

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	74 126	39 267	218	1 667	5 944	8 557	8 366	14 515
number								
percent	100.0	53.0	.3	2.2	8.0	11.5	11.3	19.6
Land in farms	27 698 779	22 344 516	81 552	816 533	3 636 944	5 354 158	5 610 889	6 844 440
acres								
Average size of farm	374	569	374	490	612	626	671	472
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text)	74 126	39 267	218	1 667	5 944	8 557	8 366	14 515
farms								
\$1,000	23 032 259	20 143 028	81 871	904 301	4 062 278	5 893 859	4 609 322	4 591 397
Average per farm	310 718	512 976	375 555	542 472	683 425	688 776	550 959	316 321
dollars								
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	12 874	3 807	8	82	357	631	827	1 902
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6 599	1 999	10	50	206	293	408	1 032
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6 516	2 325	17	59	236	392	425	1 196
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6 498	2 680	11	101	270	471	524	1 303
\$10,000 to \$19,999	6 529	3 106	23	102	308	551	679	1 443
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2 092	1 084	7	38	141	204	229	465
\$25,000 to \$39,999	4 552	2 454	16	107	341	444	492	1 054
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2 195	1 316	6	73	197	266	290	484
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6 544	4 321	30	226	670	944	936	1 515
\$100,000 to \$249,999	7 580	5 562	43	285	993	1 426	1 163	1 652
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4 243	3 535	10	187	706	960	811	861
\$500,000 to \$999,999	3 129	2 760	15	143	608	754	580	660
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	2 925	2 655	13	126	564	747	628	577
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	1 116	1 001	8	60	198	289	225	221
\$5,000,000 or more	734	662	1	28	149	185	149	150
Grains	4 812	3 996	55	256	836	1 078	788	983
farms								
\$1,000	831 652	768 429	6 444	46 304	166 994	227 646	137 873	183 168
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 904	2 593	38	179	551	752	494	579
\$1,000	797 177	741 328	6 126	44 462	161 290	221 266	132 181	176 003
Corn for grain	907	823	12	47	175	230	169	190
\$1,000	123 404	117 658	887	4 714	23 836	36 628	23 066	28 527
Wheat	2 049	1 801	14	92	346	472	379	498
\$1,000	167 978	160 636	565	7 991	29 412	42 121	34 549	45 998
Soybeans	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sorghum for grain	74	68	2	4	16	17	9	20
\$1,000	2 193	2 090	(D)	(D)	324	856	197	614
Barley	515	407	1	20	75	111	77	123
\$1,000	20 749	19 104	(D)	(D)	3 195	6 065	3 694	5 316
Oats	141	118	3	5	23	31	24	32
\$1,000	2 831	2 499	(D)	(D)	426	965	417	547
Other grains	2 726	2 274	41	169	495	659	431	479
\$1,000	514 498	466 443	4 943	32 571	109 802	141 011	75 950	102 167
Cotton and cottonseed	1 832	1 699	9	90	324	463	375	438
\$1,000	1 035 607	985 444	4 197	30 297	221 839	275 348	191 236	262 525
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 585	1 502	6	74	294	424	337	367
\$1,000	1 029 230	980 172	4 152	29 817	221 043	274 386	189 967	260 808
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms								
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	6 172	4 449	29	230	847	1 074	956	1 313
farms								
\$1,000	816 502	763 566	2 266	49 210	153 127	203 310	180 192	175 461
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 445	2 243	11	121	485	607	503	516
\$1,000	769 748	730 301	2 053	46 978	146 988	195 301	173 247	165 735
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	4 488	3 482	23	236	737	1 050	662	774
farms								
\$1,000	4 019 298	3 743 110	4 916	141 968	845 672	1 147 766	810 986	791 802
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 458	2 204	11	138	489	680	423	463
\$1,000	3 992 576	3 725 141	4 758	140 353	841 761	1 143 103	807 415	787 752
Fruits, nuts, and berries	33 004	18 036	71	603	2 452	3 644	3 876	7 390
farms								
\$1,000	7 822 769	6 360 408	41 767	201 492	1 231 850	1 778 115	1 546 825	1 560 359
Sales of \$50,000 or more	14 216	10 315	45	391	1 739	2 507	2 336	3 297
\$1,000	7 579 651	6 238 624	41 286	197 110	1 219 054	1 758 342	1 521 547	1 501 285
Nursery and greenhouse crops	4 988	2 901	11	118	560	855	632	725
farms								
\$1,000	2 210 574	1 930 417	2 646	36 948	385 417	726 031	460 284	319 090
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 922	1 509	3	62	320	492	348	284
\$1,000	2 173 573	1 910 927	2 511	36 312	381 356	721 162	456 193	313 393
Other crops	951	810	9	48	196	240	137	180
farms								
\$1,000	297 312	285 847	1 055	12 018	56 489	73 989	72 341	69 955
Sales of \$50,000 or more	586	553	7	29	125	164	99	129
\$1,000	292 439	281 904	(D)	(D)	55 042	72 935	71 912	69 215
Poultry and poultry products	1 922	1 047	1	46	192	306	247	255
farms								
\$1,000	1 181 156	1 003 824	(D)	(D)	163 320	276 917	240 643	263 917
Sales of \$50,000 or more	493	424	—	34	95	128	77	90
\$1,000	1 176 850	1 001 284	—	59 623	162 794	276 204	239 952	262 712
Dairy products	2 218	1 958	12	138	425	493	459	431
farms								
\$1,000	3 177 770	2 911 960	14 700	258 001	653 011	661 231	666 379	658 639
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 084	1 895	12	134	415	481	443	410
\$1,000	3 174 932	2 910 462	14 700	257 872	652 776	660 986	665 959	658 170
Cattle and calves	16 007	8 919	51	366	1 242	1 799	1 934	3 527
farms								
\$1,000	1 411 055	1 209 822	3 338	63 038	130 937	481 166	255 552	275 790
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 975	2 517	10	129	422	606	578	772
\$1,000	1 280 444	1 127 687	2 809	59 606	118 852	464 394	238 478	243 548

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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
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms	34 859	164	1 333	5 810	10 883	9 005	7 664
number							
percent	47.0	.2	1.8	7.8	14.7	12.1	10.3
Land in farms	5 354 263	19 471	210 776	866 470	1 574 528	1 177 628	1 505 390
acres							
Average size of farm	154	119	158	149	145	131	196
acres							
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	34 859	164	1 333	5 810	10 883	9 005	7 664
farms							
\$1,000	2 889 231	6 369	89 509	514 907	778 039	695 295	805 112
Average per farm	82 883	38 835	67 149	88 624	71 491	77 212	105 051
dollars							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	9 067	21	310	1 520	2 896	2 321	1 999
\$1,000 to \$2,499	4 600	28	180	773	1 469	1 212	938
\$2,500 to \$4,999	4 191	22	178	726	1 329	1 054	882
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3 818	27	141	610	1 206	1 000	834
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3 423	28	141	591	1 081	894	688
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1 008	12	38	191	297	270	200
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2 098	10	105	331	647	559	446
\$40,000 to \$49,999	879	3	26	137	284	225	204
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 223	3	91	370	650	577	532
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2 018	7	68	319	589	509	526
\$250,000 to \$499,999	708	2	23	96	209	180	198
\$500,000 to \$999,999	369	—	14	56	104	93	102
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	270	—	10	58	77	63	62
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	115	1	5	18	28	33	30
\$5,000,000 or more	72	—	3	14	17	15	23
Grains	816	8	57	169	252	150	180
farms							
\$1,000	63 223	90	3 185	11 844	22 148	9 000	16 956
Sales of \$50,000 or more	311	—	16	69	96	46	84
farms							
\$1,000	55 849	—	2 523	10 285	19 998	7 552	15 492
Corn for grain	84	—	8	12	25	22	17
farms							
\$1,000	5 746	—	170	298	1 310	1 054	2 915
Wheat	248	3	16	53	73	49	54
farms							
\$1,000	7 342	27	577	960	2 508	1 448	1 824
Soybeans	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sorghum for grain	6	—	—	1	—	1	4
farms							
\$1,000	102	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Barley	108	—	12	15	35	21	25
farms							
\$1,000	1 645	—	(D)	(D)	342	392	543
Oats	23	—	2	2	10	6	3
farms							
\$1,000	332	—	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	(D)
Other grains	452	5	30	96	148	68	105
farms							
\$1,000	48 056	63	2 274	10 196	17 893	6 075	11 555
Cotton and cottonseed	133	2	5	29	33	31	33
farms							
\$1,000	50 163	(D)	(D)	(D)	8 511	11 437	24 474
Sales of \$50,000 or more	83	—	3	17	21	18	24
farms							
\$1,000	49 058	—	(D)	(D)	8 308	10 994	24 319
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	1 723	15	95	372	523	392	326
farms							
\$1,000	52 935	382	2 618	9 845	14 884	10 176	15 030
Sales of \$50,000 or more	202	1	19	58	36	46	42
farms							
\$1,000	39 446	(D)	(D)	7 126	10 294	7 142	12 787
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1 006	22	74	194	338	212	166
farms							
\$1,000	276 188	756	8 656	44 659	76 120	75 273	70 724
Sales of \$50,000 or more	254	3	24	52	78	49	48
farms							
\$1,000	267 436	481	8 138	43 299	73 106	73 312	69 100
Fruits, nuts, and berries	14 968	28	384	2 080	4 492	4 156	3 828
farms							
\$1,000	1 462 361	989	25 933	220 292	409 327	401 760	404 060
Sales of \$50,000 or more	3 901	6	101	517	1 131	1 076	1 070
farms							
\$1,000	1 341 027	784	22 241	203 281	371 533	367 815	375 372
Nursery and greenhouse crops	2 087	12	85	380	695	508	407
farms							
\$1,000	280 157	161	18 358	67 694	81 810	68 269	43 865
Sales of \$50,000 or more	413	—	21	100	127	87	78
farms							
\$1,000	262 646	—	17 679	64 661	76 340	63 860	40 106
Other crops	141	—	7	24	50	33	27
farms							
\$1,000	11 465	—	(D)	(D)	3 922	2 348	1 695
Sales of \$50,000 or more	33	—	1	2	14	7	9
farms							
\$1,000	10 535	—	(D)	(D)	3 493	2 168	1 513
Poultry and poultry products	875	4	41	197	335	207	91
farms							
\$1,000	177 332	(D)	(D)	20 981	60 815	33 714	56 923
Sales of \$50,000 or more	69	1	5	13	20	16	14
farms							
\$1,000	175 565	(D)	(D)	20 613	60 333	33 099	56 712
Dairy products	260	2	23	67	62	41	65
farms							
\$1,000	265 810	(D)	(D)	63 705	42 590	38 616	102 969
Sales of \$50,000 or more	189	2	45	51	45	25	47
farms							
\$1,000	264 470	(D)	(D)	63 424	42 303	38 321	102 557
Cattle and calves	7 088	56	370	1 319	2 156	1 771	1 416
farms							
\$1,000	201 233	465	5 141	63 482	42 690	33 056	56 398
Sales of \$50,000 or more	458	1	16	85	134	106	116
farms							
\$1,000	152 757	(D)	(D)	54 144	28 483	21 223	46 315

