

**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
<b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>								
Farms.....number..	28 268	15 399	206	890	2 711	3 297	3 250	5 045
.....percent..	100.0	54.5	.7	3.1	9.6	11.7	11.5	17.8
Land in farms.....acres..	32 634 221	27 496 888	187 612	1 498 124	5 798 012	6 009 650	6 252 847	7 750 643
Average size of farm.....acres..	1 154	1 786	911	1 683	2 139	1 823	1 924	1 536
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>								
Total sales (see text).....farms..	28 268	15 399	206	890	2 711	3 297	3 250	5 045
.....\$1,000..	4 534 213	3 901 630	19 343	252 883	1 122 183	1 014 576	569 227	923 419
Average per farm.....dollars..	160 401	253 369	93 898	284 138	413 937	307 727	175 147	183 036
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text).....	4 453	1 252	9	37	157	229	246	574
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....	2 875	824	12	21	92	168	168	363
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	2 849	947	17	33	118	184	221	374
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	3 220	1 294	24	57	178	245	255	535
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	3 301	1 738	28	80	238	305	362	725
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	1 126	681	9	39	96	118	136	283
\$25,000 to \$39,999.....	2 019	1 378	23	108	197	275	311	464
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....	1 041	799	13	41	156	166	178	245
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	2 620	2 141	28	159	421	462	448	623
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	2 605	2 342	28	184	554	585	501	490
\$250,000 to \$499,999.....	1 169	1 082	11	64	289	295	237	186
\$500,000 to \$999,999.....	555	526	1	40	123	151	111	100
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999.....	277	259	2	22	62	65	53	55
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999.....	62	56	1	—	12	21	9	13
\$5,000,000 or more.....	96	80	—	5	18	28	14	15
Grains.....farms..	7 488	6 044	102	476	1 321	1 344	1 244	1 557
.....\$1,000..	644 163	604 711	8 645	52 771	160 338	156 327	122 816	103 815
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	3 061	2 877	36	230	730	731	622	528
.....\$1,000..	568 367	544 018	7 465	47 390	147 731	143 726	111 488	86 218
Corn for grain.....farms..	3 348	2 922	52	271	717	707	612	563
.....\$1,000..	310 046	295 926	5 333	28 028	84 228	78 880	58 184	41 272
Wheat.....farms..	5 387	4 366	71	321	925	1 003	878	1 168
.....\$1,000..	239 989	220 166	2 129	17 605	50 585	54 947	47 042	47 859
Soybeans.....farms..	14	10	—	1	5	1	1	2
.....\$1,000..	346	309	—	(D)	240	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	447	384	1	39	95	89	78	82
.....\$1,000..	10 264	9 590	(D)	(D)	2 337	2 678	1 848	1 950
Barley.....farms..	588	507	5	53	124	108	103	114
.....\$1,000..	25 275	24 111	67	2 224	6 704	4 158	6 084	4 875
Oats.....farms..	272	219	5	14	67	33	44	56
.....\$1,000..	1 860	1 672	(D)	123	709	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other grains.....farms..	1 823	1 597	31	124	407	418	327	290
.....\$1,000..	56 382	52 938	1 068	3 981	15 535	15 351	9 413	7 589
Cotton and cottonseed.....farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco.....farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.....\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....farms..	8 414	5 046	47	318	1 007	1 138	1 114	1 422
.....\$1,000..	200 890	173 338	1 603	13 751	47 491	44 306	35 134	31 054
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 018	930	10	83	275	241	175	146
.....\$1,000..	126 499	119 009	1 084	10 142	36 071	31 769	22 407	17 536
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons.....farms..	546	415	5	24	102	136	71	77
.....\$1,000..	110 992	104 625	1 473	1 815	21 512	42 823	16 525	20 476
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	212	201	3	12	57	68	31	30
.....\$1,000..	106 715	101 336	(D)	(D)	20 922	41 681	15 774	19 923
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....farms..	442	244	—	7	28	58	52	99
.....\$1,000..	10 029	8 345	—	101	1 042	3 190	1 802	2 210
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	58	50	—	1	7	19	7	16
.....\$1,000..	7 301	6 674	—	(D)	(D)	2 774	1 487	1 539
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....farms..	631	319	2	23	82	102	55	55
.....\$1,000..	211 743	170 586	(D)	5 916	36 349	(D)	69 579	6 430
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	261	172	2	15	45	58	33	19
.....\$1,000..	207 381	168 339	(D)	(D)	35 791	48 640	69 248	6 006
Other crops.....farms..	865	786	13	90	228	194	143	118
.....\$1,000..	149 127	143 646	429	22 190	35 892	38 088	24 725	22 322
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	502	483	1	49	154	133	89	57
.....\$1,000..	141 277	136 468	(D)	21 156	34 069	36 768	23 356	(D)
Poultry and poultry products.....farms..	680	247	—	5	52	58	57	75
.....\$1,000..	142 212	(D)	—	1	39 302	(D)	(D)	276
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	20	16	—	—	7	4	4	1
.....\$1,000..	141 509	(D)	—	—	39 248	(D)	(D)	(D)
Dairy products.....farms..	367	304	3	20	44	84	62	91
.....\$1,000..	189 496	163 155	106	7 299	29 786	58 807	39 353	27 805
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	267	234	1	17	37	63	51	65
.....\$1,000..	187 322	161 475	(D)	(D)	29 658	58 288	39 010	27 240
Cattle and calves.....farms..	15 124	9 029	108	481	1 578	1 877	1 923	3 062
.....\$1,000..	2 537 589	2 179 520	3 579	143 063	709 693	455 342	205 176	662 667
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	2 805	2 450	12	129	468	537	572	732
.....\$1,000..	2 389 050	2 079 651	2 389	137 695	691 686	434 476	184 598	628 807

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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
<b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>							
Farms ..... number .....	12 869	142	807	3 188	4 101	2 783	1 848
..... percent .....	45.5	.5	2.9	11.3	14.5	9.8	6.5
Land in farms ..... acres .....	5 137 333	37 961	271 625	1 068 206	1 337 712	1 216 517	1 205 312
..... Average size of farm ..... acres .....	399	267	337	335	326	437	652
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>							
Total sales (see text) ..... farms .....	12 869	142	807	3 188	4 101	2 783	1 848
..... \$1,000 .....	632 583	1 554	12 655	215 522	87 564	251 070	64 217
..... Average per farm ..... dollars .....	49 156	10 944	15 682	67 604	21 352	90 216	34 750
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text) .....	3 201	27	160	686	1 022	713	593
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....	2 051	23	117	547	668	455	241
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	1 902	22	114	542	628	360	236
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	1 926	25	137	472	627	426	239
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	1 563	19	124	390	498	339	193
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....	445	12	34	98	127	96	78
\$25,000 to \$39,999 .....	641	11	43	157	214	134	82
\$40,000 to \$49,999 .....	242	—	18	55	77	57	35
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	479	2	41	139	122	107	68
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	263	—	15	70	71	51	56
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	87	1	3	15	26	29	13
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	29	—	1	6	14	2	6
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999 .....	18	—	—	3	4	9	2
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	6	—	—	1	1	—	4
\$5,000,000 or more .....	16	—	—	7	2	5	2
Grains ..... farms .....	1 444	29	117	325	394	326	253
..... \$1,000 .....	39 452	455	2 594	8 848	9 633	9 177	8 746
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	184	2	10	52	40	43	37
..... \$1,000 .....	24 349	(D)	(D)	5 484	5 266	6 292	5 988
Corn for grain ..... farms .....	426	9	42	103	121	90	61
..... \$1,000 .....	14 120	114	1 036	3 071	3 748	3 913	2 238
Wheat ..... farms .....	1 021	22	70	235	274	226	194
..... \$1,000 .....	19 823	307	1 046	4 486	4 573	4 170	5 241
Soybeans ..... farms .....	4	—	—	1	2	—	1
..... \$1,000 .....	37	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
Sorghum for grain ..... farms .....	63	3	5	17	15	10	13
..... \$1,000 .....	675	7	116	152	205	73	121
Barley ..... farms .....	81	1	9	16	16	18	21
..... \$1,000 .....	1 164	(D)	95	403	(D)	251	318
Oats ..... farms .....	53	1	8	13	15	11	5
..... \$1,000 .....	189	(D)	33	35	52	51	(D)
Other grains ..... farms .....	226	2	23	54	64	46	37
..... \$1,000 .....	3 444	(D)	267	(D)	944	719	790
Cotton and cottonseed ..... farms .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco ..... farms .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds ..... farms .....	3 368	14	167	876	1 167	730	414
..... \$1,000 .....	27 552	148	2 049	6 973	8 356	6 014	4 013
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	88	—	12	18	25	20	13
..... \$1,000 .....	7 490	—	813	1 372	1 995	1 535	1 775
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons ..... farms .....	131	—	14	33	44	26	14
..... \$1,000 .....	6 367	—	(D)	1 095	(D)	803	445
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	11	—	1	4	1	3	2
..... \$1,000 .....	5 378	—	(D)	903	(D)	559	(D)
Fruits, nuts, and berries ..... farms .....	198	—	7	51	64	50	26
..... \$1,000 .....	1 684	—	(D)	380	791	(D)	161
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	8	—	1	2	4	—	1
..... \$1,000 .....	626	—	(D)	(D)	379	—	(D)
Nursery and greenhouse crops ..... farms .....	312	1	8	84	127	56	36
..... \$1,000 .....	41 156	(D)	(D)	6 036	17 479	5 106	12 197
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	89	—	3	26	35	15	10
..... \$1,000 .....	39 042	—	250	5 345	16 735	4 736	11 975
Other crops ..... farms .....	79	—	9	16	25	9	20
..... \$1,000 .....	5 482	—	192	1 022	918	335	3 016
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	19	—	1	3	5	3	7
..... \$1,000 .....	4 809	—	(D)	(D)	665	297	2 892
Poultry and poultry products ..... farms .....	433	1	32	158	138	79	25
..... \$1,000 .....	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	(D)	86	43
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	4	—	—	2	2	—	—
..... \$1,000 .....	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	—
Dairy products ..... farms .....	63	1	5	10	16	21	10
..... \$1,000 .....	26 341	(D)	1 159	11 601	5 187	(D)	4 485
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	33	—	5	7	7	9	5
..... \$1,000 .....	25 847	—	1 159	11 553	5 015	3 732	4 388
Cattle and calves ..... farms .....	6 095	88	452	1 894	1 310	1 310	795
..... \$1,000 .....	358 069	882	5 087	126 364	33 724	162 568	29 444
Sales of \$50,000 or more ..... farms .....	355	1	16	94	87	90	67
..... \$1,000 .....	309 399	(D)	(D)	115 366	18 541	151 545	22 257

