

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

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS								
Farms	40 334	17 523	157	936	2 345	3 191	3 991	6 903
number								
percent	100.0	43.4	.4	2.3	5.8	7.9	9.9	17.1
Land in farms	10 671 246	6 975 077	50 994	437 975	1 168 422	1 713 739	1 589 019	2 014 928
acres								
Average size of farm	265	398	325	468	498	537	398	292
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text)	40 334	17 523	157	936	2 345	3 191	3 991	6 903
farms								
\$1,000	4 992 918	4 062 245	32 266	355 474	905 447	1 165 033	967 020	637 005
Average per farm	123 789	231 824	205 518	379 780	386 118	365 100	242 300	92 279
dollars								
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	8 330	1 755	5	34	156	210	357	993
\$1,000 to \$2,499	5 401	1 320	3	29	86	138	315	749
\$2,500 to \$4,999	5 503	1 691	6	34	101	166	361	1 023
\$5,000 to \$9,999	5 154	1 978	11	36	101	217	453	1 160
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3 748	1 711	13	61	143	208	374	912
\$20,000 to \$24,999	946	503	5	26	41	83	95	253
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1 526	849	16	46	94	145	208	340
\$40,000 to \$49,999	648	421	8	19	63	76	93	162
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1 908	1 330	20	106	240	305	305	354
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2 524	2 067	38	198	447	482	495	407
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1 948	1 630	16	138	365	446	398	267
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1 625	1 334	10	116	284	434	309	181
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	886	773	6	79	188	230	195	75
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	124	111	—	11	22	39	23	16
\$5,000,000 or more	63	50	—	3	14	12	10	11
Grains	6 475	4 366	57	293	738	985	980	1 313
farms								
\$1,000	196 045	169 996	1 426	13 054	35 033	51 028	39 131	30 324
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 048	964	8	75	205	283	243	150
\$1,000	132 059	122 107	697	9 714	26 044	38 929	28 865	17 858
Corn for grain	4 168	2 865	31	180	485	665	626	878
\$1,000	101 330	88 407	622	6 420	18 736	28 122	18 839	15 668
Wheat	2 094	1 545	31	137	287	392	356	342
\$1,000	39 872	34 654	417	3 210	6 704	10 012	8 591	5 720
Soybeans	2 848	2 068	37	143	363	499	481	545
\$1,000	46 601	40 348	321	3 146	7 832	11 295	10 195	7 559
Sorghum for grain	245	193	2	12	44	56	40	39
\$1,000	2 771	1 977	(D)	136	(D)	470	471	357
Barley	16	13	—	—	2	6	—	5
\$1,000	123	114	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	44
Oats	262	185	3	10	46	42	37	47
\$1,000	1 157	892	(D)	32	(D)	(D)	200	177
Other grains	611	468	3	25	96	108	112	124
\$1,000	4 189	3 604	17	110	1 012	830	835	800
Cotton and cottonseed	4 183	3 345	73	342	737	828	755	610
farms								
\$1,000	606 754	546 731	7 958	51 224	134 872	167 138	112 668	72 871
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 463	2 211	37	245	532	608	489	300
\$1,000	569 710	520 053	7 147	48 976	129 996	161 361	106 343	66 231
Tobacco	1 179	1 000	12	72	189	247	259	221
farms								
\$1,000	143 396	132 803	832	8 483	27 920	37 465	36 197	21 906
Sales of \$50,000 or more	690	633	2	47	133	184	166	101
\$1,000	132 917	124 513	(D)	(D)	26 546	35 916	34 091	19 512
Hay, silage, and field seeds	4 453	1 887	16	103	226	356	452	734
farms								
\$1,000	24 952	16 204	102	905	1 776	6 380	2 783	4 258
Sales of \$50,000 or more	32	29	—	4	6	8	5	6
\$1,000	7 152	6 887	—	292	616	4 540	464	976
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1 797	1 249	7	98	211	302	297	334
farms								
\$1,000	273 090	259 016	263	18 697	65 012	88 157	41 748	45 139
Sales of \$50,000 or more	564	501	2	37	91	163	124	84
\$1,000	256 998	247 475	(D)	(D)	62 668	85 617	39 162	42 179
Fruits, nuts, and berries	2 446	1 191	4	47	144	188	294	514
farms								
\$1,000	108 875	77 774	(D)	5 702	(D)	28 769	13 307	14 740
Sales of \$50,000 or more	319	223	2	12	50	62	48	49
\$1,000	94 702	70 324	(D)	(D)	12 948	27 660	11 175	11 811
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1 287	564	3	32	104	141	137	147
farms								
\$1,000	219 370	177 411	(D)	18 262	(D)	48 334	27 926	13 497
Sales of \$50,000 or more	366	256	—	17	64	76	62	37
\$1,000	209 014	173 195	—	17 997	68 730	47 454	26 820	12 195
Other crops	4 808	3 804	56	303	765	909	873	898
farms								
\$1,000	348 116	315 584	3 625	30 299	72 077	91 698	69 306	48 579
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 769	1 643	19	137	377	474	378	258
\$1,000	298 218	276 740	2 845	27 024	64 298	82 342	60 563	39 668
Poultry and poultry products	3 431	2 410	21	229	517	638	607	398
farms								
\$1,000	2 507 024	1 926 828	13 647	184 995	410 993	525 682	525 597	265 914
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 948	2 190	21	214	469	596	560	330
\$1,000	2 501 457	1 923 400	13 647	184 599	410 144	524 808	524 846	265 356
Dairy products	644	516	3	34	96	122	116	145
farms								
\$1,000	212 452	195 108	903	10 881	28 222	58 735	45 617	50 752
Sales of \$50,000 or more	484	433	3	33	88	108	104	97
\$1,000	209 177	193 316	903	(D)	(D)	58 437	45 338	49 674
Cattle and calves	21 015	9 370	51	325	947	1 477	2 182	4 388
farms								
\$1,000	224 422	146 811	1 091	5 553	18 308	30 882	36 132	54 846
Sales of \$50,000 or more	649	521	6	22	74	139	125	155
\$1,000	82 564	67 447	779	2 673	9 575	16 971	16 597	20 851

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms	22 811	116	1 355	4 064	6 670	5 842	4 764
number ..							
percent ..	56.6	.3	3.4	10.1	16.5	14.5	11.8
Land in farms	3 696 169	17 754	160 884	492 153	1 069 974	1 016 339	939 065
acres ..							
Average size of farm	162	153	119	121	160	174	197
acres ..							
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	22 811	116	1 355	4 064	6 670	5 842	4 764
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	930 673	5 065	68 956	187 176	354 133	207 527	107 815
Average per farm	40 799	43 666	50 890	46 057	53 093	35 523	22 631
dollars ..							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	6 575	29	317	1 020	1 896	1 643	1 670
\$1,000 to \$2,499	4 081	19	257	783	1 197	1 022	803
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3 812	11	249	626	1 119	1 035	772
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3 176	17	177	592	935	838	617
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2 037	11	103	387	608	524	404
\$20,000 to \$24,999	443	7	26	89	124	113	84
\$25,000 to \$39,999	677	11	45	138	192	157	134
\$40,000 to \$49,999	227	2	13	48	65	69	30
\$50,000 to \$99,999	578	—	53	124	171	122	108
\$100,000 to \$249,999	457	4	38	92	127	127	69
\$250,000 to \$499,999	318	—	33	74	81	97	33
\$500,000 to \$999,999	291	5	38	60	98	63	27
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	113	—	5	26	48	25	9
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	13	—	—	3	3	5	2
\$5,000,000 or more	13	—	1	2	6	2	2
Grains	2 109	15	155	452	623	513	351
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	26 049	273	1 656	5 546	8 528	6 407	3 639
Sales of \$50,000 or more	84	—	6	19	30	18	11
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9 952	—	472	1 946	3 719	2 632	1 182
Corn for grain	1 303	14	94	270	393	307	225
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	12 923	187	790	2 831	4 031	3 061	2 024
Wheat	549	5	46	129	178	119	72
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	5 218	(D)	294	1 123	1 596	(D)	605
Soybeans	780	9	61	191	233	177	109
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	6 253	45	447	1 373	2 192	1 414	781
Sorghum for grain	52	—	6	7	17	17	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	794	—	42	27	540	138	48
Barley	3	—	—	—	2	1	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	—
Oats	77	—	10	26	23	10	8
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	266	—	36	93	66	52	18
Other grains	143	1	17	29	38	34	24
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	586	(D)	46	99	(D)	(D)	164
Cotton and cottonseed	838	13	94	177	249	187	118
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	60 023	227	8 145	9 990	20 002	13 257	8 401
Sales of \$50,000 or more	252	—	32	48	70	62	40
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	49 658	—	7 043	7 830	16 806	10 883	7 095
Tobacco	179	1	16	21	46	41	54
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	10 593	(D)	1 399	(D)	4 578	1 886	2 050
Sales of \$50,000 or more	57	—	6	4	20	15	12
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	8 404	—	1 233	383	4 035	1 567	1 185
Hay, silage, and field seeds	2 566	18	161	531	811	617	428
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	8 748	92	538	2 128	2 745	1 928	1 317
Sales of \$50,000 or more	3	—	—	2	1	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	265	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	—
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	548	5	48	114	175	121	85
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	14 075	358	905	1 821	6 021	2 524	2 446
Sales of \$50,000 or more	63	2	5	7	26	12	11
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9 524	(D)	(D)	900	4 588	1 488	1 819
Fruits, nuts, and berries	1 255	3	42	203	367	342	298
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	31 100	3	337	2 661	13 761	7 373	6 965
Sales of \$50,000 or more	96	—	3	9	27	35	22
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	24 379	—	280	1 293	11 566	5 769	5 471
Nursery and greenhouse crops	723	2	58	165	186	191	121
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	41 959	(D)	1 460	(D)	16 623	6 713	3 985
Sales of \$50,000 or more	110	—	11	26	29	29	15
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	35 819	—	1 016	11 717	15 146	5 098	2 841
Other crops	1 004	6	84	184	322	246	162
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	32 532	343	4 646	4 076	12 664	6 368	4 434
Sales of \$50,000 or more	126	1	16	13	44	33	19
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	21 478	(D)	3 788	(D)	8 820	3 965	2 708
Poultry and poultry products	1 021	12	91	255	293	263	107
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	580 196	2 353	42 807	127 624	227 972	126 147	53 293
Sales of \$50,000 or more	758	6	73	192	216	194	77
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	578 057	2 272	42 717	127 158	227 377	125 496	53 037
Dairy products	128	2	4	20	25	33	44
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	17 345	(D)	1 698	(D)	3 206	8 515	2 118
Sales of \$50,000 or more	51	—	3	5	15	15	13
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	15 860	—	(D)	(D)	3 015	8 072	1 599
Cattle and calves	11 645	56	685	2 020	3 405	3 123	2 356
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	77 611	565	3 971	11 832	23 762	21 878	15 604
Sales of \$50,000 or more	128	1	9	15	41	36	26
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	15 118	(D)	(D)	1 318	5 917	4 335	2 586