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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.. 1 193	456	8	23	87	128	100	110
	\$1,000.. 38 753	35 450	255	1 585	19 372	3 344	5 895	4 998
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 54	49	1	5	11	11	13	8
	\$1,000.. 34 535	33 386	(D)	(D)	19 137	2 668	5 494	4 363
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 2 735	1 252	14	26	156	286	300	470
	\$1,000.. 49 142	43 850	(D)	(D)	4 761	7 477	17 600	12 728
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 119	111	—	3	22	21	31	34
	\$1,000.. 42 746	40 119	—	1 122	4 404	6 519	16 803	11 271
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 5 276	2 418	10	91	460	653	580	624
	\$1,000.. 140 670	100 903	213	2 538	29 488	31 519	23 516	13 630
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 390	293	2	12	74	87	72	46
	\$1,000.. 110 434	84 833	(D)	(D)	26 328	27 006	19 242	10 187
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 5 901	3 051	13	124	480	747	620	1 067
	\$1,000.. 73 179	57 099	74	2 364	13 495	18 283	10 522	12 361
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses								
	farms.. 74 128	38 860	238	1 679	5 580	8 368	8 298	14 697
	\$1,000.. 16 817 253	14 728 796	63 739	656 920	3 005 971	4 271 457	3 357 357	3 373 354
Average per farm	dollars.. 226 868	379 022	267 812	391 256	538 704	510 451	404 598	229 527
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 10 957	5 957	27	319	999	1 421	1 386	1 805
	\$1,000.. 759 223	644 223	1 768	43 841	105 039	238 724	147 103	107 748
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	6 528	2 743	5	126	371	574	658	1 009
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 318	1 464	9	70	270	412	344	359
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 166	925	8	46	157	244	205	265
\$100,000 to \$249,999	481	429	3	34	112	107	96	77
\$250,000 or more	464	396	2	43	89	84	83	95
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 20 385	10 521	43	426	1 559	2 475	2 420	3 598
	\$1,000.. 2 588 982	2 315 037	5 606	164 285	488 216	612 278	526 922	517 730
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	13 836	5 508	28	144	671	1 181	1 227	2 257
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 192	2 043	1	89	302	514	465	672
\$25,000 to \$99,999	929	783	2	44	105	211	228	193
\$100,000 to \$249,999	594	520	5	35	112	139	130	99
\$250,000 or more	1 834	1 667	7	114	369	430	370	377
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 10 530	5 837	26	277	985	1 456	1 394	1 699
	\$1,000.. 1 483 026	1 308 990	3 669	88 173	247 609	350 054	317 181	302 304
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	7 158	2 925	13	94	430	697	640	1 051
\$5,000 to \$24,999	891	679	—	40	99	188	204	148
\$25,000 to \$99,999	724	647	5	29	120	172	194	127
\$100,000 or more	1 757	1 586	8	114	336	399	356	373
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 22 653	15 516	137	912	2 820	3 950	3 296	4 401
	\$1,000.. 526 323	469 057	2 343	18 981	114 669	138 282	102 413	92 368
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	9 493	4 846	27	216	578	993	1 066	1 966
\$1,000 to \$4,999	5 477	3 995	48	212	782	1 048	813	1 092
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 798	4 060	49	359	874	1 083	875	820
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 165	1 050	3	44	235	327	227	214
\$50,000 or more	1 720	1 565	10	81	351	499	315	309
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 42 312	25 040	143	1 112	3 850	5 593	5 379	8 963
	\$1,000.. 746 325	660 772	3 533	29 764	137 117	189 253	141 084	160 021
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	28 428	13 556	74	501	1 557	2 635	2 838	5 951
\$5,000 to \$24,999	8 569	6 638	48	369	1 295	1 613	1 450	1 863
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 330	2 069	10	114	415	535	476	519
\$50,000 or more	2 985	2 777	11	128	583	810	615	630
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 44 327	26 144	143	1 101	3 984	5 778	5 614	9 524
	\$1,000.. 957 006	843 900	4 079	30 574	184 670	239 631	183 066	201 879
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	28 575	13 569	52	403	1 561	2 642	2 919	5 992
\$5,000 to \$24,999	9 565	7 044	51	442	1 278	1 533	1 471	2 269
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 644	2 287	26	126	452	654	501	528
\$50,000 or more	3 543	3 244	14	130	693	949	723	735
Petroleum products	farms.. 63 187	35 211	217	1 523	5 143	7 633	7 602	13 093
	\$1,000.. 488 226	427 879	2 412	17 205	85 702	125 201	92 312	105 048
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	50 321	23 925	125	935	2 857	4 502	5 109	10 397
\$5,000 to \$24,999	8 956	7 707	72	397	1 542	2 138	1 700	1 858
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 047	1 862	12	120	395	488	410	437
\$50,000 or more	1 863	1 717	8	71	349	505	383	401
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 50 757	29 121	181	1 270	4 294	6 263	6 238	10 875
	\$1,000.. 156 631	131 432	749	5 604	25 356	36 642	28 140	34 940
Diesel fuel	farms.. 41 927	25 821	158	1 089	4 126	5 895	5 688	8 865
	\$1,000.. 234 806	210 819	1 242	8 541	42 604	62 513	44 046	51 872
Natural gas	farms.. 3 003	2 167	16	113	347	580	454	657
	\$1,000.. 43 222	38 059	187	1 048	7 012	12 438	9 793	7 581
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 43 113	27 967	198	1 278	4 356	6 425	6 105	9 605
	\$1,000.. 53 567	47 570	233	2 012	10 730	13 608	10 333	10 655

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MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs .. farms ..	737	9	47	221	272	136	52
\$1,000 ..	3 304	62	154	571	1 768	524	224
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms ..	5	—	1	—	3	1	—
\$1,000 ..	1 149	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—
Sheep, lambs, and wool .. farms ..	1 483	9	60	303	528	386	197
\$1,000 ..	5 292	9	574	446	2 088	1 610	564
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms ..	8	—	1	—	2	4	1
\$1,000 ..	2 626	—	(D)	—	(D)	819	(D)
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .. farms ..	2 858	17	140	654	1 048	678	321
\$1,000 ..	39 767	129	943	6 590	11 364	9 512	11 230
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms ..	97	—	2	15	33	32	15
\$1,000 ..	25 601	—	(D)	(D)	6 385	6 037	9 283
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .. farms ..	2 850	19	110	520	1 048	694	459
\$1,000 ..	16 081	225	822	3 175	5 139	3 455	3 265
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses .. farms ..	35 268	196	1 273	5 920	10 650	9 148	8 081
\$1,000 ..	2 088 456	5 271	70 798	355 055	554 670	498 706	603 956
Average per farm .. dollars ..	59 217	26 892	55 615	59 975	52 082	54 515	74 738
Livestock and poultry purchased .. farms ..	5 000	66	214	1 091	1 679	1 135	815
\$1,000 ..	115 000	607	3 322	32 262	36 377	14 398	28 034
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	3 785	59	115	863	1 269	898	581
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	854	6	86	166	287	166	143
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	241	—	6	33	92	47	63
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	52	—	6	15	14	9	8
\$250,000 or more ..	68	1	1	14	17	15	20
Feed for livestock and poultry .. farms ..	9 864	104	394	2 044	3 185	2 430	1 707
\$1,000 ..	273 945	(D)	(D)	54 073	53 634	52 428	101 681
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	8 328	90	291	1 754	2 726	2 088	1 379
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 149	12	75	223	358	247	234
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	146	1	7	18	33	49	38
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	74	—	10	8	31	16	9
\$250,000 or more ..	167	1	11	41	37	30	47
Commercially mixed formula feeds .. farms ..	4 693	39	235	1 093	1 503	1 070	753
\$1,000 ..	174 036	(D)	(D)	33 839	33 352	35 086	64 445
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	4 233	37	214	994	1 364	950	674
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	212	—	2	45	69	77	19
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	77	1	19	21	18	18	18
\$100,000 or more ..	171	1	19	35	49	25	42
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .. farms ..	7 137	32	292	1 340	2 299	1 693	1 481
\$1,000 ..	57 266	(D)	(D)	8 442	16 100	14 522	12 852
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	4 647	23	169	837	1 499	1 170	949
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	1 482	9	84	293	482	322	292
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	738	—	31	173	236	123	175
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	115	—	4	14	31	35	31
\$50,000 or more ..	155	—	4	23	51	43	34
Commercial fertilizer .. farms ..	17 272	53	629	2 710	5 225	4 565	4 090
\$1,000 ..	85 553	36	2 601	11 779	18 821	25 982	26 334
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	14 872	53	553	2 389	4 511	3 942	3 424
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 931	—	64	259	588	490	530
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	261	—	7	33	71	76	74
\$50,000 or more ..	208	—	5	29	55	57	62
Agricultural chemicals .. farms ..	18 183	81	627	3 053	5 250	4 775	4 397
\$1,000 ..	113 106	52	3 010	16 382	28 393	30 877	34 391
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	15 006	79	507	2 529	4 369	3 989	3 533
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	2 521	2	103	453	730	587	646
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	357	—	8	29	71	110	139
\$50,000 or more ..	299	—	9	42	80	89	79
Petroleum products .. farms ..	27 976	180	999	4 790	8 492	7 404	6 111
\$1,000 ..	60 347	212	2 336	10 816	15 819	14 003	17 162
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	26 396	178	935	4 484	8 049	7 088	5 662
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 249	—	46	239	372	238	354
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	185	2	12	40	36	45	50
\$50,000 or more ..	146	—	6	27	35	33	45
Gasoline and gasohol .. farms ..	21 636	130	780	3 522	6 480	5 807	4 917
\$1,000 ..	25 199	95	914	4 229	6 809	5 478	7 673
Diesel fuel .. farms ..	16 106	100	636	2 976	4 808	4 358	3 228
\$1,000 ..	23 988	70	920	4 226	6 341	5 622	6 809
Natural gas .. farms ..	836	10	52	162	216	183	213
\$1,000 ..	5 163	32	271	1 323	1 061	1 603	872
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. .. farms ..	15 146	97	657	2 555	4 569	4 158	3 110
\$1,000 ..	5 997	15	232	1 037	1 608	1 299	1 806

