

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

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

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
<b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>								
Farms.....number..	73 051	41 645	485	2 680	7 944	8 581	9 378	12 577
.....percent..	100.0	57.0	.7	3.7	10.9	11.7	12.8	17.2
Land in farms.....acres..	27 204 780	22 725 043	154 108	1 403 987	5 442 231	6 057 924	5 525 424	4 141 369
Average size of farm.....acres..	372	546	318	524	685	706	589	329
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>								
Total sales (see text).....farms..	73 051	41 645	485	2 680	7 944	8 581	9 378	12 577
.....\$1,000..	8 556 486	7 519 519	52 073	494 630	1 989 216	2 047 096	1 782 246	1 154 258
Average per farm.....dollars..	117 130	180 562	107 368	184 564	250 405	238 561	190 045	91 775
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text).....	7 413	1 612	3	62	130	206	308	903
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....	4 797	1 015	8	42	123	129	203	510
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	5 107	1 327	31	47	128	168	241	712
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	5 949	1 948	29	72	191	240	426	990
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	6 561	2 730	60	134	268	321	537	1 410
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	2 521	1 222	33	78	127	140	211	633
\$25,000 to \$39,999.....	5 329	2 823	40	154	319	394	544	1 372
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....	2 914	1 729	36	115	216	230	374	758
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	9 290	6 425	97	494	1 105	1 089	1 513	2 127
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	13 434	11 554	101	914	2 679	2 874	2 837	2 149
\$250,000 to \$499,999.....	6 719	6 401	30	385	1 861	1 920	1 510	695
\$500,000 to \$999,999.....	2 365	2 255	14	142	630	710	533	226
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999.....	566	525	3	36	146	140	117	83
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999.....	60	55	-	5	13	12	17	8
\$5,000,000 or more.....	26	24	-	-	8	8	7	1
Grains.....farms..	53 112	35 462	421	2 373	7 110	7 625	8 076	9 857
.....\$1,000..	6 123 848	5 398 057	38 426	344 014	1 355 905	1 494 235	1 308 863	856 614
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	27 818	23 550	199	1 649	5 594	5 869	5 730	4 509
.....\$1,000..	5 666 347	5 141 633	34 036	328 031	1 321 740	1 454 763	1 257 413	745 650
Corn for grain.....farms..	46 075	32 268	363	2 189	6 601	7 022	7 411	8 682
.....\$1,000..	3 279 695	2 900 807	20 787	188 828	724 706	801 642	701 505	463 338
Wheat.....farms..	14 755	10 977	105	722	2 403	2 412	2 541	2 794
.....\$1,000..	165 912	142 815	1 020	9 510	36 050	36 884	34 689	24 662
Soybeans.....farms..	46 957	32 878	371	2 205	6 728	7 210	7 530	8 834
.....\$1,000..	2 646 076	2 326 651	16 575	143 339	587 501	649 189	566 042	364 005
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	1 016	667	4	44	160	152	176	131
.....\$1,000..	13 161	10 186	25	540	2 930	2 318	2 647	1 726
Barley.....farms..	38	31	-	-	11	5	4	11
.....\$1,000..	130	118	-	-	63	3	20	31
Oats.....farms..	1 772	1 476	8	93	291	373	301	410
.....\$1,000..	4 144	3 702	(D)	(D)	742	1 006	760	963
Other grains.....farms..	521	456	2	35	98	119	125	77
