

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

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

Item	1997			1992		
	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) farms..	22 334	11 924	10 410	22 129	12 797	9 332
Average per farm \$1,000..	590 283	621 425	-31 142	493 797	519 307	-25 510
Average per farm dollars..	26 430	52 115	-2 992	22 314	40 580	-2 734
Farms with net gains ¹ number..	11 024	8 609	2 415	11 932	9 614	2 318
Average per farm \$1,000..	707 464	702 727	4 736	575 277	571 108	4 169
Average per farm dollars..	64 175	81 627	1 961	48 213	59 404	1 799
Gain of—						
Less than \$1,000	1 161	285	876	1 133	212	921
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 599	1 231	1 368	2 580	1 309	1 271
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 375	1 204	171	1 615	1 489	126
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1 828	1 828	—	2 138	2 138	—
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 233	1 233	—	1 677	1 677	—
\$50,000 or more	2 828	2 828	—	2 789	2 789	—
Farms with net losses number..	11 310	3 315	7 995	10 197	3 183	7 014
Average per farm \$1,000..	117 181	81 302	35 879	81 480	51 801	29 679
Average per farm dollars..	10 361	24 526	4 488	7 991	16 274	4 231
Loss of—						
Less than \$1,000	1 919	200	1 719	1 896	216	1 680
\$1,000 to \$4,999	4 812	769	4 043	4 188	912	3 276
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 084	666	1 418	1 969	585	1 384
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1 635	922	713	1 511	865	646
\$25,000 to \$49,999	533	438	95	442	419	23
\$50,000 or more	327	320	7	191	186	5

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