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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	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	52 395	30 399	187	1 285	4 578	6 797	6 701	10 851
Electricity \$1,000	526 592	455 098	2 479	17 455	88 514	131 643	101 451	113 557
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	22 947	9 856	43	303	1 009	1 776	2 139	4 586
\$1,000 to \$4,999	16 537	9 702	84	379	1 427	2 199	2 124	3 489
\$5,000 to \$24,999	8 732	7 085	44	427	1 381	1 776	1 587	1 870
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 054	1 810	7	97	346	519	410	431
\$50,000 or more	2 125	1 946	9	79	415	527	441	475
Hired farm labor farms	36 450	23 590	127	1 047	3 868	5 675	4 972	7 901
Hired farm labor \$1,000	3 392 577	3 006 768	14 246	99 961	608 339	888 233	681 786	714 203
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	15 439	6 933	22	293	829	1 261	1 398	3 130
\$5,000 to \$24,999	8 681	6 110	54	246	949	1 556	2 018	2 018
\$25,000 to \$99,999	6 769	5 590	27	287	1 077	1 453	1 164	1 582
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2 977	2 627	12	122	514	723	604	652
\$250,000 or more	2 584	2 330	12	99	499	682	519	519
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more farms	20 221	15 524	70	681	2 772	4 026	3 314	4 661
150 days or more workers	186 358	163 179	1 014	6 581	34 521	48 141	35 818	37 104
Less than 150 days farms	31 516	19 550	118	866	3 244	4 574	4 071	6 677
Less than 150 days workers	362 907	290 538	2 068	10 883	53 535	82 274	65 303	76 475
Contract labor farms	25 571	15 080	102	618	2 370	3 282	3 243	5 465
Contract labor \$1,000	1 386 159	1 176 079	6 759	35 814	244 756	327 124	295 728	265 899
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	4 736	1 935	24	116	232	311	336	916
\$1,000 to \$4,999	7 243	3 549	21	112	415	669	729	1 603
\$5,000 to \$24,999	7 374	4 675	27	137	809	1 098	1 047	1 557
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 365	1 706	8	96	272	343	429	558
\$50,000 or more	3 853	3 215	22	157	642	861	702	831
Repair and maintenance farms	56 574	32 824	192	1 352	4 919	7 298	7 115	11 948
Repair and maintenance \$1,000	777 097	674 991	3 329	27 835	130 036	195 734	150 176	167 881
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	39 059	18 488	105	652	2 284	3 522	4 005	7 920
\$5,000 to \$24,999	11 860	9 184	50	430	1 598	2 332	1 956	2 818
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 500	2 253	19	145	435	637	502	515
\$50,000 or more	3 155	2 899	18	125	602	807	652	695
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	25 794	16 966	109	887	2 969	3 991	3 502	5 508
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment \$1,000	595 872	527 677	2 027	25 514	99 719	160 344	113 913	126 160
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	8 054	3 959	19	165	414	778	806	1 777
\$1,000 to \$4,999	7 564	4 708	49	256	887	978	947	1 591
\$5,000 to \$24,999	5 902	4 482	23	240	898	1 119	916	1 286
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 742	1 523	7	80	293	450	350	343
\$50,000 or more	2 532	2 294	11	146	477	666	483	511
Interest farms	26 987	17 740	90	898	3 405	4 628	4 230	4 489
Interest \$1,000	958 431	807 636	3 484	31 400	165 106	243 202	184 364	180 081
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	10 247	5 652	57	279	950	1 408	1 351	1 607
\$5,000 to \$24,999	10 065	6 300	6	354	1 221	1 587	1 478	1 654
\$25,000 to \$99,999	4 714	4 024	20	178	880	1 138	964	844
\$100,000 or more	1 961	1 764	7	87	354	495	437	384
Secured by real estate farms	19 137	11 852	26	407	2 052	3 001	3 127	3 239
Secured by real estate \$1,000	598 151	489 183	1 767	13 289	98 313	140 576	116 776	118 462
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	1 571	788	9	31	83	157	199	309
\$1,000 to \$4,999	5 102	2 514	1	68	328	675	707	735
\$5,000 to \$24,999	7 937	4 674	2	169	907	1 092	1 212	1 292
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 026	1 698	6	61	307	470	454	400
\$50,000 or more	2 501	2 178	8	78	427	607	555	503
Not secured by real estate farms	13 275	9 925	79	669	2 161	2 724	2 118	2 174
Not secured by real estate \$1,000	360 280	318 454	1 717	18 111	66 793	102 626	67 588	61 619
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	2 174	1 295	14	107	224	288	308	354
\$1,000 to \$4,999	4 600	2 993	42	146	668	825	594	718
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 763	3 157	6	258	680	900	687	626
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 122	1 016	8	61	242	312	204	189
\$50,000 or more	1 616	1 464	9	97	347	399	325	287
Cash rent farms	13 317	9 906	129	783	2 331	2 858	1 939	1 866
Cash rent \$1,000	554 077	513 943	3 469	32 671	119 319	143 444	105 179	109 861
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	5 706	3 296	43	271	738	885	654	705
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 696	1 318	33	99	272	434	248	232
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2 200	1 874	21	147	449	552	403	302
\$25,000 or more	3 715	3 418	32	266	872	987	634	627
Property taxes farms	66 656	34 474	151	1 117	4 488	7 130	7 657	13 931
Property taxes \$1,000	360 348	268 846	911	7 450	44 329	69 665	64 045	82 446
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	52 778	24 046	116	762	2 729	4 647	5 192	10 600
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7 021	4 788	21	132	803	1 042	1 149	1 641
\$10,000 to \$24,999	4 582	3 676	11	166	613	906	817	1 163
\$25,000 or more	2 275	1 964	3	57	343	535	499	527
All other farm production expenses farms	68 046	37 370	226	1 584	5 493	8 128	7 998	13 941
All other farm production expenses \$1,000	2 200 014	1 936 889	7 294	74 170	390 440	568 699	467 815	428 471
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	44 288	18 923	141	594	1 925	3 445	3 987	8 831
\$5,000 to \$24,999	13 061	9 239	41	537	1 578	2 174	1 943	2 966
\$25,000 to \$49,999	3 833	3 106	15	168	614	804	729	776
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 744	2 398	12	111	586	656	476	557
\$100,000 or more	4 120	3 704	17	174	790	1 049	863	811

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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
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity farms	21 996	126	743	3 747	6 726	5 839	4 815
\$1,000	71 494	246	2 589	11 089	18 604	19 245	19 720
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	13 091	96	364	2 359	4 121	3 548	2 603
\$1,000 to \$4,999	6 835	27	294	1 050	2 051	1 742	1 671
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 647	1	72	274	447	433	420
\$25,000 to \$49,999	244	—	9	39	59	73	64
\$50,000 or more	179	2	4	25	48	43	57
Hired farm labor farms	12 860	36	469	2 167	4 010	3 275	2 903
\$1,000	385 809	268	12 073	71 182	102 567	83 686	116 033
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	8 506	26	280	1 505	2 809	2 136	1 750
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 571	7	131	369	732	709	623
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 179	3	36	168	301	294	377
\$100,000 to \$249,999	350	—	10	81	98	75	86
\$250,000 or more	254	—	12	44	70	61	67
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	4 697	9	179	656	1 307	1 258	1 288
workers	23 179	50	598	4 057	5 691	6 348	6 435
Less than 150 days farms	11 966	35	423	2 078	3 757	3 085	2 588
workers	72 369	255	3 493	11 054	20 170	17 983	19 414
Contract labor farms	10 491	23	385	1 679	2 934	2 959	2 511
\$1,000	210 080	35	6 417	30 245	58 290	60 913	54 181
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 801	16	102	488	819	767	609
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 694	5	150	622	1 089	1 038	790
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 699	2	76	397	699	748	777
\$25,000 to \$49,999	659	—	32	61	166	205	195
\$50,000 or more	638	—	25	111	161	201	140
Repair and maintenance farms	23 750	119	937	4 124	7 184	6 432	4 954
\$1,000	102 106	137	3 840	13 380	28 336	26 596	29 816
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	20 571	116	804	3 604	6 222	5 596	4 229
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 676	2	118	450	817	691	598
\$25,000 to \$49,999	247	1	5	39	76	80	46
\$50,000 or more	256	—	10	31	69	65	81
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	8 828	35	433	1 451	2 856	2 304	1 749
\$1,000	68 195	124	2 096	9 375	18 339	18 317	19 945
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	4 095	16	181	697	1 293	1 108	800
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 856	17	189	442	990	739	479
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 420	1	51	227	469	335	337
\$25,000 to \$49,999	219	—	5	58	39	60	57
\$50,000 or more	238	1	7	27	65	62	76
Interest farms	9 247	28	396	1 670	3 247	2 541	1 365
\$1,000	150 794	142	3 992	23 613	44 964	35 626	42 458
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 595	25	221	803	1 609	1 257	680
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 765	1	150	729	1 349	1 045	491
\$25,000 to \$99,999	690	2	20	111	231	186	140
\$100,000 or more	197	—	5	27	58	53	54
Secured by real estate farms	7 285	2	214	1 257	2 592	2 168	1 052
\$1,000	108 968	(D)	(D)	14 968	33 650	26 380	31 455
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	783	—	8	137	254	245	139
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 588	1	84	382	980	794	347
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 263	—	108	656	1 163	926	410
\$25,000 to \$49,999	328	1	3	50	96	96	82
\$50,000 or more	323	—	11	32	99	107	74
Not secured by real estate farms	3 350	28	214	660	1 181	745	522
\$1,000	41 826	(D)	(D)	8 645	11 314	9 246	11 003
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	879	2	55	162	301	221	138
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 607	24	121	329	555	361	217
\$5,000 to \$24,999	606	1	26	113	249	108	109
\$25,000 to \$49,999	106	1	5	25	36	20	19
\$50,000 or more	152	—	7	31	40	35	39
Cash rent farms	3 411	36	285	888	1 018	719	465
\$1,000	40 134	74	3 033	8 625	11 579	9 402	7 420
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	2 410	29	190	633	702	526	330
\$5,000 to \$9,999	378	7	36	105	149	51	30
\$10,000 to \$24,999	326	—	45	47	108	85	41
\$25,000 or more	297	—	14	103	59	57	64
Property taxes farms	32 182	127	925	5 113	9 897	8 743	7 377
\$1,000	91 502	168	2 163	13 516	27 144	23 952	24 559
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	28 732	124	861	4 626	8 902	7 760	6 459
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 233	2	41	301	683	657	549
\$10,000 to \$24,999	906	1	17	142	217	240	289
\$25,000 or more	311	—	6	44	95	86	80
All other farm production expenses farms	30 676	160	1 093	5 230	9 258	7 946	6 989
\$1,000	263 125	361	8 654	40 276	75 704	68 760	69 370
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	25 365	150	856	4 375	7 870	6 553	5 561
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 822	9	186	656	980	1 004	987
\$25,000 to \$49,999	727	—	25	81	211	171	239
\$50,000 to \$99,999	346	—	5	48	95	112	86
\$100,000 or more	416	1	21	70	102	106	116