.....\$1,000..	14 730	13 777	(D)	(D)	3 913	3 193	3 199	1 888
Cotton and cottonseed.....farms..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.....\$1,000..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.....\$1,000..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tobacco.....farms..	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	-
.....\$1,000..	(D)	(D)	-	-	-	(D)	-	-
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.....\$1,000..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....farms..	10 031	5 849	60	412	1 189	1 241	1 282	1 665
.....\$1,000..	57 477	42 939	448	3 870	10 743	9 968	8 308	9 601
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	123	107	2	11	34	19	21	20
.....\$1,000..	10 507	9 381	(D)	(D)	3 175	2 049	1 555	1 527
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons.....farms..	1 260	802	5	58	201	192	174	172
.....\$1,000..	63 709	58 532	329	2 607	13 720	19 701	13 526	8 649
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	238	219	2	18	65	62	47	25
.....\$1,000..	52 761	50 697	(D)	(D)	11 799	17 792	11 818	7 143
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....farms..	552	282	-	15	42	50	81	94
.....\$1,000..	14 133	11 795	-	312	1 181	2 472	3 891	3 940
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	50	43	-	1	8	8	13	13
.....\$1,000..	11 091	10 044	-	(D)	(D)	2 134	3 380	3 315
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....farms..	1 665	638	-	28	139	185	140	146
.....\$1,000..	299 936	215 096	-	9 686	54 758	66 045	57 624	26 983
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	477	296	-	14	75	99	60	48
.....\$1,000..	287 240	210 751	-	9 444	53 929	65 014	56 557	25 807
Other crops.....farms..	84	53	1	1	15	15	9	12
.....\$1,000..	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1 257	(D)	(D)	33
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	7	7	-	-	3	3	1	-
.....\$1,000..	7 766	7 766	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
Poultry and poultry products.....farms..	981	467	4	30	106	105	66	156
.....\$1,000..	97 964	79 619	(D)	(D)	31 100	30 127	(D)	5 073
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	88	67	1	3	18	23	13	9
.....\$1,000..	96 261	78 847	(D)	(D)	30 949	29 978	11 160	4 900
Dairy products.....farms..	1 956	1 805	20	148	467	484	404	282
.....\$1,000..	253 146	242 561	1 473	17 935	69 979	67 318	52 325	33 531
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 490	1 419	13	111	404	395	314	182
.....\$1,000..	241 136	231 941	1 271	16 895	68 392	64 666	49 827	30 890
Cattle and calves.....farms..	23 622	14 510	140	880	2 718	2 895	3 383	4 494
.....\$1,000..	546 901	469 231	2 460	25 211	102 953	116 335	119 715	102 556
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 717	1 561	12	83	348	395	407	316
.....\$1,000..	350 888	324 627	1 261	15 416	74 406	85 844	85 166	62 533

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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
<b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>							
Farms .....	31 406	520	2 750	7 515	8 786	6 856	4 979
number ..							
percent ..	43.0	.7	3.8	10.3	12.0	9.4	6.8
Land in farms .....	4 479 737	47 059	355 528	1 112 962	1 341 114	942 202	680 872
acres ..							
Average size of farm .....	143	90	129	148	153	137	137
acres ..							