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			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 1 561	960	12	44	152	196	215	341
	\$1,000.. 105 395	85 752	773	6 796	25 365	26 444	14 085	12 289
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 297	249	5	13	55	70	54	52
	\$1,000.. 94 285	77 695	666	6 446	23 840	24 781	12 137	9 824
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 252	93	1	—	12	18	30	32
	\$1,000.. 418	260	(D)	—	(D)	101	41	25
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 2	2	—	—	1	1	—	—
	\$1,000.. (D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 2 431	754	4	43	125	184	181	217
	\$1,000.. 22 609	11 967	(D)	624	(D)	4 219	2 483	1 865
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 78	52	1	4	11	21	11	4
	\$1,000.. 13 261	8 027	(D)	(D)	1 787	2 914	1 782	993
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 1 471	717	4	36	95	118	153	311
	\$1,000.. 7 294	5 750	(D)	(D)	1 019	2 192	1 149	1 138
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 40 351	17 292	155	922	2 248	3 145	3 711	7 111
	\$1,000.. 3 840 117	3 121 576	23 584	271 275	690 301	893 969	752 761	489 686
Average per farm	dollars.. 95 168	180 521	152 153	294 224	307 073	284 251	202 846	68 863
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 10 408	5 417	42	343	840	1 248	1 287	1 657
	\$1,000.. 396 933	297 850	1 247	20 585	66 948	69 318	80 450	59 302
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	6 176	2 470	23	95	293	455	574	1 030
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 674	970	7	60	138	228	206	331
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 787	1 328	8	109	267	373	342	229
\$100,000 to \$249,999	604	510	3	70	110	157	124	46
\$250,000 or more	167	139	1	9	32	35	41	21
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 21 119	9 435	67	483	1 204	1 788	2 113	3 780
	\$1,000.. 1 427 778	1 150 352	8 081	114 764	237 903	333 502	308 280	147 822
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	15 977	5 690	39	205	516	814	1 187	2 929
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 032	1 341	9	72	186	311	290	473
\$25,000 to \$99,999	578	420	3	24	81	103	112	97
\$100,000 to \$249,999	660	506	6	36	103	109	140	112
\$250,000 or more	1 872	1 478	10	146	318	451	384	169
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 12 866	6 089	35	371	835	1 268	1 502	2 078
	\$1,000.. 1 347 848	1 086 396	7 803	111 916	226 402	311 364	294 313	134 599
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	9 193	3 361	9	146	300	523	814	1 569
\$5,000 to \$24,999	835	558	9	29	84	143	112	181
\$25,000 to \$99,999	453	317	2	23	60	78	80	74
\$100,000 or more	2 385	1 853	15	173	391	524	496	254
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 14 485	8 329	119	522	1 334	1 795	1 772	2 787
	\$1,000.. 102 366	90 162	969	7 157	21 307	26 773	19 549	14 407
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	7 400	2 858	15	138	226	407	633	1 439
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 585	2 406	55	155	415	480	486	815
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 432	2 072	34	158	460	598	426	396
\$25,000 to \$49,999	722	671	13	47	159	202	151	99
\$50,000 or more	346	322	2	24	74	108	76	38
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 23 991	11 869	136	653	1 606	2 176	2 637	4 661
	\$1,000.. 219 398	183 298	1 794	13 392	39 954	52 184	40 163	35 811
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	17 413	6 722	56	317	616	881	1 480	3 372
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 391	3 133	61	186	530	690	681	985
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 068	976	13	78	226	272	241	146
\$50,000 or more	1 119	1 038	6	72	234	333	235	158
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 16 485	9 170	101	558	1 469	2 010	1 978	3 054
	\$1,000.. 196 778	175 947	1 957	14 195	44 110	56 137	33 759	25 789
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	11 959	5 433	42	249	617	1 004	1 201	2 320
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 571	1 927	34	169	419	446	378	481
\$25,000 to \$49,999	900	816	18	57	180	250	183	128
\$50,000 or more	1 055	994	7	83	253	310	216	125
Petroleum products	farms.. 35 928	16 309	154	897	2 136	3 032	3 510	6 580
	\$1,000.. 136 653	111 434	1 116	9 214	23 872	33 540	24 090	19 602
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	30 287	11 469	94	513	1 052	1 622	2 421	5 767
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 398	3 697	50	279	820	1 055	829	664
\$25,000 to \$49,999	926	848	8	81	196	257	203	103
\$50,000 or more	317	295	2	24	68	98	57	46
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 23 324	11 623	122	698	1 656	2 317	2 500	4 330
	\$1,000.. 32 399	25 320	247	2 053	5 102	7 244	5 348	5 326
Diesel fuel	farms.. 29 973	14 045	138	784	1 941	2 721	3 098	5 383
	\$1,000.. 60 296	50 758	592	4 048	10 980	15 632	10 566	8 941
Natural gas	farms.. 1 019	638	13	82	123	136	121	163
	\$1,000.. 5 649	4 142	22	531	1 009	1 143	787	650
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 22 859	12 445	140	746	1 806	2 616	2 808	4 329
	\$1,000.. 38 309	31 214	255	2 582	6 781	9 522	7 388	4 686

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MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 601	4	45	122	206	133	91
	\$1,000.. 19 643	42	863	2 964	11 653	2 331	1 790
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 48	—	5	13	15	8	7
	\$1,000.. 16 590	—	580	2 315	10 491	1 811	1 393
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 159	—	4	47	56	37	15
	\$1,000.. 157	—	1	26	77	46	7
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 1 677	7	151	444	544	339	192
	\$1,000.. 10 642	(D)	531	(D)	2 541	2 155	1 766
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 26	1	2	6	7	7	3
	\$1,000.. 5 234	(D)	(D)	1 388	766	1 049	1 190
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 754	2	61	181	228	157	125
	\$1,000.. 1 544	(D)	(D)	290	403	439	215
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 23 059	156	1 422	3 927	6 721	6 033	4 800
	\$1,000.. 718 541	3 843	55 148	142 329	248 283	176 266	92 672
Average per farm	dollars.. 31 161	24 633	38 782	36 244	36 941	29 217	19 307
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 4 991	34	480	1 032	1 524	1 267	654
	\$1,000.. 99 083	498	5 239	25 151	33 668	21 756	12 771
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	3 706	15	349	721	1 151	968	502
\$5,000 to \$24,999	704	17	69	178	188	160	92
\$25,000 to \$99,999	459	1	53	102	144	110	49
\$100,000 to \$249,999	94	1	8	24	34	20	7
\$250,000 or more	28	—	1	7	7	9	4
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 11 684	61	883	2 218	3 626	3 024	1 872
	\$1,000.. 277 426	1 468	26 588	56 872	97 128	70 565	24 805
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	10 287	55	787	1 934	3 187	2 653	1 671
\$5,000 to \$24,999	691	1	22	131	213	194	130
\$25,000 to \$99,999	158	2	22	25	48	39	22
\$100,000 to \$249,999	154	—	10	36	45	46	17
\$250,000 or more	394	3	42	92	133	92	32
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 6 777	27	537	1 333	2 196	1 677	1 007
	\$1,000.. 261 452	1 273	25 470	53 974	92 814	65 925	21 996
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	5 832	22	459	1 151	1 916	1 410	874
\$5,000 to \$24,999	277	4	35	64	99	74	44
\$25,000 to \$99,999	136	1	23	21	43	34	14
\$100,000 or more	532	3	51	126	173	134	45
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 6 156	51	461	1 241	1 762	1 535	1 106
	\$1,000.. 12 204	103	862	2 064	4 465	2 649	2 060
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	4 542	16	305	933	1 303	1 173	812
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 179	33	121	235	311	259	220
\$5,000 to \$24,999	360	2	29	61	119	89	60
\$25,000 to \$49,999	51	—	5	10	17	11	8
\$50,000 or more	24	—	1	2	12	3	6
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 12 122	99	744	2 191	3 625	3 257	2 206
	\$1,000.. 36 100	217	2 592	6 042	11 886	9 580	5 783
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	10 691	81	622	1 964	3 177	2 870	1 977
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 258	18	106	206	387	344	197
\$25,000 to \$49,999	92	—	9	11	29	17	26
\$50,000 or more	81	—	7	10	32	26	6
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 7 315	78	521	1 457	2 170	1 804	1 285
	\$1,000.. 20 831	175	1 890	3 446	6 716	5 248	3 356
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	6 526	65	420	1 320	1 910	1 631	1 180
\$5,000 to \$24,999	644	13	86	116	217	134	78
\$25,000 to \$49,999	84	—	10	13	20	24	17
\$50,000 or more	61	—	5	8	23	15	10
Petroleum products	farms.. 19 619	131	1 238	3 457	5 794	5 258	3 741
	\$1,000.. 25 219	169	1 954	4 050	8 660	5 922	4 464
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	18 818	126	1 163	3 340	5 543	5 032	3 614
\$5,000 to \$24,999	701	5	64	104	217	199	112
\$25,000 to \$49,999	78	—	10	10	21	23	14
\$50,000 or more	22	—	1	3	13	4	1
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 11 701	81	805	2 093	3 508	2 868	2 346
	\$1,000.. 7 079	48	618	1 024	2 283	1 809	1 296
Diesel fuel	farms.. 15 928	119	970	2 860	4 802	4 374	2 803
	\$1,000.. 9 538	82	693	1 493	3 243	2 410	1 617
Natural gas	farms.. 381	3	25	75	61	117	100
	\$1,000.. 1 507	(D)	(D)	240	165	220	798
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 10 414	77	737	1 909	2 996	2 721	1 974
	\$1,000.. 7 095	(D)	(D)	1 293	2 968	1 482	753

