

Appendix B.

American Indian Farm Operators

During the 1992 and previous censuses, American Indian farm operations on reservations were enumerated at the reservation level, generally as a single unit. In the 1997 census, the historic methodology was used in conjunction with an additional procedure to count American Indian farm operators on reservations who were not counted individually.

Table A, American Indian Farm Operators: 1997, reflects the results of the methodological changes to enumerate American Indian farm and ranch operators. The table provides the total number of American Indian farm operators both on and off reservations. The "other" column provides counts of operators on reservations. The "individually reported" column provides counts of operators on or off reservations. This is the only table in the Volume 1, Geographic Area Series publication where

information for total number of American Indian farm operators is available. Other than the count of operators, information for American Indian farm operators who did not report individually was collected at or aggregated to the reservation level. Consequently, other published data treat each reservation as a single farm operation. State level data are provided in Table B, State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997. American Indian agricultural resources and production not reported by individuals are included in their respective reservation reports.

The term American Indian was used on the report form that collected the counts of on-reservation operators as well as the 1997 Census of Agriculture report form. The term American Indian represents persons who also would identify themselves as Native American or Alaskan Native.

Table A. American Indian Farm Operators: 1997

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

Geographic area	American Indian farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported	Other ¹
STATE TOTAL			
Idaho	238	118	120
COUNTIES, 1997			
Ada	3	3	—
Bannock	9	9	—
Benewah	4	—	4
Bingham	83	15	68
Canyon	10	10	—
Custer	5	5	—
Gem	4	4	—
Gooding	4	4	—
Idaho	3	3	—
Kootenai	6	6	—
Lemhi	3	3	—
Lewis	3	3	—
Minidoka	4	4	—
Nez Perce	33	—	33
Owyhee	31	16	15
Payette	4	4	—
Power	4	4	—
Twin Falls	8	8	—
All other counties.....	17	17	—

¹Data represent American Indian farm and ranch operators on reservations that did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

Table B. State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997

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

Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators ¹	238	(X)	(X)
Land in farms	403 502	11 830 167	3.4
Estimated market value of land and buildings ²	\$1,000.. 184 343	11 982 650	1.5
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ²	\$1,000.. 5 913	1 740 107	.3
Total cropland	53 758	6 308 877	.9
Harvested cropland	39 697	4 478 862	.9
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	3 968	816 471	.5
Other cropland	10 093	1 013 544	1.0
Total woodland	(D)	514 787	(D)
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	(D)	4 589 326	(D)
Irrigated land	30 315	3 493 542	.9
Harvested cropland	28 211	3 057 436	.9
Pastureland and other land	2 104	436 106	.5
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000.. 14 410	3 345 864	.4
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	\$1,000.. 8 277	1 773 699	.5
Livestock, poultry, and their products	\$1,000.. 6 132	1 572 166	.4
Total farm production expenses ²	\$1,000.. 9 394	2 705 028	.3
Cattle and calves inventory	13 342	1 908 097	.7
Beef cows	6 600	555 676	1.2
Milk cows	1 305	265 854	.5
Heifers and heifer calves	2 328	551 508	.4
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	3 109	535 059	.6
Cattle and calves sold	6 778	1 578 375	.4
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more	4 056	1 338 083	.3
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter	(D)	632 606	(Z)
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds	2 722	240 292	1.1
Sheep and lambs inventory	(D)	273 804	(Z)
Ewes 1 year old or older	(D)	212 487	(Z)
Sheep and lambs shorn	(D)	240 028	(Z)
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	291 435	(Z)
Horses and ponies inventory	1 930	59 559	3.2
Horses and ponies sold	31	6 196	.5
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed	—	41 162	—
Wheat for grain	9 721	1 410 978	.7
Oats for grain	(D)	20 406	(D)
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	24 857	1 260 010	2.0

¹ Includes operators on and off reservations.
² Data are based on a sample of farms.