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>							
Total sales (see text) .....	31 406	520	2 750	7 515	8 786	6 856	4 979
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	1 036 967	13 406	97 422	272 971	306 372	216 078	130 719
Average per farm .....	33 018	25 782	35 426	36 323	34 870	31 517	26 254
dollars ..							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text) .....	5 801	48	324	1 121	1 548	1 453	1 307
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....	3 782	70	302	896	1 123	810	581
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	3 780	64	385	892	1 014	875	550
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	4 001	91	360	860	1 135	905	650
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	3 831	113	333	909	1 007	799	670
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 299	31	131	328	344	294	171
\$25,000 to \$39,999 .....	2 506	38	227	669	644	574	354
\$40,000 to \$49,999 .....	1 185	15	134	333	340	230	133
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	2 865	25	330	788	917	502	303
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	1 880	19	183	599	575	317	187
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	318	3	32	83	90	65	45
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	110	2	4	28	33	26	17
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999 .....	41	1	5	9	12	4	10
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	5	—	—	—	3	1	1
\$5,000,000 or more .....	2	—	—	—	1	1	—
Grains .....	17 650	340	1 771	4 414	4 845	3 737	2 543
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	725 791	9 287	69 032	204 965	220 282	133 585	88 640
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	4 268	39	454	1 259	1 326	751	439
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	524 714	5 083	48 926	154 154	166 346	90 573	59 632
Cotton and cottonseed .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	4 182	46	393	1 090	1 269	829	555
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	14 538	308	1 300	3 651	4 229	3 144	1 906
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	16	1	2	—	4	8	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	1 126	(D)	(D)	—	247	526	(D)
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	458	1	47	109	153	81	67
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	5 177	(D)	(D)	806	2 036	713	1 174
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	19	—	1	—	9	4	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 064	—	(D)	—	1 040	(D)	688
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	270	—	16	54	90	62	48
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 338	—	76	319	1 006	824	113
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	7	—	—	1	5	1	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	1 047	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	—
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	1 027	1	47	264	354	225	136
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	84 841	(D)	(D)	12 151	16 385	41 496	11 644
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	181	—	5	35	63	45	33
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	76 489	—	2 586	9 870	13 792	39 520	10 720
Other crops .....	31	—	4	8	9	7	3
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	54	—	10	14	19	7	4
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poultry and poultry products .....	514	4	43	176	171	86	34
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	18 345	(D)	(D)	587	11 970	4 849	750
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	21	—	2	3	8	5	3
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	17 414	—	(D)	(D)	11 579	4 669	721
Dairy products .....	151	4	20	43	33	28	23
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	10 584	204	1 779	3 496	2 450	1 545	1 111
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	71	1	14	22	18	11	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9 195	(D)	1 683	3 125	2 280	1 224	(D)
Cattle and calves .....	9 112	174	835	2 324	2 599	1 925	1 255
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	77 670	834	5 478	16 559	23 237	16 084	15 479
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	156	—	8	33	42	43	30
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	26 261	—	913	3 438	8 394	5 475	8 041

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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
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.</b>								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs .....	farms.. 7 447	5 552	79	511	1 474	1 379	1 183	926
	\$1,000.. 1 064 209	977 941	8 717	88 580	344 941	231 775	200 390	103 539
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 3 388	3 091	30	294	946	845	647	329
	\$1,000.. 1 005 217	934 146	7 869	84 666	335 154	221 414	190 342	94 701
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms.. 2 193	1 178	5	67	211	258	276	361
	\$1,000.. 4 783	3 066	11	168	635	670	812	769
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.. 2 497	943	9	44	176	238	234	242