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<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.</b>								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs .....	farms.. 1 035	415	5	30	109	122	67	82
	\$1,000.. 170 699	(D)	(D)	4 413	34 673	77 302	3 641	10 429
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 78	66	2	6	18	17	12	11
	\$1,000.. 166 672	(D)	(D)	4 297	34 182	76 544	3 219	10 060
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms.. 1 631	804	7	41	152	195	171	238
	\$1,000.. 137 930	(D)	(D)	539	2 983	10 706	(D)	33 223
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 105	93	1	2	14	27	23	26
	\$1,000.. 132 754	(D)	(D)	(D)	2 294	9 935	26 855	32 294
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms.. 2 913	1 265	7	68	253	346	315	276
	\$1,000.. 29 343	18 483	22	1 025	3 122	6 326	5 274	2 713
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 88	60	—	4	8	22	17	9
	\$1,000.. 15 635	11 570	—	667	1 583	4 367	3 350	1 603
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .....	farms.. 1 752	768	7	49	152	205	158	197
	\$1,000.. 6 611	4 848	28	286	756	1 616	898	1 264
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>								
Total farm production expenses .....								
	farms.. 28 272	15 363	206	867	2 557	3 311	3 398	5 024
	\$1,000.. 3 725 343	3 216 948	15 033	194 704	910 595	858 949	477 000	760 666
Average per farm .....	dollars.. 131 768	209 396	72 978	224 572	356 119	259 423	140 377	151 406
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms.. 9 954	5 666	58	307	966	1 208	1 323	1 804
	\$1,000.. 1 271 336	1 099 720	2 099	70 887	380 797	238 575	86 356	321 007
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	5 843	2 678	34	140	479	536	610	879
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	2 564	1 669	7	98	241	373	371	579
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	988	820	8	45	141	166	237	223
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	257	224	7	8	51	60	45	53
\$250,000 or more .....	302	275	2	16	54	73	60	70
Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms.. 15 919	8 756	98	494	1 433	1 867	2 059	2 805
	\$1,000.. 861 580	740 335	1 201	37 005	216 106	219 651	87 097	179 275
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	10 904	4 979	36	306	716	1 041	1 148	1 732
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	3 604	2 486	41	99	489	528	613	716
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	898	825	20	60	135	173	200	237
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	251	234	1	14	48	54	55	62
\$250,000 or more .....	262	232	—	15	45	71	43	58
Commercially mixed formula feeds .....	farms.. 8 403	4 575	40	269	819	1 052	1 157	1 238
	\$1,000.. 254 594	227 830	352	11 055	55 033	78 609	28 836	53 944
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	6 843	3 253	26	194	557	688	811	977
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 064	671	3	34	181	245	226	182
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	347	318	11	32	46	84	90	55
\$100,000 or more .....	149	133	—	9	35	35	30	24
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .....	farms.. 10 288	7 504	75	493	1 449	1 802	1 724	1 961
	\$1,000.. 86 109	77 035	997	5 739	20 444	21 270	17 414	11 172
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 .....	4 070	2 124	27	85	241	420	556	795
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....	3 100	2 525	24	230	451	617	537	666
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	2 414	2 177	19	118	564	566	500	410
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	447	434	1	33	116	132	91	61
\$50,000 or more .....	257	244	4	27	77	67	40	29
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms.. 12 571	8 690	89	557	1 581	2 056	1 916	2 491
	\$1,000.. 124 307	114 045	1 211	9 173	29 225	29 554	24 045	20 838
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	8 240	4 788	59	263	708	1 066	1 042	1 650
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	3 060	2 686	20	216	522	669	611	648
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	762	723	7	37	212	190	153	124
\$50,000 or more .....	509	493	3	41	139	131	110	69
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms.. 11 335	7 670	85	494	1 440	1 814	1 753	2 084
	\$1,000.. 74 701	69 245	757	4 931	16 590	19 865	14 776	12 327
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	8 297	4 856	51	307	734	1 081	1 176	1 507
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	2 321	2 115	28	141	523	514	421	488
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	467	456	5	24	115	150	108	54
\$50,000 or more .....	250	243	1	22	68	69	48	35
Petroleum products .....	farms.. 25 745	14 726	188	830	2 479	3 131	3 278	4 820
	\$1,000.. 121 592	103 739	1 112	6 111	22 768	27 719	23 202	22 827
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	19 920	9 500	143	503	1 277	1 785	2 167	3 625
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	5 118	4 567	40	289	1 037	1 151	970	1 080
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	503	472	3	28	111	143	110	77
\$50,000 or more .....	204	187	2	10	54	52	31	38
Gasoline and gasohol .....	farms.. 22 217	13 170	152	721	2 261	2 884	2 893	4 259
	\$1,000.. 42 949	35 531	410	1 907	7 184	8 959	8 374	8 697
Diesel fuel .....	farms.. 17 477	11 211	144	650	2 008	2 478	2 519	3 412
	\$1,000.. 51 206	45 031	503	2 881	10 059	11 923	9 834	9 832
Natural gas .....	farms.. 1 239	984	22	59	247	223	166	267
	\$1,000.. 10 970	9 170	24	448	2 881	3 033	2 014	769
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. ....	farms.. 19 733	12 788	163	753	2 204	2 774	2 882	4 012
	\$1,000.. 16 467	14 007	175	875	2 644	3 804	2 980	3 529

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<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.</b>							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs .. farms..	620	11	47	279	175	80	28
\$1,000.. (D)		36	257	(D)	2 015	641	278
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	12	—	—	3	4	3	2
\$1,000.. (D)		—	—	(D)	1 502	402	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool .. farms..	827	11	46	259	270	165	76
\$1,000.. (D)		13	130	454	1 008	(D)	462
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	12	—	—	1	3	5	3
\$1,000.. (D)		—	—	(D)	350	(D)	294
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .. farms..	1 648	5	102	536	592	282	131
\$1,000..	10 860	10	516	3 518	4 244	1 645	928
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	28	—	1	9	10	4	4
\$1,000..	4 066	—	(D)	1 375	1 858	(D)	410
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .. farms..	984	12	70	354	316	173	59
\$1,000..	1 763	13	134	621	621	287	87
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>							
Total farm production expenses .. farms..	12 909	187	737	3 205	4 072	2 820	1 888
\$1,000..	508 396	1 835	12 735	174 939	86 437	180 225	52 226
Average per farm .. dollars..	39 383	9 811	17 279	54 583	21 227	63 909	27 662
Livestock and poultry purchased .. farms..	4 288	63	326	1 313	1 273	846	467
\$1,000..	171 616	421	2 189	64 621	11 707	83 517	9 161
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	3 165	28	235	1 054	995	582	271
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	895	34	80	223	209	195	154
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	168	—	10	20	54	49	35
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	33	1	1	7	9	12	3
\$250,000 or more ..	27	—	—	9	6	8	4
Feed for livestock and poultry .. farms..	7 163	95	515	1 952	2 280	1 500	821
\$1,000..	121 245	221	1 650	48 652	11 337	48 538	10 847
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	5 925	85	405	1 682	1 842	1 241	670
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 118	9	108	245	413	220	123
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	73	1	11	11	12	25	23
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	17	—	—	3	9	4	1
\$250,000 or more ..	30	—	1	11	4	10	4
Commercially mixed formula feeds .. farms..	3 828	56	272	1 135	1 279	748	338
\$1,000..	26 764	43	331	12 158	2 426	7 148	4 659
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	3 590	56	253	1 085	1 212	680	304
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	193	—	19	34	56	57	27
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	29	—	—	9	8	7	5
\$100,000 or more ..	16	—	—	7	3	4	2
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .. farms..	2 784	29	178	744	908	605	320
\$1,000..	9 074	9	402	1 113	4 339	1 495	1 716
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	1 946	29	122	526	655	406	208
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	575	—	26	178	174	128	69
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	237	—	29	37	69	65	37
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	13	—	1	1	6	3	2
\$50,000 or more ..	13	—	—	2	4	3	4
Commercial fertilizer .. farms..	3 881	42	174	908	1 226	1 018	513
\$1,000..	10 262	43	642	2 022	3 325	2 531	1 698
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	3 452	42	133	820	1 077	925	455
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	374	—	40	85	117	82	50
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	39	—	1	1	28	6	3
\$50,000 or more ..	16	—	—	2	4	5	5
Agricultural chemicals .. farms..	3 665	43	198	966	1 156	821	481
\$1,000..	5 456	136	405	1 126	1 848	1 048	894
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	3 441	37	175	920	1 080	775	454
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	206	6	23	42	71	42	22
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	11	—	—	2	3	3	3
\$50,000 or more ..	7	—	—	2	2	1	2
Petroleum products .. farms..	11 019	142	661	2 730	3 503	2 395	1 588
\$1,000..	17 853	135	843	4 401	5 421	4 149	2 904
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	10 420	141	641	2 594	3 324	2 254	1 466
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	551	1	20	127	162	128	113
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	31	—	—	3	13	10	5
\$50,000 or more ..	17	—	—	6	4	3	4
Gasoline and gasohol .. farms..	9 047	132	529	2 206	2 897	1 950	1 333
\$1,000..	7 418	73	437	1 604	2 236	1 975	1 091
Diesel fuel .. farms..	6 266	72	371	1 620	2 012	1 400	791
\$1,000..	6 175	50	274	1 541	1 994	1 373	943
Natural gas .. farms..	255	—	6	63	73	59	54
\$1,000..	1 801	—	10	560	489	233	509
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. .. farms..	6 945	105	443	1 729	2 229	1 560	879
\$1,000..	2 460	12	122	696	701	568	361

See footnotes at end of table.

**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
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>								
—Con.								
Total farm production expenses—Con.								
Electricity..... farms.....	18 055	11 332	112	629	1 871	2 484	2 602	3 634
..... \$1,000.....	68 478	61 168	960	5 336	13 369	17 829	12 383	11 291
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999.....	11 600	5 953	49	308	794	1 138	1 326	2 338
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	4 190	3 318	23	147	598	809	815	926
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	1 697	1 542	35	141	347	383	339	297
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	344	308	2	17	79	80	86	44
\$50,000 or more.....	224	211	3	16	53	74	36	29
Hired farm labor..... farms.....	9 394	6 787	26	376	1 387	1 625	1 508	1 865
..... \$1,000.....	263 603	232 302	1 144	10 091	52 904	74 508	52 230	41 426
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	5 449	3 395	9	179	655	706	764	1 082
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	2 362	1 949	9	104	389	502	443	502
\$25,000 to \$99,999.....	1 179	1 077	5	72	253	307	230	210
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	263	243	1	17	60	64	51	50
\$250,000 or more.....	141	123	2	4	30	46	20	21
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more..... farms.....	4 406	3 603	14	227	734	954	756	918
..... workers.....	15 232	12 903	82	662	2 772	4 247	2 451	2 689
Less than 150 days..... farms.....	8 204	5 805	25	302	1 237	1 396	1 262	1 583
..... workers.....	30 840	25 183	150	867	5 698	8 518	4 435	5 515
Contract labor..... farms.....	4 311	2 712	39	182	518	681	574	718
..... \$1,000.....	28 385	24 841	164	1 284	5 761	8 149	4 394	5 089
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999.....	1 552	671	3	47	108	131	171	211
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	1 706	1 153	19	71	219	276	265	303
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	858	706	17	54	138	207	111	179
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	114	105	—	6	30	40	13	16
\$50,000 or more.....	81	77	—	4	23	27	14	9
Repair and maintenance..... farms.....	22 453	13 525	135	764	2 319	2 998	2 999	4 310
..... \$1,000.....	154 182	130 770	1 024	7 941	27 974	36 711	29 503	27 617
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	15 823	8 018	88	416	1 268	1 465	1 747	3 034
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	5 438	4 429	41	279	792	1 211	1 036	1 070
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	800	716	4	46	175	206	142	143
\$50,000 or more.....	392	362	2	23	84	116	74	63
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment..... farms.....	9 669	6 321	106	361	1 176	1 396	1 429	1 853
..... \$1,000.....	74 222	64 545	606	4 316	14 814	15 112	13 558	16 139
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999.....	3 571	1 583	19	48	284	238	388	606
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	3 335	2 311	34	138	353	498	544	744
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	2 233	1 945	51	139	425	522	394	414
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	314	282	1	22	57	87	61	54
\$50,000 or more.....	216	200	1	14	57	51	42	35
Interest..... farms.....	13 057	8 412	120	633	1 761	2 190	1 801	1 907
..... \$1,000.....	179 469	149 190	850	10 619	32 262	45 472	32 154	27 832
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	6 633	3 469	87	276	601	785	721	999
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	4 788	3 420	24	263	817	959	713	644
\$25,000 to \$99,999.....	1 432	1 335	7	87	302	388	324	227
\$100,000 or more.....	204	188	2	7	41	58	43	37
Secured by real estate..... farms.....	8 767	5 554	52	359	1 061	1 507	1 259	1 316
..... \$1,000.....	104 910	84 201	426	5 742	17 113	26 745	17 687	16 488
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999.....	1 007	460	8	7	56	129	123	137
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	3 116	1 682	20	121	296	394	349	502
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	3 745	2 576	20	179	533	741	595	508
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	599	559	3	40	115	172	128	101
\$50,000 or more.....	300	277	1	12	61	71	64	68
Not secured by real estate..... farms.....	7 689	5 426	82	475	1 277	1 395	1 140	1 057
..... \$1,000.....	74 559	64 989	424	4 877	15 149	18 727	14 467	11 344
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999.....	1 779	910	30	76	144	169	173	318
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	2 977	1 918	40	202	422	471	429	354
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	2 334	2 035	8	163	579	569	424	292
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	390	366	3	23	90	118	72	60
\$50,000 or more.....	209	197	1	11	42	68	42	33
Cash rent..... farms.....	5 722	4 008	57	230	994	940	811	976
..... \$1,000.....	79 086	70 903	944	6 075	19 754	18 557	16 287	9 285
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	3 318	1 875	39	85	381	389	379	602
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	773	648	9	25	197	163	133	121
\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	972	866	3	55	216	224	187	181
\$25,000 or more.....	659	619	6	65	200	164	112	72
Property taxes..... farms.....	25 319	13 737	130	653	2 020	3 041	3 139	4 754
..... \$1,000.....	54 425	39 924	226	1 982	6 828	10 488	8 951	11 450
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	23 166	11 935	121	562	1 710	2 564	2 709	4 269
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	1 429	1 175	6	56	186	292	291	344
\$10,000 to \$24,999.....	577	499	2	27	97	141	113	119
\$25,000 or more.....	147	128	1	8	27	44	26	22
All other farm production expenses..... farms.....	25 682	14 687	198	847	2 473	3 213	3 276	4 680
..... \$1,000.....	283 871	239 187	1 738	13 216	51 001	75 489	54 651	43 092
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999.....	18 416	8 425	129	431	1 248	1 572	1 843	3 202
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	5 334	4 466	60	303	790	1 112	1 036	1 165
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	1 052	980	4	48	251	281	228	168
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	534	507	2	42	109	147	113	94
\$100,000 or more.....	346	309	3	23	75	101	56	51

