

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS								
Farms	45 142	22 300	254	1 406	3 438	4 610	5 507	7 085
number ..								
percent ..	100.0	49.4	.6	3.1	7.6	10.2	12.2	15.7
Land in farms	14 364 955	10 839 666	101 905	726 094	2 057 037	2 891 768	2 716 518	2 346 344
acres ..								
Average size of farm	318	486	401	516	598	627	493	331
acres ..								
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text)	45 142	22 300	254	1 406	3 438	4 610	5 507	7 085
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	5 479 692	4 645 804	43 029	367 789	1 079 255	1 344 914	1 205 275	605 543
dollars ..								
Average per farm	121 388	208 332	169 404	261 585	313 920	291 738	218 862	85 468
dollars ..								
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	5 202	1 082	7	33	120	191	245	486
\$1,000 to \$2,499	5 827	1 519	5	63	152	206	350	743
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6 901	2 167	19	79	168	259	506	1 136
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6 723	2 626	20	94	192	341	619	1 360
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4 906	2 378	23	71	196	338	629	1 121
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1 165	676	6	31	69	109	174	287
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1 699	1 073	22	53	134	185	281	398
\$40,000 to \$49,999	709	468	7	37	60	95	135	134
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1 978	1 502	45	141	313	350	358	295
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3 466	2 965	47	309	648	765	755	441
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3 366	2 949	32	271	680	881	727	358
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2 297	2 091	18	165	521	658	506	223
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	792	717	2	54	166	211	191	93
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	73	62	1	5	15	13	20	8
\$5,000,000 or more	38	25	—	—	4	8	11	2
Grains	7 393	6 064	131	576	1 347	1 645	1 447	918
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	1 593 750	1 534 155	17 430	124 866	378 335	478 749	356 119	178 657
Sales of \$50,000 or more	4 951	4 645	80	446	1 116	1 356	1 116	531
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	1 552 918	1 506 515	16 304	122 022	373 364	472 713	349 734	172 378
dollars ..								
Corn for grain	783	722	13	67	169	230	166	77
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	56 186	54 862	882	5 343	15 579	17 610	10 950	4 497
Wheat	3 355	2 941	46	233	696	814	723	429
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	117 570	112 325	1 098	6 641	27 233	36 278	26 183	14 892
Soybeans	6 873	5 742	123	548	1 279	1 577	1 372	843
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	672 058	644 004	6 176	48 606	150 042	203 320	154 640	81 220
dollars ..								
Sorghum for grain	844	751	11	68	169	221	179	103
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	22 270	21 297	(D)	(D)	5 116	6 745	5 495	2 285
Barley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oats	80	66	1	4	11	23	13	14
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	1 155	1 110	(D)	(D)	313	355	145	153
Other grains	4 224	3 866	75	406	934	1 132	900	419
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	724 511	700 559	9 112	62 638	180 052	214 440	158 706	75 611
dollars ..								
Cotton and cottonseed	1 729	1 577	38	160	381	440	354	204
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	512 652	499 116	6 169	38 086	130 420	150 355	121 809	52 278
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 398	1 334	27	129	328	391	309	150
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	505 200	493 240	5 926	37 362	129 054	149 151	120 517	51 230
dollars ..								
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
dollars ..								
Hay, silage, and field seeds	5 883	2 630	20	163	366	530	608	943
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	24 306	14 251	72	987	2 636	3 290	3 408	3 858
Sales of \$50,000 or more	28	25	—	1	8	6	8	2
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	2 971	2 408	—	(D)	730	797	647	(D)
dollars ..								
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	535	335	1	14	63	79	97	81
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	18 879	16 615	(D)	(D)	3 759	6 391	3 719	1 702
Sales of \$50,000 or more	80	72	—	8	19	22	16	7
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	14 182	13 363	—	881	3 293	5 624	2 598	967
dollars ..								
Fruits, nuts, and berries	550	313	—	3	43	63	88	116
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	9 659	7 382	—	29	898	1 682	2 026	2 746
Sales of \$50,000 or more	48	41	—	—	5	12	13	11
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	5 902	5 166	—	—	481	1 317	1 359	2 009
dollars ..								
Nursery and greenhouse crops	401	209	—	15	44	53	56	41
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	27 167	18 812	—	1 702	3 218	5 277	5 279	3 336
Sales of \$50,000 or more	100	80	—	8	19	25	19	9
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	23 904	17 235	—	1 626	2 918	4 885	4 699	3 106
dollars ..								
Other crops	110	82	—	3	12	18	25	24
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	1 614	1 552	—	80	139	659	156	519
Sales of \$50,000 or more	7	7	—	—	—	4	—	3
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	777	777	—	—	—	515	—	262
dollars ..								
Poultry and poultry products	5 305	4 016	36	340	852	1 088	1 080	620
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	2 525 203	1 973 891	15 403	155 660	428 777	555 686	574 836	243 529
Sales of \$50,000 or more	4 664	3 710	32	311	787	1 024	1 004	552
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	2 517 417	1 968 202	15 327	154 868	427 356	554 407	573 487	242 756
dollars ..								
Dairy products	794	643	3	45	141	193	149	112
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	78 696	71 848	(D)	(D)	15 932	23 305	18 493	8 500
Sales of \$50,000 or more	503	458	2	35	110	149	107	55
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	71 841	67 028	(D)	(D)	15 039	22 090	17 471	7 076
dollars ..								
Cattle and calves	29 903	13 572	91	619	1 577	2 400	3 480	5 405
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	378 011	248 101	1 829	9 695	38 346	52 201	60 553	85 476
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 022	789	11	39	129	180	210	220
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	146 142	117 535	1 005	4 399	24 181	28 493	25 038	34 420
dollars ..								

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	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms	22 842	239	1 955	5 089	7 038	5 415	3 106
number							
percent	50.6	.5	4.3	11.3	15.6	12.0	6.9
Land in farms	3 525 289	26 811	235 773	683 761	1 131 416	910 433	537 095
acres							
Average size of farm	154	112	121	134	161	168	173
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	22 842	239	1 955	5 089	7 038	5 415	3 106
farms							
\$1,000	833 888	4 526	58 783	177 719	304 215	186 584	102 060
Average per farm	36 507	18 938	30 068	34 922	43 225	34 457	32 859
dollars							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	4 120	41	386	919	1 237	916	621
\$1,000 to \$2,499	4 308	62	399	1 058	1 280	912	597
\$2,500 to \$4,999	4 734	51	398	1 082	1 427	1 160	616
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4 097	30	352	867	1 259	990	599
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2 528	20	195	515	780	686	332
\$20,000 to \$24,999	489	9	33	85	180	118	64
\$25,000 to \$39,999	626	8	45	110	218	171	74
\$40,000 to \$49,999	241	3	20	47	82	60	29
\$50,000 to \$99,999	476	4	37	128	159	107	41
\$100,000 to \$249,999	501	6	31	121	170	113	60
\$250,000 to \$499,999	417	5	37	95	132	103	45
\$500,000 to \$999,999	206	—	17	40	82	52	15
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	75	—	3	18	23	23	8
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	11	—	1	—	5	2	3
\$5,000,000 or more	13	—	1	—	4	2	2
Grains	1 329	25	122	306	394	319	163
farms							
\$1,000	59 594	691	6 078	14 975	16 099	14 132	7 620
Sales of \$50,000 or more	306	2	32	80	93	69	30
\$1,000	46 403	(D)	(D)	12 228	11 898	10 944	6 171
Corn for grain	61	—	5	16	16	18	6
\$1,000	1 325	—	71	443	280	420	111
Wheat	414	5	41	113	112	94	49
\$1,000	5 245	(D)	612	1 134	1 412	1 123	(D)
Soybeans	1 131	21	102	253	336	273	146
\$1,000	28 054	371	2 489	6 552	9 064	6 337	3 241
Sorghum for grain	93	2	6	15	32	28	10
\$1,000	973	(D)	57	(D)	361	376	(D)
Barley	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oats	14	—	—	4	4	5	1
\$1,000	45	—	—	(D)	10	25	(D)
Other grains	358	7	45	93	104	73	36
\$1,000	23 952	269	2 849	6 748	4 971	5 851	3 265
Cotton and cottonseed	152	2	9	32	45	37	27
\$1,000	13 536	(D)	(D)	3 613	4 362	2 963	2 037
Sales of \$50,000 or more	64	—	4	17	18	13	12
\$1,000	11 960	—	457	3 318	3 868	2 499	1 818
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	3 253	40	260	727	1 002	746	478
\$1,000	10 055	105	848	1 919	3 431	2 334	1 417
Sales of \$50,000 or more	3	—	—	—	3	—	—
\$1,000	563	—	—	—	563	—	—
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	200	1	18	42	53	58	28
\$1,000	2 263	(D)	(D)	582	766	548	239
Sales of \$50,000 or more	8	—	—	3	2	2	1
\$1,000	819	—	—	222	(D)	(D)	(D)
Fruits, nuts, and berries	237	—	4	45	79	65	44
\$1,000	2 277	—	(D)	346	838	767	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more	7	—	—	1	2	4	—
\$1,000	736	—	—	(D)	(D)	308	—
Nursery and greenhouse crops	192	—	16	37	62	50	27
\$1,000	8 355	—	(D)	784	2 894	738	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more	20	—	3	3	9	3	2
\$1,000	6 669	—	860	398	2 278	(D)	(D)
Other crops	28	—	—	3	10	8	7
\$1,000	62	—	—	10	27	9	17
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poultry and poultry products	1 289	18	91	316	441	309	114
\$1,000	551 312	2 799	39 885	117 293	215 757	114 951	60 628
Sales of \$50,000 or more	954	12	67	221	328	235	91
\$1,000	549 215	2 712	39 632	117 075	214 968	114 324	60 504
Dairy products	151	2	15	21	52	30	31
\$1,000	6 849	(D)	(D)	1 606	2 269	1 312	943
Sales of \$50,000 or more	45	1	5	13	16	6	4
\$1,000	4 813	(D)	509	1 435	1 535	945	(D)
Cattle and calves	16 331	163	1 431	3 685	5 071	3 830	2 151
\$1,000	129 910	809	8 685	25 754	41 874	32 091	20 697
Sales of \$50,000 or more	233	—	12	52	73	56	40
\$1,000	28 607	—	974	5 223	8 457	6 444	7 509