	\$1,000.. 22 320	12 675	21	464	2 044	3 126	4 049	2 971
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 72	50	—	1	9	16	14	10
	\$1,000.. 12 111	8 070	—	(D)	(D)	2 026	2 595	2 106
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .....	farms.. 2 204	1 045	5	77	247	233	220	263
	\$1,000.. 12 307	9 350	(D)	(D)	2 575	2 372	1 997	1 738
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>								
Total farm production expenses .....	farms.. 73 046	41 804	643	2 716	7 654	8 564	9 177	13 050
	\$1,000.. 5 542 904	4 767 686	52 163	318 347	1 209 092	1 283 186	1 117 623	787 275
Average per farm .....	dollars.. 75 882	114 049	81 124	117 212	157 969	149 835	121 785	60 328
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms.. 15 984	10 295	223	843	2 267	2 291	2 220	2 451
	\$1,000.. 334 161	289 576	3 740	21 479	74 191	72 102	71 116	46 949
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	9 523	5 140	113	360	1 027	1 057	1 042	1 541
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	4 179	3 172	43	286	765	734	715	629
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	1 688	1 439	63	152	327	348	348	201
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	379	346	4	32	101	94	71	44
\$250,000 or more .....	215	198	—	13	47	58	44	36
Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms.. 27 101	16 513	310	1 145	3 345	3 474	3 738	4 501
	\$1,000.. 567 098	497 925	6 786	38 668	159 595	132 637	97 897	62 341
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	17 627	8 684	148	458	1 457	1 603	1 964	3 054
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	5 640	4 384	89	365	960	899	1 069	1 002
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	2 898	2 579	65	231	669	738	521	355
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	588	546	4	59	171	138	121	53
\$250,000 or more .....	348	320	4	32	88	96	63	37
Commercially mixed formula feeds .....	farms.. 16 636	10 345	184	731	2 252	2 262	2 348	2 568
	\$1,000.. 290 197	249 475	3 301	19 161	89 106	69 341	44 681	23 886
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	11 210	5 803	84	339	1 069	1 075	1 342	1 894
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	3 561	2 877	68	263	712	664	671	499
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	1 485	1 323	29	86	372	430	265	141
\$100,000 or more .....	380	342	3	43	99	93	70	34
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .....	farms.. 55 956	36 847	577	2 414	7 076	7 966	8 215	10 599
	\$1,000.. 460 125	399 410	4 358	25 977	98 466	109 770	94 271	66 567
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 .....	12 358	4 366	65	148	439	599	846	2 269
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....	18 756	11 008	218	673	1 565	1 937	2 153	4 462
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	21 094	17 903	270	1 388	4 105	4 313	4 395	3 432
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	2 946	2 813	19	147	777	875	658	337
\$50,000 or more .....	802	757	5	58	190	242	163	99
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms.. 55 963	36 446	559	2 397	6 842	7 837	8 195	10 616
	\$1,000.. 714 914	620 210	5 994	37 125	145 957	166 191	153 021	111 923
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	25 036	10 976	241	676	1 272	1 779	1 980	5 028
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	22 760	17 820	266	1 280	3 562	3 809	4 361	4 542
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	5 721	5 319	38	320	1 420	1 545	1 278	718
\$50,000 or more .....	2 446	2 331	14	121	588	704	576	328
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms.. 53 603	34 533	568	2 289	6 505	7 388	7 673	10 110
	\$1,000.. 548 362	475 022	5 838	31 787	112 869	129 361	112 835	82 331
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	27 366	12 668	293	708	1 495	1 856	2 421	5 895
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	20 419	16 406	207	1 210	3 576	3 889	4 000	3 524
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	4 418	4 122	61	285	1 097	1 203	945	531
\$50,000 or more .....	1 400	1 337	7	86	337	440	307	160
Petroleum products .....	farms.. 68 955	40 873	635	2 679	7 517	8 386	9 052	12 604
	\$1,000.. 309 146	264 360	3 056	17 348	63 092	68 730	62 221	49 913
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	49 851	23 584	439	1 508	3 343	3 810	4 902	9 582
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	17 649	15 903	179	1 081	3 825	4 180	3 807	2 831
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	1 198	1 141	17	79	289	312	288	156
\$50,000 or more .....	257	245	—	11	60	84	55	35
Gasoline and gasohol .....	farms.. 58 001	35 368	477	2 247	6 531	7 345	7 986	10 782
	\$1,000.. 80 403	66 225	801	4 496	14 407	16 247	15 824	14 450
Diesel fuel .....	farms.. 53 145	34 830	578	2 348	6 768	7 567	7 858	9 711
	\$1,000.. 149 280	129 683	1 485	8 144	32 114	33 985	30 509	23 445
Natural gas .....	farms.. 3 759	2 958	40	311	614	703	637	653
	\$1,000.. 12 803	11 139	42	707	2 968	3 571	2 524	1 327
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. ....	farms.. 55 769	37 201	507	2 494	7 053	7 868	8 438	10 841