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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..	74 129	38 860	238	1 679	5 580	8 368	8 298	14 697
..... \$1,000..	6 118 086	5 322 807	23 902	253 731	1 031 869	1 568 322	1 227 960	1 217 023
Average per farm..... dollars..	82 533	136 974	100 427	151 120	184 923	187 419	147 983	82 808
Farms with net gains ² number..	39 401	25 372	178	1 281	3 990	5 754	5 315	8 854
Average net gain..... dollars..	170 168	226 620	144 688	208 509	288 137	289 257	247 555	149 893
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	3 144	1 191	—	26	89	209	239	628
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	10 431	5 136	30	192	452	936	1 050	2 476
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	11 972	7 731	59	471	1 232	1 691	1 513	2 765
\$50,000 or more.....	13 854	11 314	89	592	2 217	2 918	2 513	2 985
Farms with net losses..... number..	34 728	13 488	60	398	1 590	2 614	2 983	5 843
Average net loss..... dollars..	16 895	31 658	30 880	33 590	74 087	36 749	29 432	18 848
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	4 803	1 479	21	28	54	231	318	827
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	21 483	7 303	15	188	745	1 149	1 553	3 653
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	7 085	3 555	19	143	581	911	836	1 065
\$50,000 or more.....	1 357	1 151	5	39	210	323	276	298
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	6 540	5 037	32	269	970	1 316	1 075	1 375
..... \$1,000..	121 951	108 526	680	5 370	20 090	30 438	22 763	29 184
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	13 274	8 667	27	335	1 318	1 908	1 919	3 160
..... \$1,000..	278 544	233 992	277	7 875	44 806	59 571	54 811	66 651
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	4 261	3 061	13	191	604	876	686	691
..... \$1,000..	117 494	103 679	122	4 709	22 705	28 694	23 677	23 773
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	4 594	2 690	3	63	358	520	648	1 098
..... \$1,000..	110 240	86 061	(D)	(D)	14 077	21 308	20 803	28 343
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	668	382	3	10	34	107	78	150
..... \$1,000..	7 951	6 472	(D)	(D)	117	1 688	1 162	3 060
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	5 598	4 105	10	150	590	802	866	1 687
..... \$1,000..	42 858	37 779	97	1 249	7 908	7 881	9 169	11 475
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	1 079	909	21	93	207	240	162	186
..... \$1,000..	97 172	84 845	1 034	7 799	22 379	23 166	14 949	15 518
Corn..... farms..	60	55	4	2	10	13	15	11
..... \$1,000..	1 053	(D)	116	(D)	170	336	(D)	184
Wheat..... farms..	119	108	3	9	24	27	23	22
..... \$1,000..	2 089	1 998	11	158	244	852	520	213
Soybeans..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	16	15	—	—	3	7	1	4
..... \$1,000..	339	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	194	181	4	15	34	31	47	50
..... \$1,000..	7 172	6 962	27	326	1 286	1 298	2 716	1 309
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	9	9	—	1	2	2	2	2
..... \$1,000..	149	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	784	637	15	76	153	182	97	114
..... \$1,000..	86 369	74 406	880	7 271	20 594	20 571	11 317	13 773
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	62 269	33 951	185	1 421	5 098	7 402	7 169	12 676
..... acres..	10 803 804	9 169 582	45 751	397 743	1 752 008	2 480 889	2 013 038	2 480 153
Harvested cropland..... farms..	55 590	31 124	172	1 313	4 762	6 865	6 573	11 439
..... acres..	8 543 159	7 554 789	40 341	328 539	1 492 643	2 121 965	1 625 052	1 946 249
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	37 854	16 641	71	588	2 009	3 105	3 387	7 481
50 to 99 acres.....	5 441	3 900	18	177	648	891	850	1 316
100 to 199 acres.....	4 249	3 366	24	163	586	889	741	963
200 to 499 acres.....	4 195	3 626	41	216	772	952	820	825
500 to 999 acres.....	2 069	1 908	11	98	420	533	398	448
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	1 099	1 045	3	51	219	297	233	242
2,000 acres or more.....	683	638	4	20	108	198	144	164
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	10 400	5 285	23	176	674	1 083	1 166	2 163
..... acres..	1 246 009	836 991	3 323	34 765	98 894	175 079	203 562	321 368
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	1 073	606	5	23	111	158	130	179
..... acres..	88 231	55 649	(D)	(D)	8 248	9 060	18 048	18 809
On which all crops failed..... farms..	743	459	3	32	83	111	87	143
..... acres..	62 421	45 126	(D)	(D)	7 136	10 224	12 238	13 501
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	995	769	5	34	135	178	161	256
..... acres..	192 513	172 477	731	12 510	29 066	39 357	41 055	49 758
Idle..... farms..	7 657	4 490	17	151	728	1 012	992	1 590
..... acres..	671 471	504 550	956	18 818	116 021	125 204	113 083	130 468
Total woodland..... farms..	4 097	2 080	5	56	217	454	468	880
..... acres..	1 116 052	668 602	2 483	27 376	79 657	158 539	160 820	239 727
Woodland pastured..... farms..	1 756	935	4	31	98	203	175	424
..... acres..	645 211	424 969	(D)	(D)	48 741	98 586	105 816	147 746
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	2 813	1 397	1	31	142	307	344	572
..... acres..	470 841	243 633	(D)	(D)	30 916	59 953	55 004	91 981

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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..	35 269	196	1 273	5 920	10 650	9 149	8 081
..... \$1,000..	795 279	69	20 672	158 018	204 390	204 097	208 034
Average per farm..... dollars..	22 549	351	16 239	26 692	19 192	22 308	25 744
Farms with net gains ² number..	14 029	99	497	2 380	3 831	3 684	3 538
Average net gain..... dollars..	68 072	6 829	53 580	77 367	68 595	66 058	67 101
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	1 953	20	39	327	518	586	463
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	5 295	46	175	937	1 523	1 260	1 354
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	4 241	32	184	765	1 044	1 237	979
\$50,000 or more.....	2 540	1	99	351	746	601	742
Farms with net losses..... number..	21 240	97	776	3 540	6 819	5 465	4 543
Average net loss..... dollars..	7 519	6 261	7 677	7 377	8 564	7 184	6 465
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	3 324	21	98	470	1 017	824	894
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	14 180	62	528	2 363	4 433	3 793	3 001
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 530	13	144	677	1 312	787	597
\$50,000 or more.....	206	1	6	30	57	61	51
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments..... farms..	1 503	14	74	252	454	340	369
..... \$1,000..	13 425	38	541	2 178	3 300	3 428	3 940
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	4 607	34	183	701	1 258	1 136	1 295
..... \$1,000..	44 551	80	1 464	11 069	10 395	8 363	13 180
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	1 200	27	60	242	368	262	241
..... \$1,000..	13 815	76	675	2 694	4 151	3 324	2 894
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	1 904	7	74	296	502	415	610
..... \$1,000..	24 179	4	713	7 664	3 715	3 567	8 516
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	286	—	22	43	68	90	63
..... \$1,000..	1 479	—	24	154	695	264	343
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	1 493	—	36	176	433	397	451
..... \$1,000..	5 079	—	52	558	1 834	1 208	1 428
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total..... farms..	170	—	14	47	54	29	26
..... \$1,000..	12 327	—	595	3 247	4 682	1 749	2 054
Corn..... farms..	5	—	—	—	1	2	2
..... \$1,000..	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wheat..... farms..	11	—	—	2	4	4	1
..... \$1,000..	91	—	—	(D)	5	(D)	(D)
Soybeans..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
..... \$1,000..	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	13	—	1	4	3	2	3
..... \$1,000..	210	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	147	—	13	42	48	23	21
..... \$1,000..	11 963	—	(D)	3 140	4 611	(D)	1 983
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland..... farms..	28 318	116	999	4 496	8 689	7 427	6 591
..... acres..	1 634 222	4 093	63 931	236 135	467 301	410 875	451 887
Harvested cropland..... farms..	24 466	91	806	3 815	7 463	6 428	5 863
..... acres..	988 370	2 145	32 020	144 649	276 921	239 615	293 020
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres.....	21 213	81	657	3 284	6 500	5 630	5 061
50 to 99 acres.....	1 541	4	82	265	476	361	353
100 to 199 acres.....	883	4	36	135	247	223	238
200 to 499 acres.....	569	2	22	98	171	145	131
500 to 999 acres.....	161	—	8	25	39	44	45
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	54	—	—	2	19	14	19
2,000 acres or more.....	45	—	1	6	11	11	16
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	5 115	29	238	877	1 669	1 351	951
..... acres..	409 018	1 427	25 365	63 371	124 450	105 739	88 666
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	467	—	12	81	151	129	94
..... acres..	32 582	—	442	3 956	5 220	10 571	12 393
On which all crops failed..... farms..	284	—	17	50	94	76	47
..... acres..	17 295	—	593	1 283	9 447	3 586	2 386
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	226	1	12	29	62	62	60
..... acres..	20 036	(D)	(D)	1 582	3 368	9 670	4 670
Idle..... farms..	3 167	7	87	489	1 031	808	745
..... acres..	166 921	(D)	(D)	21 294	47 895	41 694	50 752
Total woodland..... farms..	2 017	5	49	265	658	576	464
..... acres..	447 450	1 572	23 412	45 988	103 953	88 461	184 064
Woodland pastured..... farms..	821	4	25	103	284	231	194
..... acres..	220 242	(D)	(D)	28 812	59 485	47 389	75 778
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	1 416	1	28	189	457	413	328
..... acres..	227 208	(D)	(D)	17 176	44 468	41 072	108 286

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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..	12 055	6 292	39	247	893	1 376	1 392	2 345
acres..	14 384 908	11 496 805	31 704	366 218	1 639 290	2 396 541	3 237 723	3 825 329
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	37 239	19 777	62	618	2 743	4 275	4 378	7 701
acres..	1 394 015	1 009 527	1 614	25 196	165 989	318 189	199 308	299 231
Irrigated land farms..	55 920	31 355	174	1 337	4 831	6 960	6 681	11 372
acres..	8 712 893	7 670 292	40 661	330 872	1 468 995	2 129 023	1 698 369	2 002 372
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	50 407	28 942	162	1 253	4 541	6 498	6 142	10 346
acres..	7 979 387	7 092 448	38 995	298 379	1 410 827	2 006 348	1 532 281	1 805 618
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	8 422	4 208	21	137	546	902	961	1 641
acres..	733 506	577 844	1 666	32 493	58 168	122 675	166 088	196 754
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	973	556	1	13	85	102	136	219
acres..	226 522	143 817	(D)	(D)	17 392	28 116	43 012	47 584
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	74 129	38 860	238	1 679	5 580	8 368	8 298	14 697
\$1,000..	69 768 007	53 370 338	225 298	2 018 723	9 530 963	13 974 257	11 869 734	15 751 363
Average per farm dollars..	941 170	1 373 400	946 630	1 202 336	1 708 058	1 669 964	1 430 433	1 071 740
Average per acre dollars..	2 605	2 442	3 085	2 496	2 713	2 692	2 201	2 291
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	6 505	2 446	37	161	298	443	484	1 023
\$40,000 to \$69,999	3 753	1 493	13	67	244	269	284	616
\$70,000 to \$99,999	3 315	1 422	—	73	217	292	174	666
\$100,000 to \$149,999	5 980	2 429	16	56	278	416	510	1 153
\$150,000 to \$199,999	6 091	2 457	22	88	229	530	516	1 072
\$200,000 to \$499,999	24 101	11 095	40	464	1 285	2 190	2 546	4 570
\$500,000 to \$999,999	10 869	6 653	40	303	1 085	1 459	1 352	2 414
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	6 385	4 850	36	229	873	1 136	1 116	1 460
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	4 656	3 887	25	155	689	1 056	849	1 113
\$5,000,000 or more	2 474	2 128	9	83	382	577	467	610
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	74 084	38 839	238	1 679	5 579	8 353	8 294	14 696
\$1,000..	5 155 473	4 108 183	23 908	182 964	806 620	1 097 837	912 960	1 083 894
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	11 301	3 780	33	114	285	651	718	1 979
\$5,000 to \$9,999	11 074	4 392	23	190	436	731	932	2 080
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14 086	6 136	30	182	750	1 164	1 224	2 786
\$20,000 to \$49,999	18 061	9 485	32	436	1 363	1 851	2 096	3 707
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8 387	5 738	41	263	926	1 355	1 407	1 746
\$100,000 to \$199,999	5 553	4 381	52	281	843	1 167	850	1 188
\$200,000 to \$499,999	3 893	3 363	20	139	663	985	718	838
\$500,000 or more	1 729	1 564	7	74	313	449	349	372
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	64 947	35 997	183	1 532	5 245	7 765	7 747	13 525
number..	165 593	115 221	626	4 948	19 740	29 892	24 585	35 430
Wheel tractors farms..	57 302	31 244	188	1 254	4 460	6 683	6 809	11 850
number..	134 903	93 583	457	3 456	15 340	22 787	20 880	30 663
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	35 345	18 355	72	621	2 324	3 856	4 088	7 394
number..	55 947	33 834	106	1 076	4 496	7 845	7 585	12 726
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	34 473	21 287	143	908	3 477	4 748	4 591	7 420
number..	79 956	59 749	351	2 380	10 844	14 942	13 295	17 937
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	30 842	19 052	111	766	3 021	4 233	4 231	6 690
number..	59 672	43 746	230	1 618	7 555	10 733	9 952	13 658
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	8 700	6 451	64	389	1 311	1 589	1 277	1 821
number..	19 284	16 003	121	762	3 289	4 209	3 343	4 279
Grain and bean combines farms..	1 947	1 693	21	92	349	445	347	439
number..	2 982	2 662	31	127	547	760	532	665
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	1 625	1 549	5	100	291	408	388	357
number..	4 059	3 880	11	194	840	947	928	960
Mower conditioners farms..	7 313	4 276	34	122	654	1 024	961	1 481
number..	8 782	5 338	52	161	834	1 294	1 166	1 831
Pickup balers farms..	3 355	2 531	32	101	366	622	579	831
number..	4 639	3 679	64	162	571	914	835	1 133
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	41 776	24 847	143	1 107	3 830	5 557	5 318	8 892
acres on which used..	7 215 345	6 467 633	29 983	281 506	1 276 827	1 812 527	1 388 396	1 678 394
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	28 451	18 633	124	918	3 154	4 343	3 953	6 141
acres on which used..	5 463 091	4 881 757	29 642	213 086	980 211	1 378 540	1 044 770	1 235 508
Nematodes in crops farms..	3 553	2 441	25	160	435	581	455	785
acres on which used..	464 965	411 514	3 978	15 951	85 966	126 693	85 749	93 177
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	16 207	10 217	37	442	1 690	2 226	2 194	3 628
acres on which used..	1 980 251	1 720 347	8 485	72 587	336 406	486 621	397 378	418 870
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	28 807	17 465	95	875	2 768	3 944	3 669	6 114
acres on which used..	5 001 218	4 488 605	19 883	230 809	961 650	1 256 064	887 068	1 133 131
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	5 231	3 566	28	219	583	827	821	1 088
acres on which used..	1 196 433	1 099 997	7 474	42 970	242 529	295 258	218 477	293 289