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		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 1 019	593	6	67	161	148	134	77
	\$1,000.. 217 867	186 943	(D)	(D)	55 928	48 058	48 338	10 295
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 341	294	2	42	92	90	51	17
	\$1,000.. 214 503	184 743	(D)	23 652	55 373	47 652	47 681	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 310	111	—	—	27	23	33	22
	\$1,000.. 369	175	—	6	43	17	60	50
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 2 413	952	11	58	211	236	238	198
	\$1,000.. 91 518	72 962	1 416	6 400	20 825	19 246	10 479	14 596
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 199	160	6	14	45	35	33	27
	\$1,000.. 83 040	69 063	1 403	6 215	20 122	18 092	9 421	13 810
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 1 084	447	2	15	72	98	119	141
	\$1,000.. 5 107	3 733	(D)	(D)	1 012	919	906	751
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 45 139	21 619	263	1 213	3 363	4 058	5 308	7 414
	\$1,000.. 4 161 029	3 442 802	30 296	267 506	783 581	998 976	898 736	463 706
Average per farm	dollars.. 92 183	159 249	115 194	220 533	233 001	246 175	169 317	62 545
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 14 619	7 548	45	424	1 233	1 666	2 066	2 114
	\$1,000.. 467 737	331 792	1 880	20 491	75 360	87 956	98 411	47 694
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	8 484	3 203	16	105	312	593	874	1 303
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 855	1 707	4	108	342	327	469	457
\$25,000 to \$99,999	2 594	2 061	22	163	448	579	573	276
\$100,000 to \$249,999	499	438	1	96	132	109	60	60
\$250,000 or more	187	139	2	8	35	35	41	18
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 29 654	13 396	73	636	1 728	2 410	3 519	5 030
	\$1,000.. 1 654 949	1 337 316	10 772	111 362	290 211	378 209	374 101	172 661
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	22 061	7 956	37	260	652	1 108	2 107	3 792
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 035	1 696	7	85	261	248	373	722
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 101	897	3	65	205	231	257	136
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1 110	887	9	50	182	240	247	159
\$250,000 or more	2 347	1 960	17	176	428	583	535	221
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 19 709	9 384	60	430	1 354	1 788	2 586	3 166
	\$1,000.. 1 559 117	1 266 058	10 458	103 859	276 671	360 465	356 999	157 605
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	14 055	5 021	30	150	452	656	1 406	2 327
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 449	891	4	24	150	138	206	369
\$25,000 to \$99,999	893	747	1	40	175	202	222	107
\$100,000 or more	3 312	2 725	25	216	577	792	752	363
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 12 192	8 182	177	662	1 699	1 873	2 031	1 740
	\$1,000.. 110 955	103 508	1 300	8 323	24 948	31 913	24 602	12 422
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	5 281	2 441	21	153	332	358	660	917
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 449	1 620	92	124	360	339	382	323
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 132	2 823	51	288	708	746	684	346
\$25,000 to \$49,999	930	904	11	74	204	308	212	95
\$50,000 or more	400	394	2	23	95	122	93	59
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 25 076	13 793	208	814	2 259	2 658	3 266	4 588
	\$1,000.. 213 542	192 147	2 323	14 150	46 450	57 393	44 759	27 072
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	18 976	8 478	89	382	1 044	1 231	2 000	3 732
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 618	2 889	91	234	584	650	715	615
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 363	1 331	21	124	358	422	294	112
\$50,000 or more	1 119	1 095	7	74	273	355	257	129
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 16 089	9 968	198	682	1 804	2 224	2 496	2 564
	\$1,000.. 237 031	227 025	2 655	17 486	57 733	68 391	52 515	28 244
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	11 524	5 734	82	302	792	1 048	1 480	2 030
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 090	1 809	96	164	399	424	450	276
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 102	1 074	9	118	273	318	247	109
\$50,000 or more	1 373	1 351	11	98	340	434	319	149
Petroleum products	farms.. 43 057	21 186	263	1 191	3 299	3 991	5 232	7 210
	\$1,000.. 181 212	155 224	1 590	11 362	35 885	44 964	37 413	24 009
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	35 202	14 233	167	599	1 674	1 959	3 483	6 351
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 207	5 369	84	482	1 258	1 519	1 361	665
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 239	1 195	10	88	288	378	298	133
\$50,000 or more	409	389	2	22	79	135	90	61
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 30 257	15 716	190	885	2 565	3 107	3 826	5 143
	\$1,000.. 43 205	34 692	364	2 311	7 501	9 840	8 129	6 547
Diesel fuel	farms.. 34 979	18 115	212	1 066	2 903	3 552	4 427	5 955
	\$1,000.. 89 219	79 421	855	6 062	18 691	23 422	18 992	11 399
Natural gas	farms.. 2 510	1 898	23	176	384	502	452	361
	\$1,000.. 13 184	10 754	54	769	2 396	3 020	2 779	1 737
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 30 504	17 397	221	1 003	2 960	3 531	4 326	5 356
	\$1,000.. 35 604	30 357	318	2 220	7 297	8 682	7 513	4 327

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Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs .. farms..	426	12	46	124	117	94	33
\$1,000..	30 924	26	392	8 110	8 796	11 811	1 789
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	47	—	1	13	16	14	3
\$1,000..	29 760	—	(D)	7 735	8 477	11 620	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool .. farms..	199	1	11	70	75	36	6
\$1,000..	195	(D)	9	51	97	34	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .. farms..	1 461	5	155	414	495	282	110
\$1,000..	18 557	10	515	2 678	7 004	4 895	3 455
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	39	—	1	8	13	13	4
\$1,000..	13 976	—	(D)	1 568	5 475	3 760	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .. farms..	637	7	48	191	194	123	74
\$1,000..	1 374	35	118	306	404	271	240
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses .. farms..	23 520	271	1 985	5 208	7 240	5 451	3 365
\$1,000..	718 228	3 543	50 634	149 263	264 346	162 374	88 068
Average per farm .. dollars..	30 537	13 073	25 508	28 660	36 512	29 788	26 172
Livestock and poultry purchased .. farms..	7 071	79	726	1 780	2 272	1 475	739
\$1,000..	135 945	359	10 381	30 588	51 367	24 209	19 040
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	5 281	57	557	1 314	1 712	1 060	581
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 148	18	129	313	350	251	87
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	533	4	33	128	179	133	56
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	61	3	3	14	18	17	9
\$250,000 or more ..	48	—	4	11	13	14	6
Feed for livestock and poultry .. farms..	16 258	192	1 472	3 783	5 158	3 785	1 868
\$1,000..	317 633	1 397	20 471	63 011	113 684	82 418	36 651
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	14 105	186	1 359	3 387	4 446	3 138	1 589
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 339	1	46	224	451	443	174
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	204	—	24	45	42	42	51
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	223	3	12	47	80	61	20
\$250,000 or more ..	387	2	31	80	139	101	34
Commercially mixed formula feeds .. farms..	10 325	94	912	2 566	3 470	2 290	993
\$1,000..	293 059	1 289	19 449	58 656	104 997	75 259	33 410
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	9 034	89	820	2 325	2 996	1 973	831
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	558	—	26	75	244	131	82
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	146	—	23	41	24	31	27
\$100,000 or more ..	587	5	43	125	206	155	53
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .. farms..	4 010	47	394	997	1 306	873	393
\$1,000..	7 446	50	657	1 415	2 502	1 502	1 320
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	2 840	37	259	748	917	613	266
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	829	8	108	154	270	185	104
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	309	2	23	88	108	69	19
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	26	—	3	7	9	4	3
\$50,000 or more ..	6	—	1	—	2	2	1
Commercial fertilizer .. farms..	11 283	83	947	2 548	3 609	2 603	1 493
\$1,000..	21 395	144	1 465	4 784	6 907	5 327	2 768
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	10 498	80	901	2 366	3 391	2 357	1 403
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	729	3	43	170	198	235	80
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	32	—	2	8	12	6	4
\$50,000 or more ..	24	—	1	4	8	5	6
Agricultural chemicals .. farms..	6 121	42	566	1 419	1 924	1 443	727
\$1,000..	10 006	39	783	2 669	3 077	2 261	1 177
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	5 790	41	541	1 327	1 828	1 359	694
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	281	1	23	76	81	74	26
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	28	—	2	8	10	6	2
\$50,000 or more ..	22	—	—	8	5	4	5
Petroleum products .. farms..	21 871	247	1 880	4 912	6 698	5 082	3 052
\$1,000..	25 988	201	1 960	5 467	8 760	6 139	3 462
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	20 969	244	1 818	4 725	6 359	4 866	2 957
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	838	3	60	177	319	200	79
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	44	—	1	7	16	10	10
\$50,000 or more ..	20	—	1	3	4	6	6
Gasoline and gasohol .. farms..	14 541	144	1 255	3 202	4 602	3 306	2 032
\$1,000..	8 513	105	719	1 746	2 697	1 933	1 313
Diesel fuel .. farms..	16 864	182	1 425	3 832	5 229	3 927	2 269
\$1,000..	9 799	68	706	2 180	3 512	2 117	1 215
Natural gas .. farms..	612	1	54	117	222	127	91
\$1,000..	2 430	(D)	(D)	499	732	694	282
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. .. farms..	13 107	91	1 103	2 804	4 250	3 081	1 778
\$1,000..	5 247	(D)	(D)	1 042	1 818	1 394	652