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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
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity . . . . . farms . . . . .	6 723	78	381	1 709	2 170	1 529	856
\$1,000 . . . . .	7 310	18	307	1 815	2 459	1 659	1 053
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	5 647	77	343	1 466	1 817	1 240	704
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	872	1	21	207	279	248	116
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	155	—	17	26	50	33	29
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	36	—	—	4	23	5	4
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	13	—	—	6	1	3	3
Hired farm labor . . . . . farms . . . . .	2 607	21	115	602	916	606	347
\$1,000 . . . . .	31 301	79	597	10 637	7 992	5 360	6 636
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	2 054	12	94	490	733	464	261
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	413	9	17	87	137	104	59
\$25,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	102	—	4	10	39	29	20
\$100,000 to \$249,999 . . . . .	20	—	—	10	4	5	1
\$250,000 or more . . . . .	18	—	—	5	3	4	6
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more . . . . . farms . . . . .	803	9	36	147	295	208	108
workers . . . . .	2 329	9	53	581	854	403	429
Less than 150 days . . . . . farms . . . . .	2 399	21	98	574	849	538	319
workers . . . . .	5 657	39	272	1 422	2 206	1 088	630
Contract labor . . . . . farms . . . . .	1 599	27	96	388	560	315	213
\$1,000 . . . . .	3 544	56	252	1 006	1 032	634	564
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	881	17	57	208	299	171	129
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	553	—	16	140	219	124	54
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	152	10	23	36	39	18	26
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	9	—	—	2	3	1	3
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	4	—	—	2	—	1	1
Repair and maintenance . . . . . farms . . . . .	8 928	93	549	2 310	2 918	1 962	1 096
\$1,000 . . . . .	23 412	109	1 326	5 917	7 036	5 545	3 479
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	7 805	85	506	2 065	2 561	1 676	912
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	1 009	8	26	217	333	266	159
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	84	—	17	17	18	13	19
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	30	—	—	11	6	7	6
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment . . . . . farms . . . . .	3 348	33	159	859	1 120	789	388
\$1,000 . . . . .	9 676	94	265	2 231	2 234	3 329	1 523
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	1 988	14	92	476	676	499	231
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	1 024	13	48	302	337	233	91
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	288	6	19	74	96	40	53
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	32	—	—	2	9	11	10
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	16	—	—	5	2	6	3
Interest . . . . . farms . . . . .	4 645	77	318	1 267	1 594	939	450
\$1,000 . . . . .	30 279	195	1 336	9 528	8 887	7 249	3 083
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	3 164	64	229	836	1 014	665	356
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	1 368	13	86	410	537	250	72
\$25,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	97	—	3	15	21	20	18
\$100,000 or more . . . . .	16	—	—	6	2	4	4
Secured by real estate . . . . . farms . . . . .	3 213	25	202	827	1 193	669	297
\$1,000 . . . . .	20 709	84	886	7 352	6 754	3 868	1 764
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	547	10	26	133	203	86	89
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	1 434	6	113	339	490	359	127
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	1 169	9	63	342	478	212	65
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	40	—	—	2	19	7	12
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	23	—	—	11	3	5	4
Not secured by real estate . . . . . farms . . . . .	2 263	67	155	655	707	428	251
\$1,000 . . . . .	9 569	111	450	2 176	2 133	3 381	1 319
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	869	13	63	274	231	148	140
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	1 059	50	54	279	377	215	84
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	299	4	37	92	88	58	20
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	24	—	1	9	8	3	3
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	12	—	—	1	3	4	4
Cash rent . . . . . farms . . . . .	1 714	30	178	543	537	334	92
\$1,000 . . . . .	8 183	44	701	1 737	2 763	2 449	489
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	1 443	30	152	479	449	259	74
\$5,000 to \$9,999 . . . . .	125	—	8	26	40	39	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	106	—	17	32	27	28	2
\$25,000 or more . . . . .	40	—	1	6	21	8	4
Property taxes . . . . . farms . . . . .	11 582	141	572	2 799	3 745	2 598	1 727
\$1,000 . . . . .	14 501	90	443	3 311	4 631	3 350	2 676
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	11 231	140	571	2 737	3 629	2 495	1 659
\$5,000 to \$9,999 . . . . .	254	1	1	46	87	74	45
\$10,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	78	—	—	12	26	28	12
\$25,000 or more . . . . .	19	—	—	4	3	1	11
All other farm production expenses . . . . . farms . . . . .	10 995	155	638	2 756	3 527	2 404	1 515
\$1,000 . . . . .	44 684	185	1 377	16 819	11 427	9 374	5 502
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	9 991	139	579	2 574	3 194	2 147	1 358
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	868	15	56	159	305	206	127
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	72	1	2	11	11	29	18
\$50,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	27	—	1	—	10	11	4
\$100,000 or more . . . . .	37	—	—	11	7	11	8

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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
<b>NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)<sup>1</sup></b>								
All farms..... number..	28 272	15 363	206	867	2 557	3 311	3 398	5 024
..... \$1,000..	803 321	673 825	5 520	54 845	193 014	156 279	96 704	167 462
Average per farm..... dollars..	28 414	43 860	26 798	63 258	75 485	47 200	28 459	33 333
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> ..... number..	13 474	8 967	147	559	1 542	1 935	1 905	2 879
Average net gain..... dollars..	74 301	91 424	42 509	107 510	146 430	97 205	68 942	72 327
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	1 648	677	1	25	88	101	173	289
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	5 001	2 696	46	147	398	478	506	1 121
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	4 227	3 260	71	177	497	810	701	1 004
\$50,000 or more.....	2 598	2 334	29	210	559	546	525	465
Farms with net losses..... number..	14 798	6 396	59	308	1 015	1 376	1 493	2 145
Average net loss..... dollars..	13 368	22 823	12 348	17 057	32 296	23 120	23 196	19 006
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	2 228	657	12	25	104	157	128	231
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	8 878	3 389	34	166	396	706	787	1 300
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 230	1 943	10	104	399	406	486	538
\$50,000 or more.....	462	407	3	13	116	107	92	76
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>								
Government payments..... farms..	8 972	6 463	77	410	1 296	1 379	1 312	1 989
..... \$1,000..	117 843	94 415	850	4 214	18 483	21 388	19 949	29 532
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	8 665	5 536	59	368	1 012	1 162	1 209	1 726
..... \$1,000..	67 178	51 186	245	3 388	12 484	12 875	10 831	11 362
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	2 710	1 934	49	162	522	485	385	331
..... \$1,000..	37 097	26 967	204	2 253	9 366	7 079	5 403	2 662
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	3 378	1 783	20	72	214	329	380	768
..... \$1,000..	22 031	17 176	36	650	1 574	4 066	3 623	7 227
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	197	126	—	1	33	9	41	42
..... \$1,000..	1 174	901	—	(D)	200	225	386	(D)
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	4 532	3 468	4	237	611	741	818	1 057
..... \$1,000..	6 875	6 142	5	(D)	1 344	1 505	1 419	(D)
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>								
Total..... farms..	904	775	7	83	195	194	158	138
..... \$1,000..	34 350	33 228	152	3 007	8 953	11 070	6 640	3 405
Corn..... farms..	396	364	4	48	97	88	77	50
..... \$1,000..	19 296	(D)	(D)	2 109	5 456	6 286	(D)	1 508
Wheat..... farms..	595	489	6	49	116	120	97	101
..... \$1,000..	14 078	13 090	(D)	845	3 291	4 227	(D)	1 847
Soybeans..... farms..	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	(D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	60	57	—	7	15	9	15	11
..... \$1,000..	802	(D)	—	54	(D)	467	(D)	51
Cotton..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	6	6	—	—	1	3	2	—
..... \$1,000..	(D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	89	(D)	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>								
Total cropland..... farms..	22 357	12 972	150	741	2 308	2 803	2 759	4 211
..... acres..	10 509 384	8 936 929	89 460	633 690	1 980 895	2 145 651	1 874 347	2 212 886
Harvested cropland..... farms..	18 406	11 558	133	685	2 117	2 560	2 504	3 559
..... acres..	5 896 984	5 273 873	50 306	409 330	1 260 632	1 350 138	1 103 999	1 099 468
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	7 024	2 648	19	84	289	521	605	1 130
50 to 99 acres.....	2 369	1 395	13	67	200	273	336	506
100 to 199 acres.....	2 528	1 787	33	118	293	376	386	581
200 to 499 acres.....	3 196	2 663	39	195	579	601	528	721
500 to 999 acres.....	1 784	1 635	17	128	397	383	350	360
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	1 048	994	11	62	245	271	202	203
2,000 acres or more.....	457	436	1	31	114	135	97	58
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	8 254	4 118	23	182	657	871	939	1 446
..... acres..	700 536	422 625	3 029	22 299	68 170	87 192	91 003	150 932
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	2 284	1 453	13	74	253	328	291	494
..... acres..	792 306	569 271	8 675	20 676	97 235	114 030	108 750	219 905
On which all crops failed..... farms..	979	703	10	45	130	171	160	187
..... acres..	141 069	117 640	1 386	6 068	24 098	29 031	23 251	33 806
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	4 297	3 422	47	221	660	749	691	1 054
..... acres..	2 380 384	2 144 025	19 627	157 404	458 211	468 019	463 105	577 659
Idle..... farms..	2 757	1 623	23	98	292	358	331	521
..... acres..	598 105	409 495	6 437	17 913	72 549	97 241	84 239	131 116
Total woodland..... farms..	2 357	1 248	4	40	187	285	266	466
..... acres..	1 177 843	968 705	326	38 973	304 964	120 115	354 469	149 858
Woodland pastured..... farms..	1 532	876	3	33	123	205	186	326
..... acres..	681 895	548 769	(D)	35 652	130 008	104 829	(D)	101 028
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	1 094	525	2	13	89	114	108	199
..... acres..	495 948	419 936	(D)	3 321	174 956	15 286	(D)	48 830