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

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
—Con.								
Total farm production expenses—Con.								
Electricity farms	21 641	11 476	85	750	1 785	2 459	2 521	3 876
Electricity \$1,000	54 790	43 502	267	3 477	9 696	13 166	9 395	7 501
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	14 070	5 620	46	232	599	893	1 173	2 677
\$1,000 to \$4,999	4 936	3 582	26	298	686	858	840	874
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 363	2 039	11	203	443	639	451	292
\$25,000 to \$49,999	182	157	2	12	41	41	41	20
\$50,000 or more	90	78	—	5	16	28	16	13
Hired farm labor farms	12 267	7 257	62	466	1 328	1 763	1 538	2 100
Hired farm labor \$1,000	285 883	250 282	1 777	22 458	62 597	73 192	53 115	37 142
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	7 298	3 151	29	184	412	590	587	1 349
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 611	2 030	20	121	479	537	479	394
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 818	1 600	10	121	338	488	356	287
\$100,000 to \$249,999	381	335	1	30	66	105	77	56
\$250,000 or more	159	141	2	10	33	43	39	14
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more farms	5 213	3 856	28	278	829	1 001	851	869
150 days or more workers	18 077	15 087	81	1 197	4 041	4 769	2 715	2 284
Less than 150 days farms	10 966	6 250	57	394	1 119	1 476	1 326	1 878
Less than 150 days workers	46 233	35 021	230	2 504	6 707	9 894	7 705	7 981
Contract labor farms	4 630	2 735	20	211	546	638	582	738
Contract labor \$1,000	56 010	49 243	198	3 744	12 325	16 167	9 330	7 479
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	1 576	647	1	38	93	88	165	262
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 725	991	9	76	209	233	181	283
\$5,000 to \$24,999	916	731	8	59	163	205	153	143
\$25,000 to \$49,999	224	197	1	23	39	63	47	24
\$50,000 or more	189	169	1	15	42	49	36	26
Repair and maintenance farms	29 812	14 370	134	835	2 020	2 820	3 142	5 419
Repair and maintenance \$1,000	157 193	124 361	966	8 832	25 136	37 437	28 123	23 868
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	23 585	9 377	75	482	1 004	1 431	2 027	4 358
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 897	3 801	54	262	766	1 010	824	885
\$25,000 to \$49,999	906	806	3	67	159	255	199	123
\$50,000 or more	424	386	2	24	91	124	92	53
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	9 278	5 380	75	366	892	1 150	1 179	1 718
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment \$1,000	51 051	42 086	452	3 685	9 362	11 601	9 723	7 263
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	3 901	1 655	13	83	175	208	383	793
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 249	1 900	30	100	343	408	393	626
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 652	1 392	31	152	278	395	300	236
\$25,000 to \$49,999	349	321	1	20	62	112	81	45
\$50,000 or more	127	112	—	11	34	27	22	18
Interest farms	14 786	8 199	93	593	1 593	2 075	1 900	1 945
Interest \$1,000	170 943	137 480	899	12 864	30 208	41 567	29 566	22 376
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	8 115	3 447	49	203	596	710	827	1 062
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 933	3 191	32	228	632	865	746	688
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 561	1 397	12	148	335	442	293	167
\$100,000 or more	177	164	—	14	30	58	34	28
Secured by real estate farms	11 231	6 119	28	401	1 120	1 635	1 499	1 436
Secured by real estate \$1,000	120 173	92 898	408	8 556	19 997	27 249	21 345	15 344
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	1 475	494	1	18	58	93	142	182
\$1,000 to \$4,999	4 452	1 960	7	119	306	459	485	584
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 218	2 711	15	159	544	783	655	555
\$25,000 to \$49,999	702	606	4	65	148	194	132	63
\$50,000 or more	384	348	1	40	64	106	85	52
Not secured by real estate farms	6 562	4 057	78	338	873	1 016	830	922
Not secured by real estate \$1,000	50 771	44 581	491	4 308	10 211	14 318	8 221	7 032
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	2 044	828	14	52	142	186	220	214
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 503	1 499	37	138	349	329	273	373
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 465	1 212	20	100	255	337	239	261
\$25,000 to \$49,999	355	334	6	29	88	97	65	49
\$50,000 or more	195	184	1	19	39	67	33	25
Cash rent farms	7 814	4 828	91	424	965	1 163	1 065	1 120
Cash rent \$1,000	103 519	93 651	1 428	9 937	24 849	29 929	17 023	10 485
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	5 095	2 501	29	159	379	524	591	819
\$5,000 to \$9,999	734	543	22	66	116	140	109	90
\$10,000 to \$24,999	922	780	33	78	207	179	174	109
\$25,000 or more	1 063	1 004	7	121	263	320	191	102
Property taxes farms	38 547	16 537	98	765	2 111	3 017	3 625	6 921
Property taxes \$1,000	80 420	47 136	202	2 774	7 023	11 508	10 977	14 651
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	35 357	14 258	89	616	1 704	2 378	3 105	6 366
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 203	1 552	7	96	289	430	335	395
\$10,000 to \$24,999	803	595	2	39	97	171	151	135
\$25,000 or more	184	132	—	14	21	38	34	25
All other farm production expenses farms	33 222	15 766	155	899	2 171	2 975	3 411	6 155
All other farm production expenses \$1,000	400 403	324 792	2 231	24 196	75 011	87 947	79 219	56 187
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	26 264	10 135	61	429	1 016	1 393	2 106	5 130
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 842	3 022	76	250	599	794	656	647
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 185	978	7	69	226	296	230	150
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1 102	911	5	81	179	279	223	144
\$100,000 or more	829	720	6	70	151	213	196	84

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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
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity farms	10 165	67	613	1 707	3 125	2 706	1 947
\$1,000	11 289	48	670	2 155	3 749	2 601	2 066
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	8 450	60	483	1 384	2 613	2 242	1 668
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 354	5	102	251	390	374	232
\$5,000 to \$24,999	324	2	26	66	107	80	43
\$25,000 to \$49,999	25	—	2	4	11	7	1
\$50,000 or more	12	—	—	2	4	3	3
Hired farm labor farms	5 010	28	304	862	1 506	1 372	938
\$1,000	35 601	238	2 013	6 847	12 481	8 953	5 070
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 147	23	233	743	1 246	1 105	797
\$5,000 to \$24,999	581	3	49	90	152	185	102
\$25,000 to \$99,999	218	2	20	19	82	66	29
\$100,000 to \$249,999	46	—	2	4	19	12	9
\$250,000 or more	18	—	—	6	7	4	1
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	1 357	12	77	224	400	373	271
workers	2 990	20	132	580	916	805	537
Less than 150 days farms	4 716	26	294	820	1 374	1 320	882
workers	13 212	115	838	2 228	4 102	3 380	2 549
Contract labor farms	1 895	4	126	413	529	531	292
\$1,000	6 766	7	602	1 527	2 105	1 527	998
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	929	2	60	211	257	289	110
\$1,000 to \$4,999	734	2	45	162	210	173	142
\$5,000 to \$24,999	185	—	17	32	44	58	34
\$25,000 to \$49,999	27	—	3	2	9	9	4
\$50,000 or more	20	—	1	6	9	2	2
Repair and maintenance farms	15 442	99	1 010	2 808	4 671	4 129	2 725
\$1,000	32 832	167	2 110	5 845	11 527	7 877	5 305
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	14 208	96	924	2 602	4 277	3 803	2 506
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 096	2	75	189	344	289	197
\$25,000 to \$49,999	100	1	10	10	36	29	14
\$50,000 or more	38	—	1	7	14	8	8
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	3 898	37	246	758	1 205	1 061	591
\$1,000	8 965	18	885	1 571	2 427	2 853	1 212
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 246	28	101	448	703	589	377
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 349	9	94	261	407	390	188
\$5,000 to \$24,999	260	—	48	43	80	69	20
\$25,000 to \$49,999	28	—	1	3	12	8	4
\$50,000 or more	15	—	2	3	3	5	2
Interest farms	6 587	42	568	1 366	2 337	1 553	721
\$1,000	33 464	141	2 568	6 249	13 182	7 794	3 530
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 668	36	390	1 007	1 559	1 140	536
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 742	5	166	330	702	375	164
\$25,000 to \$99,999	164	1	12	28	71	34	18
\$100,000 or more	13	—	—	1	5	4	3
Secured by real estate farms	5 112	15	387	1 019	1 955	1 196	540
\$1,000	27 274	44	1 968	5 135	10 930	6 478	2 719
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	981	10	85	194	314	229	149
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 492	3	168	492	971	632	226
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 507	2	124	309	614	305	153
\$25,000 to \$49,999	96	—	9	18	45	16	8
\$50,000 or more	36	—	1	6	11	14	4
Not secured by real estate farms	2 505	39	272	564	800	574	256
\$1,000	6 190	98	600	1 114	2 252	1 315	811
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 216	15	125	249	383	302	142
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 004	19	109	277	317	202	80
\$5,000 to \$24,999	253	5	36	34	87	66	25
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21	—	2	3	6	2	8
\$50,000 or more	11	—	—	1	7	2	1
Cash rent farms	2 986	21	373	738	1 005	593	256
\$1,000	9 867	50	1 394	2 531	3 732	1 592	569
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	2 594	19	316	623	877	526	233
\$5,000 to \$9,999	191	1	13	51	75	34	17
\$10,000 to \$24,999	142	1	38	46	30	24	3
\$25,000 or more	59	—	6	18	23	9	3
Property taxes farms	22 010	111	1 242	3 662	6 493	5 895	4 607
\$1,000	33 284	133	1 196	4 630	9 987	9 652	7 685
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	21 099	109	1 211	3 586	6 233	5 643	4 317
\$5,000 to \$9,999	651	1	28	51	186	170	215
\$10,000 to \$24,999	208	1	3	22	57	60	65
\$25,000 or more	52	—	—	3	17	22	10
All other farm production expenses farms	17 456	139	1 144	3 079	5 083	4 640	3 371
\$1,000	75 611	410	4 584	13 350	26 570	17 696	13 000
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	16 129	125	1 020	2 827	4 668	4 316	3 173
\$5,000 to \$24,999	820	10	77	143	251	190	149
\$25,000 to \$49,999	207	1	17	52	53	65	19
\$50,000 to \$99,999	191	3	25	33	76	39	15
\$100,000 or more	109	—	5	24	35	30	15