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
—Con.								
Total farm production expenses—Con.								
Electricity farms	23 334	13 969	131	894	2 530	3 077	3 601	3 736
Electricity \$1,000	60 432	50 958	467	4 028	11 982	14 797	12 391	7 293
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	14 371	6 514	55	275	820	1 016	1 641	2 707
\$1,000 to \$4,999	5 941	4 709	52	375	1 041	1 219	1 310	712
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 750	2 505	21	224	613	772	592	283
\$25,000 to \$49,999	178	166	2	13	36	47	42	26
\$50,000 or more	94	75	1	7	20	23	16	8
Hired farm labor farms	14 125	9 255	122	688	1 973	2 320	2 158	1 994
Hired farm labor \$1,000	238 733	209 830	2 286	13 913	47 192	63 862	52 883	29 695
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	8 479	4 176	43	253	763	851	891	1 375
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 113	2 694	43	275	658	710	679	329
\$25,000 to \$99,999	2 164	2 047	34	141	474	656	508	234
\$100,000 to \$249,999	291	276	2	15	68	83	59	49
\$250,000 or more	78	62	—	4	10	20	21	7
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more farms	6 547	5 328	74	398	1 155	1 519	1 283	899
150 days or more workers	15 728	13 450	164	862	2 922	3 948	3 213	2 341
Less than 150 days farms	12 198	7 595	93	575	1 592	1 842	1 716	1 777
Less than 150 days workers	31 626	21 608	254	1 716	4 573	5 976	5 290	3 799
Contract labor farms	5 498	3 342	36	236	631	860	869	710
Contract labor \$1,000	25 544	21 611	229	1 935	5 272	6 097	5 418	2 660
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	2 358	1 093	17	66	142	245	299	324
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 981	1 227	11	81	224	318	303	290
\$5,000 to \$24,999	960	835	6	73	224	244	208	80
\$25,000 to \$49,999	131	125	—	13	24	35	47	6
\$50,000 or more	68	62	2	3	17	18	12	10
Repair and maintenance farms	36 149	18 823	214	1 077	2 982	3 783	4 804	5 963
Repair and maintenance \$1,000	202 827	171 642	1 284	11 540	39 866	49 732	41 907	27 314
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	28 642	12 343	152	615	1 505	1 845	3 225	5 001
\$5,000 to \$24,999	5 504	4 569	49	334	1 029	1 325	1 100	732
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 299	1 247	11	91	285	394	334	132
\$50,000 or more	704	664	2	37	163	219	145	98
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	10 847	6 749	130	503	1 252	1 503	1 670	1 691
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment \$1,000	84 552	76 325	1 318	6 579	16 125	24 225	18 442	9 635
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	4 239	1 884	24	90	202	325	453	790
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 616	2 174	48	142	409	427	544	604
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 152	1 882	50	202	467	486	472	205
\$25,000 to \$49,999	548	528	5	50	109	167	136	61
\$50,000 or more	292	281	3	19	65	98	65	31
Interest farms	20 737	11 527	140	930	2 440	2 967	2 974	2 076
Interest \$1,000	192 005	153 801	862	12 701	38 876	45 437	37 072	18 853
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	12 148	5 185	97	358	903	1 103	1 366	1 358
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 662	4 544	35	414	1 073	1 309	1 188	525
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 809	1 689	8	152	438	526	393	172
\$100,000 or more	118	109	—	6	26	29	27	21
Secured by real estate farms	14 249	7 330	37	534	1 520	1 908	1 992	1 339
Secured by real estate \$1,000	110 678	80 616	407	6 441	18 218	23 180	21 269	11 100
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	2 127	703	2	45	107	131	166	252
\$1,000 to \$4,999	6 348	2 645	12	178	481	616	752	606
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 849	3 143	18	232	749	913	856	375
\$25,000 to \$49,999	703	638	5	66	134	190	164	79
\$50,000 or more	222	201	—	13	49	58	54	27
Not secured by real estate farms	11 619	7 357	117	655	1 613	1 917	1 837	1 218
Not secured by real estate \$1,000	81 327	73 186	455	6 259	20 658	22 257	15 803	7 752
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	3 655	1 546	56	105	239	253	398	495
\$1,000 to \$4,999	4 673	2 772	40	262	587	718	735	430
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 421	2 198	18	222	542	673	540	203
\$25,000 to \$49,999	645	621	3	50	191	198	122	57
\$50,000 or more	225	220	—	16	54	75	42	33
Cash rent farms	9 818	5 915	105	556	1 244	1 335	1 383	1 292
Cash rent \$1,000	127 308	119 492	1 429	11 778	29 726	35 577	25 071	15 911
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	7 065	3 406	43	326	598	614	844	981
\$5,000 to \$9,999	704	568	21	38	168	142	125	74
\$10,000 to \$24,999	794	728	18	51	163	219	165	112
\$25,000 or more	1 255	1 213	23	141	315	360	249	125
Property taxes farms	42 825	20 408	177	1 075	3 097	3 855	5 096	7 108
Property taxes \$1,000	48 485	32 548	154	1 708	6 087	8 019	8 431	8 150
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	41 509	19 293	174	1 005	2 837	3 552	4 796	6 929
\$5,000 to \$9,999	917	754	3	54	162	204	209	122
\$10,000 to \$24,999	326	303	—	13	87	82	74	47
\$25,000 or more	73	58	—	3	11	17	17	10
All other farm production expenses farms	38 686	20 033	228	1 174	3 196	3 906	5 023	6 506
All other farm production expenses \$1,000	315 718	259 584	1 748	20 150	57 868	82 401	65 320	32 096
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	30 346	12 940	135	583	1 584	1 968	3 162	5 508
\$5,000 to \$24,999	5 543	4 543	80	390	995	1 140	1 222	716
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 415	1 291	8	98	300	395	340	150
\$50,000 to \$99,999	909	839	4	69	223	252	199	92
\$100,000 or more	473	420	1	34	94	151	100	40

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity farms	9 365	77	630	1 940	3 267	2 253	1 198
\$1,000	9 473	50	635	1 952	3 648	1 980	1 208
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	7 857	70	522	1 663	2 706	1 872	1 024
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 232	4	96	237	444	306	145
\$5,000 to \$24,999	245	3	10	34	105	69	24
\$25,000 to \$49,999	12	—	—	1	5	3	3
\$50,000 or more	19	—	2	5	7	3	2
Hired farm labor farms	4 870	48	332	1 086	1 856	958	590
\$1,000	28 903	91	2 402	5 265	10 693	4 506	5 947
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 303	43	290	1 007	1 632	807	524
\$5,000 to \$24,999	419	5	33	52	163	121	45
\$25,000 to \$99,999	117	—	5	22	50	25	15
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15	—	2	2	4	4	3
\$250,000 or more	16	—	2	3	7	1	3
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	1 219	21	98	240	397	269	194
workers	2 278	28	253	466	667	412	452
Less than 150 days farms	4 603	48	326	1 048	1 740	877	564
workers	10 018	84	739	2 111	4 034	1 909	1 141
Contract labor farms	2 156	13	162	503	715	547	216
\$1,000	3 933	8	230	1 144	1 210	881	460
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 265	12	89	321	407	333	103
\$1,000 to \$4,999	754	—	60	143	259	190	102
\$5,000 to \$24,999	125	1	13	33	47	21	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	6	—	—	3	1	2	—
\$50,000 or more	6	—	—	3	1	1	1
Repair and maintenance farms	17 326	167	1 416	3 934	5 478	4 075	2 256
\$1,000	31 185	304	2 603	6 767	10 712	7 084	3 713
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	16 299	156	1 354	3 693	5 104	3 813	2 179
\$5,000 to \$24,999	935	11	52	228	341	241	62
\$25,000 to \$49,999	52	—	7	9	16	13	7
\$50,000 or more	40	—	3	4	17	8	8
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	4 098	29	333	956	1 387	857	536
\$1,000	8 227	75	625	1 737	2 557	2 037	1 196
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 355	7	200	608	769	466	305
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 442	19	115	264	545	297	202
\$5,000 to \$24,999	270	2	15	75	65	89	24
\$25,000 to \$49,999	20	1	2	6	5	4	3
\$50,000 or more	11	—	1	3	3	1	3
Interest farms	9 210	108	923	2 472	3 228	1 736	743
\$1,000	38 204	355	3 201	9 338	14 198	8 081	3 031
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	6 963	87	745	1 922	2 360	1 255	594
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 118	21	171	528	821	442	135
\$25,000 to \$99,999	120	—	6	21	43	37	13
\$100,000 or more	9	—	1	1	4	2	1
Secured by real estate farms	6 919	54	659	1 784	2 542	1 347	533
\$1,000	30 063	275	2 457	7 310	11 643	6 226	2 152
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 424	3	135	307	509	335	135
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 703	31	382	1 034	1 327	646	283
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 706	20	138	427	675	339	107
\$25,000 to \$49,999	65	—	3	13	23	20	6
\$50,000 or more	21	—	1	3	8	7	2
Not secured by real estate farms	4 262	74	451	1 211	1 355	733	438
\$1,000	8 141	81	744	2 027	2 555	1 855	879
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 109	41	216	628	627	340	257
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 901	32	225	499	676	315	154
\$5,000 to \$24,999	223	1	7	81	45	69	20
\$25,000 to \$49,999	24	—	3	2	5	7	7
\$50,000 or more	5	—	—	1	2	2	—
Cash rent farms	3 903	116	471	977	1 226	780	333
\$1,000	7 816	177	755	2 074	3 107	1 238	465
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	3 659	113	453	903	1 132	733	325
\$5,000 to \$9,999	136	—	12	37	42	42	3
\$10,000 to \$24,999	66	2	1	27	29	4	3
\$25,000 or more	42	1	5	10	23	1	2
Property taxes farms	22 417	171	1 813	4 956	6 977	5 308	3 192
\$1,000	15 938	87	998	3 456	5 128	3 909	2 357
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	22 216	171	1 808	4 900	6 904	5 267	3 166
\$5,000 to \$9,999	163	—	3	45	65	31	19
\$10,000 to \$24,999	23	—	1	3	6	8	5
\$25,000 or more	15	—	1	8	2	2	2
All other farm production expenses farms	18 653	203	1 481	4 182	5 846	4 353	2 588
\$1,000	56 134	205	3 467	9 591	26 798	10 801	5 273
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	17 406	196	1 407	3 894	5 418	3 998	2 493
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 000	7	51	241	349	286	66
\$25,000 to \$49,999	124	—	17	22	32	42	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	70	—	3	15	25	16	11
\$100,000 or more	53	—	3	10	22	11	7