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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
<b>NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)<sup>1</sup></b>							
All farms .....	12 909	187	737	3 205	4 072	2 820	1 888
\$1,000..	129 495	342	148	39 401	4 042	74 432	11 130
Average per farm .....	10 031	1 830	201	12 294	993	26 394	5 895
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> .....	4 507	91	306	1 101	1 288	1 023	698
Average net gain .....	40 234	7 063	10 726	46 434	16 584	85 106	25 594
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000 .....	971	13	37	224	290	240	167
\$1,000 to \$9,999 .....	2 305	48	194	556	642	518	347
\$10,000 to \$49,999 .....	967	30	60	245	295	204	133
\$50,000 or more .....	264	—	15	76	61	61	51
Farms with net losses .....	8 402	96	431	2 104	2 784	1 797	1 190
Average net loss .....	6 170	3 130	7 272	5 572	6 221	7 029	5 659
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000 .....	1 571	16	77	367	496	302	313
\$1,000 to \$9,999 .....	5 489	80	285	1 470	1 794	1 150	710
\$10,000 to \$49,999 .....	1 287	—	61	257	480	333	156
\$50,000 or more .....	55	—	8	10	14	12	11
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>							
Government payments .....	2 509	28	138	545	708	529	561
\$1,000..	23 428	297	946	3 707	5 984	5 190	7 304
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> .....	3 129	45	195	788	1 019	561	521
\$1,000..	15 992	57	417	9 232	2 658	1 859	1 769
Customwork and other agricultural services .....	776	30	40	262	255	142	47
\$1,000..	10 130	40	57	7 898	924	847	364
Gross cash rent or share payments .....	1 595	15	109	335	460	334	342
\$1,000..	4 855	17	326	1 067	1 391	815	1 239
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products .....	71	—	8	20	14	15	14
\$1,000..	273	—	4	60	46	107	56
Other farm-related income sources .....	1 064	9	59	287	387	162	160
\$1,000..	733	(Z)	29	207	297	90	110
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>							
Total .....	129	2	9	39	35	25	19
\$1,000..	1 122	(D)	(D)	393	190	190	240
Corn .....	32	2	2	8	10	4	6
\$1,000..	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	16
Wheat .....	106	2	8	33	28	21	14
\$1,000..	988	(D)	(D)	346	151	180	224
Soybeans .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sorghum, barley, and oats .....	3	—	—	1	1	1	—
\$1,000..	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	—
Cotton .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>							
Total cropland .....	9 385	75	545	2 274	3 040	2 063	1 388
Harvested cropland .....	1 572 455	17 790	91 660	335 258	422 682	339 752	365 313
\$1,000..	6 848	45	397	1 724	2 237	1 522	923
acres..	623 111	6 444	36 929	141 749	171 532	144 343	122 114
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres .....	4 376	17	228	1 134	1 475	965	557
50 to 99 acres .....	974	5	67	226	321	234	121
100 to 199 acres .....	741	14	48	179	242	162	96
200 to 499 acres .....	533	6	41	140	142	111	93
500 to 999 acres .....	149	2	10	34	39	31	33
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	54	1	3	8	15	12	15
2,000 acres or more .....	21	—	—	3	3	7	8
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only .....	4 136	29	236	1 031	1 437	899	504
\$1,000..	277 911	2 441	16 648	64 750	92 700	57 541	43 831
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured .....	831	12	29	169	269	169	183
\$1,000..	223 035	5 631	9 412	41 616	54 162	46 310	65 904
acres..	276	2	17	74	75	62	46
On which all crops failed .....	23 429	(D)	(D)	5 726	3 044	8 379	5 012
\$1,000..	875	14	70	190	216	186	199
acres..	236 359	1 702	13 474	52 286	54 704	43 041	71 152
Idle .....	1 134	8	60	253	348	252	213
\$1,000..	188 610	(D)	(D)	29 131	46 540	40 138	57 300
acres..							
Total woodland .....	1 109	5	45	241	387	272	159
\$1,000..	209 138	102	6 688	49 257	58 545	50 312	44 234
Woodland pastured .....	656	1	36	148	213	160	98
\$1,000..	133 126	(D)	(D)	34 896	36 488	21 935	34 353
acres..	569	4	14	121	218	136	76
Woodland not pastured .....	76 012	(D)	(D)	14 361	22 057	28 377	9 881

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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
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.</b>								
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	12 952	7 844	93	406	1 333	1 703	1 694	2 615
acres..	19 943 701	16 808 342	95 539	796 997	3 218 107	3 642 419	3 891 651	5 163 629
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. .... farms..	16 041	8 831	67	410	1 419	1 971	1 972	2 992
acres..	1 003 293	782 912	2 287	28 464	294 046	101 465	132 380	224 270
Irrigated land ..... farms..	15 470	9 306	92	532	1 721	2 068	2 055	2 838
acres..	3 430 129	2 981 095	26 892	209 968	681 017	817 803	614 582	630 833
Harvested cropland irrigated ..... farms..	13 559	8 575	85	507	1 623	1 935	1 901	2 524
acres..	2 762 068	2 465 741	23 339	180 907	602 268	664 437	511 420	483 370
Pasture and other land irrigated ..... farms..	5 930	3 134	17	114	495	669	736	1 103
acres..	668 061	515 354	3 553	29 061	78 749	153 366	103 162	147 463
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ..... farms..	3 692	2 358	18	94	383	482	466	915
acres..	1 567 513	1 085 462	6 618	37 035	175 845	215 100	227 675	423 189
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	28 272	15 363	206	867	2 557	3 311	3 398	5 024
\$1,000..	19 992 983	14 979 162	89 654	879 442	2 613 386	3 729 028	3 395 033	4 272 619
Average per farm ..... dollars..	707 165	975 015	435 211	1 014 351	1 022 052	1 126 254	999 127	850 442
Average per acre ..... dollars..	618	552	424	614	477	642	552	530
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999 .....	1 987	660	40	28	107	118	132	235
\$40,000 to \$69,999 .....	1 672	598	18	23	67	129	93	268
\$70,000 to \$99,999 .....	1 514	583	17	52	69	99	119	227
\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	2 603	976	18	60	162	175	184	377
\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	2 590	1 144	2	85	125	223	268	441
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	8 890	4 509	55	236	668	940	1 112	1 498
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	4 490	3 265	39	213	679	695	673	966
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 .....	2 498	1 910	10	85	372	507	431	505
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	1 499	1 284	6	63	252	302	290	371
\$5,000,000 or more .....	529	434	1	22	56	123	96	136
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ..... farms..	28 271	15 362	206	867	2 557	3 311	3 397	5 024
\$1,000..	2 019 029	1 606 899	15 420	96 482	353 092	398 506	348 810	394 589
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	2 612	747	1	44	44	143	163	352
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	3 357	1 234	37	39	145	184	215	614
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	4 679	1 784	12	65	264	340	479	624
\$20,000 to \$49,999 .....	8 069	4 254	74	260	689	821	872	1 538
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	4 067	2 650	33	152	338	597	636	894
\$100,000 to \$199,999 .....	2 941	2 363	31	161	508	597	525	541
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	2 022	1 834	16	119	445	494	389	371
\$500,000 or more .....	524	496	2	27	124	135	118	90
<b>SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Motortrucks, including pickups ..... farms..	26 429	14 953	195	849	2 520	3 231	3 302	4 856
number..	72 305	50 484	466	2 793	9 129	11 783	11 001	15 312
Wheel tractors ..... farms..	23 775	13 521	120	702	2 241	2 946	3 056	4 456
number..	53 530	36 242	284	1 568	6 188	8 233	8 057	11 912
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	11 462	6 058	33	205	823	1 217	1 514	2 266
number..	16 395	9 399	69	277	1 197	1 796	2 253	3 807
40 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	18 366	11 453	120	645	2 007	2 544	2 549	3 588
number..	37 135	26 843	215	1 291	4 991	6 437	5 804	8 105
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	14 349	8 600	76	355	1 419	1 913	1 924	2 913
number..	21 513	14 087	118	492	2 276	3 202	3 152	4 847
100 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	8 854	6 614	68	461	1 333	1 547	1 383	1 822
number..	15 622	12 756	97	799	2 715	3 235	2 652	3 258
Grain and bean combines ..... farms..	4 371	3 619	20	210	722	873	802	992
number..	5 576	4 689	20	261	962	1 161	1 022	1 263
Cotton pickers and strippers ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners ..... farms..	7 416	4 945	24	168	831	1 122	1 226	1 574
number..	8 478	5 733	29	214	971	1 322	1 410	1 787
Pickup balers ..... farms..	8 252	5 521	39	229	938	1 151	1 220	1 944
number..	10 148	6 969	40	288	1 228	1 512	1 553	2 348
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	12 519	8 670	89	557	1 570	2 056	1 914	2 484
acres on which used..	4 084 229	3 711 026	33 610	340 445	853 773	1 015 401	763 944	703 853
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops ..... farms..	5 420	4 204	46	321	943	1 099	964	831
acres on which used..	1 575 464	1 441 347	17 331	112 667	360 106	403 468	283 573	264 202
Nematodes in crops ..... farms..	370	316	—	22	85	89	57	63
acres on which used..	50 924	45 785	—	2 787	11 785	8 863	8 895	13 455
Diseases in crops and orchards ..... farms..	1 219	947	7	76	241	226	184	213
acres on which used..	200 629	177 193	1 331	11 184	45 681	57 849	29 247	31 901
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture ..... farms..	7 692	5 459	77	380	1 119	1 247	1 210	1 426
acres on which used..	2 342 535	2 122 853	34 896	171 315	535 141	582 389	443 852	355 260
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate ..... farms..	373	308	1	14	58	79	60	96
acres on which used..	103 602	101 375	(D)	(D)	22 631	31 934	23 624	17 984