	\$1,000.. 66 660	57 314	728	4 002	13 603	14 926	13 364	10 691

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Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs .....	farms.. 1 895	49	263	597	516	314	156
	\$1,000.. 86 267	2 689	15 578	27 982	21 473	11 195	7 351
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 297	5	60	88	74	42	28
	\$1,000.. 71 071	2 474	13 524	23 101	17 412	8 449	6 112
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms.. 1 015	14	65	280	308	217	131
	\$1,000.. 1 718	23	90	417	558	380	250
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms.. 1 554	19	106	429	561	302	137
	\$1,000.. 9 644	36	303	2 025	2 727	2 257	2 296
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 22	—	—	4	7	4	7
	\$1,000.. 4 041	—	—	462	768	1 134	1 678
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .....	farms.. 1 159	18	109	358	369	192	113
	\$1,000.. 2 957	24	186	741	1 261	505	240
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>							
Total farm production expenses .....	farms.. 31 242	559	2 817	6 968	9 033	6 924	4 941
	\$1,000.. 775 218	13 436	67 945	184 916	245 367	170 680	92 874
Average per farm .....	dollars.. 24 813	24 036	24 120	26 538	27 163	24 650	18 797
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms.. 5 689	163	676	1 561	1 783	974	532
	\$1,000.. 44 585	1 394	4 990	11 130	14 258	6 483	6 330
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	4 383	117	486	1 243	1 427	759	351
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 007	38	149	234	270	170	146
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	249	7	39	75	70	30	28
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	33	1	1	4	9	14	5
\$250,000 or more .....	17	1	1	5	7	1	2
Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms.. 10 588	230	1 082	2 753	3 361	1 957	1 205
	\$1,000.. 69 173	1 354	7 886	15 670	26 845	11 076	6 342
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	8 943	181	884	2 293	2 860	1 678	1 047
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 256	41	141	357	364	235	118
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	319	7	51	87	109	33	32
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	42	—	3	8	20	6	5
\$250,000 or more .....	28	1	3	8	8	5	3
Commercially mixed formula feeds .....	farms.. 6 291	131	615	1 661	2 076	1 179	629
	\$1,000.. 40 722	422	4 001	6 648	19 719	6 842	3 090
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	5 407	121	493	1 435	1 770	1 046	542
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	684	9	108	191	189	111	76
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	162	—	9	28	106	14	5
\$100,000 or more .....	38	1	5	7	11	8	6
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .....	farms.. 19 109	334	1 899	4 302	5 627	4 276	2 671
	\$1,000.. 60 715	1 037	5 509	14 697	18 220	14 051	7 201
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 .....	7 992	140	782	1 615	2 295	1 895	1 265
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....	7 748	132	793	1 775	2 211	1 716	1 121
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	3 191	60	311	879	1 065	616	260
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	133	1	9	27	47	34	15
\$50,000 or more .....	45	1	4	6	9	15	10
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms.. 19 517	336	1 810	4 468	5 817	4 269	2 817
	\$1,000.. 94 703	2 109	7 908	22 724	27 903	22 448	11 611
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	14 060	251	1 305	3 072	4 210	3 013	2 209
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	4 940	52	472	1 270	1 453	1 135	558
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	402	25	30	109	122	83	33
\$50,000 or more .....	115	8	3	17	32	38	17
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms.. 19 070	346	1 890	4 373	5 587	4 110	2 764
	\$1,000.. 73 341	1 216	6 832	18 706	23 679	14 381	8 527
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	14 698	260	1 471	3 163	4 183	3 258	2 363
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	4 013	77	378	1 097	1 311	799	351
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	296	9	38	103	73	43	30
\$50,000 or more .....	63	—	3	10	20	10	20
Petroleum products .....	farms.. 28 082	517	2 648	6 345	8 144	6 282	4 146
	\$1,000.. 44 786	827	3 614	10 812	13 411	9 892	6 228
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	26 267	497	2 488	5 880	7 586	5 873	3 943
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 746	19	157	455	537	398	180
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	57	1	3	8	18	7	20
\$50,000 or more .....	12	—	—	2	3	4	3
Gasoline and gasohol .....	farms.. 22 633	331	2 020	5 248	6 721	5 044	3 269
	\$1,000.. 14 179	202	1 047	3 301	4 404	3 061	2 163
Diesel fuel .....	farms.. 18 315	403	1 743	4 247	5 404	4 006	2 512
	\$1,000.. 19 597	488	1 707	4 912	5 678	4 109	2 703
Natural gas .....	farms.. 801	32	67	173	251	188	90
	\$1,000.. 1 664	24	114	254	380	745	147
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. ....	farms.. 18 568	373	1 707	4 423	5 461	3 980	2 624
	\$1,000.. 9 346	113	747	2 345	2 950	1 976	1 215

See footnotes at end of table.