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹								
All farms..... number..	45 139	21 619	263	1 213	3 363	4 058	5 308	7 414
..... \$1,000..	1 007 988	938 389	10 945	65 190	236 058	265 332	248 041	112 824
Average per farm..... dollars..	22 331	43 406	41 615	53 743	70 193	65 385	46 730	15 218
Farms with net gains ² number..	23 043	13 845	207	787	2 305	2 639	3 391	4 516
Average net gain..... dollars..	52 093	76 186	57 089	98 574	112 582	112 250	81 356	29 628
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	3 308	1 053	10	40	104	98	257	544
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	9 442	4 389	68	117	368	444	1 012	2 380
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	4 836	3 516	51	219	651	679	896	1 020
\$50,000 or more.....	5 457	4 887	78	411	1 182	1 418	1 226	572
Farms with net losses..... number..	22 096	7 774	56	426	1 058	1 419	1 917	2 898
Average net loss..... dollars..	8 707	14 975	15 585	29 078	22 158	21 772	14 522	7 238
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	4 364	1 232	—	22	101	170	292	647
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	13 972	4 484	43	252	516	708	1 120	1 845
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 265	1 634	8	109	345	420	401	351
\$50,000 or more.....	495	424	5	43	96	121	104	55
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	9 477	6 705	107	532	1 323	1 680	1 659	1 404
..... \$1,000..	143 873	132 043	1 861	10 986	30 594	40 289	31 740	16 573
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	8 455	4 952	74	274	873	977	1 226	1 528
..... \$1,000..	72 452	57 584	379	2 529	12 542	11 688	16 298	14 148
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	2 469	1 531	29	133	305	270	393	401
..... \$1,000..	32 229	27 247	224	1 843	6 665	5 263	8 663	4 590
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	1 738	802	2	26	122	129	200	323
..... \$1,000..	21 177	16 466	(D)	(D)	3 181	3 172	3 409	6 466
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	1 589	750	3	10	85	146	253	253
..... \$1,000..	10 991	6 523	(D)	(D)	1 170	1 274	2 041	1 926
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	4 131	2 865	46	171	532	654	660	802
..... \$1,000..	8 056	7 349	109	384	1 525	1 979	2 185	1 167
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	1 704	1 539	50	185	425	424	307	148
..... \$1,000..	104 687	102 299	2 058	10 768	31 313	29 742	20 159	8 260
Corn..... farms..	72	64	—	6	20	20	16	2
..... \$1,000..	1 248	1 242	—	(D)	311	416	341	(D)
Wheat..... farms..	371	330	10	27	101	91	69	32
..... \$1,000..	2 145	2 088	(D)	(D)	591	700	427	201
Soybeans..... farms..	410	344	11	45	77	95	76	40
..... \$1,000..	5 091	4 965	34	272	1 018	2 285	783	573
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	82	76	1	10	21	21	13	10
..... \$1,000..	188	174	(D)	(D)	62	37	39	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	391	367	16	50	95	108	62	36
..... \$1,000..	26 490	26 070	518	2 493	9 523	7 461	4 772	1 303
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	1 109	1 045	28	136	305	280	207	89
..... \$1,000..	69 525	67 760	1 481	7 701	19 808	18 843	13 797	6 130
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	37 205	19 392	224	1 186	2 962	4 036	4 818	6 166
..... acres..	10 062 289	8 297 584	86 313	605 151	1 729 315	2 337 678	2 035 525	1 503 602
Harvested cropland..... farms..	30 125	16 999	199	1 075	2 650	3 606	4 229	5 240
..... acres..	7 665 490	6 873 575	74 708	536 712	1 531 706	2 049 618	1 658 865	1 021 966
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	15 633	6 519	39	259	743	1 078	1 591	2 809
50 to 99 acres.....	4 924	2 628	25	133	291	491	677	1 011
100 to 199 acres.....	2 944	1 914	31	118	278	380	534	573
200 to 499 acres.....	2 378	1 879	54	185	341	428	471	400
500 to 999 acres.....	1 926	1 795	32	198	438	497	424	206
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	1 613	1 568	14	149	416	501	356	132
2,000 acres or more.....	707	696	4	33	143	231	176	109
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	20 799	9 473	60	410	1 140	1 719	2 388	3 756
..... acres..	2 008 011	1 137 845	9 709	51 257	140 043	213 833	299 822	423 181
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	1 228	638	6	41	115	132	148	196
..... acres..	87 207	50 775	237	3 003	8 477	9 970	13 872	15 216
On which all crops failed..... farms..	640	462	5	37	94	127	104	95
..... acres..	41 359	33 846	94	3 160	8 913	9 406	5 901	6 372
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	458	368	4	22	67	107	98	70
..... acres..	39 827	35 563	240	1 621	6 109	13 726	7 668	6 199
Idle..... farms..	2 777	1 666	17	98	324	399	447	381
..... acres..	220 395	165 980	1 325	9 398	34 067	41 125	49 397	30 668
Total woodland..... farms..	23 866	11 516	74	506	1 417	2 169	3 015	4 335
..... acres..	2 327 890	1 323 542	6 103	55 969	152 538	268 391	366 436	474 105
Woodland pastured..... farms..	13 920	6 750	30	251	743	1 163	1 776	2 787
..... acres..	977 259	564 205	2 145	20 907	58 225	116 335	148 181	218 412
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	14 617	7 122	52	347	931	1 391	1 869	2 532
..... acres..	1 350 631	759 337	3 958	35 062	94 313	152 056	218 255	255 693

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹							
All farms..... number..	23 520	271	1 985	5 208	7 240	5 451	3 365
..... \$1,000..	69 599	144	2 609	14 450	24 091	18 073	10 232
Average per farm..... dollars..	2 959	531	1 314	2 775	3 327	3 315	3 041
Farms with net gains ² number..	9 198	113	739	1 758	2 497	2 392	1 699
Average net gain..... dollars..	15 827	8 370	12 458	17 994	20 430	14 929	10 047
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	2 255	36	195	452	556	642	374
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	5 053	58	440	950	1 313	1 205	1 087
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 320	16	60	232	419	407	186
\$50,000 or more.....	570	3	44	124	209	138	52
Farms with net losses..... number..	14 322	158	1 246	3 450	4 743	3 059	1 666
Average net loss..... dollars..	5 305	5 075	5 295	4 981	5 676	5 766	4 105
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	3 132	12	213	689	961	756	501
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	9 488	138	876	2 338	3 111	1 972	1 053
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 631	7	152	405	649	310	108
\$50,000 or more.....	71	1	5	18	22	21	4
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments..... farms..	2 772	29	198	517	816	741	471
..... \$1,000..	11 830	88	964	2 154	3 034	3 524	2 065
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	3 503	8	253	773	1 082	902	485
..... \$1,000..	14 867	22	810	3 200	4 953	3 969	1 914
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	938	—	112	263	264	170	129
..... \$1,000..	4 981	—	512	976	1 523	1 418	553
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	936	8	51	165	262	275	175
..... \$1,000..	4 711	22	82	1 327	1 760	850	671
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	839	—	59	184	293	233	70
..... \$1,000..	4 468	—	202	803	1 267	1 568	627
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	1 266	—	48	278	369	394	177
..... \$1,000..	707	—	15	94	404	132	62
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total..... farms..	165	3	18	43	47	34	20
..... \$1,000..	2 388	(D)	(D)	401	786	475	581
Corn..... farms..	8	—	1	2	5	—	—
..... \$1,000..	5	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—
Wheat..... farms..	41	—	7	13	9	9	3
..... \$1,000..	58	—	(D)	21	11	(D)	(D)
Soybeans..... farms..	66	1	8	14	19	16	8
..... \$1,000..	126	(D)	(D)	16	56	38	14
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	6	—	—	2	1	2	1
..... \$1,000..	14	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	24	—	—	7	4	7	6
..... \$1,000..	420	—	—	35	92	186	108
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	64	2	8	20	21	8	5
..... \$1,000..	1 764	(D)	(D)	318	624	232	453
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland..... farms..	17 813	175	1 453	3 870	5 567	4 286	2 462
..... acres..	1 764 705	14 839	130 655	352 148	574 444	436 910	255 709
Harvested cropland..... farms..	13 126	120	1 048	2 827	4 170	3 168	1 793
..... acres..	791 915	6 600	64 476	164 126	255 316	195 216	106 181
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres.....	9 114	77	718	2 013	2 830	2 188	1 288
50 to 99 acres.....	2 296	24	179	476	753	565	299
100 to 199 acres.....	1 030	14	94	183	357	255	127
200 to 499 acres.....	499	5	42	116	176	112	48
500 to 999 acres.....	131	—	11	25	36	37	22
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	45	—	3	13	15	6	8
2,000 acres or more.....	11	—	1	1	3	5	1
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	11 326	103	939	2 473	3 600	2 711	1 500
..... acres..	870 166	7 512	61 925	171 661	287 777	215 465	125 826
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	590	3	20	130	187	156	94
..... acres..	36 432	(D)	(D)	5 927	12 141	10 649	7 178
On which all crops failed..... farms..	178	3	11	26	70	49	19
..... acres..	7 513	(D)	(D)	1 786	2 716	1 218	1 329
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	90	—	11	29	22	17	17
..... acres..	4 264	—	382	184	1 899	987	812
Idle..... farms..	1 111	7	86	231	320	268	199
..... acres..	54 415	551	3 047	8 464	14 595	13 375	14 383
Total woodland..... farms..	12 350	90	863	2 594	3 940	3 098	1 765
..... acres..	1 004 348	6 384	53 161	182 780	315 935	280 753	165 335
Woodland pastured..... farms..	7 170	53	571	1 515	2 229	1 807	995
..... acres..	413 054	2 850	28 452	76 675	141 628	103 001	60 448
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	7 495	50	453	1 574	2 417	1 878	1 123
..... acres..	591 294	3 534	24 709	106 105	174 307	177 752	104 887