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		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.</b>							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	5 108	69	355	1 295	1 553	1 137	699
acres..	3 135 359	16 795	162 948	641 040	801 012	782 427	731 137
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. .... farms..	7 210	29	375	1 802	2 349	1 613	1 042
acres..	220 381	3 274	10 329	42 651	55 473	44 026	64 628
Irrigated land ..... farms..	6 164	27	358	1 508	2 090	1 398	783
acres..	449 034	1 900	26 255	95 976	134 892	113 734	76 277
Harvested cropland irrigated ..... farms..	4 984	20	286	1 267	1 662	1 113	636
acres..	296 327	1 237	17 272	65 135	84 934	74 350	53 399
Pasture and other land irrigated ..... farms..	2 796	14	153	669	989	651	320
acres..	152 707	663	8 983	30 841	49 958	39 384	22 878
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ..... farms..	1 334	16	50	249	365	274	380
acres..	482 051	6 671	18 739	69 617	112 769	102 505	171 750
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>							
Estimated market value of land and buildings ..... farms..	12 909	187	737	3 205	4 072	2 820	1 888
\$1,000..	5 013 821	34 334	361 233	1 068 257	1 540 418	1 102 855	906 726
Average per farm ..... dollars..	388 397	183 602	490 139	333 309	378 295	391 083	480 257
Average per acre ..... dollars..	957	526	1 109	958	1 233	903	719
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999 .....	1 327	42	74	329	375	297	210
\$40,000 to \$69,999 .....	1 074	27	67	297	288	202	193
\$70,000 to \$99,999 .....	931	21	61	181	293	239	136
\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	1 627	35	139	427	431	317	278
\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	1 446	20	57	432	435	309	193
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	4 381	31	210	1 064	1 566	944	566
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	1 225	1	56	294	411	308	155
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 .....	588	10	42	134	178	138	86
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	215	—	16	31	71	49	48
\$5,000,000 or more .....	95	—	15	16	24	17	23
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ..... farms..	12 909	187	737	3 205	4 072	2 820	1 888
\$1,000..	412 130	5 342	20 601	104 017	128 827	92 115	61 228
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	1 865	24	91	436	554	405	355
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	2 123	37	118	527	586	504	351
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	2 895	49	193	736	933	577	407
\$20,000 to \$49,999 .....	3 815	59	229	1 033	1 282	729	483
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	1 417	9	76	325	438	412	157
\$100,000 to \$199,999 .....	578	1	19	99	231	142	86
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	188	8	11	44	40	45	40
\$500,000 or more .....	28	—	—	5	8	6	9
<b>SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>							
Motortrucks, including pickups ..... farms..	11 476	170	673	2 859	3 558	2 537	1 679
number..	21 821	330	1 170	5 214	6 745	4 934	3 428
Wheel tractors ..... farms..	10 254	111	509	2 471	3 322	2 346	1 495
number..	17 288	200	873	3 986	5 509	4 099	2 621
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	5 404	37	247	1 202	1 848	1 197	873
number..	6 996	51	324	1 466	2 422	1 578	1 155
40 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	6 913	89	370	1 780	2 107	1 621	946
number..	10 292	149	549	2 520	3 087	2 521	1 466
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	5 749	65	273	1 488	1 789	1 339	795
number..	7 426	99	364	1 856	2 247	1 798	1 062
100 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	2 240	41	149	527	651	591	281
number..	2 866	50	185	664	840	723	404
Grain and bean combines ..... farms..	752	8	52	185	197	209	101
number..	887	8	55	215	228	258	123
Cotton pickers and strippers ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners ..... farms..	2 471	11	117	611	849	638	245
number..	2 745	22	138	665	949	704	267
Pickup balers ..... farms..	2 731	21	133	746	809	696	326
number..	3 179	25	166	870	936	825	357
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>							
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	3 849	42	167	903	1 213	1 017	507
acres on which used..	373 203	3 478	25 479	71 783	105 178	98 790	68 495
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops ..... farms..	1 216	12	61	346	397	275	125
acres on which used..	134 117	6 480	5 980	28 334	35 948	33 489	23 886
Nematodes in crops ..... farms..	54	—	—	30	22	—	2
acres on which used..	5 139	—	—	(D)	3 075	—	(D)
Diseases in crops and orchards ..... farms..	272	—	11	54	115	43	49
acres on which used..	23 436	—	897	1 268	6 866	11 549	2 856
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture ..... farms..	2 233	28	148	579	715	486	277
acres on which used..	219 682	2 896	17 300	40 394	56 530	61 000	41 562
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate ..... farms..	65	—	7	9	33	9	7
acres on which used..	2 227	—	140	81	1 014	42	950

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			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
<b>TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR</b>								
All operators .....	28 268	15 399	206	890	2 711	3 297	3 250	5 045
Full owners .....	16 486	7 474	47	278	939	1 428	1 684	3 098
Part owners .....	8 439	5 906	38	329	1 157	1 448	1 294	1 640
Tenants .....	3 343	2 019	121	283	615	421	272	307
White .....	27 640	15 136	202	872	2 657	3 245	3 189	4 971
Full owners .....	16 096	7 335	45	271	919	1 407	1 648	3 045
Part owners .....	8 271	5 826	38	325	1 134	1 425	1 275	1 629
Tenants .....	3 273	1 975	119	276	604	413	266	297
Black and other races .....	628	263	4	18	54	52	61	74
Full owners .....	390	139	2	7	20	21	36	53
Part owners .....	168	80	—	4	23	23	19	11
Tenants .....	70	44	2	7	11	8	6	10
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>								
Land owned..... farms..	25 093	13 465	85	612	2 112	2 897	2 992	4 767
acres..	22 427 388	18 383 496	83 973	617 911	3 371 618	3 741 145	4 392 415	6 176 434
Owned land in farms .....	24 925	13 380	85	607	2 096	2 876	2 978	4 738
acres..	20 465 506	17 092 775	76 073	572 559	3 248 561	3 520 437	4 115 325	5 559 820
Land rented or leased from others .....	11 914	8 015	160	615	1 778	1 877	1 594	1 991
acres..	12 440 550	10 617 929	112 974	964 166	2 583 464	2 507 606	2 213 796	2 235 923
landlords..	26 071	19 645	297	1 451	4 584	4 986	3 980	4 347
Rented or leased land in farms .....	11 782	7 925	159	612	1 772	1 869	1 566	1 947
acres..	12 168 715	10 404 113	111 539	925 565	2 549 451	2 489 213	2 137 522	2 190 823
Land rented or leased to others .....	3 855	2 072	11	68	246	363	431	953
acres..	2 233 717	1 504 537	9 335	83 953	157 070	239 101	353 364	661 714
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated .....	20 500	11 630	110	544	1 981	2 556	2 589	3 850
Not on farm operated .....	5 958	2 575	84	269	535	495	420	772
Not reported .....	1 810	1 194	12	77	195	246	241	423
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	15 399	15 399	206	890	2 711	3 297	3 250	5 045
Other .....	12 869	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None .....	10 933	9 336	98	403	1 376	1 758	1 997	3 704
Any .....	15 459	4 187	91	413	1 078	1 211	869	525
1 to 99 days .....	2 915	2 205	58	214	559	602	457	315
100 to 199 days .....	2 929	1 029	18	81	255	332	221	122
200 days or more .....	9 615	953	15	118	264	277	191	88
Not reported .....	1 876	1 876	17	74	257	328	384	816
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less .....	1 784	665	50	115	191	153	96	60
3 or 4 years .....	2 491	932	50	133	255	240	168	86
5 to 9 years .....	4 822	1 955	34	268	568	472	366	247
10 years or more .....	15 243	9 490	—	226	1 334	1 949	2 161	3 820
Average years on present farm .....	18.1	22.3	3.6	7.2	12.0	16.8	22.5	34.8
Not reported .....	3 928	2 357	72	148	363	483	459	832
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years .....	348	206	206	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years .....	1 697	890	—	890	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years .....	5 899	2 711	—	—	2 711	—	—	—
45 to 49 years .....	3 775	1 731	—	—	—	1 731	—	—
50 to 54 years .....	3 623	1 566	—	—	—	1 566	—	—
55 to 59 years .....	3 212	1 601	—	—	—	—	1 601	—
60 to 64 years .....	2 821	1 649	—	—	—	—	1 649	—
65 to 69 years .....	2 438	1 689	—	—	—	—	—	1 689
70 years and over .....	4 455	3 356	—	—	—	—	—	3 356
Average age .....	53.8	56.2	21.2	30.7	39.9	49.3	59.5	73.2
Operators by sex:								
Male .....	25 067	13 873	189	827	2 444	2 936	2 970	4 507
Female .....	3 201	1 526	17	63	267	361	280	538
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....								
	945	439	4	21	84	78	106	146
<b>FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	23 281	12 118	180	683	2 089	2 526	2 609	4 031
acres..	20 015 329	16 532 514	107 547	932 515	3 092 093	3 579 537	3 994 264	4 826 558
Partnership .....	2 789	1 811	20	117	318	399	351	606
acres..	5 837 397	4 880 048	55 826	340 135	886 191	1 030 439	937 635	1 629 822
Corporation:								
Family held .....	1 688	1 201	6	74	232	311	242	336
acres..	4 426 099	3 944 359	24 239	161 061	903 685	989 655	788 131	1 077 588
More than 10 stockholders .....	45	31	—	1	2	11	9	8
10 or less stockholders .....	1 643	1 170	6	73	230	300	233	328
Other than family held .....	198	118	—	13	41	34	14	16
acres..	520 277	441 983	—	(D)	163 463	127 449	83 071	(D)
More than 10 stockholders .....	36	20	—	—	4	9	5	2
10 or less stockholders .....	162	98	—	13	37	25	9	14
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. .... farms..								
acres..	312	151	—	3	31	27	34	56
	1 835 119	1 697 984	—	(D)	752 580	282 570	449 746	(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
<b>TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR</b>							
All operators .....	12 869	142	807	3 188	4 101	2 783	1 848
Full owners .....	9 012	68	420	2 077	2 880	2 087	1 480
Part owners .....	2 533	17	176	699	873	502	266
Tenants .....	1 324	57	211	412	348	194	102
White .....	12 504	137	774	3 085	3 971	2 723	1 814
Full owners .....	8 761	65	403	2 019	2 784	2 041	1 449
Part owners .....	2 445	15	163	666	845	492	264
Tenants .....	1 298	57	208	400	342	190	101
Black and other races .....	365	5	33	103	130	60	34
Full owners .....	251	3	17	58	96	46	31
Part owners .....	88	2	13	33	28	10	2
Tenants .....	26	—	3	12	6	4	1
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>							
Land owned..... farms..	11 628	86	601	2 800	3 768	2 602	1 771
acres..	4 043 892	28 292	112 654	600 888	1 046 585	1 022 742	1 232 731
Owned land in farms .....	11 545	85	596	2 776	3 753	2 589	1 746
acres..	3 372 731	16 340	100 769	526 138	855 943	898 427	975 114
Land rented or leased from others .....	3 899	74	389	1 116	1 230	709	381
acres..	1 822 621	(D)	(D)	562 575	488 703	327 076	249 251
landlords..	6 426	101	649	1 827	2 086	1 170	593
Rented or leased land in farms .....	3 857	74	387	1 111	1 221	696	368
acres..	1 764 602	21 621	170 856	542 068	481 769	318 090	230 198
Land rented or leased to others .....	1 783	10	66	326	522	416	443
acres..	729 180	(D)	(D)	95 257	197 576	133 301	276 670
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated .....	8 870	65	499	2 373	3 044	1 902	987
Not on farm operated .....	3 383	72	268	690	877	746	730
Not reported .....	616	5	40	125	180	135	131
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other .....	12 869	142	807	3 188	4 101	2 783	1 848
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None .....	1 597	18	26	118	222	353	860
Any .....	11 272	124	781	3 070	3 879	2 430	988
1 to 99 days .....	710	15	31	123	198	170	173
100 to 199 days .....	1 900	32	109	426	655	466	212
200 days or more .....	8 662	77	641	2 521	3 026	1 794	603
Not reported .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less .....	1 119	43	192	404	279	143	58
3 or 4 years .....	1 559	21	187	570	506	213	62
5 to 9 years .....	2 867	19	257	1 036	960	456	139
10 years or more .....	5 753	—	68	880	1 918	1 635	1 252
Average years on present farm .....	13.4	2.9	5.0	8.0	11.8	16.9	26.3
Not reported .....	1 571	59	103	298	438	336	337
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years .....	142	142	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years .....	807	—	807	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years .....	3 188	—	—	3 188	—	—	—
45 to 49 years .....	2 044	—	—	—	2 044	—	—
50 to 54 years .....	2 057	—	—	—	2 057	—	—
55 to 59 years .....	1 611	—	—	—	—	1 611	—
60 to 64 years .....	1 172	—	—	—	—	1 172	—
65 to 69 years .....	749	—	—	—	—	—	749
70 years and over .....	1 099	—	—	—	—	—	1 099
Average age .....	51.0	20.6	30.8	40.0	49.5	58.9	72.3
Operators by sex:							
Male .....	11 194	118	715	2 792	3 576	2 487	1 506
Female .....	1 675	24	92	396	525	296	342
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....	506	7	50	137	159	90	63
<b>FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	11 163	130	712	2 845	3 597	2 411	1 468
acres..	3 482 815	32 497	214 805	851 918	940 747	726 365	716 483
Partnership .....	978	8	67	201	271	210	221
acres..	957 349	2 703	34 973	121 392	232 880	298 250	267 151
Corporation:							
Family held .....	487	2	18	89	174	110	94
acres..	481 740	(D)	(D)	42 787	112 230	153 639	159 177
More than 10 stockholders .....	14	—	—	2	2	4	6
farms..	473	2	18	87	172	106	88
10 or less stockholders .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other than family held .....	80	—	3	24	27	15	11
acres..	78 294	—	140	22 293	24 692	4 301	26 868
More than 10 stockholders .....	16	—	—	1	7	5	3
farms..	64	—	3	23	20	10	8
10 or less stockholders .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. .... farms..	161	2	7	29	32	37	54
acres..	137 135	(D)	(D)	29 816	27 163	33 962	35 633

