

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

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

Item	1997			1992		
	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) farms..	28 272	14 915	13 357	27 154	15 224	11 930
Average per farm \$1,000..	803 321	850 107	-46 786	515 763	556 819	-41 056
Average per farm dollars..	28 414	56 997	-3 503	18 994	36 575	-3 441
Farms with net gains ¹ number..	13 474	10 501	2 973	13 612	10 619	2 993
Average per farm \$1,000..	1 001 136	995 265	5 872	656 244	650 380	5 864
Average per farm dollars..	74 301	94 778	1 975	48 211	61 247	1 959
Gain of—						
Less than \$1,000	1 648	429	1 219	1 556	370	1 186
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 005	1 560	1 445	3 045	1 443	1 602
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 996	1 687	309	1 748	1 543	205
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2 497	2 497	—	2 723	2 723	—
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 730	1 730	—	2 009	2 009	—
\$50,000 or more	2 598	2 598	—	2 531	2 531	—
Farms with net losses number..	14 798	4 414	10 384	13 542	4 605	8 937
Average per farm \$1,000..	197 816	145 158	52 658	140 481	93 562	46 920
Average per farm dollars..	13 368	32 886	5 071	10 374	20 317	5 250
Loss of—						
Less than \$1,000	2 228	215	2 013	1 806	355	1 451
\$1,000 to \$4,999	5 836	1 000	4 836	5 583	1 232	4 351
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3 042	878	2 164	2 648	883	1 765
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2 510	1 285	1 225	2 637	1 385	1 252
\$25,000 to \$49,999	720	606	114	565	469	96
\$50,000 or more	462	430	32	303	281	22

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