2 189
$1,000..	1 593 750	38 460	231 405	606 859	1 088 380
Cotton and cottonseed ....farms..	1 729	15	129	425	920
$1,000..	512 652	41 668	146 543	292 669	436 109
Tobacco ....farms..	–	–	–	–	–
$1,000..	–	–	–	–	–
Hay, silage, and field seeds ....farms..	5 883	9	74	271	552
$1,000..	24 306	112	858	2 377	4 285
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons ....farms..	535	1	5	21	48
$1,000..	18 879	(D)	3 694	6 322	8 863
Fruits, nuts, and berries ....farms..	550	3	10	21	45
$1,000..	9 659	175	456	661	2 396
Nursery and greenhouse crops ....farms..	401	–	3	7	25
$1,000..	27 167	–	(D)	7 079	13 446
Other crops ....farms..	110	2	6	13	21
$1,000..	1 614	(D)	209	354	843
Poultry and poultry products ....farms..	5 305	62	325	1 227	2 695
$1,000..	2 525 203	416 685	799 539	1 522 905	2 167 324
Dairy products ....farms..	794	2	9	32	104
$1,000..	78 696	(D)	990	6 756	21 000
Cattle and calves ....farms..	29 903	30	266	1 043	2 304
$1,000..	378 011	19 509	36 106	66 405	101 480
Hogs and pigs ....farms..	1 019	6	69	171	276
$1,000..	217 867	19 448	106 026	171 344	198 152
Sheep, lambs, and wool ....farms..	310	–	2	13	20
$1,000..	369	–	(D)	10	19
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) ....farms..	2 413	6	31	88	173
$1,000..	91 518	12 982	40 212	56 553	67 718
Total farm production expenses[1] ....farms..	45 139	88	589	2 217	5 141
$1,000..	4 161 029	446 932	1 096 850	2 165 761	3 199 060
Selected farm production expenses[1]:					
Livestock and poultry purchased ....farms..	14 619	69	386	1 396	2 969
$1,000..	467 737	154 425	228 981	322 539	396 687
Feed for livestock and poultry ....farms..	29 654	48	375	1 418	3 064
$1,000..	1 654 949	135 204	442 129	979 959	1 430 920
Commercial fertilizer ....farms..	25 076	33	329	1 326	3 246
$1,000..	213 542	6 167	32 078	77 118	133 645
Agricultural chemicals ....farms..	16 089	32	337	1 304	3 004
$1,000..	237 031	12 778	50 947	107 841	172 146
Petroleum products ....farms..	43 057	83	581	2 203	5 110
$1,000..	181 212	7 938	27 929	63 964	110 408
Electricity...farms..	23 334	88	584	2 175	4 949
$1,000..	60 432	6 456	14 172	26 941	41 389
Hired farm labor ....farms..	14 125	81	505	1 742	3 885
$1,000..	238 733	38 278	73 738	124 483	183 562
Interest ....farms..	20 737	78	572	2 157	4 751
$1,000..	192 005	7 925	29 641	69 927	114 621
Payments from government programs............................farms..	9 477	35	224	867	2 186
$1,000..	143 873	2 664	13 441	38 736	78 173
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves ....farms..	30 369	30	265	1 040	2 320
number..	1 770 248	23 641	75 948	177 781	322 729
Milk cows..farms..	1 193	2	9	36	117
number..	49 012	(D)	644	3 422	11 009
Hogs and pigs ....farms..	1 247	7	70	174	280
number..	858 741	80 449	346 611	569 403	685 930

[1]Data are based on a sample of farms.