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

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

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
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>								
—Con.								
Total farm production expenses—Con.								
Electricity . . . . . farms . . . . .	53 914	35 072	463	2 146	6 636	7 462	8 030	10 335
Electricity . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	86 896	73 170	795	4 723	16 713	19 726	17 033	14 180
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	31 294	16 018	221	903	2 386	2 778	3 628	6 102
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	19 558	16 149	203	1 061	3 511	3 793	3 727	3 854
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	2 909	2 760	38	172	699	847	645	359
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	109	103	1	4	33	29	20	16
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	44	42	—	6	7	15	10	4
Hired farm labor . . . . . farms . . . . .	23 876	17 399	187	1 062	3 878	4 323	3 928	4 021
Hired farm labor . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	344 362	303 298	1 498	15 952	77 282	85 471	74 446	48 649
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	15 654	10 030	134	641	1 998	2 302	2 271	2 684
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	5 360	4 755	30	270	1 251	1 235	1 046	1 235
\$25,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	2 351	2 140	23	125	503	654	498	337
\$100,000 to \$249,999 . . . . .	367	346	—	19	93	98	79	57
\$250,000 or more . . . . .	144	128	—	7	33	34	34	20
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more . . . . . farms . . . . .	8 745	7 228	67	437	1 607	1 916	1 609	1 592
150 days or more . . . . . workers . . . . .	20 390	17 381	91	929	4 248	4 804	4 127	3 182
Less than 150 days . . . . . farms . . . . .	21 380	15 152	171	947	3 396	3 728	3 351	3 559
Less than 150 days . . . . . workers . . . . .	56 217	41 649	382	2 350	9 727	11 789	9 197	8 204
Contract labor . . . . . farms . . . . .	4 216	2 598	27	150	541	624	655	601
Contract labor . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	14 392	11 265	90	609	3 215	3 354	2 252	1 745
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	1 880	921	4	36	174	226	232	249
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	1 794	1 282	21	93	275	300	302	291
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	482	344	1	18	74	84	115	52
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	37	33	1	2	11	11	3	5
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	23	18	—	1	7	3	3	4
Repair and maintenance . . . . . farms . . . . .	61 361	37 992	517	2 391	7 093	7 900	8 662	11 429
Repair and maintenance . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	398 871	334 035	3 222	20 439	77 105	86 799	79 741	66 729
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	37 511	17 870	278	1 170	2 475	2 958	3 904	7 085
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	21 361	17 758	224	1 086	4 020	4 222	4 196	4 010
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	1 900	1 818	13	92	457	568	436	252
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	589	546	2	43	141	152	126	82
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment . . . . . farms . . . . .	28 509	18 342	256	1 102	3 559	3 973	4 210	5 242
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	116 075	91 456	1 458	6 009	21 504	24 628	19 777	18 080
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	10 351	5 366	57	280	834	969	1 296	1 930
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	12 233	8 185	142	485	1 574	1 752	1 918	2 314
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	5 302	4 231	52	293	1 006	1 078	889	913
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	456	405	3	34	106	122	67	73