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹								
All farms..... number..	40 353	17 294	155	922	2 248	3 145	3 711	7 113
..... \$1,000..	976 666	810 079	6 423	68 899	185 955	244 164	174 872	129 766
Average per farm..... dollars..	24 203	46 842	41 440	74 728	82 720	77 636	47 122	18 243
Farms with net gains ² number..	16 825	9 625	100	660	1 525	1 934	2 025	3 381
Average net gain..... dollars..	69 403	95 458	69 845	116 956	132 852	140 578	100 559	46 289
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	2 728	779	13	18	89	61	155	443
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	6 393	2 859	20	156	220	334	591	1 538
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 490	2 467	32	183	420	520	425	887
\$50,000 or more.....	4 214	3 520	35	303	796	1 019	854	513
Farms with net losses..... number..	23 528	7 669	55	262	723	1 211	1 686	3 732
Average net loss..... dollars..	8 119	14 175	10 206	31 647	23 021	22 885	17 059	7 164
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	4 429	1 212	—	8	41	125	228	810
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	14 941	4 358	37	122	354	612	924	2 309
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 736	1 737	16	93	257	369	440	562
\$50,000 or more.....	422	362	2	39	71	105	94	51
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	12 372	6 474	70	382	971	1 297	1 453	2 301
..... \$1,000..	63 996	46 345	511	3 467	9 347	12 170	10 127	10 724
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	7 998	4 002	58	175	502	758	821	1 688
..... \$1,000..	77 975	54 310	283	3 743	7 254	17 598	10 445	14 987
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	2 023	1 171	36	111	206	328	242	248
..... \$1,000..	20 750	16 356	237	2 409	3 389	6 345	2 271	1 705
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	3 490	1 484	5	47	116	229	257	830
..... \$1,000..	25 248	15 291	30	337	814	5 448	2 945	5 717
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	1 663	840	—	23	58	115	203	441
..... \$1,000..	25 493	17 641	—	719	2 155	4 460	4 174	6 134
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	2 335	1 433	21	59	238	300	309	506
..... \$1,000..	6 484	5 022	17	279	895	1 344	1 055	1 431
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	732	561	13	57	118	125	128	120
..... \$1,000..	12 265	11 380	96	633	3 414	3 319	2 408	1 511
Corn..... farms..	348	256	4	19	42	64	75	52
..... \$1,000..	2 919	2 651	(D)	(D)	369	1 069	886	202
Wheat..... farms..	135	106	2	9	22	25	22	26
..... \$1,000..	594	511	(D)	(D)	149	243	52	51
Soybeans..... farms..	75	63	3	3	8	13	16	20
..... \$1,000..	323	302	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	77	50
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	19	15	—	2	3	2	3	5
..... \$1,000..	(D)	12	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	2	2
Cotton..... farms..	277	227	4	38	61	47	46	31
..... \$1,000..	7 051	6 726	(D)	(D)	2 616	1 507	1 192	972
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	125	106	8	6	25	24	21	22
..... \$1,000..	1 360	1 178	48	91	206	398	200	234
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	32 816	15 146	137	807	1 974	2 730	3 511	5 987
..... acres..	5 370 844	4 058 161	39 489	301 074	769 544	1 089 366	917 079	941 609
Harvested cropland..... farms..	25 082	12 697	129	720	1 746	2 371	2 926	4 805
..... acres..	3 762 559	3 129 008	34 885	255 253	652 053	901 326	690 828	594 663
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	15 518	5 829	36	212	522	751	1 320	2 988
50 to 99 acres.....	3 096	1 650	19	78	175	280	404	694
100 to 199 acres.....	2 251	1 518	30	102	238	330	351	467
200 to 499 acres.....	2 183	1 825	30	166	364	452	436	377
500 to 999 acres.....	1 191	1 099	7	100	276	310	247	159
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	644	590	5	43	139	181	128	94
2,000 acres or more.....	199	186	2	19	32	67	40	26
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	17 653	7 735	32	289	811	1 237	1 834	3 532
..... acres..	1 083 321	602 122	2 600	24 240	64 440	105 931	148 712	256 199
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	2 112	965	4	49	117	201	221	373
..... acres..	121 438	72 545	(D)	(D)	7 599	22 708	13 538	19 527
On which all crops failed..... farms..	1 364	805	9	65	125	181	174	251
..... acres..	65 093	46 972	268	3 392	8 100	12 494	11 064	11 654
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	620	387	2	14	42	57	110	162
..... acres..	47 483	36 357	(D)	(D)	6 091	4 625	10 645	12 629
Idle..... farms..	5 226	2 511	18	129	353	458	602	951
..... acres..	290 950	171 157	827	7 558	31 261	42 282	42 292	46 937
Total woodland..... farms..	25 180	11 196	55	435	1 261	1 927	2 626	4 892
..... acres..	3 776 996	2 014 218	7 697	84 148	250 998	411 578	465 937	793 860
Woodland pastured..... farms..	10 470	4 816	16	152	412	749	1 120	2 367
..... acres..	633 488	342 163	714	10 845	25 583	66 837	75 528	162 656
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	19 613	8 781	50	358	1 056	1 551	2 066	3 700
..... acres..	3 143 508	1 672 055	6 983	73 303	225 415	344 741	390 409	631 204

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

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹							
All farms..... number..	23 059	156	1 422	3 927	6 721	6 033	4 800
\$1,000..	166 587	1 376	11 278	27 814	96 368	19 213	10 538
Average per farm..... dollars..	7 224	8 817	7 931	7 083	14 338	3 185	2 195
Farms with net gains ² number..	7 200	75	561	1 224	1 893	1 800	1 647
Average net gain..... dollars..	34 571	21 448	29 019	34 969	65 110	22 970	14 342
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	1 949	6	100	354	465	507	517
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	3 534	60	296	546	929	888	815
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 023	3	101	192	263	235	229
\$50,000 or more.....	694	6	64	132	236	170	86
Farms with net losses..... number..	15 859	81	861	2 703	4 828	4 233	3 153
Average net loss..... dollars..	5 191	2 878	5 810	5 545	5 569	5 229	4 150
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	3 217	19	161	476	845	798	918
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	10 583	57	578	1 827	3 272	2 891	1 958
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 999	5	117	390	692	528	267
\$50,000 or more.....	60	—	5	10	19	16	10
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments..... farms..	5 898	33	281	830	1 641	1 507	1 606
\$1,000..	17 652	75	978	2 089	5 149	4 332	5 028
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	3 996	19	214	582	1 144	1 233	804
\$1,000..	23 665	25	681	3 568	7 663	6 448	5 279
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	852	6	65	173	286	210	112
\$1,000..	4 395	6	369	895	1 541	1 178	407
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	2 006	1	67	230	475	710	523
\$1,000..	9 957	(D)	(D)	753	3 016	3 056	2 975
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	823	2	32	131	281	204	173
\$1,000..	7 852	(D)	(D)	1 680	2 537	1 866	1 696
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	902	11	62	134	264	329	102
\$1,000..	1 462	2	100	241	570	347	203
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total..... farms..	171	—	25	38	46	33	29
\$1,000..	885	—	240	133	198	194	121
Corn..... farms..	92	—	8	22	20	17	25
\$1,000..	268	—	30	74	104	16	43
Wheat..... farms..	29	—	6	4	11	6	2
\$1,000..	83	—	10	(D)	(D)	44	(D)
Soybeans..... farms..	12	—	1	4	2	5	—
\$1,000..	21	—	(D)	1	(D)	(D)	—
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	4	—	1	1	—	2	—
\$1,000..	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	—
Cotton..... farms..	50	—	16	14	8	7	5
\$1,000..	325	—	179	50	41	30	25
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	(D)	—	(D)	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	19	—	2	3	8	4	2
\$1,000..	182	—	(D)	3	33	91	(D)
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland..... farms..	17 670	85	1 052	3 157	5 186	4 670	3 520
acres..	1 312 683	6 074	76 703	213 273	413 938	332 432	270 263
Harvested cropland..... farms..	12 385	64	784	2 284	3 748	3 214	2 291
acres..	633 551	3 746	48 311	111 255	213 429	150 737	106 073
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres.....	9 689	41	592	1 755	2 903	2 566	1 832
50 to 99 acres.....	1 446	8	91	269	443	375	260
100 to 199 acres.....	733	11	54	160	234	164	110
200 to 499 acres.....	358	3	27	80	115	66	67
500 to 999 acres.....	92	1	12	13	30	25	11
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	54	—	8	6	16	15	9
2,000 acres or more.....	13	—	—	1	7	3	2
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	9 918	37	542	1 726	2 992	2 676	1 945
acres..	481 199	1 597	22 269	73 377	141 454	134 565	107 937
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	1 147	6	51	171	348	317	254
acres..	48 893	174	1 336	5 736	13 458	13 806	14 383
On which all crops failed..... farms..	559	3	39	103	191	133	90
acres..	18 121	(D)	(D)	3 613	7 123	2 968	3 576
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	233	1	8	28	58	65	73
acres..	11 126	(D)	(D)	2 699	1 809	2 312	4 016
Idle..... farms..	2 715	10	127	404	742	715	717
acres..	119 793	464	3 749	16 593	36 665	28 044	34 278
Total woodland..... farms..	13 984	42	610	2 254	4 009	3 837	3 232
acres..	1 762 778	9 695	56 790	195 245	466 590	517 039	517 419
Woodland pastured..... farms..	5 654	27	243	918	1 652	1 566	1 248
acres..	291 325	2 816	6 371	50 062	72 002	85 218	74 856
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	10 832	29	466	1 729	3 082	2 984	2 542
acres..	1 471 453	6 879	50 419	145 183	394 588	431 821	442 563

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.								
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	9 212	4 004	19	173	536	801	905	1 570
acres..	820 390	475 082	2 244	26 913	66 337	106 302	117 675	155 611
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	24 957	11 244	71	572	1 522	2 115	2 561	4 403
acres..	703 016	427 616	1 564	25 840	81 543	106 493	88 328	123 848
Irrigated land farms..	4 372	2 834	40	255	584	726	652	577
acres..	748 520	663 315	7 615	70 328	156 141	218 267	126 585	84 379
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	4 237	2 786	40	252	573	712	645	564
acres..	736 492	655 093	7 615	69 961	154 187	216 232	124 049	83 049
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	296	155	—	10	37	41	36	31
acres..	12 028	8 222	—	367	1 954	2 035	2 536	1 330
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	6 275	2 488	7	91	241	470	539	1 140
acres..	453 602	185 129	1 460	7 545	17 780	33 002	39 433	85 909
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	40 353	17 294	155	922	2 248	3 145	3 711	7 113
\$1,000..	15 841 654	9 363 525	69 835	583 916	1 408 619	2 378 326	2 107 135	2 815 694
Average per farm dollars..	392 577	541 432	450 549	633 314	626 610	756 225	567 808	395 852
Average per acre dollars..	1 505	1 387	1 311	1 469	1 276	1 414	1 435	1 377
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	3 813	1 072	5	62	181	119	164	541
\$40,000 to \$69,999	3 766	1 281	15	67	131	181	229	658
\$70,000 to \$99,999	3 789	1 242	34	53	133	186	241	595
\$100,000 to \$149,999	5 240	1 693	2	85	143	258	353	852
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4 487	1 758	3	43	232	246	348	886
\$200,000 to \$499,999	11 184	5 223	66	315	646	896	1 194	2 106
\$500,000 to \$999,999	4 700	2 712	21	171	394	585	644	897
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	2 296	1 535	2	81	246	437	381	388
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	890	636	5	35	122	190	124	160
\$5,000,000 or more	188	142	2	10	20	47	33	30
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	40 351	17 294	155	922	2 248	3 145	3 711	7 113
\$1,000..	1 791 247	1 186 056	12 160	86 810	250 983	313 820	251 311	270 973
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	5 125	1 464	4	30	120	108	276	926
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6 857	2 230	13	102	165	287	395	1 268
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9 034	3 284	8	144	279	431	741	1 681
\$20,000 to \$49,999	10 877	4 563	47	210	502	799	1 078	1 927
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4 158	2 425	54	176	443	594	545	613
\$100,000 to \$199,999	2 359	1 688	14	124	347	440	307	456
\$200,000 to \$499,999	1 583	1 317	14	110	305	391	294	203
\$500,000 or more	358	323	1	26	87	95	75	39
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	34 522	15 922	146	824	2 129	2 975	3 497	6 351
number..	70 856	39 959	315	2 142	6 466	9 392	9 082	12 562
Wheel tractors farms..	36 353	15 655	143	767	1 981	2 807	3 428	6 529
number..	65 386	34 068	297	1 744	4 944	7 231	7 575	12 277
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	17 440	7 013	44	317	750	1 127	1 631	3 144
number..	21 730	9 302	57	436	1 121	1 520	2 173	3 995
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	25 696	12 129	121	611	1 641	2 342	2 653	4 761
number..	43 656	24 766	240	1 308	3 823	5 711	5 402	8 282
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	23 158	10 765	74	501	1 401	2 074	2 365	4 350
number..	33 604	17 519	103	882	2 393	3 727	3 939	6 475
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	6 309	4 004	87	244	698	915	824	1 236
number..	10 052	7 247	137	426	1 430	1 984	1 463	1 807
Grain and bean combines farms..	3 446	2 570	38	102	426	666	543	795
number..	4 159	3 213	38	143	520	851	687	974
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	3 311	2 814	69	231	611	739	610	554
number..	4 210	3 632	86	283	792	985	800	686
Mower conditioners farms..	8 209	3 752	19	184	390	704	888	1 567
number..	9 362	4 394	27	208	485	834	1 015	1 825
Pickup balers farms..	7 422	3 744	16	139	359	682	920	1 628
number..	8 914	4 521	19	168	457	863	1 099	1 915
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	23 845	11 853	136	653	1 605	2 172	2 628	4 659
acres on which used..	3 376 875	2 734 086	34 337	201 685	569 696	796 086	579 820	552 462
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	8 133	5 570	78	388	1 039	1 340	1 121	1 604
acres on which used..	1 831 337	1 622 402	18 914	131 328	390 758	504 122	323 808	253 472
Nematodes in crops farms..	2 369	1 875	40	157	400	468	368	442
acres on which used..	436 696	399 628	5 694	39 468	103 060	117 315	75 359	58 732
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	3 845	2 665	53	214	578	627	507	686
acres on which used..	544 090	484 650	6 160	36 112	120 787	160 763	93 475	67 353
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	10 452	5 929	73	391	975	1 322	1 305	1 863
acres on which used..	1 893 674	1 605 694	18 820	119 212	375 756	499 818	324 646	267 442
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	2 494	1 927	75	229	387	486	402	348
acres on which used..	683 132	622 028	14 921	62 537	165 970	180 626	122 909	75 065