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.								
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	12 288	5 464	47	323	703	1 061	1 387	1 943
acres..	1 466 303	866 049	7 178	46 698	114 805	182 748	235 486	279 134
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	22 162	11 182	84	569	1 625	2 302	2 819	3 783
acres..	508 473	352 491	2 311	18 276	60 379	102 951	79 071	89 503
Irrigated land farms..	6 593	5 609	114	558	1 317	1 571	1 339	710
acres..	3 717 217	3 588 638	47 064	309 757	918 111	1 108 283	822 384	383 039
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	6 450	5 518	113	546	1 293	1 552	1 317	697
acres..	3 705 976	3 580 220	(D)	(D)	916 860	1 104 629	821 120	382 389
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	228	153	2	30	34	33	35	19
acres..	11 241	8 418	(D)	(D)	1 251	3 654	1 264	650
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	1 713	829	9	47	120	164	199	290
acres..	169 105	87 399	1 270	3 323	9 124	21 029	21 298	31 355
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	45 139	21 619	263	1 213	3 363	4 058	5 308	7 414
\$1,000..	16 255 201	11 548 207	105 503	717 620	2 291 521	3 099 875	2 859 421	2 474 267
Average per farm dollars..	360 114	534 169	401 152	591 608	681 392	763 892	538 700	333 729
Average per acre dollars..	1 151	1 109	1 066	1 125	1 175	1 146	1 116	1 007
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	3 536	1 052	29	69	181	101	217	455
\$40,000 to \$69,999	4 629	1 556	20	56	226	166	299	789
\$70,000 to \$99,999	4 765	1 574	23	65	172	202	368	744
\$100,000 to \$149,999	6 537	2 303	18	109	294	295	564	1 023
\$150,000 to \$199,999	5 183	2 240	17	102	292	382	517	930
\$200,000 to \$499,999	12 791	6 847	91	374	944	1 217	1 800	2 421
\$500,000 to \$999,999	4 222	3 011	45	211	560	736	823	636
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	2 261	1 934	14	172	458	591	449	250
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	1 072	971	6	48	210	316	247	144
\$5,000,000 or more	143	131	-	7	26	52	24	22
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	45 137	21 618	263	1 213	3 363	4 057	5 308	7 414
\$1,000..	2 510 490	1 902 355	17 856	126 009	415 696	527 571	465 835	349 388
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	4 270	1 366	10	34	134	158	324	706
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6 614	2 216	35	117	248	232	534	1 050
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9 136	3 446	43	193	416	480	718	1 596
\$20,000 to \$49,999	13 988	6 487	82	280	757	1 053	1 732	2 583
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5 530	3 238	39	197	629	722	816	835
\$100,000 to \$199,999	2 777	2 214	23	203	528	610	541	309
\$200,000 to \$499,999	2 043	1 908	27	145	466	569	457	244
\$500,000 or more	779	743	4	44	185	233	186	91
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	41 110	20 671	252	1 170	3 234	3 966	5 082	6 967
number..	84 449	51 483	489	2 848	8 901	12 407	12 924	13 914
Wheel tractors farms..	40 474	19 451	194	1 008	2 962	3 677	4 805	6 805
number..	77 281	44 975	355	2 236	7 353	10 146	11 573	13 312
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	18 433	8 270	43	333	1 095	1 437	2 268	3 094
number..	22 869	10 704	51	405	1 374	1 950	2 897	4 027
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	30 446	15 793	183	902	2 486	3 163	3 832	5 227
number..	54 412	34 271	304	1 831	5 979	8 196	8 676	9 285
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	25 933	12 882	122	613	1 814	2 474	3 227	4 632
number..	37 139	20 291	199	880	2 909	4 148	5 204	6 951
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	8 213	5 573	71	423	1 228	1 346	1 345	1 160
number..	17 273	13 980	105	951	3 070	4 048	3 472	2 334
Grain and bean combines farms..	5 262	4 423	27	296	998	1 258	1 108	736
number..	6 816	5 846	33	391	1 275	1 687	1 429	1 031
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	1 546	1 431	49	153	372	404	300	153
number..	2 318	2 179	82	204	538	619	500	236
Mower conditioners farms..	11 148	5 990	45	232	693	1 066	1 628	2 326
number..	12 615	6 898	47	267	804	1 289	1 915	2 576
Pickup balers farms..	13 016	7 027	55	242	736	1 209	1 969	2 816
number..	15 954	8 844	68	292	935	1 593	2 445	3 511
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	25 006	13 764	207	811	2 254	2 657	3 263	4 572
acres on which used..	5 602 211	4 882 898	62 158	346 645	1 131 757	1 411 077	1 171 835	759 426
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	3 559	2 803	58	226	670	719	677	453
acres on which used..	1 396 670	1 335 606	21 263	88 762	314 697	419 701	336 099	155 084
Nematodes in crops farms..	648	542	14	34	109	170	138	77
acres on which used..	312 516	301 063	4 474	23 113	57 657	103 760	72 876	39 183
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	1 898	1 522	25	144	373	422	365	193
acres on which used..	619 198	599 570	7 824	49 743	139 925	198 592	132 542	70 944
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	12 564	8 062	178	556	1 516	1 846	2 005	1 961
acres on which used..	4 952 120	4 598 876	61 350	334 951	1 073 385	1 393 891	1 110 291	625 008
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	1 534	1 379	54	134	352	323	318	198
acres on which used..	801 443	785 182	18 934	61 386	186 496	234 768	199 070	84 528

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	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	6 824	80	611	1 613	2 138	1 593	789
acres..	600 254	4 584	43 536	119 668	194 785	152 227	85 454
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	10 980	88	765	2 399	3 453	2 699	1 576
acres..	155 982	1 004	8 421	29 165	46 252	40 543	30 597
Irrigated land farms..	984	10	83	239	297	221	134
acres..	128 579	1 002	12 749	34 485	33 330	27 383	19 630
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	932	10	78	227	277	216	124
acres..	125 756	1 002	12 199	33 665	32 493	27 260	19 137
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	75	—	8	18	29	7	13
acres..	2 823	—	550	820	837	123	493
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	884	4	34	105	234	279	228
acres..	81 706	(D)	(D)	7 050	18 908	30 285	21 927
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	23 520	271	1 985	5 208	7 240	5 451	3 365
\$1,000..	4 706 994	31 724	304 626	968 047	1 604 768	1 163 555	634 274
Average per farm dollars..	200 127	117 063	153 464	185 877	221 653	213 457	188 492
Average per acre dollars..	1 271	860	1 280	1 337	1 340	1 207	1 165
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	2 484	43	298	564	648	549	382
\$40,000 to \$69,999	3 073	79	322	715	886	564	507
\$70,000 to \$99,999	3 191	37	270	720	967	753	444
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4 234	52	367	886	1 317	993	619
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2 943	8	248	713	914	691	369
\$200,000 to \$499,999	5 944	44	410	1 315	1 871	1 450	854
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1 211	7	58	228	461	313	144
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	327	1	10	55	115	111	35
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	101	—	1	9	57	26	8
\$5,000,000 or more	12	—	1	3	4	1	3
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	23 519	271	1 985	5 208	7 239	5 451	3 365
\$1,000..	608 135	7 862	47 345	131 591	201 542	145 704	74 091
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	2 904	16	246	679	814	677	472
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4 398	54	371	861	1 351	1 105	656
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5 690	47	475	1 424	1 593	1 195	956
\$20,000 to \$49,999	7 501	107	671	1 647	2 370	1 743	963
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 292	38	163	435	848	567	241
\$100,000 to \$199,999	563	8	52	108	223	118	54
\$200,000 to \$499,999	135	—	7	50	31	27	20
\$500,000 or more	36	1	—	4	9	19	3
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	20 439	248	1 741	4 493	6 269	4 762	2 926
number..	32 966	415	2 702	7 287	10 338	7 658	4 566
Wheel tractors farms..	21 023	184	1 670	4 528	6 656	5 004	2 981
number..	32 306	329	2 364	6 833	10 477	7 918	4 585
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	10 163	75	786	2 036	3 190	2 540	1 536
number..	12 165	94	867	2 415	3 824	3 088	1 877
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	14 653	147	1 187	3 251	4 724	3 424	1 920
number..	20 141	235	1 497	4 218	6 653	4 830	2 708
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	13 051	110	981	2 926	4 183	3 131	1 720
number..	16 848	161	1 216	3 538	5 516	4 096	2 321
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	2 640	59	254	550	884	568	325
number..	3 293	74	281	680	1 137	734	387
Grain and bean combines farms..	839	—	69	203	257	213	97
number..	970	—	73	235	314	248	100
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	115	8	—	33	30	10	34
number..	139	—	—	40	39	18	34
Mower conditioners farms..	5 158	44	472	1 089	1 732	1 184	637
number..	5 717	51	517	1 170	1 903	1 353	723
Pickup balers farms..	5 989	49	471	1 304	1 957	1 540	668
number..	7 110	56	577	1 476	2 396	1 821	784
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	11 242	83	941	2 520	3 614	2 601	1 483
acres on which used..	719 313	4 276	55 340	165 045	228 666	174 388	91 598
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	756	10	97	119	284	146	100
acres on which used..	61 064	536	3 528	20 268	18 373	12 843	5 516
Nematodes in crops farms..	106	—	11	43	19	19	14
acres on which used..	11 453	—	12	5 595	743	4 410	693
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	376	1	28	87	88	112	60
acres on which used..	19 628	(D)	(D)	5 228	6 441	5 141	2 411
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	4 502	29	447	1 042	1 461	1 038	485
acres on which used..	353 244	2 134	26 664	80 868	119 318	87 665	36 595
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	155	8	15	19	36	27	50
acres on which used..	16 261	400	302	3 273	6 929	2 771	2 586