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	167	155	2	10	39	52	40	12
Interest . . . . . farms . . . . .	37 901	25 029	363	1 855	5 656	6 208	5 860	5 087
Interest . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	424 977	357 473	4 148	22 260	88 784	99 250	90 236	52 796
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	18 197	9 241	144	743	1 708	1 969	2 036	2 641
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	15 395	11 776	179	876	2 960	3 135	2 730	1 896
\$25,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	4 023	3 745	38	221	926	1 024	1 026	510
\$100,000 or more . . . . .	286	267	2	15	62	80	68	40
Secured by real estate . . . . . farms . . . . .	25 073	16 041	208	928	3 435	4 017	4 025	3 428
Secured by real estate . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	250 511	204 365	2 193	10 606	45 493	54 394	57 869	33 809
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	2 575	1 186	10	28	215	233	242	458
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	9 501	4 509	63	309	875	1 041	961	1 260
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	10 832	8 359	117	494	1 860	2 237	2 273	1 378
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	1 580	1 441	14	72	378	336	378	263
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	585	546	4	25	107	170	171	69
Not secured by real estate . . . . . farms . . . . .	24 743	17 765	260	1 445	4 272	4 677	4 019	3 092
Not secured by real estate . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	174 466	153 108	1 955	11 654	43 291	44 856	32 367	18 987
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	5 296	2 668	37	170	426	579	588	868
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	9 705	6 565	93	627	1 487	1 580	1 556	1 222
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	8 477	7 318	113	552	2 024	2 144	1 642	843
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	960	924	13	75	243	279	185	129
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	305	290	4	21	92	95	48	30
Cash rent . . . . . farms . . . . .	23 709	17 720	340	1 546	4 611	4 592	3 816	2 815
Cash rent . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	514 234	459 738	6 385	40 907	134 984	132 589	93 857	51 016
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	8 517	4 989	99	434	1 034	1 094	1 097	1 231
\$5,000 to \$9,999 . . . . .	3 531	2 639	78	203	642	716	601	399
\$10,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	5 619	4 649	90	386	1 352	1 243	1 013	565
\$25,000 or more . . . . .	6 042	5 443	73	523	1 583	1 539	1 105	620
Property taxes . . . . . farms . . . . .	63 561	36 195	412	1 805	6 164	7 391	8 463	11 960
Property taxes . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	198 014	152 899	952	5 733	23 857	33 843	43 362	45 151
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	52 807	26 828	365	1 570	4 821	5 289	5 611	9 172
\$5,000 to \$9,999 . . . . .	7 112	6 066	41	163	825	1 315	1 842	1 880
\$10,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	3 095	2 809	4	54	446	659	844	802
\$25,000 or more . . . . .	547	492	2	18	72	128	166	106
All other farm production expenses . . . . . farms . . . . .	67 319	40 618	612	2 641	7 550	8 390	8 964	12 461
All other farm production expenses . . . . . \$1,000 . . . . .	511 278	437 848	3 842	29 332	111 479	118 736	105 555	68 904
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	45 472	21 610	393	1 301	2 940	3 437	4 405	9 134
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	17 838	15 242	187	1 099	3 581	3 833	3 638	2 904
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	2 583	2 427	26	161	648	707	615	270
\$50,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	1 040	987	6	49	291	301	231	109
\$100,000 or more . . . . .	386	352	—	31	90	112	75	44

See footnotes at end of table.