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LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	5 763	34	266	1 136	1 879	1 391	1 057
acres..	2 888 103	11 953	117 166	530 932	875 237	592 444	760 371
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	17 462	48	579	2 829	5 632	4 705	3 669
acres..	384 488	1 853	6 267	53 415	128 037	85 848	109 068
Irrigated land farms..	24 565	92	880	3 987	7 578	6 453	5 575
acres..	1 042 601	1 890	34 234	153 475	284 370	259 935	308 697
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	21 465	76	712	3 374	6 583	5 652	5 068
acres..	886 939	1 669	28 501	131 001	247 357	215 871	262 540
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	4 214	18	203	796	1 381	1 099	717
acres..	155 662	221	5 733	22 474	37 013	44 064	46 157
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	417	1	9	51	120	107	129
acres..	82 705	(D)	(D)	10 652	13 369	24 215	34 073
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	35 269	196	1 273	5 920	10 650	9 149	8 081
\$1,000..	16 397 669	66 502	418 292	2 403 376	4 770 400	4 205 116	4 533 983
Average per farm dollars..	464 932	339 298	328 588	405 976	447 925	459 626	561 067
Average per acre dollars..	3 329	3 241	2 050	3 020	3 561	4 105	2 941
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	4 059	58	160	605	1 189	1 103	944
\$40,000 to \$69,999	2 260	25	79	313	708	557	578
\$70,000 to \$99,999	1 893	8	99	361	517	469	439
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3 551	11	165	589	1 154	824	808
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3 634	4	166	733	1 093	933	705
\$200,000 to \$499,999	13 006	54	398	2 243	3 974	3 502	2 835
\$500,000 to \$999,999	4 216	23	138	646	1 348	1 019	1 042
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	1 535	3	37	262	394	487	352
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	769	10	27	129	205	155	243
\$5,000,000 or more	346	—	4	39	68	100	135
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	35 245	196	1 273	5 919	10 635	9 149	8 073
\$1,000..	1 047 291	4 333	35 171	169 714	294 795	263 643	279 634
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	7 521	39	224	1 296	2 209	1 976	1 777
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6 682	38	239	1 092	2 042	1 674	1 597
\$10,000 to \$19,999	7 950	62	324	1 182	2 406	2 201	1 775
\$20,000 to \$49,999	8 576	41	330	1 550	2 639	2 256	1 760
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 649	11	72	478	847	577	664
\$100,000 to \$199,999	1 172	1	63	231	333	276	268
\$200,000 to \$499,999	530	4	18	64	123	140	181
\$500,000 or more	165	—	3	26	36	49	51
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	28 950	185	1 077	4 765	8 590	7 579	6 754
number..	50 372	302	1 802	7 985	14 616	13 121	12 546
Wheel tractors farms..	26 058	92	859	4 358	7 845	6 903	6 001
number..	41 320	108	1 247	6 655	11 987	11 455	9 868
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	16 990	76	440	2 681	5 071	4 793	3 929
number..	22 113	82	497	3 507	6 546	6 236	5 245
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	13 186	23	554	2 374	3 854	3 430	2 951
number..	19 207	26	750	3 148	5 441	5 219	4 623
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	11 790	22	500	2 121	3 440	3 019	2 688
number..	15 926	(D)	(D)	2 684	4 500	4 267	3 810
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	2 249	1	83	387	605	642	531
number..	3 281	(D)	(D)	464	941	952	813
Grain and bean combines farms..	254	—	16	65	56	65	52
number..	320	—	18	76	69	74	83
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	76	—	2	10	18	22	24
number..	179	—	(D)	(D)	37	55	57
Mower conditioners farms..	3 037	2	149	599	937	873	477
number..	3 444	(D)	(D)	638	1 025	1 020	579
Pickup balers farms..	824	2	14	136	238	293	141
number..	960	(D)	(D)	161	291	330	161
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	16 929	51	628	2 666	5 071	4 481	4 032
acres on which used..	747 712	549	20 842	108 746	198 899	183 999	234 677
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	9 818	29	432	1 559	2 758	2 472	2 568
acres on which used..	581 334	438	19 727	85 496	142 701	141 180	191 792
Nematodes in crops farms..	1 112	2	66	195	302	324	223
acres on which used..	53 451	(D)	(D)	6 486	14 908	18 793	10 204
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	5 990	4	217	1 018	1 728	1 540	1 483
acres on which used..	259 904	51	6 670	37 750	71 793	68 148	75 492
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	11 342	16	406	2 059	3 418	2 920	2 523
acres on which used..	512 613	369	14 945	78 379	168 777	109 474	140 669
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	1 665	8	64	379	418	405	391
acres on which used..	96 436	24	4 254	16 090	27 525	23 801	24 742

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			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR								
All operators	74 126	39 267	218	1 667	5 944	8 557	8 366	14 515
Full owners	53 878	25 329	55	605	2 743	4 717	5 672	11 537
Part owners	10 888	7 816	26	310	1 496	2 106	1 767	2 111
Tenants	9 360	6 122	137	752	1 705	1 734	927	867
White	67 566	35 285	175	1 434	5 120	7 560	7 615	13 381
Full owners	49 448	22 910	42	503	2 375	4 175	5 178	10 637
Part owners	10 158	7 272	26	292	1 360	1 953	1 654	1 987
Tenants	7 960	5 103	107	639	1 385	1 432	783	757
Black and other races	6 560	3 982	43	233	824	997	751	1 134
Full owners	4 430	2 419	13	102	368	542	494	900
Part owners	730	544	—	18	136	153	113	124
Tenants	1 400	1 019	30	113	320	302	144	110
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	65 056	33 330	82	924	4 280	6 880	7 467	13 697
acres..	16 794 849	12 609 111	20 216	305 482	1 821 684	3 015 130	2 895 114	4 551 485
Owned land in farms	64 766	33 145	81	915	4 239	6 823	7 439	13 648
acres..	14 624 553	11 123 962	19 696	281 720	1 655 010	2 667 354	2 519 701	3 980 481
Land rented or leased from others	20 413	14 043	164	1 066	3 213	3 873	2 715	3 012
acres..	13 481 109	11 550 099	62 455	553 773	2 023 033	2 779 182	3 182 614	2 949 042
landlords..	47 568	36 814	340	2 516	8 356	10 189	7 341	8 072
Rented or leased land in farms	20 248	13 938	163	1 062	3 201	3 840	2 694	2 978
acres..	13 074 226	11 220 554	61 856	534 813	1 981 934	2 686 804	3 091 188	2 863 959
Land rented or leased to others	6 662	4 056	14	131	535	814	843	1 719
acres..	2 577 179	1 814 694	1 119	42 722	207 773	440 154	466 839	656 087
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	47 963	25 533	95	754	3 289	5 033	5 642	10 720
Not on farm operated	20 908	10 580	114	773	2 175	2 732	2 044	2 742
Not reported	5 255	3 154	9	140	480	792	680	1 053
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	39 267	39 267	218	1 667	5 944	8 557	8 366	14 515
Other	34 859	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	31 588	25 270	109	864	3 323	4 766	5 379	10 829
Any	37 919	9 378	91	633	2 015	2 801	2 047	1 791
1 to 99 days	6 798	4 050	36	245	797	1 114	917	941
100 to 199 days	7 109	2 149	28	124	437	698	486	376
200 days or more	24 012	3 179	27	264	781	989	644	474
Not reported	4 619	4 619	18	170	606	990	940	1 895
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	4 041	1 740	70	279	472	451	266	202
3 or 4 years	5 272	2 186	36	280	634	574	371	291
5 to 9 years	12 214	5 309	24	542	1 423	1 359	1 007	954
10 years or more	41 946	24 138	—	262	4 908	5 513	5 513	10 919
Average years on present farm	17.6	20.6	2.9	6.1	10.6	15.2	20.2	29.8
Not reported	10 653	5 894	88	304	879	1 265	1 209	2 149
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	382	218	218	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	3 000	1 667	—	1 667	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	11 754	5 944	—	—	5 944	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	9 178	4 186	—	—	—	4 186	—	—
50 to 54 years	10 262	4 371	—	—	—	4 371	—	—
55 to 59 years	9 261	4 113	—	—	—	—	4 113	—
60 to 64 years	8 110	4 253	—	—	—	—	4 253	—
65 to 69 years	7 510	4 602	—	—	—	—	—	4 602
70 years and over	14 669	9 913	—	—	—	—	—	9 913
Average age	56.5	58.1	21.5	30.6	40.1	49.5	59.4	73.4
Operators by sex:								
Male	64 062	34 279	201	1 483	5 261	7 476	7 314	12 544
Female	10 064	4 988	17	184	683	1 081	1 052	1 971
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)								
	4 515	2 559	28	166	563	631	524	647
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	56 755	27 619	164	1 110	3 864	5 598	5 821	11 062
acres..	14 131 870	10 996 330	34 268	402 442	1 690 149	2 477 017	2 987 955	3 404 499
Partnership	10 813	6 996	36	367	1 256	1 699	1 503	2 135
acres..	7 653 858	6 556 881	18 845	303 589	1 010 561	1 508 958	1 436 403	2 278 525
Corporation:								
Family held	4 473	3 477	14	142	608	959	811	943
acres..	4 362 264	3 687 229	25 163	87 220	791 603	818 031	985 657	979 555
More than 10 stockholders	177	128	—	6	35	36	22	29
10 or less stockholders	4 296	3 349	14	136	573	923	789	914
Other than family held	779	524	1	31	138	181	113	60
acres..	859 406	766 921	(D)	(D)	124 811	471 471	91 884	64 130
More than 10 stockholders	126	83	—	1	28	28	18	8
10 or less stockholders	653	441	1	30	110	153	95	52
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.								
farms..	1 306	651	3	17	78	120	118	315
acres..	691 381	337 155	(D)	(D)	19 820	78 681	108 990	117 731