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	Total	Age of operator (years)					
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LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	5 208	27	331	993	1 558	1 293	1 006
acres..	345 308	890	14 966	45 317	113 169	92 759	78 207
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	13 713	54	743	2 403	4 041	3 577	2 895
acres..	275 400	1 095	12 425	38 318	76 277	74 109	73 176
Irrigated land farms..	1 538	10	109	324	464	368	263
acres..	85 205	325	3 534	12 998	34 553	17 379	16 416
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	1 451	10	102	309	433	354	243
acres..	81 399	325	3 145	12 629	33 321	16 753	15 226
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	141	—	15	25	43	27	31
acres..	3 806	—	389	369	1 232	626	1 190
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	3 787	16	117	419	1 003	980	1 252
acres..	268 473	856	8 087	25 878	72 625	67 944	93 083
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	23 059	156	1 422	3 927	6 721	6 033	4 800
\$1,000..	6 478 129	40 041	314 355	955 360	1 968 434	1 758 549	1 441 390
Average per farm dollars..	280 937	256 674	221 066	243 280	292 878	291 488	300 290
Average per acre dollars..	1 717	1 483	1 924	2 001	1 737	1 719	1 518
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	2 741	34	249	486	702	673	597
\$40,000 to \$69,999	2 485	21	169	511	659	619	506
\$70,000 to \$99,999	2 547	22	214	398	751	553	609
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3 547	5	240	658	1 046	924	674
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2 729	21	131	428	834	797	518
\$200,000 to \$499,999	5 961	44	328	981	1 753	1 628	1 227
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1 988	5	51	340	647	554	391
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	761	1	30	104	228	208	190
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	254	2	7	17	87	64	77
\$5,000,000 or more	46	1	3	4	14	13	11
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	23 057	156	1 422	3 926	6 720	6 033	4 800
\$1,000..	605 191	4 013	44 239	93 212	185 290	159 441	118 996
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	3 661	16	173	611	995	952	914
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4 627	46	272	772	1 381	1 166	990
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5 750	22	367	1 036	1 630	1 496	1 199
\$20,000 to \$49,999	6 314	48	449	1 118	1 789	1 736	1 174
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1 733	16	107	304	573	407	326
\$100,000 to \$199,999	671	7	33	49	249	219	114
\$200,000 to \$499,999	266	1	19	26	97	46	77
\$500,000 or more	35	—	2	10	6	11	6
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	18 600	123	1 245	3 195	5 442	4 830	3 765
number..	30 897	208	2 247	5 204	9 385	7 791	6 062
Wheel tractors farms..	20 698	135	1 138	3 442	6 105	5 558	4 320
number..	31 318	230	1 692	4 891	9 574	8 400	6 531
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	10 427	61	525	1 645	2 977	2 960	2 259
number..	12 428	86	649	1 880	3 529	3 535	2 749
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	13 567	105	748	2 209	4 257	3 518	2 730
number..	18 890	144	1 043	3 011	6 045	4 865	3 782
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	12 393	79	664	1 977	3 903	3 260	2 510
number..	16 085	113	837	2 519	5 172	4 207	3 237
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	2 305	29	169	403	718	529	457
number..	2 805	31	206	492	873	658	545
Grain and bean combines farms..	876	2	77	191	258	232	116
number..	946	(D)	(D)	200	284	243	134
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	497	2	48	123	123	114	87
number..	578	(D)	(D)	135	145	143	97
Mower conditioners farms..	4 457	30	197	722	1 534	1 185	789
number..	4 968	41	233	812	1 711	1 291	880
Pickup balers farms..	3 678	31	226	612	1 228	1 004	577
number..	4 393	46	256	726	1 474	1 209	682
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	11 992	90	712	2 164	3 578	3 246	2 202
acres on which used..	642 789	5 102	46 049	106 285	212 583	166 992	105 778
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	2 563	35	243	523	733	616	413
acres on which used..	208 935	1 905	23 338	33 475	70 038	46 688	33 491
Nematodes in crops farms..	494	1	43	130	119	140	61
acres on which used..	37 068	(D)	(D)	8 568	7 400	11 629	7 657
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	1 180	15	77	293	279	279	237
acres on which used..	59 440	367	2 245	9 396	18 936	18 409	10 087
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	4 523	55	359	964	1 421	1 070	654
acres on which used..	287 980	2 031	20 443	57 316	98 365	70 865	38 960
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	567	14	76	132	168	125	52
acres on which used..	61 104	1 245	7 267	9 141	19 413	16 283	7 755

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			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR									
All operators	40 334	17 523	157	936	2 345	3 191	3 991	6 903	
Full owners	28 569	11 064	59	342	1 114	1 757	2 446	5 346	
Part owners	9 158	5 226	34	359	914	1 222	1 330	1 367	
Tenants	2 607	1 233	64	235	317	212	215	190	
White	39 005	16 938	155	912	2 294	3 075	3 852	6 650	
Full owners	27 675	10 713	57	328	1 089	1 699	2 373	5 167	
Part owners	8 842	5 044	34	356	894	1 172	1 282	1 306	
Tenants	2 488	1 181	64	228	311	204	197	177	
Black and other races	1 329	585	2	24	51	116	139	253	
Full owners	894	351	2	14	25	58	73	179	
Part owners	316	182	—	3	20	50	48	61	
Tenants	119	52	—	7	6	8	18	13	
OWNED AND RENTED LAND									
Land owned..... farms..	37 790	16 317	94	702	2 033	2 985	3 784	6 719	
acres..	8 546 975	5 081 261	29 314	206 378	647 771	1 144 177	1 192 510	1 861 111	
Owned land in farms	37 727	16 290	93	701	2 028	2 979	3 776	6 713	
acres..	7 909 640	4 758 863	27 768	201 906	626 697	1 091 783	1 109 165	1 701 544	
Land rented or leased from others	farms..	11 891	6 517	98	595	1 233	1 445	1 567	1 579
acres..	2 825 244	2 257 112	23 306	238 770	546 266	635 016	488 742	325 012	
landlords..	31 031	21 461	312	1 999	4 821	5 313	5 044	3 972	
Rented or leased land in farms	farms..	11 765	6 459	98	594	1 231	1 434	1 545	1 557
acres..	2 761 606	2 216 214	23 226	236 069	541 725	621 956	479 854	313 384	
Land rented or leased to others	farms..	5 094	2 176	8	60	186	301	489	1 132
acres..	700 973	363 296	1 626	7 173	25 615	65 454	92 233	171 195	
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Operators by place of residence:									
On farm operated	27 233	12 420	85	569	1 500	2 179	2 928	5 159	
Not on farm operated	8 224	2 311	54	239	403	394	480	741	
Not reported	4 877	2 792	18	128	442	618	583	1 003	
Operators by principal occupation:									
Farming	17 523	17 523	157	936	2 345	3 191	3 991	6 903	
Other	22 811	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Operators by days worked off farm:									
None	15 060	10 842	86	520	1 243	1 675	2 431	4 887	
Any	21 902	3 309	53	301	642	888	855	570	
1 to 99 days	2 536	1 352	20	129	233	289	361	320	
100 to 199 days	3 071	831	13	61	169	255	219	114	
200 days or more	16 295	1 126	20	111	240	344	275	136	
Not reported	3 372	3 372	18	115	460	628	705	1 446	
Operators by years on present farm:									
2 years or less	2 045	623	37	139	141	131	99	76	
3 or 4 years	2 681	837	47	177	193	151	164	105	
5 to 9 years	5 453	1 699	22	263	400	390	359	265	
10 years or more	21 026	9 920	—	158	1 012	1 655	2 446	4 649	
Average years on present farm	19.4	23.7	3.2	6.3	12.0	16.9	22.7	34.4	
Not reported	9 129	4 444	51	199	599	864	923	1 808	
Operators by age group:									
Under 25 years	273	157	157	—	—	—	—	—	
25 to 34 years	2 291	936	—	936	—	—	—	—	
35 to 44 years	6 409	2 345	—	—	2 345	—	—	—	
45 to 49 years	4 614	1 492	—	—	—	1 492	—	—	
50 to 54 years	5 247	1 699	—	—	—	1 699	—	—	
55 to 59 years	5 146	1 935	—	—	—	—	1 935	—	
60 to 64 years	4 687	2 056	—	—	—	—	2 056	—	
65 to 69 years	4 225	2 288	—	—	—	—	—	2 288	
70 years and over	7 442	4 615	—	—	—	—	—	4 615	
Average age	55.9	58.5	21.9	30.4	39.9	49.7	59.6	73.0	
Operators by sex:									
Male	36 126	15 762	153	854	2 121	2 894	3 607	6 133	
Female	4 208	1 761	4	82	224	297	384	770	
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)									
	312	165	—	7	21	35	40	62	
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms..	35 206	14 741	136	734	1 821	2 556	3 446	6 048
acres..	7 668 920	4 763 037	32 553	249 252	770 159	1 094 649	1 185 416	1 431 008	
Partnership	farms..	3 105	1 591	12	100	265	321	333	560
acres..	1 657 274	1 203 347	6 118	104 440	214 145	305 933	228 983	343 728	
Corporation:									
Family held	farms..	1 542	1 002	9	81	219	261	188	244
acres..	1 123 671	891 323	12 323	71 803	163 120	263 473	161 331	219 273	
More than 10 stockholders	farms..	29	14	—	2	2	4	1	5
10 or less stockholders	farms..	1 513	988	9	79	217	257	187	239
Other than family held	farms..	164	84	—	13	21	25	13	12
acres..	79 894	55 259	—	9 158	5 995	23 205	9 595	7 306	
More than 10 stockholders	farms..	26	14	—	2	5	3	4	
10 or less stockholders	farms..	138	70	—	11	16	10	8	
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.									
farms..	317	105	—	8	19	28	11	39	
acres..	141 487	62 111	—	3 322	15 003	26 479	3 694	13 613	