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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
<b>INJURIES AND DEATHS</b>								
Farm-related injuries:								
Operator and family members . . . . . farms..	354	244	4	15	56	59	51	59
number..	406	284	4	18	64	65	62	71
Hired workers . . . . . farms..	300	259	1	10	46	87	54	61
number..	607	477	(D)	(D)	90	198	77	92
Farm-related deaths:								
Operator and family members . . . . . farms..	11	7	—	1	2	—	1	3
number..	12	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Hired workers . . . . . farms..	5	4	—	2	—	—	2	—
number..	5	(D)	—	(D)	—	—	(D)	—
<b>FARMS BY SIZE</b>								
1 to 9 acres . . . . .	2 502	685	8	35	133	134	119	256
10 to 49 acres . . . . .	5 516	1 703	12	71	205	369	388	658
50 to 69 acres . . . . .	1 089	439	8	14	75	88	107	147
70 to 99 acres . . . . .	1 665	725	9	32	105	146	172	261
100 to 139 acres . . . . .	1 295	590	11	42	95	139	112	191
140 to 179 acres . . . . .	1 699	852	17	48	120	152	200	315
180 to 219 acres . . . . .	795	434	10	33	84	84	97	126
220 to 259 acres . . . . .	729	408	16	26	72	94	84	116
260 to 499 acres . . . . .	3 309	2 015	39	136	384	391	420	645
500 to 999 acres . . . . .	3 030	2 081	33	149	402	439	396	662
1,000 to 1,999 acres . . . . .	2 731	2 066	19	139	392	461	377	678
2,000 acres or more . . . . .	3 908	3 401	24	165	644	800	778	990
<b>FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM</b>								
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) . . . . .	5 820	4 140	76	322	861	907	807	1 167
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) . . . . .	492	396	5	38	95	116	74	68
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) . . . . .	464	235	—	5	24	55	43	108
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) . . . . .	533	262	2	21	70	80	46	43
Other crop farming (1119) . . . . .	4 838	2 461	31	148	458	536	497	791
Tobacco farming (11191) . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton farming (11192) . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199) . . . . .	4 838	2 461	31	148	458	536	497	791
Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111) . . . . .	10 883	5 828	73	259	834	1 065	1 286	2 311
Cattle feedlots (112112) . . . . .	786	419	6	20	77	108	81	127
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) . . . . .	301	251	1	16	40	68	56	70
Hog and pig farming (1122) . . . . .	398	139	3	13	35	38	27	23
Poultry and egg production (1123) . . . . .	150	44	—	—	9	13	9	13
Sheep and goat farming (1124) . . . . .	741	312	5	9	37	79	79	103
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) . . . . .	2 862	912	4	39	171	232	245	221
<b>LIVESTOCK</b>								
Cattle and calves inventory . . . . . farms..	15 592	9 042	107	483	1 594	1 901	1 916	3 041
number..	3 307 301	2 774 252	10 431	134 792	675 686	688 131	452 218	812 994
Farms with—								
1 to 9 . . . . .	2 638	770	9	25	128	149	172	287
10 to 49 . . . . .	5 518	2 538	50	139	371	516	513	949
50 to 99 . . . . .	2 566	1 668	22	95	310	316	366	559
100 to 199 . . . . .	2 050	1 560	14	100	290	346	291	519
200 to 499 . . . . .	1 775	1 557	6	81	297	348	362	463
500 or more . . . . .	1 045	949	6	43	198	226	212	264
Cows and heifers that had calved . . . . . farms..								
number..	12 610	7 651	87	413	1 331	1 627	1 615	2 578
Beef cows . . . . . farms..	998 508	821 244	4 286	39 119	152 928	188 257	187 872	248 782
number..	12 243	7 387	84	399	1 285	1 554	1 556	2 509
918 891	752 658	4 168	36 164	139 674	164 001	171 772	236 879	
Farms with—								
1 to 9 . . . . .	2 746	954	20	40	133	201	216	344
10 to 49 . . . . .	4 935	2 708	39	166	437	544	535	987
50 to 99 . . . . .	1 969	1 462	12	84	290	287	301	488
100 to 199 . . . . .	1 459	1 245	11	63	232	297	267	375
200 to 499 . . . . .	885	799	—	35	159	185	179	241
500 or more . . . . .	249	219	2	11	34	40	58	74
Milk cows . . . . . farms..								
number..	814	531	10	25	95	139	111	151
79 617	68 586	118	2 955	13 254	24 256	16 100	11 903	
Farms with—								
1 to 4 . . . . .	428	226	6	4	47	58	46	65
5 to 9 . . . . .	51	22	1	1	6	3	5	6
10 to 49 . . . . .	108	82	2	7	5	22	13	33
50 to 99 . . . . .	50	44	1	5	6	10	12	10
100 to 199 . . . . .	61	52	—	3	10	15	9	15
200 to 499 . . . . .	78	72	—	4	14	19	16	19
500 or more . . . . .	38	33	—	1	7	12	10	3
Heifers and heifer calves . . . . . farms..								
number..	11 697	7 089	82	391	1 262	1 517	1 491	2 346
1 021 657	858 089	3 438	49 253	197 558	242 092	135 097	230 651	
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves . . . . . farms..								
number..	13 125	7 774	89	411	1 363	1 675	1 647	2 589
1 287 136	1 094 919	2 707	46 420	325 200	257 782	129 249	333 561	

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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	
<b>INJURIES AND DEATHS</b>								
Farm-related injuries:								
Operator and family members .....	farms..	110	—	7	31	46	17	9
	number..	122	—	7	33	53	18	11
Hired workers .....	farms..	41	—	—	13	10	11	7
	number..	130	—	—	67	27	26	10
Farm-related deaths:								
Operator and family members .....	farms..	4	—	—	1	1	1	1
	number..	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hired workers .....	farms..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
	number..	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
<b>FARMS BY SIZE</b>								
1 to 9 acres .....		1 817	6	108	508	583	386	226
10 to 49 acres .....		3 813	40	212	1 010	1 287	827	437
50 to 69 acres .....		650	12	42	165	224	146	61
70 to 99 acres .....		940	13	49	266	303	194	115
100 to 139 acres .....		705	8	39	164	242	151	101
140 to 179 acres .....		847	16	60	185	255	182	149
180 to 219 acres .....		361	7	27	71	112	85	59
220 to 259 acres .....		321	3	19	77	102	59	61
260 to 499 acres .....		1 294	14	99	299	365	284	233
500 to 999 acres .....		949	12	74	190	275	214	184
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....		665	10	55	143	217	142	98
2,000 acres or more .....		507	1	23	110	136	113	124
<b>FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM</b>								
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) .....		1 680	33	99	326	429	358	435
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) .....		96	—	11	22	30	17	16
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) .....		229	—	10	57	77	56	29
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) .....		271	1	7	77	108	50	28
Other crop farming (1119) .....		2 377	9	114	603	811	530	310
Tobacco farming (11191) .....		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton farming (11192) .....		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199) .....		2 377	9	114	603	811	530	310
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211) .....		5 055	67	378	1 213	1 550	1 111	736
Cattle feedlots (11212) .....		367	12	21	115	109	76	34
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) .....		50	—	3	10	12	16	9
Hog and pig farming (1122) .....		259	9	18	116	67	36	13
Poultry and egg production (1123) .....		106	—	9	36	33	20	8
Sheep and goat farming (1124) .....		429	4	25	124	134	97	45
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) .....		1 950	7	112	489	741	416	185
<b>LIVESTOCK</b>								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	farms..	6 550	85	490	1 699	2 059	1 399	818
	number..	533 049	2 568	30 713	148 487	103 478	169 568	78 235
Farms with—								
1 to 9 .....		1 868	28	139	553	586	378	184
10 to 49 .....		2 980	41	215	757	964	641	362
50 to 99 .....		898	13	79	204	284	198	120
100 to 199 .....		490	2	38	118	145	109	78
200 to 499 .....		218	1	15	48	60	47	47
500 or more .....		96	—	4	19	20	26	27
Cows and heifers that had calved .....								
	farms..	4 959	71	380	1 302	1 576	1 041	589
	number..	177 264	1 196	10 704	39 032	51 101	42 424	32 807
Beef cows .....								
	farms..	4 856	70	374	1 269	1 546	1 019	578
	number..	166 233	(D)	(D)	34 135	48 940	40 874	30 868
Farms with—								
1 to 9 .....		1 792	34	139	560	549	342	168
10 to 49 .....		2 227	32	173	521	732	488	281
50 to 99 .....		507	4	46	124	168	104	61
100 to 199 .....		214	—	13	46	67	55	33
200 to 499 .....		86	—	3	15	25	17	26
500 or more .....		30	—	—	3	5	13	9
Milk cows .....								
	farms..	283	2	22	92	81	46	40
	number..	11 031	(D)	(D)	4 897	2 161	1 550	1 939
Farms with—								
1 to 4 .....		202	2	16	79	59	23	23
5 to 9 .....		29	—	1	4	7	8	9
10 to 49 .....		26	—	3	4	8	8	3
50 to 99 .....		6	—	—	1	—	2	3
100 to 199 .....		9	—	1	1	3	3	1
200 to 499 .....		6	—	1	1	3	1	—
500 or more .....		5	—	—	2	1	1	1
Heifers and heifer calves .....								
	farms..	4 608	59	363	1 211	1 479	967	529
	number..	163 568	515	6 996	44 860	25 019	63 822	22 356
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves .....								
	farms..	5 351	66	418	1 397	1 677	1 139	654
	number..	192 217	857	13 013	64 595	27 358	63 322	23 072

