

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

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

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms .....	40 334	38	265	1 201	3 178
number..					
percent..	100.0	.1	.7	3.0	7.9
Land in farms .....	10 671 246	68 083	409 344	1 249 694	2 775 742
acres..					
Average size of farm .....	265	1 792	1 545	1 041	873
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> .....	40 353	38	265	1 201	3 178
farms..					
\$1,000..	15 841 654	109 652	614 190	1 875 706	3 894 083
Average per farm .....	392 577	2 885 592	2 317 699	1 561 787	1 225 325
dollars..					
Average per acre .....	1 505	1 611	1 500	1 501	1 403
dollars..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	\$1,000.. 1 791 247	16 861	78 536	241 300	547 381
percent..	100.0	.9	4.4	13.5	30.6
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland .....	5 370 844	50 518	289 146	870 369	1 916 125
acres..					
Harvested cropland .....	3 762 559	42 975	258 324	772 353	1 679 085
acres..					
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured .....	1 903 711	2 546	38 011	122 570	264 551
acres..					
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	\$1,000.. 4 992 918	502 828	1 245 930	2 495 267	3 743 675
Average per farm .....	123 789	13 232 312	4 701 624	2 077 658	1 177 997
dollars..					
Grains .....	farms.. 6 475	7	67	299	890
\$1,000..	196 045	1 519	11 160	37 401	85 681
farms..	4 183	2	58	292	964
\$1,000..	606 754	(D)	54 644	175 936	372 708
farms..	1 179	1	14	86	268
\$1,000..	143 396	(D)	12 193	38 537	80 836
farms..	4 453	2	26	132	295
\$1,000..	24 952	(D)	(D)	5 177	6 994
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	farms.. 1 797	4	39	139	326
\$1,000..	273 090	47 781	129 014	179 278	223 696
farms..	2 446	3	16	80	235
\$1,000..	108 875	(D)	20 952	45 260	69 402
farms..	1 287	4	20	47	117
\$1,000..	219 370	55 730	103 667	134 095	169 887
farms..	4 808	1	29	290	950
\$1,000..	348 116	(D)	27 996	89 116	200 990
Poultry and poultry products .....	farms.. 3 431	27	167	794	1 794
\$1,000..	2 507 024	361 699	798 904	1 617 240	2 255 711
farms..	644	2	17	61	170
\$1,000..	212 452	(D)	54 112	96 248	146 034
farms..	21 015	6	113	545	1 407
\$1,000..	224 422	440	9 724	28 470	54 662
farms..	1 561	—	14	54	153
\$1,000..	105 395	—	19 702	47 443	70 503
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms.. 252	—	—	1	7
\$1,000..	418	—	—	(D)	18
farms..	2 431	—	2	12	51
\$1,000..	22 609	—	(D)	(D)	6 555
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms.. 252	—	—	1	7
\$1,000..	418	—	—	(D)	18
farms..	2 431	—	2	12	51
\$1,000..	22 609	—	(D)	(D)	6 555
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	farms.. 40 351	38	265	1 201	3 177
\$1,000..	3 840 117	318 082	866 024	1 858 110	2 837 058
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :					
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms.. 10 408	29	196	919	2 207
\$1,000..	396 933	99 043	176 355	264 590	343 075
farms..	21 119	13	171	939	2 340
\$1,000..	1 427 778	77 567	308 271	833 707	1 253 308
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms.. 23 991	15	136	593	1 789
\$1,000..	219 398	3 347	19 430	51 782	102 007
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms.. 16 485	14	160	687	1 923
\$1,000..	196 778	4 830	24 130	59 621	114 565
Petroleum products .....	farms.. 35 928	38	263	1 186	3 124
\$1,000..	136 653	6 272	18 704	42 663	75 664
Electricity .....	farms.. 21 641	38	262	1 188	3 088
\$1,000..	54 790	4 400	12 115	23 752	36 064
Hired farm labor .....	farms.. 12 267	33	233	922	2 394
\$1,000..	285 883	27 379	80 556	139 245	211 074
Interest .....	farms.. 14 786	36	249	1 166	2 994
\$1,000..	170 943	6 546	25 179	59 482	101 001
Payments from government programs .....	farms.. 12 372	10	97	449	1 246
\$1,000..	63 996	534	3 302	9 843	22 188
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves .....	farms.. 21 874	7	111	550	1 436
number..	1 244 489	6 572	48 884	137 140	274 612
Milk cows .....	farms.. 984	2	16	65	175
number..	98 931	(D)	18 677	37 167	59 275
Hogs and pigs .....	farms.. 1 764	—	13	53	149
number..	514 029	—	66 983	187 172	301 833

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