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

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR							
All operators	22 811	116	1 355	4 064	6 670	5 842	4 764
Full owners	17 505	58	771	2 760	4 868	4 796	4 252
Part owners	3 932	16	328	940	1 396	872	380
Tenants	1 374	42	256	364	406	174	132
White	22 067	116	1 314	3 948	6 436	5 662	4 591
Full owners	16 962	58	751	2 685	4 711	4 657	4 100
Part owners	3 798	16	317	918	1 338	846	363
Tenants	1 307	42	246	345	387	159	128
Black and other races	744	—	41	116	234	180	173
Full owners	543	—	20	75	157	139	152
Part owners	134	—	11	22	58	26	17
Tenants	67	—	10	19	19	15	4
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	21 473	74	1 102	3 709	6 275	5 678	4 635
acres..	3 465 714	14 286	113 642	384 002	959 331	982 611	1 011 842
Owned land in farms	21 437	74	1 099	3 700	6 264	5 668	4 632
acres..	3 150 777	13 324	107 722	360 416	878 464	901 906	888 945
Land rented or leased from others	5 374	60	587	1 312	1 823	1 065	527
acres..	568 132	4 540	53 757	134 451	198 785	120 979	55 620
landlords..	9 570	135	940	2 370	3 260	2 001	864
Rented or leased land in farms	5 306	58	584	1 304	1 802	1 046	512
acres..	545 392	4 430	53 162	131 737	191 510	114 433	50 120
Land rented or leased to others	2 918	10	93	376	723	793	923
acres..	337 677	1 072	6 515	26 300	88 142	87 251	128 397
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	14 813	58	840	2 833	4 574	3 795	2 713
Not on farm operated	5 913	40	389	920	1 576	1 514	1 474
Not reported	2 085	18	126	311	520	533	577
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	22 811	116	1 355	4 064	6 670	5 842	4 764
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	4 218	14	72	217	399	878	2 638
Any	18 593	102	1 283	3 847	6 271	4 964	2 126
1 to 99 days	1 184	3	52	153	225	354	397
100 to 199 days	2 240	9	135	411	639	643	403
200 days or more	15 169	90	1 096	3 283	5 407	3 967	1 326
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	1 422	29	235	435	415	224	84
3 or 4 years	1 844	19	300	580	575	279	91
5 to 9 years	3 754	9	407	1 046	1 212	751	329
10 years or more	11 106	—	179	1 359	3 347	3 373	2 848
Average years on present farm	16.2	2.9	5.7	9.1	13.5	18.5	28.6
Not reported	4 685	59	234	644	1 121	1 215	1 412
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	116	116	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	1 355	—	1 355	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	4 064	—	—	4 064	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	3 122	—	—	—	3 122	—	—
50 to 54 years	3 548	—	—	—	3 548	—	—
55 to 59 years	3 211	—	—	—	—	3 211	—
60 to 64 years	2 631	—	—	—	—	2 631	—
65 to 69 years	1 937	—	—	—	—	—	1 937
70 years and over	2 827	—	—	—	—	—	2 827
Average age	53.9	21.5	31.0	40.1	49.6	59.1	72.4
Operators by sex:							
Male	20 364	112	1 240	3 743	6 109	5 256	3 904
Female	2 447	4	115	321	561	586	860
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)							
	147	—	18	21	36	44	28
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	20 465	108	1 212	3 610	5 989	5 280	4 266
acres..	2 905 883	14 431	132 517	393 817	803 574	806 507	755 037
Partnership	1 514	5	105	270	454	364	316
acres..	453 927	(D)	(D)	58 385	174 905	105 461	92 937
Corporation:							
Family held	540	—	21	125	144	139	111
acres..	232 348	—	3 379	26 364	66 957	66 700	68 948
More than 10 stockholders	15	—	1	4	1	1	8
10 or less stockholders	525	—	20	121	143	138	103
Other than family held	80	—	5	12	33	17	13
acres..	24 635	—	2 114	1 991	12 287	5 383	2 860
More than 10 stockholders	12	—	1	1	5	5	—
10 or less stockholders	68	—	4	11	28	12	13
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.							
farms..	212	3	12	47	50	42	58
acres..	79 376	(D)	(D)	11 596	12 251	32 288	19 283

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 21 015	9 370	51	325	947	1 477	2 182	4 388
	number.. 613 950	393 129	2 027	14 857	47 414	80 675	96 932	151 224
	\$1,000.. 224 422	146 811	1 091	5 553	18 308	30 882	36 132	54 846
Calves	farms.. 16 827	7 371	33	250	725	1 117	1 747	3 499
	number.. 331 958	201 378	647	8 243	22 276	40 112	47 617	82 483
	\$1,000.. 87 230	51 864	201	2 034	5 903	10 527	12 433	20 765
Cattle	farms.. 12 395	5 719	32	188	566	916	1 338	2 679
	number.. 281 992	191 751	1 380	6 614	25 138	40 563	49 315	68 741
	\$1,000.. 137 192	94 947	890	3 518	12 404	20 355	23 698	34 081
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 731	316	1	9	37	52	62	155
	number.. 12 394	6 699	(D)	(D)	882	1 450	923	3 277
	\$1,000.. 7 844	4 218	(D)	(D)	636	859	546	2 081
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 764	1 013	12	51	164	206	223	357
	number.. 514 029	413 943	3 343	26 663	103 570	138 231	73 807	68 329
Farms with—								
1 to 24	793	308	2	17	36	51	67	135
25 to 49	233	138	1	7	15	25	22	68
50 to 99	195	131	—	4	23	25	24	55
100 to 199	147	104	2	4	13	18	40	27
200 to 499	194	163	4	7	35	38	40	39
500 or more	202	169	3	12	42	49	30	33
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 1 244	768	8	37	124	157	168	274
	number.. 79 942	70 261	205	5 864	25 681	19 318	10 490	8 703
Other	farms.. 1 621	946	12	48	155	185	212	334
	number.. 434 087	343 682	3 138	20 799	77 889	118 913	63 317	59 626
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 561	960	12	44	152	196	215	341
	number.. 1 030 187	853 189	7 449	62 543	286 684	257 167	127 343	112 003
	\$1,000.. 105 395	85 752	773	6 796	25 365	26 444	14 085	12 289
Feeder pigs	farms.. 206	122	4	9	26	30	21	32
	number.. 148 115	132 720	(D)	4 629	78 287	37 685	8 806	(D)
	\$1,000.. 5 549	4 729	(D)	137	2 475	1 697	295	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 312	801	8	41	126	167	173	286
	number.. 110 872	95 315	586	7 115	33 163	28 422	13 054	12 975
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 1 212	755	8	34	126	156	162	269
	number.. 56 575	48 633	301	3 566	16 471	14 724	6 717	6 854
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 098	714	8	38	119	152	153	244
	number.. 54 297	46 682	285	3 549	16 692	13 698	6 337	6 121
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 335	127	1	7	19	28	38	34
	number.. 7 318	3 348	(D)	(D)	338	1 531	612	768
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 242	87	1	4	13	19	26	24
	number.. 4 467	2 271	(D)	(D)	232	1 222	381	385
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 223	80	1	—	8	14	29	28
	number.. 6 103	3 462	(D)	—	811	1 655	(D)	494
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 168	59	1	—	7	14	16	21
	number.. 5 099	2 420	(D)	—	(D)	1 278	421	424
	pounds of wool.. 32 628	16 439	(D)	—	(D)	9 564	2 755	2 559
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 5 881	1 850	7	104	332	455	418	534
	number.. 35 320	13 234	25	805	2 528	3 583	2 870	3 423
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 283	376	—	24	80	108	87	77
	number.. 4 765	2 001	—	122	514	683	360	322
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 809	502	2	20	64	94	142	180
	number.. 36 637	11 604	(D)	(D)	1 484	2 225	3 764	3 256
Goats sold	farms.. 803	219	1	12	28	37	63	78
	number.. 16 113	6 416	(D)	471	(D)	746	3 227	1 525
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 295	699	4	63	147	186	166	133
	number.. 21 525 495	16 715 799	81 100	1 727 306	3 702 266	5 385 742	3 666 996	2 152 389
Farms with—								
1 to 399	604	172	—	3	18	31	52	68
400 to 3,199	6	4	—	—	2	1	—	1
3,200 to 9,999	129	98	—	8	26	26	22	16
10,000 to 19,999	221	162	1	19	43	53	34	12
20,000 to 49,999	245	192	3	27	44	52	41	25
50,000 to 99,999	56	40	—	4	6	16	9	5
100,000 or more	34	31	—	2	8	7	8	6
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 122	592	4	50	122	164	142	110
	number.. 16 295 617	12 961 242	81 100	1 247 006	3 053 182	4 592 705	2 651 129	1 336 120
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 302	148	—	16	32	29	35	36
	number.. 5 229 878	3 754 557	—	480 300	649 084	793 037	1 015 867	816 269
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 909	631	4	69	155	168	131	104
	number.. 28 533 425	20 255 690	78 300	1 988 769	4 702 631	5 268 473	5 072 405	3 145 112
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 2 245	1 654	17	158	330	445	445	259
	number.. 1 017 501 305	817 291 569	7 173 300	94 556 026	165 567 047	223 015 443	226 915 386	100 064 367
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	28	10	—	—	2	2	2	4
2,000 to 59,999	54	33	—	4	4	8	6	11
60,000 to 99,999	101	58	—	2	4	7	16	29
100,000 or more	2 062	1 553	17	152	320	428	421	215
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 83	14	—	—	—	2	4	8
	number.. 272	44	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	19
Turkeys sold	farms.. 25	10	—	1	1	2	2	4
	number.. 186 411	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.							
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 11 645	56	685	2 020	3 405	3 123	2 356
	number.. 220 821	1 277	11 568	34 190	67 145	62 667	43 974
	\$1,000.. 77 611	565	3 971	11 832	23 762	21 878	15 604
Calves	farms.. 9 456	43	545	1 660	2 769	2 552	1 887
	number.. 130 580	491	6 841	20 888	39 726	37 268	25 366
	\$1,000.. 35 366	143	1 814	5 686	10 943	9 995	6 786
Cattle	farms.. 6 676	35	377	1 144	1 944	1 838	1 338
	number.. 90 241	786	4 727	13 302	27 419	25 399	18 608
	\$1,000.. 42 245	422	2 157	6 146	12 819	11 883	8 818
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 415	1	18	61	118	133	84
	number.. 5 695	(D)	703	2 981	2 981	944	864
	\$1,000.. 3 626	(D)	(D)	504	1 767	647	563
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 751	6	58	168	249	167	103
	number.. 100 086	159	5 184	15 937	50 877	21 561	6 368
Farms with—							
1 to 24	485	4	44	114	158	104	61
25 to 49	95	1	1	15	30	27	21
50 to 99	64	—	1	13	25	18	7
100 to 199	43	1	3	9	18	7	5
200 to 499	31	—	4	7	9	5	6
500 or more	33	—	5	10	9	6	3
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 476	3	34	102	158	102	77
	number.. 9 681	(D)	(D)	1 558	5 623	1 010	999
Other	farms.. 675	4	49	152	220	153	97
	number.. 90 405	(D)	(D)	14 379	45 254	20 551	5 369
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 601	4	45	122	206	133	91
	number.. 176 998	400	8 205	32 354	102 721	22 339	10 979
	\$1,000.. 19 643	42	863	2 964	11 653	2 331	1 790
Feeder pigs	farms.. 84	—	9	22	30	16	7
	number.. 15 395	—	400	6 162	7 720	565	548
	\$1,000.. 821	—	12	170	602	15	22
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 511	3	37	109	170	111	81
	number.. 15 557	(D)	(D)	2 457	9 660	1 284	1 346
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 457	3	32	88	155	102	77
	number.. 7 942	(D)	(D)	1 223	4 790	686	800
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 384	1	26	87	128	87	55
	number.. 7 615	(D)	(D)	1 234	4 870	598	546
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 208	1	6	58	78	47	18
	number.. 3 970	(D)	(D)	936	1 865	815	313
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 155	—	4	39	68	28	16
	number.. 2 196	—	18	588	1 047	362	181
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 143	—	3	41	49	35	15
	number.. 2 641	—	(D)	464	1 283	684	(D)
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 109	—	2	32	49	21	5
	number.. 2 679	—	(D)	675	1 374	454	(D)
	pounds of wool.. 16 189	—	(D)	3 915	8 088	2 999	(D)
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 4 031	12	281	965	1 429	899	445
	number.. 22 086	35	1 356	5 430	7 782	4 916	2 576
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 907	2	82	285	318	150	70
	number.. 2 764	(D)	218	818	994	506	(D)
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 307	7	107	293	412	308	180
	number.. 25 033	143	1 524	5 415	7 769	6 484	3 698
Goats sold	farms.. 584	5	43	135	180	142	79
	number.. 9 697	56	703	1 746	3 049	2 648	1 495
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 596	7	50	147	174	139	79
	number.. 4 809 696	(D)	(D)	937 970	1 106 451	1 132 251	1 307 365
Farms with—							
1 to 399	432	5	35	104	139	96	53
400 to 3,199	2	—	—	—	1	—	1
3,200 to 9,999	31	1	—	10	8	8	2
10,000 to 19,999	59	1	8	20	7	18	5
20,000 to 49,999	53	—	7	10	10	10	16
50,000 to 99,999	16	—	—	2	6	7	1
100,000 or more	3	—	—	1	1	—	1
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 530	7	44	130	159	124	66
	number.. 3 334 375	(D)	(D)	661 920	738 677	669 636	1 031 648
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 154	2	11	37	52	31	21
	number.. 1 475 321	(D)	(D)	276 050	367 774	462 615	275 717
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 278	4	28	70	67	67	42
	number.. 8 277 735	(D)	(D)	1 700 887	1 919 375	2 212 920	1 858 729
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 591	6	55	148	182	149	51
	number.. 200 209 736	1 464 400	20 574 330	43 541 758	70 261 698	50 491 908	13 875 642
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	18	—	1	5	8	3	1
2,000 to 59,999	21	1	—	6	2	6	6
60,000 to 99,999	43	—	1	7	14	13	8
100,000 or more	509	5	53	130	158	127	36
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 69	—	3	23	22	16	5
	number.. 228	—	7	59	91	49	22
Turkeys sold	farms.. 15	—	—	3	9	3	—
	number.. (D)	—	—	(D)	347	(D)	—