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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
<b>LIVESTOCK—Con.</b>								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 15 124	9 029	108	481	1 578	1 877	1 923	3 062
	number.. 3 751 788	3 189 457	6 893	198 149	989 189	658 138	366 547	970 541
	\$1,000.. 2 537 589	2 179 520	3 579	143 063	709 693	455 342	205 176	662 667
Calves	farms.. 6 690	3 886	36	192	658	838	810	1 352
	number.. 337 432	263 948	976	9 504	51 967	55 167	60 889	85 445
	\$1,000.. 101 301	80 107	317	3 136	16 114	16 775	18 269	25 495
Cattle	farms.. 12 399	7 521	90	414	1 336	1 559	1 608	2 514
	number.. 3 414 356	2 925 509	5 917	188 645	937 222	602 971	305 658	885 096
	\$1,000.. 2 436 288	2 099 413	3 262	139 927	693 578	438 567	186 908	637 172
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 1 626	926	12	48	179	245	194	248
	number.. 2 432 312	2 080 056	852	140 933	778 289	409 308	98 495	652 179
	\$1,000.. 1 900 247	1 631 440	655	110 409	608 802	329 058	71 625	510 890
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 225	483	5	38	122	142	79	97
	number.. 787 440	708 651	1 579	69 797	168 663	361 009	13 299	94 304
Farms with—								
1 to 24	939	303	1	26	76	87	45	68
25 to 49	81	44	1	1	11	16	10	3
50 to 99	58	35	1	1	8	8	4	13
100 to 199	52	26	—	1	6	6	10	3
200 to 499	38	26	—	2	7	10	4	3
500 or more	57	49	2	5	14	15	6	7
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 491	217	4	14	57	59	38	45
	number.. 149 292	(D)	(D)	(D)	27 190	51 014	770	(D)
Other	farms.. 1 132	456	5	38	113	132	76	92
	number.. 638 148	(D)	(D)	(D)	141 473	309 995	12 529	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 035	415	5	30	109	122	67	82
	number.. 1 452 164	1 275 066	(D)	64 094	366 434	724 969	(D)	78 915
	\$1,000.. 170 699	(D)	(D)	4 413	34 673	77 302	3 641	10 429
Feeder pigs	farms.. 190	86	3	7	28	18	11	19
	number.. 369 159	365 527	(D)	(D)	115 698	(D)	1 069	1 213
	\$1,000.. 18 184	18 036	(D)	(D)	4 505	(D)	45	53
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 522	235	4	14	60	62	39	56
	number.. 205 746	184 772	(D)	(D)	49 565	88 730	1 078	(D)
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 486	219	4	14	55	59	37	50
	number.. 96 222	85 689	(D)	3 747	25 414	42 775	600	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 402	190	4	12	50	50	28	46
	number.. 109 524	99 083	(D)	(D)	24 151	45 955	478	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 1 628	794	8	45	146	195	172	228
	number.. 593 755	482 822	436	10 679	45 385	118 845	97 075	210 405
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 1 367	689	6	35	123	165	155	205
	number.. 189 253	165 914	231	7 110	27 974	40 161	50 338	40 100
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 1 552	779	7	38	147	189	165	233
	number.. 1 217 150	739 577	(D)	(D)	27 874	118 424	256 213	328 170
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 1 329	680	6	34	127	159	149	205
	number.. 510 557	412 386	241	7 337	27 906	77 431	102 435	197 036
	pounds of wool.. 3 175 074	2 649 535	2 064	59 990	226 084	543 344	663 817	1 154 236
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 11 185	5 396	36	251	1 019	1 284	1 203	1 603
	number.. 81 665	43 645	146	1 893	8 809	11 157	10 621	11 019
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 2 168	948	4	51	192	243	244	214
	number.. 9 138	5 179	13	523	855	1 223	995	1 570
Goats inventory	farms.. 992	360	2	20	88	110	69	71
	number.. 12 841	7 505	(D)	(D)	1 368	2 677	2 154	1 050
Goats sold	farms.. 371	137	—	9	27	47	30	24
	number.. 6 691	3 634	—	172	291	749	1 960	462
<b>POULTRY</b>								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 628	690	1	29	129	150	142	239
	number.. 3 793 457	(D)	(D)	479	(D)	29 689	(D)	30 450
Farms with—								
1 to 399	1 607	676	1	29	124	147	138	237
400 to 3,199	9	3	—	—	—	2	—	1
3,200 to 9,999	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	3	3	—	—	1	—	—	1
50,000 to 99,999	2	2	—	—	1	—	—	—
100,000 or more	5	4	—	—	3	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 577	665	1	28	122	149	139	226
	number.. 3 595 189	(D)	(D)	436	2 010 990	28 954	(D)	29 894
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 243	107	1	4	22	26	20	34
	number.. 198 268	(D)	(D)	43	(D)	735	(D)	556
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 148	64	—	—	17	10	20	17
	number.. (D)	2 281 386	—	—	1 653 012	(D)	574 453	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 74	28	—	1	6	6	12	3
	number.. 11 933	7 626	—	(D)	79	1 277	6 225	(D)
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	72	26	—	1	6	6	10	3
2,000 to 59,999	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
60,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 101	37	—	—	9	10	9	9
	number.. 406	117	—	—	24	38	21	34
Turkeys sold	farms.. 79	25	—	—	6	8	6	5
	number.. (D)	(D)	—	—	68	(D)	191	51

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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
<b>LIVESTOCK—Con.</b>							
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 6 095	88	452	1 556	1 894	1 310	795
	number.. 562 331	1 783	11 467	193 974	70 992	227 642	56 473
	\$1,000.. 358 069	882	5 087	126 364	33 724	162 568	29 444
Calves	farms.. 2 804	31	229	686	872	588	398
	number.. 73 484	541	4 511	14 512	23 041	15 707	15 172
	\$1,000.. 21 194	163	1 452	4 430	6 221	4 660	4 268
Cattle	farms.. 4 878	73	330	1 262	1 519	1 073	621
	number.. 488 847	1 242	6 956	179 462	47 951	211 935	41 301
	\$1,000.. 336 875	719	3 635	121 935	27 503	157 908	25 176
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 700	17	45	239	218	124	57
	number.. 352 256	(D)	602	147 889	9 798	176 872	(D)
	\$1,000.. 268 807	(D)	464	106 314	7 934	140 839	(D)
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 742	13	69	322	221	91	26
	number.. 78 789	135	1 851	58 828	12 929	4 238	808
Farms with—							
1 to 24	636	12	55	291	191	69	18
25 to 49	37	1	2	12	10	9	3
50 to 99	23	—	5	3	10	4	1
100 to 199	26	—	6	5	6	6	3
200 to 499	12	—	1	7	1	2	1
500 or more	8	—	—	4	3	1	—
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 274	7	24	128	75	33	7
	number.. (D)	42	254	(D)	937	634	90
Other	farms.. 676	10	66	287	206	84	23
	number.. (D)	93	1 597	(D)	11 992	3 604	718
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 620	11	47	279	175	80	28
	number.. 177 098	(D)	2 345	(D)	18 514	6 016	1 838
	\$1,000.. (D)	36	257	(D)	2 015	641	278
Feeder pigs	farms.. 104	2	9	54	25	13	1
	number.. 3 632	(D)	452	1 477	698	947	(D)
	\$1,000.. 149	(D)	20	59	27	40	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 287	7	24	135	80	34	7
	number.. 20 974	(D)	340	(D)	1 912	749	77
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 267	7	21	131	71	30	7
	number.. 10 533	(D)	163	(D)	1 119	204	57
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 212	7	18	100	53	30	4
	number.. 10 441	(D)	177	(D)	793	545	20
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 834	10	51	267	264	164	78
	number.. 110 933	148	1 780	6 897	11 552	86 379	4 177
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 678	9	38	211	221	138	61
	number.. 23 339	134	1 087	4 612	7 796	6 634	3 076
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 773	10	44	239	249	161	70
	number.. 477 573	(D)	1 371	5 528	10 818	(D)	4 316
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 649	8	37	193	215	136	60
	number.. 98 171	128	1 576	5 547	9 618	77 893	3 409
	pounds of wool.. 525 539	1 087	10 807	43 240	75 883	363 958	30 564
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 5 789	35	369	1 583	2 072	1 202	528
	number.. 38 020	96	2 008	9 927	13 224	8 321	4 444
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 220	4	82	374	461	205	94
	number.. 3 959	10	231	876	1 386	856	600
Goats inventory	farms.. 632	2	35	237	198	120	40
	number.. 5 336	(D)	(D)	1 639	1 571	1 280	555
Goats sold	farms.. 234	1	8	93	73	44	15
	number.. 3 057	(D)	(D)	798	949	1 059	210
<b>POULTRY</b>							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 938	5	72	315	314	173	59
	number.. (D)	111	1 632	(D)	6 105	4 044	2 863
Farms with—							
1 to 399	931	5	72	313	314	172	55
400 to 3,199	6	—	—	1	—	1	4
3,200 to 9,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
50,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 912	5	72	301	311	164	59
	number.. (D)	111	1 576	(D)	5 601	3 280	2 680
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 136	—	9	49	34	32	12
	number.. (D)	—	56	(D)	504	764	183
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 84	—	6	32	24	13	9
	number.. (D)	—	397	(D)	831	798	3 385
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 46	—	4	20	14	8	—
	number.. 4 307	—	517	903	2 320	567	—
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	46	—	4	20	14	8	—
2,000 to 59,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
60,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 64	—	4	24	19	13	4
	number.. 289	—	7	86	50	39	107
Turkeys sold	farms.. 54	—	5	23	10	10	—
	number.. 1 597	—	(D)	217	98	(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
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 3 579	3 123	53	274	742	760	665	629
	acres.. 919 784	873 518	14 806	85 351	234 472	234 187	174 183	130 519
	130 170 731	123 940 281	2 176 428	11 729 851	34 095 925	33 196 069	24 258 807	18 483 201
Irrigated	farms.. 3 228	2 841	47	240	681	692	607	574
	acres.. 769 567	734 151	12 780	62 826	200 455	197 355	148 506	112 229
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	394	264	6	14	40	47	59	98
25 to 99 acres	1 058	865	16	78	182	192	185	212
100 to 249 acres	1 039	950	16	94	220	242	207	171
250 to 499 acres	564	532	10	46	152	134	106	84
500 acres or more	524	512	5	42	148	145	108	64
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 1 160	1 048	9	70	231	259	232	247
	acres.. 96 344	90 796	370	5 608	17 181	26 810	19 375	21 452
	2 021 799	1 901 172	6 171	115 297	381 698	560 632	407 465	429 909
Irrigated	farms.. 1 118	1 013	8	67	229	251	221	237
	acres.. 91 403	86 316	237	5 234	16 875	25 333	18 544	20 093
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 504	436	1	40	112	97	84	102
	acres.. 148 004	136 122	(D)	(D)	33 482	35 487	28 264	28 075
	5 272 619	4 909 086	(D)	(D)	1 184 448	1 278 182	990 867	1 055 621
Irrigated	farms.. 175	158	—	12	42	43	23	38
	acres.. 18 820	18 050	—	790	3 317	6 039	2 472	5 432
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	46	36	—	5	10	6	6	9
25 to 99 acres	144	120	—	9	41	28	13	29
100 to 249 acres	134	115	1	14	21	25	30	24
250 to 499 acres	93	84	—	6	21	16	18	23
500 acres or more	87	81	—	6	19	22	17	17
Wheat for grain	farms.. 5 407	4 377	71	321	931	1 005	879	1 170
	acres.. 2 515 100	2 293 283	22 847	172 057	533 611	554 665	491 984	518 119
	76 656 526	70 352 933	696 672	5 983 271	16 141 416	17 526 046	14 884 910	15 120 618
Irrigated	farms.. 1 776	1 558	19	122	401	396	335	285
	acres.. 232 698	220 855	1 937	11 370	54 042	65 094	53 189	35 223
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	443	283	1	18	66	47	61	90
25 to 99 acres	1 257	903	22	81	187	205	180	228
100 to 249 acres	1 285	1 003	20	80	196	215	194	298
250 to 499 acres	948	816	14	65	160	186	140	251
500 acres or more	1 474	1 372	14	77	322	352	304	303
Barley for grain	farms.. 657	572	5	55	134	121	120	137
	acres.. 84 564	79 139	424	7 472	21 976	16 378	16 978	15 911
	8 639 798	8 195 291	37 340	875 909	2 335 282	1 573 895	1 710 380	1 662 485
Irrigated	farms.. 573	497	5	54	121	106	98	113
	acres.. 75 035	69 861	424	7 358	20 506	13 660	14 222	13 691
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	132	94	—	5	16	18	22	33
25 to 99 acres	280	244	3	28	51	50	50	62
100 to 249 acres	137	129	2	12	36	30	27	22
250 to 499 acres	73	72	—	6	21	18	14	13
500 acres or more	35	33	—	4	10	5	7	7
Oats for grain	farms.. 404	314	7	16	79	56	58	98
	acres.. 20 001	17 239	249	2 055	5 802	2 980	2 522	3 631
	1 112 532	979 359	18 300	79 831	334 763	189 493	140 125	216 847
Irrigated	farms.. 309	244	6	12	65	47	41	73
	acres.. 11 328	9 854	239	485	3 127	2 148	1 579	2 276
Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas	farms.. 1 095	966	18	68	262	237	205	176
	acres.. 116 544	109 253	2 240	7 442	33 814	30 207	19 600	15 950
	2 028 685	1 909 072	46 987	134 882	597 774	487 824	359 027	282 578
Irrigated	farms.. 981	875	17	64	243	213	185	153
	acres.. 91 086	86 195	2 227	6 437	26 396	22 284	16 468	12 383
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	179	123	2	10	27	20	30	34
25 to 99 acres	523	469	8	34	122	112	104	89
100 to 249 acres	281	268	6	18	82	74	51	37
250 to 499 acres	85	80	1	4	20	22	19	14
500 acres or more	27	26	1	2	11	9	1	2
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 320	284	4	35	83	73	49	40
	acres.. 85 446	82 467	88	12 758	20 840	23 431	13 019	12 331
	28 081 460	27 160 260	26 900	4 598 820	6 895 508	7 481 694	4 115 199	4 042 139
Irrigated	farms.. 320	284	4	35	83	73	49	40
	acres.. 85 446	82 467	88	12 758	20 840	23 431	13 019	12 331
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	37	23	—	2	6	7	5	3
5.0 to 24.9 acres	25	16	3	—	4	6	—	3
25.0 to 99.9 acres	70	64	1	12	17	14	12	8
100.0 to 249.9 acres	74	71	—	11	25	16	12	7
250.0 acres or more	114	110	—	10	31	30	20	19

