

**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 ..... number..	22 314	5	67	490	1 878
..... percent..	100.0	(Z)	.3	2.2	8.4
Land in farms ..... acres..	11 830 167	3 330	241 456	1 548 946	4 138 830
Average size of farm ..... acres..	530	666	3 604	3 161	2 204
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	22 334	5	67	490	1 788
..... \$1,000..	11 982 650	16 128	404 108	1 985 598	4 500 411
Average per farm ..... dollars..	536 521	3 225 575	6 031 469	4 052 241	2 517 009
Average per acre ..... dollars..	1 017	4 843	1 674	1 282	1 116
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	1 740 107	3 843	93 108	358 159	764 979
..... percent..	100.0	.2	5.4	20.6	44.0
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland ..... acres..	6 308 877	(D)	198 972	997 761	2 486 667
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	4 478 862	(D)	186 231	919 624	2 200 746
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured ..... acres..	5 405 797	—	38 785	541 865	1 613 959
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	3 345 864	352 182	838 691	1 673 796	2 509 464
Average per farm ..... dollars..	149 945	70 436 425	12 517 776	3 415 910	1 336 243
Grains ..... farms..	7 199	—	26	309	1 344
..... \$1,000..	573 088	—	24 727	135 029	328 794
Cotton and cottonseed ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds ..... farms..	7 647	2	22	200	850
..... \$1,000..	255 141	(D)	7 637	51 089	124 953
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons ..... farms..	641	—	2	34	152
..... \$1,000..	50 636	—	(D)	13 646	35 339
Fruits, nuts, and berries ..... farms..	287	—	1	8	18
..... \$1,000..	24 408	—	(D)	15 261	18 328
Nursery and greenhouse crops ..... farms..	706	—	—	20	103
..... \$1,000..	57 189	—	—	15 548	37 009
Other crops ..... farms..	2 148	—	22	288	1 033
..... \$1,000..	813 238	—	121 834	439 270	721 164
Poultry and poultry products ..... farms..	412	—	2	3	8
..... \$1,000..	15 000	—	(D)	13 528	13 533
Dairy products ..... farms..	1 056	—	24	139	382
..... \$1,000..	557 339	—	150 781	364 242	486 207
Cattle and calves ..... farms..	11 684	5	48	257	882
..... \$1,000..	910 805	352 063	495 339	593 831	683 774
Hogs and pigs ..... farms..	573	—	1	2	19
..... \$1,000..	4 473	—	(D)	(D)	1 424
Sheep, lambs, and wool ..... farms..	1 077	—	—	9	48
..... \$1,000..	29 977	—	—	(D)	22 112
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) ..... farms..	2 335	1	6	29	101
..... \$1,000..	54 571	(D)	17 965	22 550	36 827
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	22 334	5	67	490	1 788
..... \$1,000..	2 705 028	360 457	752 404	1 388 732	1 999 459
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :					
Livestock and poultry purchased ..... farms..	7 820	5	46	205	648
..... \$1,000..	469 600	256 655	336 215	389 568	419 625
Feed for livestock and poultry ..... farms..	11 438	5	52	252	809
..... \$1,000..	450 829	85 753	202 710	314 067	379 423
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	11 564	1	38	384	1 527
..... \$1,000..	245 440	(D)	22 065	89 143	169 826
Agricultural chemicals ..... farms..	11 383	2	42	380	1 425
..... \$1,000..	118 406	(D)	13 442	49 507	85 629
Petroleum products ..... farms..	20 090	5	66	485	1 774
..... \$1,000..	100 076	656	7 291	26 392	53 204
Electricity ..... farms..	15 661	5	66	482	1 740
..... \$1,000..	89 854	393	11 674	39 265	65 056
Hired farm labor ..... farms..	9 410	5	66	483	1 747
..... \$1,000..	270 843	4 244	42 545	126 990	210 360
Interest ..... farms..	11 087	4	64	475	1 693
..... \$1,000..	178 482	(D)	20 357	63 646	112 586
Payments from government programs ..... farms..	7 848	—	26	280	1 178
..... \$1,000..	73 124	—	1 729	8 565	23 551
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves ..... farms..	12 063	5	45	251	873
..... number..	1 908 097	189 950	373 103	656 404	963 827
Milk cows ..... farms..	1 404	—	24	138	379
..... number..	265 854	—	66 178	162 963	223 591
Hogs and pigs ..... farms..	714	—	3	3	24
..... number..	29 026	—	(D)	26	8 447

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

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