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 5 196	3 473	32	201	553	768	792	1 127
	acres.. 404 268	344 783	2 438	24 466	65 792	100 965	79 532	71 590
	bushels.. 40 568 303	35 366 225	230 139	2 626 038	7 174 325	10 839 069	7 854 548	6 642 106
Irrigated	farms.. 923	733	10	58	154	222	154	135
	acres.. 110 642	100 672	768	7 675	20 643	34 971	20 516	16 099
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	2 036	997	10	49	102	134	225	477
25 to 99 acres	1 949	1 384	12	78	230	305	303	456
100 to 249 acres	864	766	9	47	163	229	177	141
250 to 499 acres	258	242	1	19	47	67	72	36
500 acres or more	89	84	—	8	11	33	15	17
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 330	237	—	9	48	61	51	68
	acres.. 32 304	28 217	—	939	5 082	8 179	6 409	7 608
	tons, green.. 503 805	438 948	—	13 040	74 728	140 060	101 995	109 125
Irrigated	farms.. 101	88	—	4	15	31	16	22
	acres.. 11 914	10 460	—	257	1 227	4 116	1 652	3 208
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 360	278	3	17	54	86	59	59
	acres.. 27 786	21 380	306	1 338	4 618	6 341	4 166	4 611
	bushels.. 1 314 386	977 253	11 700	63 292	237 286	282 967	185 526	196 482
Irrigated	farms.. 32	27	—	—	13	5	5	4
	acres.. 3 899	(D)	—	—	425	313	(D)	120
Wheat for grain	farms.. 2 115	1 561	31	137	287	398	361	347
	acres.. 299 188	255 619	2 937	23 498	46 115	74 382	65 289	43 398
	bushels.. 12 691 834	10 987 113	129 320	1 035 666	2 035 132	3 195 676	2 726 717	1 864 602
Irrigated	farms.. 170	142	2	21	34	41	30	14
	acres.. 19 000	16 222	(D)	2 863	2 735	6 162	2 518	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	313	169	5	16	27	27	37	57
25 to 99 acres	875	596	14	44	109	143	123	163
100 to 249 acres	573	471	11	47	97	126	114	76
250 to 499 acres	239	219	1	19	37	67	56	39
500 acres or more	115	106	—	11	17	35	31	12
Oats for grain	farms.. 554	409	5	21	80	92	88	123
	acres.. 22 341	18 150	437	828	3 118	4 758	4 317	4 692
	bushels.. 1 243 367	1 021 622	21 940	46 314	180 230	275 720	243 545	253 873
Irrigated	farms.. 31	27	1	1	4	7	5	9
	acres.. 1 921	1 831	(D)	(D)	(D)	379	229	726
Cotton	farms.. 4 188	3 346	73	342	737	828	755	611
	acres.. 1 367 620	1 227 853	18 511	112 360	298 077	376 987	251 459	170 459
	bales.. 1 764 127	1 585 564	24 019	154 902	391 744	487 445	318 657	208 797
Irrigated	farms.. 1 150	1 004	20	135	259	283	194	113
	acres.. 276 348	250 403	2 892	31 764	67 999	81 111	40 620	26 017
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	293	134	2	21	22	10	28	51
25 to 99 acres	1 048	677	27	52	111	143	154	190
100 to 249 acres	1 156	979	19	112	214	213	253	168
250 to 499 acres	842	772	16	84	192	213	165	102
500 acres or more	849	784	9	73	198	249	155	100
Tobacco	farms.. 1 180	1 001	12	72	189	247	259	222
	acres.. 41 083	37 823	262	2 406	8 237	10 695	9 990	6 234
	pounds.. 85 789 611	79 227 389	536 880	5 132 465	16 975 807	22 160 101	21 414 770	13 007 366
Irrigated	farms.. 385	343	5	27	77	96	80	58
	acres.. 15 100	14 013	59	799	3 453	3 984	3 975	1 744
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres	14	9	—	3	—	2	3	1
1.0 to 1.9 acres	35	23	—	1	—	4	8	6
2.0 to 2.9 acres	46	35	2	2	1	4	5	21
3.0 to 4.9 acres	67	38	—	3	8	4	11	12
5.0 to 9.9 acres	172	129	3	9	14	21	41	41
10.0 to 24.9 acres	325	279	5	22	54	61	73	64
25.0 acres or more	521	488	2	32	108	151	118	77
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 2 864	2 075	37	144	365	500	482	547
	acres.. 351 359	300 518	3 042	21 247	56 690	82 723	76 946	59 870
	bushels.. 7 078 444	6 122 639	49 301	482 269	1 195 680	1 694 785	1 545 818	1 154 786
Irrigated	farms.. 279	240	2	25	53	64	58	38
	acres.. 29 059	26 219	(D)	3 289	6 489	8 196	4 956	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	579	332	7	25	46	70	67	117
25 to 99 acres	1 230	839	22	57	144	179	170	267
100 to 249 acres	706	576	6	42	107	160	158	103
250 to 499 acres	237	221	2	14	46	60	56	43
500 acres or more	112	107	—	6	22	31	31	17
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 61	43	—	3	4	13	8	15
	acres.. 1 054	1 024	—	9	(D)	(D)	(D)	27
	cwt.. 224 753	221 389	—	615	(D)	(D)	(D)	1 707
Irrigated	farms.. 9	8	—	2	1	1	3	1
	acres.. (D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sweetpotatoes	farms.. 87	60	—	2	9	8	11	30
	acres.. 665	595	—	(D)	153	(D)	27	81
	bushels.. 163 180	154 515	—	(D)	42 247	(D)	3 994	10 519
Irrigated	farms.. 12	12	—	1	5	2	1	3
	acres.. 313	313	—	(D)	141	(D)	(D)	18

