

Table 14. Petroleum Products Expenses: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	20 090	(X)	20 715	22 259
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	100 076	95 329	83 022
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	4 981	4 602	3 730
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	17 486	(X)	18 307	20 195
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	36 930	37 989	37 087
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 112	2 075	1 836
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	7 041	1 392	6 756	7 452
\$500 to \$999	2 739	1 801	3 020	3 487
\$1,000 to \$1,999	2 674	3 468	3 154	3 538
\$2,000 to \$4,999	3 101	9 115	3 437	3 909
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 189	7 710	1 239	1 275
\$10,000 to \$24,999	626	8 659	594	472
\$25,000 or more	116	4 784	107	62
Diesel fuel farms..	14 659	(X)	14 949	15 582
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	52 460	47 586	37 328
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	3 579	3 183	2 396
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	5 347	1 004	5 277	5 434
\$500 to \$999	2 259	1 475	2 150	2 432
\$1,000 to \$1,999	1 940	2 532	2 022	2 595
\$2,000 to \$4,999	2 506	7 457	2 881	2 984
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 325	8 996	1 435	1 384
\$10,000 to \$24,999	985	14 254	933	642
\$25,000 or more	297	16 740	251	111
Natural gas farms..	598	(X)	572	611
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	1 306	981	880
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 184	1 715	1 440
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	126	4	135	141
\$100 to \$499	169	37	137	190
\$500 to \$999	85	52	80	78
\$1,000 to \$1,999	87	115	84	86
\$2,000 to \$4,999	78	213	105	81
\$5,000 to \$9,999	33	246	23	18
\$10,000 or more	20	640	8	17
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	14 866	(X)	15 717	16 915
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	9 380	8 773	7 727
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	631	558	457
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	4 569	215	4 891	5 261
\$100 to \$499	6 186	1 378	6 402	7 409
\$500 to \$999	1 819	1 192	2 145	2 233
\$1,000 to \$1,999	1 204	1 582	1 249	1 257
\$2,000 to \$4,999	820	2 292	812	624
\$5,000 to \$9,999	187	1 232	166	108
\$10,000 or more	81	1 489	52	23

Table 15. Agricultural Chemicals Used, Including Fertilizer: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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Chemicals used	1997	1992	1987
Any chemicals or fertilizer used ¹ farms..	14 460	14 565	16 749
Commercial fertilizer farms..	11 564	11 732	13 109
acres on which used	3 526 053	3 329 048	3 314 974
Average per farm \$1,000..	245 440	190 698	148 396
Agricultural chemicals farms..	11 383	11 435	14 634
Average per farm \$1,000..	118 406	82 374	65 098
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	3 626	4 513	5 815
acres on which used	967 881	1 018 332	1 049 980
Nematodes in crops farms..	793	1 051	901
acres on which used	194 614	185 194	137 818
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	1 517	1 332	1 582
acres on which used	461 292	260 843	285 955
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	8 716	8 812	11 505
acres on which used	2 499 076	2 331 090	2 425 044
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	952	742	1 357
acres on which used	241 305	118 994	215 271

¹Data for 1987 include farms on which lime was applied alone or together with fertilizer and/or chemicals.