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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	34 859	164	1 333	5 810	10 883	9 005	7 664
Full owners	28 549	73	731	4 172	8 809	7 796	6 968
Part owners	3 072	7	150	696	1 113	720	386
Tenants	3 238	84	452	942	961	489	310
White	32 281	128	1 157	5 237	10 065	8 425	7 269
Full owners	26 538	60	639	3 757	8 144	7 315	6 623
Part owners	2 886	6	140	634	1 051	687	368
Tenants	2 857	62	378	846	870	423	278
Black and other races	2 578	36	176	573	818	580	395
Full owners	2 011	13	92	415	665	481	345
Part owners	186	1	10	62	62	33	18
Tenants	381	22	74	96	91	66	32
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	31 726	80	890	4 898	9 953	8 541	7 364
acres..	4 185 738	6 711	59 210	563 420	1 091 793	942 268	1 522 336
Owned land in farms	31 621	80	881	4 868	9 922	8 516	7 354
acres..	3 500 591	6 640	55 402	440 325	961 436	789 707	1 247 081
Land rented or leased from others	6 370	91	603	1 651	2 086	1 226	713
acres..	1 931 010	14 471	158 591	437 044	633 614	418 250	269 040
landlords..	10 754	135	924	2 691	3 573	2 212	1 219
Rented or leased land in farms	6 310	91	602	1 638	2 074	1 209	696
acres..	1 853 672	12 831	155 374	426 145	613 092	387 921	258 309
Land rented or leased to others	2 606	6	69	383	720	654	774
acres..	762 485	1 711	7 025	133 994	150 879	182 890	285 986
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	22 430	71	733	3 887	7 481	5 940	4 318
Not on farm operated	10 328	73	500	1 628	2 773	2 554	2 800
Not reported	2 101	20	100	295	629	511	546
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	34 859	164	1 333	5 810	10 883	9 005	7 664
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	6 318	29	128	454	839	1 273	3 595
Any	28 541	135	1 205	5 356	10 044	7 732	4 069
1 to 99 days	2 748	25	108	393	674	760	788
100 to 199 days	4 960	23	193	832	1 702	1 376	834
200 days or more	20 833	87	904	4 131	7 668	5 596	2 447
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	2 301	55	290	695	723	366	172
3 or 4 years	3 086	27	317	960	1 040	515	227
5 to 9 years	6 905	9	357	1 858	2 532	1 413	736
10 years or more	17 808	—	134	1 656	5 292	5 519	5 207
Average years on present farm	14.4	2.5	5.1	8.1	11.9	16.1	22.8
Not reported	4 759	73	235	641	1 296	1 192	1 322
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	164	164	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	1 333	—	1 333	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	5 810	—	—	5 810	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	4 992	—	—	—	4 992	—	—
50 to 54 years	5 891	—	—	—	5 891	—	—
55 to 59 years	5 148	—	—	—	—	5 148	—
60 to 64 years	3 857	—	—	—	—	3 857	—
65 to 69 years	2 908	—	—	—	—	—	2 908
70 years and over	4 756	—	—	—	—	—	4 756
Average age	54.7	21.2	31.1	40.3	49.7	59.0	72.5
Operators by sex:							
Male	29 783	131	1 098	4 952	9 242	7 907	6 453
Female	5 076	33	235	858	1 641	1 098	1 211
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)							
	1 956	10	129	476	594	431	316
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	29 136	150	1 107	4 931	9 265	7 625	6 058
acres..	3 135 540	18 412	163 335	541 785	901 231	771 478	739 299
Partnership	3 817	12	169	601	1 111	891	1 033
acres..	1 096 977	(D)	(D)	170 008	300 656	214 541	376 993
Corporation:							
Family held	996	2	29	147	279	250	289
acres..	675 035	(D)	(D)	43 233	232 445	137 789	249 609
More than 10 stockholders	49	—	1	5	15	14	14
10 or less stockholders	947	2	28	142	264	236	275
Other than family held	255	—	7	58	87	60	43
acres..	92 485	—	1 121	13 735	19 896	13 269	44 464
More than 10 stockholders	43	—	—	7	13	20	3
10 or less stockholders	212	—	7	51	74	40	40
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.							
farms..	655	—	21	73	141	179	241
acres..	354 226	—	641	97 709	120 300	40 551	95 025

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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.. 16 007	8 919	51	366	1 242	1 799	1 934	3 527
	number.. 3 107 562	2 712 002	8 922	163 609	343 271	1 008 314	595 529	592 357
	\$1,000.. 1 411 055	1 209 822	3 338	63 038	130 937	481 166	255 552	275 790
Calves	farms.. 8 542	4 836	29	227	686	1 029	1 054	1 811
	number.. 965 287	861 563	4 071	96 417	136 230	260 697	208 748	155 400
	\$1,000.. 202 912	177 471	756	20 365	21 421	56 213	46 491	32 225
Cattle	farms.. 12 826	7 308	40	288	1 010	1 476	1 607	2 887
	number.. 2 142 275	1 850 439	4 851	67 192	207 041	747 617	386 781	436 957
	\$1,000.. 1 208 142	1 032 350	2 582	42 673	109 516	424 952	209 061	243 566
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 974	436	4	11	54	81	108	178
	number.. 790 963	689 518	(D)	(D)	19 961	496 541	77 909	83 980
	\$1,000.. 500 821	425 196	(D)	(D)	13 813	299 125	45 403	58 559
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 593	592	9	32	125	158	125	143
	number.. 212 088	197 517	(D)	(D)	121 253	8 081	30 125	27 049
Farms with—								
1 to 24	1 312	437	6	21	101	115	94	100
25 to 49	109	43	2	3	7	15	7	9
50 to 99	66	34	—	4	4	9	4	13
100 to 199	41	26	1	2	—	7	6	10
200 to 499	33	21	—	1	6	8	3	3
500 or more	32	31	—	1	7	4	11	8
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 727	297	4	18	53	79	62	81
	number.. 25 571	22 544	48	1 546	11 323	2 403	3 932	3 292
Other	farms.. 1 402	512	8	27	109	141	102	125
	number.. 186 517	174 973	(D)	(D)	109 930	5 678	26 193	23 757
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 193	456	8	23	87	128	100	110
	number.. 373 352	344 784	1 718	18 411	188 734	32 199	52 766	50 956
	\$1,000.. 38 753	35 450	255	1 585	19 372	3 344	5 895	4 998
Feeder pigs	farms.. 287	84	2	4	7	29	19	23
	number.. 32 273	23 134	(D)	37	(D)	4 075	1 412	6 460
	\$1,000.. 1 409	968	(D)	2	(D)	215	64	228
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 765	313	5	21	54	82	65	86
	number.. 46 085	42 608	70	1 698	25 541	3 082	7 101	5 116
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 710	294	5	19	52	73	61	84
	number.. 23 605	21 734	44	961	12 814	1 581	3 558	2 776
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 575	254	4	15	38	68	58	71
	number.. 22 480	20 874	26	737	12 727	1 501	3 543	2 340
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 3 014	1 368	12	29	184	319	317	507
	number.. 784 041	677 868	1 626	12 212	81 167	98 868	314 335	169 660
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 2 575	1 184	12	26	148	271	283	444
	number.. 347 085	299 847	953	6 016	37 876	46 676	117 482	90 844
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 2 510	1 175	14	26	147	265	278	445
	number.. 562 989	482 790	847	11 871	48 657	81 969	214 472	124 974
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 2 227	1 051	11	25	122	233	258	402
	number.. 445 100	382 696	1 450	11 562	47 598	67 052	131 672	123 362
	pounds of wool.. 3 452 637	3 075 475	7 958	86 379	354 088	517 612	1 141 305	968 133
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 13 015	5 583	19	175	829	1 338	1 306	1 916
	number.. 113 110	58 961	127	1 980	8 450	15 376	16 172	16 856
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 3 209	1 385	3	56	269	376	314	367
	number.. 12 072	6 127	3	332	1 153	1 538	1 749	1 352
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 976	752	3	23	135	195	205	191
	number.. 40 191	26 168	27	669	3 091	6 006	10 775	5 600
Goats sold	farms.. 763	315	1	12	48	87	93	74
	number.. 16 057	8 202	(D)	(D)	992	2 496	2 811	1 610
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 2 731	1 160	1	31	196	289	247	396
	number.. 34 149 987	30 710 342	(D)	(D)	(D)	6 554 792	4 854 370	15 784 618
Farms with—								
1 to 399	2 525	989	1	22	174	242	206	344
400 to 3,199	44	30	—	1	5	6	9	9
3,200 to 9,999	14	12	—	1	—	5	4	1
10,000 to 19,999	7	6	—	—	1	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	36	31	—	5	7	7	11	6
50,000 to 99,999	32	30	—	2	5	11	4	8
100,000 or more	73	62	—	—	9	15	12	26
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 2 670	1 127	1	29	191	280	237	389
	number.. 30 312 145	26 967 234	(D)	(D)	2 839 477	6 011 806	4 209 134	13 671 431
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 490	221	—	4	40	54	50	73
	number.. 3 837 842	3 743 108	—	(D)	(D)	542 986	645 236	2 113 187
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 470	278	—	11	34	83	72	78
	number.. 20 046 329	16 975 362	—	301 353	2 869 456	3 596 144	3 232 872	6 975 537
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 240	157	—	16	31	48	32	30
	number.. 237 723 294	228 110 122	—	22 778 269	28 520 381	73 319 187	88 424 693	15 067 592
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	114	52	—	—	7	20	13	12
2,000 to 59,999	23	17	—	1	2	3	7	4
60,000 to 99,999	3	2	—	—	1	—	—	1
100,000 or more	100	86	—	15	21	25	12	13
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 188	93	—	4	30	27	17	15
	number.. 684 039	(D)	—	53 727	160 916	163 661	58 606	(D)
Turkeys sold	farms.. 211	155	—	8	49	46	30	22
	number.. 23 552 478	17 854 518	—	843 348	5 762 605	5 893 117	2 419 277	2 936 171