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED							
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 1 723	15	116	328	525	413	326
	acres.. 59 485	656	3 994	13 089	19 242	12 773	9 731
	bushels.. 5 202 078	62 327	319 521	1 109 069	1 652 058	1 206 257	852 846
Irrigated	farms.. 190	1	14	34	67	46	28
	acres.. 9 970	(D)	(D)	1 618	3 768	2 550	1 251
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	1 039	7	67	177	308	267	213
25 to 99 acres	565	6	39	123	177	123	97
100 to 249 acres	98	2	10	24	33	17	12
250 to 499 acres	16	—	—	3	5	5	3
500 acres or more	5	—	—	1	2	1	1
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 93	—	4	23	21	24	21
	acres.. 4 087	—	(D)	638	(D)	1 822	901
	tons, green.. 64 857	—	(D)	7 855	(D)	34 855	12 790
Irrigated	farms.. 13	—	—	3	4	4	2
	acres.. 1 454	—	—	170	(D)	1 030	(D)
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 82	—	7	20	21	22	12
	acres.. 6 406	—	407	520	3 309	1 332	838
	bushels.. 337 133	—	21 955	15 047	204 836	60 063	35 232
Irrigated	farms.. 5	—	1	—	1	1	2
	acres.. (D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wheat for grain	farms.. 554	5	47	129	181	120	72
	acres.. 43 569	235	2 294	9 599	13 986	10 903	6 552
	bushels.. 1 704 721	10 676	96 711	368 638	505 225	487 630	235 841
Irrigated	farms.. 28	—	2	9	9	3	5
	acres.. 2 778	—	(D)	857	685	601	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	144	—	19	27	47	32	19
25 to 99 acres	279	5	20	72	84	64	34
100 to 249 acres	102	—	8	26	39	16	13
250 to 499 acres	20	—	—	3	8	4	5
500 acres or more	9	—	—	1	3	4	1
Oats for grain	farms.. 145	1	15	44	43	24	18
	acres.. 4 191	(D)	(D)	1 422	1 316	661	382
	bushels.. 221 745	(D)	(D)	70 820	71 932	35 821	19 902
Irrigated	farms.. 4	—	2	—	2	—	—
	acres.. 90	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
Cotton	farms.. 842	13	94	177	251	189	118
	acres.. 139 767	694	18 252	23 543	46 003	31 687	19 588
	bales.. 178 563	835	23 060	28 908	59 433	39 214	27 113
Irrigated	farms.. 146	2	9	30	52	27	26
	acres.. 25 945	(D)	(D)	3 507	12 968	4 341	4 365
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	159	3	17	32	56	31	20
25 to 99 acres	371	8	37	85	109	82	50
100 to 249 acres	177	2	17	41	44	44	29
250 to 499 acres	70	—	9	13	19	13	16
500 acres or more	65	—	14	6	23	19	3
Tobacco	farms.. 179	1	16	21	46	41	54
	acres.. 3 260	(D)	353	(D)	1 372	613	687
	pounds.. 6 562 222	(D)	814 510	(D)	2 677 696	1 220 420	1 400 806
Irrigated	farms.. 42	1	4	3	11	7	16
	acres.. 1 087	(D)	148	(D)	380	225	233
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 0.9 acres	5	—	—	3	—	1	1
1.0 to 1.9 acres	12	—	—	2	—	4	4
2.0 to 2.9 acres	11	—	1	1	—	7	2
3.0 to 4.9 acres	29	—	5	3	—	5	7
5.0 to 9.9 acres	43	—	4	4	—	9	17
10.0 to 24.9 acres	46	1	2	6	—	7	18
25.0 acres or more	33	—	4	2	—	8	5
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 789	9	61	195	234	179	111
	acres.. 50 841	413	3 253	11 160	18 190	12 187	5 638
	bushels.. 955 805	6 917	70 134	210 876	341 087	210 144	116 647
Irrigated	farms.. 39	—	2	13	13	5	6
	acres.. 2 840	—	(D)	844	1 257	(D)	429
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	247	—	22	70	65	48	42
25 to 99 acres	391	9	28	96	112	90	56
100 to 249 acres	130	—	11	24	48	35	12
250 to 499 acres	16	—	—	5	5	5	1
500 acres or more	5	—	—	—	4	1	—
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 18	—	—	1	7	4	6
	acres.. 29	—	—	(D)	11	11	(D)
	cwt.. 3 364	—	—	(D)	1 375	(D)	584
Irrigated	farms.. 1	—	—	1	—	—	—
	acres.. (D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
Sweetpotatoes	farms.. 27	—	3	4	5	6	9
	acres.. 70	—	(D)	(D)	11	15	26
	bushels.. 8 665	—	(D)	(D)	1 685	755	2 561
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Peanuts for nuts	farms.. 4 695	3 727	56	299	757	896	858	861
	acres.. 511 954	458 817	4 935	40 085	100 055	134 387	103 934	75 421
	pounds.. 1 284 532 488	1 163 341 164	13 288 658	110 213 505	262 863 139	339 709 665	254 951 137	182 315 060
Irrigated	farms.. 1 236	1 061	18	104	256	284	237	162
	acres.. 133 543	123 887	1 742	11 723	27 444	39 436	28 060	15 482
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	1 380	853	13	57	147	130	181	325
25 to 99 acres	1 753	1 436	31	120	276	345	346	318
100 to 249 acres	1 004	924	9	74	219	265	212	145
250 to 499 acres	396	366	1	31	94	99	91	50
500 acres or more	162	148	2	17	21	57	28	23
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms.. 14 066	6 543	41	252	683	1 102	1 526	2 939
	acres.. 553 243	327 695	1 884	15 951	44 535	65 652	73 405	126 268
	tons, dry.. 1 340 678	823 693	6 140	39 899	114 260	174 321	193 503	295 570
Irrigated	farms.. 353	227	2	12	46	56	47	64
	acres.. 18 442	14 444	(D)	(D)	5 190	3 254	2 293	3 406
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	7 487	2 947	20	100	262	415	656	1 494
25 to 99 acres	5 285	2 701	15	100	291	477	676	1 142
100 to 249 acres	1 089	728	6	44	105	172	159	242
250 to 499 acres	176	141	—	5	21	33	32	50
500 acres or more	29	26	—	3	4	5	3	11
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text)	farms.. 12 475	5 881	36	223	612	998	1 402	2 610
	acres.. 465 283	271 305	1 509	13 121	34 032	56 220	63 656	102 767
	tons, dry.. 1 173 278	709 417	5 470	35 303	92 575	154 526	172 603	248 940
Irrigated	farms.. 289	189	2	12	37	48	40	50
	acres.. 10 427	7 523	(D)	(D)	1 779	2 156	1 327	1 962
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	farms.. 1 797	1 249	7	98	211	302	297	334
	acres.. 118 806	110 190	221	9 615	23 203	35 912	21 426	19 814
Irrigated	farms.. 716	539	5	61	115	131	131	96
	acres.. 66 889	63 379	135	6 561	15 978	23 148	11 117	6 440
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	493	239	—	18	22	36	49	114
5.0 to 24.9 acres	607	400	3	29	67	77	101	123
25.0 to 99.9 acres	434	361	4	30	76	104	89	58
100.0 to 249.9 acres	152	141	—	13	22	53	31	22
250.0 acres or more	111	108	—	8	24	32	27	17
Land in orchards	farms.. 3 541	1 554	5	64	179	245	350	711
	acres.. 155 984	105 851	(D)	(D)	18 570	31 384	20 850	24 003
Irrigated	farms.. 748	323	4	20	42	58	77	122
	acres.. 52 584	36 946	(D)	(D)	6 891	13 493	6 270	5 811
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	1 231	486	1	19	33	57	97	279
5.0 to 24.9 acres	1 546	618	—	23	70	89	157	279
25.0 to 99.9 acres	511	264	3	9	41	48	54	109
100.0 to 249.9 acres	125	90	—	6	13	25	22	24
250.0 acres or more	128	96	1	7	22	26	20	20
Peaches	farms.. 360	158	—	5	14	26	33	80
Bearing and nonbearing	acres.. 20 694	16 618	—	(D)	3 977	5 434	(D)	3 000
	pounds.. 140 547 189	(D)	—	(D)	21 497 874	(D)	6 500 430	10 113 000
Pecans	farms.. 3 093	1 358	3	56	166	216	306	611
Bearing and nonbearing	acres.. 131 873	86 975	(D)	(D)	14 291	25 291	19 004	20 304
In shell	pounds.. 85 938 718	59 191 894	(D)	(D)	8 828 059	19 878 047	13 330 107	11 852 370

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	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—							
Con.							
Peanuts for nuts	farms.. 968	6	80	180	312	235	155
	acres.. 53 137	392	5 783	7 310	20 655	11 121	7 876
	pounds.. 121 191 324	1 285 808	16 845 993	15 253 957	49 132 310	22 166 852	16 506 404
Irrigated	farms.. 175	—	12	36	65	34	28
	acres.. 9 656	—	409	1 364	4 554	1 813	1 516
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	527	4	41	106	152	135	89
25 to 99 acres	317	1	25	60	115	72	44
100 to 249 acres	80	—	6	9	30	19	16
250 to 499 acres	30	1	7	3	9	7	3
500 acres or more	14	—	1	2	6	2	3
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms.. 7 523	33	455	1 371	2 340	1 965	1 359
	acres.. 225 548	1 479	13 488	41 460	71 427	55 801	41 893
	tons, dry.. 516 985	2 911	32 049	95 295	163 682	128 233	94 815
Irrigated	farms.. 126	1	6	26	36	33	24
	acres.. 3 998	(D)	(D)	899	1 311	1 035	584
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	4 540	20	290	836	1 351	1 205	838
25 to 99 acres	2 584	8	140	457	866	673	440
100 to 249 acres	361	4	23	71	110	79	74
250 to 499 acres	35	1	2	5	12	8	7
500 acres or more	3	—	—	2	1	—	—
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text)	farms.. 6 594	26	398	1 212	2 068	1 732	1 158
	acres.. 193 978	1 230	11 321	35 660	61 947	48 084	35 736
	tons, dry.. 463 861	2 344	28 376	85 560	148 265	115 223	84 093
Irrigated	farms.. 100	1	5	17	34	26	17
	acres.. 2 904	(D)	(D)	670	1 089	647	364
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	farms.. 548	5	48	114	175	121	85
	acres.. 8 616	142	558	1 259	3 633	1 613	1 411
Irrigated	farms.. 177	3	22	43	51	33	25
	acres.. 3 510	121	345	644	1 142	597	661
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	254	1	18	60	80	52	43
5.0 to 24.9 acres	207	2	24	40	63	49	29
25.0 to 99.9 acres	73	2	6	13	24	18	10
100.0 to 249.9 acres	11	—	—	1	6	1	3
250.0 acres or more	3	—	—	—	2	1	—
Land in orchards	farms.. 1 987	6	75	320	600	527	459
	acres.. 50 133	59	843	5 930	18 131	12 963	12 207
Irrigated	farms.. 425	2	12	83	129	112	87
	acres.. 15 638	(D)	(D)	2 881	3 644	3 222	5 428
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	745	2	41	123	221	196	162
5.0 to 24.9 acres	928	4	31	148	277	251	217
25.0 to 99.9 acres	247	—	—	42	85	58	62
100.0 to 249.9 acres	35	—	3	3	8	14	7
250.0 acres or more	32	—	—	4	9	8	11
Peaches	farms.. 202	2	13	38	55	52	42
Bearing and nonbearing	acres.. 4 075	(D)	12	207	(D)	451	236
	pounds.. (D)	—	90	(D)	(D)	1 801 421	(D)
Pecans	farms.. 1 735	4	66	277	534	462	392
Bearing and nonbearing	acres.. 44 899	28	815	5 355	14 743	12 181	11 776
In shell	pounds.. 26 746 824	(D)	(D)	2 563 792	10 128 649	6 749 266	6 902 062

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

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