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR								
All operators	45 142	22 300	254	1 406	3 438	4 610	5 507	7 085
Full owners	27 669	12 272	68	476	1 387	2 197	3 052	5 092
Part owners	12 598	7 062	58	465	1 318	1 640	1 964	1 617
Tenants	4 875	2 966	128	465	733	773	491	376
White	44 208	21 871	252	1 392	3 373	4 509	5 407	6 938
Full owners	27 159	12 055	67	469	1 365	2 159	2 998	4 997
Part owners	12 313	6 907	58	459	1 288	1 598	1 929	1 575
Tenants	4 736	2 909	127	464	720	752	480	366
Black and other races	934	429	2	14	65	101	100	147
Full owners	510	217	1	7	22	38	54	95
Part owners	285	155	—	6	30	42	35	42
Tenants	139	57	1	1	13	21	11	10
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	40 447	19 460	127	950	2 728	3 869	5 051	6 735
acres..	8 220 560	5 386 632	24 182	179 323	688 300	1 215 450	1 489 239	1 790 138
Owned land in farms	40 267	19 334	126	941	2 705	3 837	5 016	6 709
acres..	7 461 111	4 903 602	22 751	173 783	636 076	1 108 031	1 378 389	1 584 572
Land rented or leased from others	17 569	10 068	187	932	2 054	2 417	2 472	2 006
farms..	6 971 829	5 984 322	79 456	555 619	1 434 325	1 792 200	1 352 880	769 842
landlords..	40 094	28 000	395	2 496	6 380	7 607	6 750	4 372
Rented or leased land in farms	17 473	10 028	186	930	2 051	2 413	2 455	1 993
farms..	6 903 844	5 936 064	79 154	552 311	1 420 961	1 783 737	1 338 129	761 772
acres..	3 115	1 643	13	61	186	278	404	701
Land rented or leased to others	827 434	531 288	1 733	8 848	65 588	115 882	125 601	213 636
acres..								
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	32 326	16 482	123	871	2 390	3 323	4 231	5 544
Not on farm operated	9 705	4 161	107	432	789	983	916	934
Not reported	3 111	1 657	24	103	259	304	360	607
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	22 300	22 300	254	1 406	3 438	4 610	5 507	7 085
Other	22 842	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	17 714	14 858	128	790	1 979	2 915	3 731	5 315
Any	24 906	4 920	92	498	1 142	1 293	1 222	673
1 to 99 days	3 191	2 039	48	184	436	475	529	367
100 to 199 days	3 860	1 236	23	125	302	333	312	141
200 days or more	17 855	1 645	21	189	404	485	381	165
Not reported	2 522	2 522	34	118	317	402	554	1 097
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	2 632	932	66	169	220	193	178	106
3 or 4 years	3 793	1 245	52	230	320	293	241	109
5 to 9 years	7 214	2 803	52	494	660	664	558	375
10 years or more	23 782	13 303	—	259	1 696	2 701	3 633	5 014
Average years on present farm	17.9	21.5	3.4	6.7	11.9	16.7	22.5	32.7
Not reported	7 721	4 017	84	254	542	759	897	1 481
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	493	254	254	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	3 361	1 406	—	1 406	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	8 527	3 438	—	—	3 438	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	5 732	2 289	—	—	—	2 289	—	—
50 to 54 years	5 916	2 321	—	—	—	2 321	—	—
55 to 59 years	5 825	2 681	—	—	—	—	2 681	—
60 to 64 years	5 097	2 826	—	—	—	—	2 826	—
65 to 69 years	3 823	2 534	—	—	—	—	—	2 534
70 years and over	6 368	4 551	—	—	—	—	—	4 551
Average age	53.5	56.3	21.6	30.5	40.0	49.5	59.5	72.5
Operators by sex:								
Male	41 256	20 150	235	1 303	3 119	4 140	4 958	6 395
Female	3 886	2 150	19	103	319	470	549	690
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)								
	299	158	—	16	28	39	36	39
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	39 009	18 111	210	1 092	2 591	3 500	4 509	6 209
acres..	9 091 236	6 168 816	69 205	415 103	1 054 123	1 467 381	1 561 944	1 601 060
Partnership	3 891	2 506	25	208	498	605	595	575
acres..	3 535 665	3 159 945	16 478	228 148	686 496	947 260	778 985	502 578
Corporation:								
Family held	1 882	1 487	19	98	308	468	358	236
acres..	1 534 692	1 369 964	16 222	77 120	293 994	425 856	341 323	215 449
More than 10 stockholders	46	28	—	2	6	7	9	4
farms..	1 836	1 459	19	96	302	461	349	232
acres..	143	85	—	5	24	17	20	19
Other than family held	73 058	57 295	—	4 583	13 098	17 031	8 400	14 183
acres..	21	9	—	—	3	2	4	—
More than 10 stockholders	122	76	—	5	21	15	16	19
farms..								
acres..								
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.								
farms..	217	111	—	3	17	20	25	46
acres..	130 304	83 646	—	1 140	9 326	34 240	25 866	13 074

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR							
All operators	22 842	239	1 955	5 089	7 038	5 415	3 106
Full owners	15 397	74	1 021	3 086	4 663	3 957	2 596
Part owners	5 536	40	567	1 463	1 922	1 172	372
Tenants	1 909	125	367	540	453	286	138
White	22 337	236	1 921	4 977	6 888	5 290	3 025
Full owners	15 104	74	1 002	3 038	4 576	3 874	2 540
Part owners	5 406	37	557	1 431	1 879	1 146	356
Tenants	1 827	125	362	508	433	270	129
Black and other races	505	3	34	112	150	125	81
Full owners	293	—	19	48	87	83	56
Part owners	130	3	10	32	43	26	16
Tenants	82	—	5	32	20	16	9
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	20 987	116	1 591	4 566	6 596	5 145	2 973
acres..	2 833 928	9 597	133 245	470 800	856 740	808 180	555 366
Owned land in farms	20 933	114	1 588	4 549	6 585	5 129	2 968
acres..	2 557 509	9 140	123 523	426 949	800 215	723 606	474 076
Land rented or leased from others	7 501	165	938	2 016	2 383	1 479	520
acres..	987 507	17 692	114 253	266 865	334 508	189 868	64 321
landlords..	12 094	226	1 473	3 164	3 875	2 540	816
Rented or leased land in farms	7 445	165	934	2 003	2 375	1 458	510
acres..	967 780	17 671	112 250	256 812	331 201	186 827	63 019
Land rented or leased to others.....	1 472	7	74	232	399	377	383
acres..	296 146	478	11 725	53 904	59 832	87 615	82 592
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	15 844	107	1 278	3 712	5 130	3 744	1 873
Not on farm operated	5 544	104	574	1 125	1 553	1 307	881
Not reported	1 454	28	103	252	355	364	352
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	22 842	239	1 955	5 089	7 038	5 415	3 106
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	2 856	19	55	197	326	631	1 628
Any	19 986	220	1 900	4 892	6 712	4 784	1 478
1 to 99 days	1 152	30	69	191	285	303	274
100 to 199 days	2 624	31	202	549	842	631	369
200 days or more	16 210	159	1 629	4 152	5 585	3 850	835
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	1 700	63	344	556	430	253	54
3 or 4 years	2 548	59	461	825	765	363	75
5 to 9 years	4 411	30	650	1 383	1 430	700	218
10 years or more	10 479	—	224	1 679	3 470	3 185	1 921
Average years on present farm	14.5	3.2	5.5	8.9	13.4	18.6	27.7
Not reported	3 704	87	276	646	943	914	838
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	239	239	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	1 955	—	1 955	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	5 089	—	—	5 089	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	3 443	—	—	—	3 443	—	—
50 to 54 years	3 595	—	—	—	3 595	—	—
55 to 59 years	3 144	—	—	—	—	3 144	—
60 to 64 years	2 271	—	—	—	—	2 271	—
65 to 69 years	1 289	—	—	—	—	—	1 289
70 years and over	1 817	—	—	—	—	—	1 817
Average age	50.7	21.7	30.7	39.9	49.5	58.9	71.9
Operators by sex:							
Male	21 106	218	1 838	4 771	6 570	5 002	2 707
Female	1 736	21	117	318	468	413	399
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)							
	141	5	15	28	50	25	18
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship).....	20 898	223	1 792	4 670	6 481	4 929	2 803
farms..	2 922 420	23 882	199 764	562 761	965 488	747 905	422 620
Partnership	1 385	12	135	300	399	320	219
acres..	375 720	2 363	21 284	79 453	107 415	89 509	75 696
Corporation:							
Family held	395	3	22	86	108	122	54
acres..	164 728	(D)	(D)	31 088	36 148	62 435	20 815
More than 10 stockholders	18	—	—	4	5	6	3
farms..	377	3	22	82	103	116	51
10 or less stockholders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other than family held	58	1	4	12	19	15	7
acres..	15 763	(D)	(D)	(D)	5 364	3 493	2 254
More than 10 stockholders	12	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms..	46	1	3	8	16	14	4
10 or less stockholders	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	106	—	2	21	31	29	23
acres..	46 658	—	(D)	(D)	17 001	7 091	15 710