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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.. 7 088	56	370	1 319	2 156	1 771	1 416
	number.. 395 560	1 121	13 014	106 234	89 004	72 082	114 105
	\$1,000.. 201 233	465	5 141	63 482	42 690	33 056	56 398
Calves	farms.. 3 706	24	202	726	1 092	894	768
	number.. 103 724	435	6 164	21 066	22 139	23 633	30 287
	\$1,000.. 25 441	105	1 359	4 977	5 891	6 189	6 919
Cattle	farms.. 5 518	47	282	1 017	1 690	1 391	1 091
	number.. 291 836	686	6 850	85 168	66 865	48 449	83 818
	\$1,000.. 175 792	360	3 781	58 505	36 799	26 868	49 479
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 538	6	23	99	199	125	86
	number.. 101 445	26	748	(D)	10 429	6 199	(D)
	\$1,000.. 75 625	24	619	(D)	7 232	4 698	(D)
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 001	9	66	312	360	184	70
	number.. 14 571	382	1 030	3 594	5 611	2 915	1 039
Farms with—							
1 to 24	875	4	57	283	319	155	57
25 to 49	66	3	5	17	19	14	8
50 to 99	32	—	2	6	14	7	3
100 to 199	15	2	1	3	1	7	1
200 to 499	12	—	1	3	6	1	1
500 or more	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 430	6	28	139	139	83	35
	number.. 3 027	43	213	802	1 049	633	287
Other	farms.. 890	9	58	275	323	163	62
	number.. 11 544	339	817	2 792	4 562	2 282	752
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 737	9	47	221	272	136	52
	number.. 28 568	626	1 458	6 025	12 540	5 758	2 161
	\$1,000.. 3 304	62	154	571	1 768	524	224
Feeder pigs	farms.. 203	4	17	67	65	40	10
	number.. 9 139	330	355	2 875	2 868	2 498	213
	\$1,000.. 441	17	16	140	143	116	8
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 452	7	28	142	154	86	35
	number.. 3 477	74	304	899	1 168	727	305
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 416	7	27	130	139	84	29
	number.. 1 871	39	162	475	637	406	152
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 321	6	19	93	112	63	28
	number.. 1 606	35	142	424	531	321	153
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 1 646	9	66	342	585	432	212
	number.. 106 173	(D)	(D)	7 788	29 100	29 626	11 175
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 1 391	8	55	277	502	373	176
	number.. 47 238	100	3 072	4 441	15 402	15 212	9 011
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 1 335	9	54	277	478	345	172
	number.. 80 199	(D)	(D)	5 273	23 181	17 501	6 578
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 1 176	7	43	221	432	310	163
	number.. 62 404	143	7 947	5 827	19 080	19 692	9 715
	pounds of wool.. 377 162	1 033	28 454	39 730	124 132	133 193	50 620
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 7 432	21	333	1 594	2 699	1 766	1 019
	number.. 54 149	89	1 757	9 649	18 524	14 659	9 471
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 824	5	88	438	686	407	200
	number.. 5 945	10	252	1 001	1 901	1 864	917
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 224	3	63	315	450	281	112
	number.. 14 023	(D)	(D)	2 906	5 129	3 726	1 446
Goats sold	farms.. 448	2	22	115	158	109	42
	number.. 7 855	(D)	(D)	2 095	2 589	1 947	869
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 571	8	64	363	591	349	196
	number.. 3 439 645	(D)	2 073	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 399	1 536	7	63	359	579	338	190
400 to 3,199	14	—	1	—	6	6	1
3,200 to 9,999	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	1	—	—	2	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	5	—	—	—	1	—	2
50,000 to 99,999	2	—	—	—	—	1	—
100,000 or more	11	1	—	2	1	4	3
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 543	8	62	357	584	342	190
	number.. 3 344 911	(D)	1 934	(D)	380 084	1 143 706	1 194 941
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 269	1	10	59	104	64	31
	number.. 94 734	(D)	139	751	(D)	(D)	(D)
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 192	1	14	49	69	34	25
	number.. 3 070 967	(D)	350 610	653 265	(D)	731 944	1 026 803
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 83	—	3	27	23	20	10
	number.. 9 613 172	—	(D)	(D)	638 755	8 122 205	669 746
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	62	—	3	25	17	11	6
2,000 to 59,999	6	—	—	—	3	2	1
60,000 to 99,999	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
100,000 or more	14	—	—	1	3	7	3
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 95	—	6	29	36	13	11
	number.. (D)	—	23	(D)	67	96	(D)
Turkeys sold	farms.. 56	—	3	20	18	7	8
	number.. 5 697 960	—	(D)	(D)	2 064 389	(D)	3 310 023

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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.. 958	865	13	49	182	244	181	196
	acres.. 256 292	242 107	1 795	9 974	48 664	76 281	48 032	57 361
	bushels.. 42 230 303	40 018 902	353 036	1 627 990	7 487 778	12 896 509	8 045 626	9 607 963
Irrigated	farms.. 956	863	13	49	180	244	181	196
	acres.. (D) 242 007	242 007	1 795	9 974	48 564	76 281	48 032	57 361
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 1 985	1 719	13	97	359	430	392	428
	acres.. 314 357	292 631	1 449	18 818	57 305	74 683	63 532	76 844
	tons, green.. 7 451 051	6 980 851	30 423	428 651	1 404 462	1 743 770	1 527 777	1 845 768
Irrigated	farms.. 1 984	1 718	13	97	359	429	392	428
	acres.. (D) 292 598	292 598	1 449	18 818	57 305	74 650	63 532	76 844
Wheat for grain	farms.. 2 065	1 812	15	92	348	475	382	500
	acres.. 581 071	550 982	2 476	31 147	94 892	137 444	118 251	166 772
	bushels.. 42 372 177	40 441 916	193 783	1 885 414	7 449 710	10 404 400	8 696 808	11 811 801
Irrigated	farms.. 1 725	1 544	12	77	296	412	331	416
	acres.. 447 284	429 116	1 846	18 214	75 966	112 013	93 488	127 589
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	157	92	1	2	18	23	15	33
25 to 99 acres	667	560	7	37	103	135	122	156
100 to 249 acres	623	568	5	25	123	152	123	140
250 to 499 acres	362	343	1	13	64	101	69	95
500 acres or more	256	249	1	15	40	64	53	76
Barley for grain	farms.. 574	455	1	20	83	118	92	141
	acres.. 129 549	115 537	(D)	(D)	18 273	31 427	23 062	38 626
	bushels.. 7 475 447	6 826 291	(D)	(D)	1 250 757	2 110 817	1 259 765	1 924 602
Irrigated	farms.. 360	308	1	13	58	79	71	86
	acres.. 68 035	63 780	(D)	(D)	9 803	18 117	10 670	23 156
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	84	45	—	1	7	10	7	20
25 to 99 acres	200	156	1	5	27	38	33	52
100 to 249 acres	149	126	—	7	22	35	26	36
250 to 499 acres	81	76	—	6	18	15	18	19
500 acres or more	60	52	—	1	9	20	8	14
Rice	farms.. 1 544	1 250	28	113	272	368	203	266
	acres.. 514 081	454 239	5 566	34 920	101 327	134 332	77 033	101 061
	cwt.. 41 457 650	36 552 091	451 380	2 972 708	8 406 707	10 764 445	6 168 958	7 787 893
Irrigated	farms.. 1 544	1 250	28	113	272	368	203	266
	acres.. 514 081	454 239	5 566	34 920	101 327	134 332	77 033	101 061
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	34	22	—	2	2	9	2	7
25 to 99 acres	229	142	5	15	32	41	19	30
100 to 249 acres	553	428	18	44	83	125	76	82
250 to 499 acres	462	409	5	35	99	124	58	88
500 acres or more	266	249	—	17	56	69	48	59
Cotton	farms.. 1 833	1 700	9	90	324	463	376	438
	acres.. 1 036 316	986 024	4 542	30 771	218 701	265 172	190 580	276 258
	bales.. 2 543 194	2 421 265	10 779	74 427	526 533	677 956	473 731	657 839
Irrigated	farms.. 1 833	1 700	9	90	324	463	376	438
	acres.. 1 036 316	986 024	4 542	30 771	218 701	265 172	190 580	276 258
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	75	51	2	3	8	14	3	21
25 to 99 acres	299	266	1	21	37	57	65	85
100 to 249 acres	449	423	2	23	85	121	97	95
250 to 499 acres	435	411	2	21	88	115	87	98
500 acres or more	575	549	2	22	106	156	124	139
Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas	farms.. 413	364	4	14	77	120	71	78
	acres.. 60 153	56 719	161	1 024	10 578	20 219	9 333	15 404
	cwt.. 1 173 449	1 113 145	3 869	21 245	204 976	392 565	183 962	306 528
Irrigated	farms.. 381	340	4	13	72	113	68	70
	acres.. 57 491	54 391	161	974	10 172	19 929	9 123	14 032
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	84	61	2	1	18	20	11	9
25 to 99 acres	153	139	2	10	26	45	31	25
100 to 249 acres	106	98	—	3	20	29	21	25
250 to 499 acres	45	41	—	—	9	15	5	12
500 acres or more	25	25	—	—	4	11	3	7
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 304	256	1	20	67	76	45	47
	acres.. 43 503	41 941	(D)	(D)	9 449	8 425	11 621	10 427
	cwt.. 15 518 994	14 863 980	(D)	(D)	3 533 231	3 099 297	3 684 334	3 893 051
Irrigated	farms.. 304	256	1	20	67	76	45	47
	acres.. 43 503	41 941	(D)	(D)	9 449	8 425	11 621	10 427
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	129	93	—	11	22	32	17	11
5.0 to 24.9 acres	29	25	—	1	10	6	2	6
25.0 to 99.9 acres	46	41	—	4	10	13	6	8
100.0 to 249.9 acres	51	50	1	3	13	17	6	10
250.0 acres or more	49	47	—	1	12	8	14	12
Sugar beets for sugar	farms.. 449	416	3	17	98	129	66	103
	acres.. 103 611	99 480	386	5 138	17 348	32 371	19 440	24 797
	tons.. 2 924 151	2 821 986	4 611	132 366	481 895	925 064	588 680	689 370
Irrigated	farms.. 449	416	3	17	98	129	66	103
	acres.. 103 611	99 480	386	5 138	17 348	32 371	19 440	24 797