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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
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>							
Corn for grain or seed .....	farms.. 456	9	43	112	130	100	62
	acres.. 46 266	605	3 313	11 416	11 868	11 077	7 987
	bushels.. 6 230 450	76 398	478 207	1 376 392	1 573 646	1 634 830	1 090 977
Irrigated .....	farms.. 387	5	39	90	116	87	50
	acres.. 35 416	406	2 691	8 183	9 297	8 779	6 060
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	130	2	12	36	36	27	17
25 to 99 acres .....	193	4	21	39	61	48	20
100 to 249 acres .....	89	3	7	27	20	14	18
250 to 499 acres .....	32	—	2	7	11	7	5
500 acres or more .....	12	—	1	3	2	4	2
Corn for silage or green chop .....	farms.. 112	—	15	27	34	23	13
	acres.. 5 548	—	372	1 201	1 340	1 712	923
	tons, green.. 120 627	—	7 589	28 057	27 490	39 511	17 980
Irrigated .....	farms.. 105	—	15	26	33	19	12
	acres.. 5 087	—	372	1 192	1 240	1 600	683
Sorghum for grain or seed .....	farms.. 68	3	5	20	16	10	14
	acres.. 11 882	174	2 440	2 508	2 702	770	3 288
	bushels.. 363 533	3 168	72 600	71 867	94 158	30 504	91 236
Irrigated .....	farms.. 17	1	—	6	4	4	2
	acres.. 770	(D)	—	331	171	161	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	10	1	—	4	1	2	2
25 to 99 acres .....	24	—	—	7	7	5	4
100 to 249 acres .....	19	—	2	8	4	2	3
250 to 499 acres .....	9	—	—	2	2	1	4
500 acres or more .....	6	—	3	—	2	—	1
Wheat for grain .....	farms.. 1 030	22	71	236	278	229	194
	acres.. 221 817	4 294	11 050	51 093	54 307	45 657	55 416
	bushels.. 6 303 593	118 481	351 713	1 421 898	1 547 941	1 182 489	1 681 071
Irrigated .....	farms.. 218	2	15	59	57	47	38
	acres.. 11 843	(D)	(D)	3 583	2 215	1 618	3 280
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	160	3	11	28	45	47	26
25 to 99 acres .....	354	8	24	76	94	88	64
100 to 249 acres .....	282	8	25	78	79	44	48
250 to 499 acres .....	132	—	8	32	37	28	27
500 acres or more .....	102	3	3	22	23	22	29
Barley for grain .....	farms.. 85	1	9	17	19	18	21
	acres.. 5 425	(D)	488	1 218	(D)	1 853	1 342
	bushels.. 444 507	(D)	142 861	39 510	39 510	86 586	138 437
Irrigated .....	farms.. 76	—	9	16	16	16	19
	acres.. 5 174	—	488	1 168	439	1 813	1 266
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	38	—	5	7	10	10	6
25 to 99 acres .....	36	1	1	8	9	6	11
100 to 249 acres .....	8	—	3	1	—	1	3
250 to 499 acres .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
500 acres or more .....	2	—	—	1	—	1	—
Oats for grain .....	farms.. 90	1	11	24	30	16	8
	acres.. 2 762	(D)	296	1 022	643	513	(D)
	bushels.. 133 173	(D)	17 812	31 033	35 341	31 107	(D)
Irrigated .....	farms.. 65	—	10	16	20	13	6
	acres.. 1 474	—	186	319	360	436	173
Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas .....	farms.. 129	1	11	26	38	28	25
	acres.. 7 291	(D)	(D)	1 585	1 871	1 548	1 637
	cwt.. 119 613	(D)	(D)	19 741	34 070	29 158	27 926
Irrigated .....	farms.. 106	—	8	17	33	27	21
	acres.. 4 891	—	213	477	1 620	1 478	1 103
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	56	—	4	14	17	12	9
25 to 99 acres .....	54	—	6	7	14	15	12
100 to 249 acres .....	13	1	1	3	6	—	2
250 to 499 acres .....	5	—	—	2	1	—	2
500 acres or more .....	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes .....	farms.. 36	—	2	8	10	5	11
	acres.. 2 979	—	(D)	553	144	(D)	2 083
	cwt.. 921 200	—	(D)	194 302	44 378	(D)	620 800
Irrigated .....	farms.. 36	—	2	8	10	5	11
	acres.. 2 979	—	(D)	553	144	(D)	2 083
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres .....	14	—	1	4	3	1	5
5.0 to 24.9 acres .....	9	—	—	—	5	3	1
25.0 to 99.9 acres .....	6	—	1	3	2	—	—
100.0 to 249.9 acres .....	3	—	—	—	—	1	2
250.0 acres or more .....	4	—	—	1	—	—	3

See footnotes at end of table.

**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
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—</b>								
<b>Con.</b>								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . farms . . .	13 446	8 109	61	397	1 443	1 779	1 841	2 588
acres . . .	1 607 991	1 310 807	6 900	79 367	284 123	333 527	287 730	319 160
tons, dry . . .	3 989 176	3 390 937	24 945	234 273	818 021	838 586	703 934	771 178
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	10 738	6 562	49	331	1 187	1 420	1 502	2 073
acres . . .	1 258 613	1 038 146	4 794	65 107	224 993	270 475	219 471	253 306
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres . . . . .	4 188	1 557	5	42	185	312	353	660
25 to 99 acres . . . . .	4 975	3 051	27	150	493	628	742	1 011
100 to 249 acres . . . . .	2 678	2 068	23	108	430	492	436	579
250 to 499 acres . . . . .	1 018	895	5	66	204	209	190	221
500 acres or more . . . . .	587	538	1	31	131	138	120	117
Alfalfa hay . . . . . farms . . .	9 528	5 923	44	298	1 072	1 300	1 375	1 834
acres . . .	833 471	683 646	4 141	49 993	157 992	160 369	151 314	159 837
tons, dry . . .	2 715 837	2 333 450	18 367	186 641	584 550	568 031	475 521	500 340
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	8 264	5 250	41	285	970	1 143	1 211	1 600
acres . . .	715 844	596 837	3 611	44 970	139 477	141 691	128 746	138 342
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) . . . . . farms . . .	546	415	5	24	102	136	71	77
acres . . .	43 026	40 573	657	996	7 248	17 011	6 507	8 154
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	546	415	5	24	102	136	71	77
acres . . .	43 026	40 573	657	996	7 248	17 011	6 507	8 154
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	178	92	—	3	22	34	14	19
5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	142	107	1	7	30	27	21	21
25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	136	129	2	12	29	44	21	21
100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	51	49	1	2	16	12	9	9
250.0 acres or more . . . . .	39	38	1	—	5	19	6	7
Land in orchards . . . . . farms . . .	761	359	—	10	35	85	74	155
acres . . .	7 753	5 829	—	163	849	1 945	1 301	1 570
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	761	359	—	10	35	85	74	155
acres . . .	7 753	5 829	—	163	849	1 945	1 301	1 570
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	428	139	—	5	9	27	28	70
5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	265	162	—	3	18	38	34	69
25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	60	50	—	2	7	17	9	15
100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	8	8	—	—	1	3	3	1
250.0 acres or more . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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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	
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—</b>								
<b>Con.</b>								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . .	farms . . .	5 337	19	291	1 364	1 803	1 199	661
	acres . . .	297 184	1 084	15 680	65 937	90 230	77 206	47 047
	tons, dry . . .	598 239	2 079	34 480	139 879	176 380	151 864	93 557
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . .	4 176	13	228	1 065	1 399	946	525
	acres . . .	220 467	752	11 350	48 593	64 141	57 520	38 111
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres . . . . .	2 631	6	124	676	883	586	356
	25 to 99 acres . . . . .	1 924	8	123	509	684	412	188
	100 to 249 acres . . . . .	610	5	39	146	191	150	79
	250 to 499 acres . . . . .	123	—	4	26	31	42	20
	500 acres or more . . . . .	49	—	1	7	14	9	18
Alfalfa hay . . . . .	farms . . .	3 605	12	213	963	1 181	808	428
	acres . . .	149 825	627	9 801	36 371	44 851	35 298	22 877
	tons, dry . . .	382 387	1 445	25 804	95 842	111 563	89 342	58 391
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . .	3 014	11	180	810	978	677	358
	acres . . .	119 007	607	7 877	29 317	34 520	27 940	18 746
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) . . . .	farms . . .	131	—	14	33	44	26	14
	acres . . .	2 453	—	87	417	1 371	395	184
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . .	131	—	14	33	44	26	14
	acres . . .	2 453	—	87	417	1 371	395	184
Farms by acres harvested:								
	0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	86	—	8	21	34	13	10
	5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	35	—	6	8	9	11	1
	25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	7	—	—	3	—	1	3
	100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	2	—	—	1	—	1	—
	250.0 acres or more . . . . .	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Land in orchards . . . . .	farms . . .	402	—	14	101	133	101	53
	acres . . .	1 924	—	66	480	843	344	192
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . .	402	—	14	101	133	101	53
	acres . . .	1 924	—	66	480	843	344	192
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
	0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	289	—	11	72	90	80	36
	5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	103	—	3	26	36	21	17
	25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	10	—	—	3	7	—	—
	100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	250.0 acres or more . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

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