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 29 903	13 572	91	619	1 577	2 400	3 480	5 405
	number.. 978 007	630 942	4 240	25 342	98 984	129 016	154 335	219 025
	\$1,000.. 378 011	248 101	1 829	9 695	38 346	52 201	60 553	85 476
Calves	farms.. 23 623	10 665	58	488	1 246	1 910	2 727	4 236
	number.. 480 532	295 421	1 323	12 745	44 882	54 208	74 046	108 217
	\$1,000.. 140 934	86 474	423	3 774	11 396	16 815	22 491	31 575
Cattle	farms.. 19 454	9 057	66	400	1 025	1 584	2 372	3 610
	number.. 497 475	335 521	2 917	12 597	54 102	74 808	80 289	110 808
	\$1,000.. 237 077	161 627	1 406	5 921	26 951	35 386	38 063	53 902
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 1 085	454	4	19	49	66	107	209
	number.. 27 795	18 698	(D)	(D)	2 058	5 606	2 983	7 136
	\$1,000.. 17 201	11 695	(D)	(D)	1 417	3 050	2 025	4 596
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 247	664	6	74	183	158	151	92
	number.. 858 741	714 842	(D)	84 266	198 634	179 347	212 474	(D)
Farms with—								
1 to 24	688	232	1	22	64	44	55	46
25 to 49	100	57	2	7	7	11	19	16
50 to 99	59	37	1	5	8	4	10	9
100 to 199	40	27	—	4	5	6	8	4
200 to 499	54	45	—	5	13	14	9	4
500 or more	306	266	2	36	86	79	50	13
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 669	416	4	46	107	93	108	58
	number.. 118 940	110 833	(D)	12 333	31 639	24 389	34 363	(D)
Other	farms.. 1 132	603	5	67	170	146	133	82
	number.. 739 801	604 009	(D)	71 933	166 995	154 958	178 111	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 019	593	6	67	161	148	134	77
	number.. 2 762 914	2 444 542	(D)	326 471	681 845	663 297	618 842	(D)
	\$1,000.. 217 867	186 943	(D)	(D)	55 928	48 058	48 338	10 295
Feeder pigs	farms.. 283	200	3	25	50	51	51	20
	number.. 1 100 261	1 049 599	(D)	138 312	264 266	268 342	275 617	(D)
	\$1,000.. 31 439	29 321	(D)	(D)	5 881	6 610	10 459	3 935
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 713	438	4	48	111	97	117	61
	number.. 210 822	201 189	(D)	25 010	51 822	49 657	60 091	(D)
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 633	401	4	46	103	92	108	48
	number.. 104 647	99 732	(D)	12 282	25 644	24 628	29 887	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 602	393	3	47	101	93	98	51
	number.. 106 175	101 457	(D)	12 728	26 178	25 029	30 204	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 400	152	—	10	37	32	44	29
	number.. 8 284	3 810	—	115	697	554	1 456	988
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 306	114	—	6	27	20	35	26
	number.. 4 682	2 270	—	59	492	342	684	693
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 293	106	—	5	27	22	31	21
	number.. 5 836	2 795	—	81	490	284	1 065	875
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 198	73	—	4	13	14	23	19
	number.. 5 188	2 772	—	90	545	393	829	915
	pounds of wool.. 37 103	18 775	—	536	3 781	2 359	6 028	6 071
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 8 128	3 023	24	214	600	705	684	796
	number.. 40 076	16 223	90	930	3 155	4 431	3 703	3 914
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 509	508	5	33	107	128	136	99
	number.. 10 052	2 132	22	122	341	650	621	376
Goats inventory	farms.. 934	350	2	16	74	60	84	114
	number.. 17 083	9 369	(D)	(D)	1 551	2 105	2 962	2 490
Goats sold	farms.. 353	124	—	4	32	27	33	28
	number.. 5 089	2 737	—	12	518	1 003	648	556
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 835	1 046	10	84	231	256	260	205
	number.. 20 213 603	15 414 340	(D)	(D)	3 226 285	5 659 271	3 420 136	1 796 680
Farms with—								
1 to 399	959	343	2	13	57	59	81	131
400 to 3,199	10	6	—	—	1	—	2	2
3,200 to 9,999	188	145	2	16	32	42	42	11
10,000 to 19,999	386	310	5	38	82	76	81	28
20,000 to 49,999	253	211	1	16	55	67	47	25
50,000 to 99,999	28	23	—	1	3	7	6	6
100,000 or more	11	8	—	—	1	4	1	2
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 643	914	9	75	206	224	230	170
	number.. 15 144 014	11 554 069	88 688	972 526	2 438 850	4 413 856	2 563 368	1 076 781
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 379	202	1	15	39	49	43	55
	number.. 5 069 589	3 860 271	(D)	(D)	787 435	1 245 415	856 768	719 899
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 1 111	825	8	84	204	232	198	99
	number.. 26 350 656	18 766 310	127 816	1 554 984	4 358 375	5 847 231	4 325 144	2 552 760
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 3 650	2 876	23	224	584	770	810	465
	number.. 1 003 161 769	810 956 733	6 848 000	62 418 812	178 028 523	226 168 521	237 879 269	99 613 608
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	41	12	—	—	3	5	2	2
2,000 to 59,999	221	156	—	12	25	34	39	46
60,000 to 99,999	414	299	2	17	43	61	97	79
100,000 or more	2 974	2 409	21	195	513	670	672	338
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 127	44	—	2	10	10	17	5
	number.. 354 377	265 919	—	(D)	(D)	29 011	61 572	(D)
Turkeys sold	farms.. 289	227	3	29	55	67	44	29
	number.. 25 453 814	21 961 677	186 000	2 946 361	4 586 423	5 801 002	5 000 556	3 441 335

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.							
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 16 331	163	1 431	3 685	5 071	3 830	2 151
	number.. 347 065	2 232	23 809	68 629	112 873	87 127	52 395
	\$1,000.. 129 910	809	8 685	25 754	41 874	32 091	20 697
Calves	farms.. 12 958	114	1 160	2 901	4 011	3 054	1 718
	number.. 185 111	1 157	13 394	37 493	60 970	46 627	25 470
	\$1,000.. 54 461	312	3 936	11 293	17 765	13 601	7 554
Cattle	farms.. 10 397	101	874	2 370	3 263	2 431	1 358
	number.. 161 954	1 075	10 415	31 136	51 903	40 500	26 925
	\$1,000.. 75 450	498	4 749	14 461	24 109	18 489	13 144
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 631	7	40	150	164	174	96
	number.. 9 097	85	738	1 728	3 115	1 934	1 497
	\$1,000.. 5 506	45	484	1 105	1 791	1 131	949
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 583	15	65	178	161	117	47
	number.. 143 899	383	2 495	48 507	40 763	48 673	3 078
Farms with—							
1 to 24	456	11	50	145	127	89	34
25 to 49	43	—	5	7	13	11	7
50 to 99	22	3	5	6	1	6	1
100 to 199	13	1	3	6	1	1	1
200 to 499	9	—	1	2	4	—	2
500 or more	40	—	1	12	15	10	2
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 253	10	25	71	71	57	19
	number.. 8 107	103	142	1 221	5 245	1 288	108
Other	farms.. 529	13	58	161	144	110	43
	number.. 135 792	280	2 353	47 286	35 518	47 385	2 970
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 426	12	46	124	117	94	33
	number.. 318 372	283	3 756	84 235	91 018	122 922	16 158
	\$1,000.. 30 924	26	392	8 110	8 796	11 811	1 789
Feeder pigs	farms.. 83	2	3	21	24	30	3
	number.. 50 662	(D)	74	8 814	13 419	28 097	(D)
	\$1,000.. 2 118	(D)	2	280	350	(D)	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 275	10	25	78	77	63	22
	number.. 9 633	96	106	2 051	4 541	1 921	918
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 232	10	20	67	64	53	18
	number.. 4 915	47	(D)	1 196	2 213	850	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 209	9	19	56	59	48	18
	number.. 4 718	49	(D)	855	2 328	1 071	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 248	1	15	74	98	45	15
	number.. 4 474	(D)	(D)	929	2 376	851	158
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 192	1	13	50	81	36	11
	number.. 2 412	(D)	(D)	504	1 218	501	105
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 187	1	11	66	72	31	6
	number.. 3 041	(D)	132	720	1 513	599	(D)
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 125	—	7	39	48	26	5
	number.. 2 416	—	100	672	1 088	442	114
	pounds of wool.. 18 328	—	832	4 951	8 731	3 031	783
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 5 105	39	542	1 441	1 713	972	398
	number.. 23 853	133	2 161	6 013	7 898	5 475	2 173
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 001	3	112	294	350	177	65
	number.. 7 920	5	332	858	926	5 544	255
Goats inventory	farms.. 584	1	53	167	179	121	63
	number.. 7 714	(D)	(D)	1 790	2 351	1 997	1 062
Goats sold	farms.. 229	—	24	73	69	44	19
	number.. 2 352	—	185	606	1 004	371	186
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 789	8	50	239	256	155	81
	number.. 4 799 263	(D)	142 938	822 354	2 920 647	597 436	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 399	616	3	40	182	196	122	73
400 to 3,199	4	—	—	1	2	—	—
3,200 to 9,999	43	—	4	17	12	8	2
10,000 to 19,999	76	3	5	29	23	13	3
20,000 to 49,999	42	1	1	10	18	10	2
50,000 to 99,999	5	1	—	—	2	—	1
100,000 or more	3	—	—	—	3	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 729	5	42	229	235	146	72
	number.. 3 589 945	(D)	74 728	698 594	2 299 584	382 627	(D)
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 177	4	13	48	64	32	16
	number.. 1 209 318	(D)	68 210	123 760	621 063	214 809	(D)
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 286	8	17	95	100	55	11
	number.. 7 584 346	164 385	152 620	1 206 566	4 221 580	1 571 801	267 394
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 774	8	60	163	258	202	83
	number.. 192 205 036	1 111 682	14 786 090	40 161 867	63 615 083	49 524 705	23 005 609
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	29	1	1	14	8	5	—
2,000 to 59,999	65	—	3	19	19	15	15
60,000 to 99,999	115	2	6	23	32	34	18
100,000 or more	565	5	50	113	199	148	50
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 83	—	5	21	39	13	5
	number.. 88 458	—	11	(D)	(D)	52	(D)
Turkeys sold	farms.. 62	1	3	18	27	11	2
	number.. 3 492 137	(D)	(D)	894 016	822 208	1 368 818	(D)