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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
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED							
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 93	—	9	14	29	24	17
	acres.. 14 185	—	379	1 186	3 623	2 633	6 364
	bushels.. 2 211 401	—	59 309	179 966	594 340	341 224	1 036 562
Irrigated	farms.. 93	—	9	14	29	24	17
	acres.. (D)	—	(D)	1 186	3 623	2 633	6 364
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 266	4	12	75	80	41	54
	acres.. 21 726	51	641	5 546	5 554	3 452	6 482
	tons, green.. 470 200	1 177	17 383	119 535	122 760	72 393	136 952
Irrigated	farms.. 266	4	12	75	80	41	54
	acres.. (D)	(D)	641	5 546	5 554	3 452	6 482
Wheat for grain	farms.. 253	3	16	54	74	52	54
	acres.. 30 089	100	2 096	3 584	9 909	6 693	7 707
	bushels.. 1 930 261	5 180	136 876	243 886	664 594	359 684	520 041
Irrigated	farms.. 181	3	14	40	58	34	32
	acres.. 18 168	100	1 508	2 511	6 292	3 045	4 712
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	65	1	4	15	25	16	4
25 to 99 acres	107	2	6	30	23	18	28
100 to 249 acres	55	—	3	7	20	12	13
250 to 499 acres	19	—	2	2	4	5	6
500 acres or more	7	—	1	—	2	1	3
Barley for grain	farms.. 119	—	12	16	40	21	30
	acres.. 14 012	—	881	1 496	4 037	2 895	4 703
	bushels.. 649 156	—	47 042	78 998	192 803	142 059	188 254
Irrigated	farms.. 52	—	6	11	19	9	7
	acres.. 4 255	—	336	411	1 252	842	1 414
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	39	—	2	5	17	5	10
25 to 99 acres	44	—	6	8	14	8	8
100 to 249 acres	23	—	4	2	7	5	5
250 to 499 acres	5	—	—	—	1	1	3
500 acres or more	8	—	—	1	1	2	4
Rice	farms.. 294	2	18	67	97	43	67
	acres.. 59 842	(D)	(D)	12 288	23 710	7 477	13 446
	cwt.. 4 905 559	(D)	(D)	1 020 281	1 921 626	620 273	1 106 085
Irrigated	farms.. 294	2	18	67	97	43	67
	acres.. 59 842	(D)	(D)	12 288	23 710	7 477	13 446
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	12	—	—	3	4	3	2
25 to 99 acres	87	2	6	20	28	9	22
100 to 249 acres	125	—	10	29	39	23	24
250 to 499 acres	53	—	1	13	19	7	13
500 acres or more	17	—	1	2	7	1	6
Cotton	farms.. 133	2	5	29	33	31	33
	acres.. 50 292	(D)	(D)	4 865	8 887	10 569	24 711
	bales.. 121 929	(D)	(D)	13 024	20 972	26 531	58 591
Irrigated	farms.. 133	2	5	29	33	31	33
	acres.. 50 292	(D)	(D)	4 865	8 887	10 569	24 711
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	24	2	1	7	6	2	6
25 to 99 acres	33	—	1	7	9	9	7
100 to 249 acres	26	—	1	7	5	8	5
250 to 499 acres	24	—	1	6	5	6	6
500 acres or more	26	—	1	2	8	6	9
Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas	farms.. 49	—	7	4	13	14	11
	acres.. 3 434	—	(D)	(D)	891	738	1 073
	cwt.. 60 304	—	(D)	(D)	16 058	9 967	20 158
Irrigated	farms.. 41	—	7	4	12	10	8
	acres.. 3 100	—	(D)	(D)	872	683	813
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	23	—	4	2	7	8	2
25 to 99 acres	14	—	3	—	3	4	4
100 to 249 acres	8	—	—	1	2	1	4
250 to 499 acres	4	—	—	1	1	1	1
500 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 48	—	4	13	17	8	6
	acres.. 1 562	—	(D)	(D)	556	(D)	8
	cwt.. 655 014	—	(D)	(D)	222 925	(D)	3 160
Irrigated	farms.. 48	—	4	13	17	8	6
	acres.. 1 562	—	(D)	(D)	556	(D)	8
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	36	—	3	12	9	6	6
5.0 to 24.9 acres	4	—	—	—	3	1	—
25.0 to 99.9 acres	5	—	—	1	4	—	—
100.0 to 249.9 acres	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
250.0 acres or more	2	—	1	—	1	—	—
Sugar beets for sugar	farms.. 33	—	—	2	9	11	11
	acres.. 4 131	—	—	(D)	1 683	(D)	1 378
	tons.. 102 165	—	—	(D)	39 588	(D)	34 936
Irrigated	farms.. 33	—	—	2	9	11	11
	acres.. 4 131	—	—	(D)	1 683	(D)	1 378

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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
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . farms..	8 636	6 101	40	275	1 046	1 444	1 350	1 946
acres..	1 698 773	1 533 879	9 779	82 157	262 469	413 626	368 438	397 410
tons, dry..	8 344 564	7 738 364	48 199	430 939	1 356 965	2 069 408	1 924 113	1 908 740
Irrigated farms..	6 581	4 975	37	228	884	1 232	1 123	1 471
acres..	1 465 504	1 345 215	9 175	72 064	223 309	364 826	331 969	343 872
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	2 378	1 074	6	29	127	183	215	514
25 to 99 acres	2 674	1 821	10	91	321	397	398	604
100 to 249 acres	1 813	1 560	13	80	279	396	373	419
250 to 499 acres	971	888	9	43	188	242	205	201
500 acres or more	800	758	2	32	131	226	159	208
Alfalfa hay farms..	4 267	3 443	20	152	613	879	783	996
acres..	944 056	869 905	3 959	38 731	143 942	235 095	217 676	230 502
tons, dry..	6 115 571	5 718 818	26 577	259 520	981 013	1 527 382	1 480 631	1 443 695
Irrigated farms..	4 104	3 342	19	149	605	863	757	949
acres..	923 722	852 197	3 902	38 077	142 413	231 079	212 504	224 222
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	4 490	3 484	23	236	738	1 051	662	774
acres..	1 209 259	1 136 125	1 637	42 969	270 431	346 638	230 293	244 158
Irrigated farms..	4 490	3 484	23	236	738	1 051	662	774
acres..	1 209 259	1 136 125	1 637	42 969	270 431	346 638	230 293	244 158
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	1 597	921	8	70	167	267	173	236
5.0 to 24.9 acres	846	655	7	44	147	198	129	130
25.0 to 99.9 acres	613	546	2	44	119	165	103	113
100.0 to 249.9 acres	464	436	5	36	96	133	80	86
250.0 acres or more	970	926	1	42	209	288	177	209
Tomatoes harvested for sale farms..	1 747	1 396	9	92	299	398	283	315
acres..	307 763	283 614	797	13 108	67 069	82 606	44 451	75 583
Irrigated farms..	1 747	1 396	9	92	299	398	283	315
acres..	307 763	283 614	797	13 108	67 069	82 606	44 451	75 583
Field seed and grass seed crops farms..	243	210	—	14	56	52	35	53
acres..	73 152	70 073	—	5 028	23 596	10 906	15 370	15 173
Irrigated farms..	238	205	—	13	55	51	35	51
acres..	72 587	69 508	—	4 780	23 364	10 901	15 370	15 093
Land in orchards farms..	38 747	19 641	58	603	2 490	3 878	4 219	8 393
acres..	2 582 084	2 050 751	10 888	63 166	371 580	574 996	481 980	548 141
Irrigated farms..	35 839	18 557	54	583	2 413	3 702	4 016	7 789
acres..	2 518 531	2 011 922	10 806	62 182	367 571	563 163	475 198	533 003
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	11 055	3 076	5	53	196	367	584	1 871
5.0 to 24.9 acres	13 163	5 988	15	149	582	934	1 253	3 055
25.0 to 99.9 acres	9 301	6 203	19	247	879	1 378	1 359	2 321
100.0 to 249.9 acres	3 225	2 636	8	89	490	717	583	749
250.0 acres or more	2 003	1 738	11	65	343	482	440	397
Grapes (see text) farms..	10 130	6 102	27	223	870	1 359	1 342	2 281
Bearing and nonbearing..acres..	870 527	689 067	7 330	21 032	138 488	201 240	153 430	167 548
Fresh weight..pounds..	12 404 514 545	10 229 542 533	109 443 395	273 812 593	2 064 175 111	2 953 574 903	2 319 092 023	2 509 444 508
All citrus fruit farms..	7 967	3 586	2	63	397	601	791	1 732
Bearing and nonbearing..acres..	315 758	227 061	(D)	(D)	38 061	45 865	61 070	77 528
Almonds farms..	6 024	3 760	19	164	559	813	858	1 347
Bearing and nonbearing..acres..	540 222	461 142	1 776	19 240	76 330	140 449	115 703	107 643
Meats..pounds..	724 689 153	632 588 467	1 258 840	24 932 474	106 989 935	195 955 202	161 084 738	142 367 278
English walnuts farms..	6 192	3 380	11	80	405	638	717	1 529
Bearing and nonbearing..acres..	232 455	185 609	819	5 301	29 852	46 226	43 226	60 185
In shell..pounds..	489 322 912	410 194 640	2 228 035	8 620 190	61 880 972	106 001 221	97 938 252	133 525 970

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SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms	2 535	17	123	528	800	585	482
	acres	164 894	1 009	5 810	29 443	45 223	42 615	40 794
	tons, dry	606 200	3 272	24 788	100 034	168 806	147 269	162 031
Irrigated	farms	1 606	7	84	364	499	372	280
	acres	120 289	575	4 583	21 567	31 356	31 547	30 661
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	1 304	7	53	290	421	289	244
	25 to 99 acres	853	7	56	166	274	189	161
	100 to 249 acres	253	2	13	48	76	69	45
	250 to 499 acres	83	1	1	19	20	22	20
	500 acres or more	42	—	—	5	9	16	12
Alfalfa hay	farms	824	7	55	171	244	190	157
	acres	74 151	604	3 197	10 211	17 396	19 250	23 493
	tons, dry	396 753	2 758	18 395	55 377	96 240	98 899	125 084
Irrigated	farms	762	4	53	164	217	178	146
	acres	71 525	484	3 152	10 080	16 726	18 621	22 462
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	farms	1 006	22	74	194	338	212	166
	acres	73 134	337	3 122	10 858	17 921	21 120	19 775
Irrigated	farms	1 006	22	74	194	338	212	166
	acres	73 134	337	3 122	10 858	17 921	21 120	19 775
Farms by acres harvested:								
	0.1 to 4.9 acres	676	16	48	120	243	136	113
	5.0 to 24.9 acres	191	5	11	45	52	47	31
	25.0 to 99.9 acres	67	—	10	11	27	10	9
	100.0 to 249.9 acres	28	—	1	8	6	8	5
	250.0 acres or more	44	1	4	10	10	11	8
Tomatoes harvested for sale	farms	351	6	25	62	124	80	54
	acres	24 149	11	351	3 533	6 291	1 995	11 968
Irrigated	farms	351	6	25	62	124	80	54
	acres	24 149	11	351	3 533	6 291	1 995	11 968
Field seed and grass seed crops	farms	33	—	—	16	8	7	2
	acres	3 079	—	—	1 394	875	(D)	(D)
Irrigated	farms	33	—	—	16	8	7	2
	acres	3 079	—	—	1 394	875	(D)	(D)
Land in orchards	farms	19 106	33	502	2 721	5 739	5 263	4 848
	acres	531 333	481	13 796	72 433	150 669	138 635	155 319
Irrigated	farms	17 282	29	454	2 481	5 235	4 752	4 331
	acres	506 609	471	12 851	69 393	144 892	132 088	146 915
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
	0.1 to 4.9 acres	7 979	11	172	1 168	2 405	2 166	2 057
	5.0 to 24.9 acres	7 175	18	212	1 028	2 191	2 017	1 709
	25.0 to 99.9 acres	3 098	3	96	435	900	845	819
	100.0 to 249.9 acres	589	1	15	59	167	159	188
	250.0 acres or more	265	—	7	31	76	76	75
Grapes (see text)	farms	4 028	6	120	652	1 338	1 121	791
	Bearing and nonbearing	181 460	232	4 033	22 200	62 543	48 865	43 588
	Fresh weight	2 174 972 012	4 414 585	47 807 798	283 156 970	655 269 280	618 724 910	565 598 469
All citrus fruit	farms	4 381	1	82	530	1 247	1 165	1 356
	Bearing and nonbearing	88 697	(D)	(D)	8 873	19 394	22 466	35 723
Almonds	farms	2 264	5	83	396	752	603	425
	Bearing and nonbearing	79 079	47	1 627	14 940	21 839	21 529	19 097
	Meats	92 100 686	61 002	1 180 416	17 638 161	24 188 670	25 500 574	23 531 863
English walnuts	farms	2 812	6	80	423	832	798	673
	Bearing and nonbearing	46 847	25	1 228	6 494	12 480	12 956	13 664
	In shell	79 128 272	14 262	1 804 905	9 253 456	19 824 051	23 323 652	24 907 946

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

²Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than \$1,000.