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 831	746	14	68	171	233	171	89
	acres.. 184 079	179 008	2 581	18 006	44 577	58 882	38 380	16 582
	bushels.. 21 901 248	21 375 565	328 008	2 148 440	5 592 252	7 018 468	4 451 018	1 837 379
Irrigated	farms.. 545	520	12	50	124	171	115	48
	acres.. 118 674	116 772	2 509	9 914	31 242	38 100	23 847	11 160
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	106	64	1	2	8	9	17	27
25 to 99 acres	185	162	4	17	40	48	33	20
100 to 249 acres	276	259	4	25	70	81	62	17
250 to 499 acres	183	180	4	16	37	64	43	16
500 acres or more	81	81	1	8	16	31	16	9
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 36	28	—	3	5	9	9	2
	acres.. 3 442	3 309	—	(D)	605	1 966	473	(D)
	tons, green.. 41 671	40 503	—	(D)	6 088	25 444	5 591	(D)
Irrigated	farms.. 6	5	—	1	—	4	—	—
	acres.. 818	(D)	—	(D)	—	676	—	—
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 875	777	12	69	176	226	185	109
	acres.. 130 948	124 385	547	9 499	31 201	39 801	29 847	13 490
	bushels.. 8 988 578	8 589 351	29 102	620 454	2 147 044	2 765 620	2 096 103	931 028
Irrigated	farms.. 188	178	1	14	40	60	33	30
	acres.. 21 757	20 967	(D)	(D)	4 275	8 130	3 659	4 089
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	96	72	3	2	10	14	22	21
25 to 99 acres	327	273	9	32	47	67	74	44
100 to 249 acres	302	285	—	26	86	92	52	29
250 to 499 acres	108	106	—	6	23	40	25	12
500 acres or more	42	41	—	3	10	13	12	3
Wheat for grain	farms.. 3 361	2 944	46	233	697	814	723	431
	acres.. 763 388	724 217	6 816	42 554	171 620	224 199	178 917	100 111
	bushels.. 35 361 702	33 760 432	304 538	1 994 624	8 180 692	10 830 094	8 052 406	4 398 078
Irrigated	farms.. 323	294	4	24	73	76	72	45
	acres.. 57 935	55 200	1 123	1 981	16 195	16 416	13 263	6 222
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	254	160	1	14	30	34	41	40
25 to 99 acres	984	785	23	76	169	175	208	134
100 to 249 acres	1 068	977	14	92	246	270	231	124
250 to 499 acres	646	619	6	35	162	203	145	68
500 acres or more	409	403	2	16	90	132	98	65
Rice	farms.. 4 207	3 856	75	404	932	1 130	899	416
	acres.. 1 384 969	1 335 214	18 197	118 386	333 198	411 884	307 534	146 015
	cwt.. 78 882 488	76 201 826	989 703	6 901 494	19 017 595	23 578 043	17 488 382	8 226 609
Irrigated	farms.. 4 207	3 856	75	404	932	1 130	899	416
	acres.. 1 384 969	1 335 214	18 197	118 386	333 198	411 884	307 534	146 015
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	92	52	—	5	9	17	11	10
25 to 99 acres	662	515	22	48	102	126	132	85
100 to 249 acres	1 297	1 193	24	159	279	340	279	112
250 to 499 acres	1 327	1 282	22	130	339	381	288	122
500 acres or more	829	814	7	62	203	266	189	87
Cotton	farms.. 1 730	1 577	38	160	381	440	354	204
	acres.. 962 272	936 406	12 485	75 632	235 329	275 474	236 131	101 355
	bales.. 1 621 344	1 580 748	20 907	123 903	403 932	476 261	390 796	164 949
Irrigated	farms.. 1 249	1 169	26	121	300	336	265	121
	acres.. 584 670	569 992	8 531	47 948	157 484	165 727	137 336	52 966
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	55	34	—	5	7	7	4	11
25 to 99 acres	243	173	9	16	36	39	34	39
100 to 249 acres	308	277	11	36	59	78	54	39
250 to 499 acres	421	401	9	47	105	109	84	47
500 acres or more	703	692	9	56	174	207	178	68
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 6 889	5 750	123	548	1 279	1 579	1 374	847
	acres.. 3 571 342	3 387 509	35 069	266 083	762 258	1 057 600	817 056	449 443
	bushels.. 103 074 994	98 583 404	1 003 063	7 668 206	22 812 090	31 091 133	23 533 591	12 475 321
Irrigated	farms.. 3 970	3 631	76	367	884	1 087	832	385
	acres.. 1 576 296	1 522 115	17 895	131 188	387 775	473 174	346 222	165 861
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	339	148	2	12	22	26	33	53
25 to 99 acres	1 138	668	31	52	111	127	164	183
100 to 249 acres	1 307	1 042	41	132	208	223	255	183
250 to 499 acres	1 533	1 402	32	153	318	401	347	151
500 acres or more	2 572	2 490	17	199	620	802	575	277
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 39	21	—	—	6	5	5	5
	acres.. 135	119	—	—	57	(D)	5	(D)
	cwt.. 7 358	5 349	—	—	3 346	(D)	415	(D)
Irrigated	farms.. 17	12	—	—	5	3	2	2
	acres.. 67	64	—	—	56	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED							
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 85	—	6	22	24	23	10
	acres.. 5 071	—	300	1 519	1 223	1 582	447
	bushels.. 525 683	—	28 380	160 994	118 075	174 494	43 740
Irrigated	farms.. 25	—	3	7	5	7	3
	acres.. 1 902	—	230	546	181	707	238
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	42	—	3	12	13	10	4
25 to 99 acres	23	—	—	2	8	6	5
100 to 249 acres	17	—	1	7	2	6	1
250 to 499 acres	3	—	—	1	1	1	—
500 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 8	—	1	4	1	2	—
	acres.. 133	—	(D)	41	(D)	(D)	—
	tons, green.. 1 168	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—
Irrigated	farms.. 1	—	—	—	—	1	—
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	—
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 98	2	6	17	34	28	11
	acres.. 6 563	(D)	(D)	698	2 716	2 147	487
	bushels.. 399 227	(D)	(D)	32 473	158 657	143 498	38 591
Irrigated	farms.. 10	—	—	3	1	4	2
	acres.. 790	—	—	(D)	(D)	381	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	24	—	2	5	7	7	3
25 to 99 acres	54	2	—	11	19	14	6
100 to 249 acres	17	—	2	1	7	5	2
250 to 499 acres	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
500 acres or more	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Wheat for grain	farms.. 417	5	41	114	114	94	49
	acres.. 39 171	310	4 060	8 627	9 763	8 529	7 882
	bushels.. 1 601 270	12 161	164 586	357 304	425 182	331 226	310 811
Irrigated	farms.. 29	1	1	8	9	4	6
	acres.. 2 735	(D)	(D)	622	869	(D)	395
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	94	1	7	32	19	21	14
25 to 99 acres	199	3	18	46	68	43	21
100 to 249 acres	91	1	12	32	18	20	8
250 to 499 acres	27	—	3	4	7	8	5
500 acres or more	6	—	1	—	2	2	1
Rice	farms.. 351	7	45	91	102	72	34
	acres.. 49 755	508	6 419	13 601	11 087	11 662	6 478
	cwt.. 2 680 662	25 250	355 540	705 917	594 649	643 372	355 934
Irrigated	farms.. 351	7	45	91	102	72	34
	acres.. 49 755	508	6 419	13 601	11 087	11 662	6 478
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	40	1	7	10	9	9	4
25 to 99 acres	147	4	13	33	58	27	12
100 to 249 acres	104	2	19	30	18	26	9
250 to 499 acres	45	—	4	14	16	5	6
500 acres or more	15	—	2	4	1	5	3
Cotton	farms.. 153	2	9	32	45	37	28
	acres.. 25 866	(D)	(D)	6 603	8 239	6 076	3 954
	bales.. 40 596	(D)	(D)	10 506	12 660	9 316	6 343
Irrigated	farms.. 80	1	4	19	23	14	19
	acres.. 14 678	(D)	(D)	4 524	4 743	2 170	2 608
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	21	1	2	1	6	4	7
25 to 99 acres	70	1	5	15	21	18	10
100 to 249 acres	31	—	1	9	10	7	4
250 to 499 acres	20	—	1	5	3	5	6
500 acres or more	11	—	—	2	5	3	1
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 1 139	21	103	253	338	277	147
	acres.. 183 833	2 264	16 324	41 570	60 331	41 948	21 396
	bushels.. 4 491 590	56 902	380 048	1 065 885	1 506 737	943 763	538 255
Irrigated	farms.. 339	3	33	88	91	72	52
	acres.. 54 181	491	5 123	14 221	14 184	11 168	8 994
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	191	1	20	46	45	45	34
25 to 99 acres	470	11	40	88	142	120	69
100 to 249 acres	265	6	22	71	85	59	22
250 to 499 acres	131	3	14	33	35	37	9
500 acres or more	82	—	7	15	31	16	13
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 18	—	—	2	6	6	4
	acres.. 16	—	—	(D)	5	(D)	8
	cwt.. 2 009	—	—	(D)	582	(D)	540
Irrigated	farms.. 5	—	—	1	2	1	1
	acres.. 3	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . farms..	22 201	10 845	61	496	1 270	1 961	2 746	4 311
acres..	1 232 771	732 577	4 509	39 626	93 002	144 966	189 807	260 667
tons, dry..	2 396 515	1 481 894	9 242	82 103	197 461	312 335	387 257	493 496
Irrigated farms..	298	203	2	26	36	46	52	41
acres..	11 938	8 960	(D)	(D)	1 773	2 481	2 380	1 274
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	8 107	3 121	17	143	328	516	742	1 375
25 to 99 acres	10 725	5 436	27	223	617	962	1 383	2 224
100 to 249 acres	2 838	1 888	13	103	272	401	527	572
250 to 499 acres	415	307	4	20	40	57	74	112
500 acres or more	116	93	—	7	13	25	20	28
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text) farms..	15 134	7 516	49	355	947	1 419	1 921	2 825
acres..	820 972	491 056	3 315	25 911	66 333	101 792	124 762	168 943
tons, dry..	1 729 558	1 074 453	7 150	59 614	151 460	234 296	278 001	343 932
Irrigated farms..	243	166	1	21	33	39	45	27
acres..	9 599	7 202	(D)	(D)	1 648	1 847	2 129	1 016
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	536	335	1	14	63	79	97	81
acres..	14 480	12 789	(D)	(D)	2 974	4 992	2 478	2 016
Irrigated farms..	270	184	1	10	40	46	51	36
acres..	7 442	6 840	(D)	(D)	1 865	2 675	1 251	874
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	261	125	1	1	22	24	34	43
5.0 to 24.9 acres	183	131	—	9	26	29	43	24
25.0 to 99.9 acres	54	43	—	4	8	8	13	10
100.0 to 249.9 acres	26	24	—	—	3	14	5	2
250.0 acres or more	12	12	—	—	4	4	2	2
Land in orchards farms..	646	328	—	6	43	64	84	131
acres..	14 334	8 918	—	284	850	1 976	2 580	3 228
Irrigated farms..	135	63	—	—	11	6	18	28
acres..	1 589	1 086	—	—	167	129	363	429
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	317	135	—	1	16	21	43	54
5.0 to 24.9 acres	207	102	—	1	14	24	19	44
25.0 to 99.9 acres	97	72	—	4	13	15	17	23
100.0 to 249.9 acres	18	16	—	—	—	3	3	10
250.0 acres or more	7	3	—	—	—	1	2	—

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