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

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

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
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity . . . . . farms . . . . .	18 842	252	1 679	4 226	5 643	4 239	2 803
\$1,000 . . . . .	13 726	172	1 020	2 897	4 274	3 496	1 866
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	15 276	211	1 393	3 418	4 371	3 535	2 348
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	3 409	39	280	763	1 229	682	416
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	149	2	6	45	40	20	36
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	6	—	—	—	2	1	3
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	2	—	—	—	1	—	—
Hired farm labor . . . . . farms . . . . .	6 477	133	432	1 368	2 240	1 306	998
\$1,000 . . . . .	41 063	484	1 566	5 760	10 709	15 999	6 545
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	5 624	129	382	1 224	1 880	1 125	884
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	605	2	35	111	265	120	72
\$25,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	211	1	12	27	86	51	34
\$100,000 to \$249,999 . . . . .	21	—	2	3	6	7	3
\$250,000 or more . . . . .	16	1	1	3	3	3	5
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more . . . . . farms . . . . .	1 517	22	91	267	526	326	285
workers . . . . .	3 009	31	134	447	885	1 035	477
Less than 150 days . . . . . farms . . . . .	6 228	132	419	1 327	2 154	1 249	947
workers . . . . .	14 568	305	931	3 044	5 293	2 992	2 003
Contract labor . . . . . farms . . . . .	1 618	15	106	403	565	286	243
\$1,000 . . . . .	3 127	5	332	908	1 017	465	399
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	959	15	59	177	356	199	153
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	512	—	34	178	156	74	70
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	138	—	11	47	50	10	20
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	4	—	1	—	1	2	—
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	5	—	1	1	2	1	—
Repair and maintenance . . . . . farms . . . . .	23 369	382	2 121	5 371	6 988	5 231	3 276
\$1,000 . . . . .	64 836	1 072	4 939	16 484	20 333	14 240	7 769
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	19 641	314	1 829	4 318	5 729	4 470	2 981
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	3 603	66	288	1 015	1 231	732	271
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	82	2	3	22	17	24	14
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	43	—	1	16	11	5	10
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment . . . . . farms . . . . .	10 167	114	993	2 199	3 102	2 233	1 526
\$1,000 . . . . .	24 619	246	1 832	4 535	7 680	6 767	3 559
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	4 985	51	564	1 120	1 500	950	800
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	4 048	48	352	889	1 224	978	557
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	1 071	15	74	173	366	281	162
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	51	—	—	15	9	21	6
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	12	—	3	2	3	3	1
Interest . . . . . farms . . . . .	12 872	179	1 352	3 506	4 331	2 359	1 145
\$1,000 . . . . .	67 504	645	5 829	18 469	24 056	12 311	6 195
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	8 956	126	1 030	2 329	2 924	1 688	859
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	3 619	51	295	1 116	1 295	607	255
\$25,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	278	2	26	59	104	61	26
\$100,000 or more . . . . .	19	—	1	2	8	3	5
Secured by real estate . . . . . farms . . . . .	9 032	84	862	2 517	3 072	1 673	824
\$1,000 . . . . .	46 146	349	3 937	12 535	16 551	8 775	3 999
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	1 389	—	136	346	429	287	191
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	4 992	67	509	1 335	1 732	929	420
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	2 473	16	199	808	841	415	194
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	139	1	17	27	55	26	13
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	39	—	1	1	15	16	6
Not secured by real estate . . . . . farms . . . . .	6 978	133	773	1 942	2 356	1 255	519
\$1,000 . . . . .	21 358	296	1 892	5 933	7 505	3 536	2 196
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 . . . . .	2 628	38	299	625	860	517	289
\$1,000 to \$4,999 . . . . .	3 140	80	380	972	1 037	528	143
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	1 159	14	91	335	443	201	75
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	36	1	2	6	13	9	5
\$50,000 or more . . . . .	15	—	1	4	3	—	7
Cash rent . . . . . farms . . . . .	5 989	255	890	1 832	1 711	957	344
\$1,000 . . . . .	54 496	1 342	7 060	17 338	17 149	8 111	3 496
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	3 528	203	534	996	978	597	220
\$5,000 to \$9,999 . . . . .	892	26	153	300	247	142	24
\$10,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	970	18	135	343	284	127	63
\$25,000 or more . . . . .	599	8	68	193	202	91	37
Property taxes . . . . . farms . . . . .	27 366	339	2 082	5 912	8 081	6 431	4 521
\$1,000 . . . . .	45 115	260	2 808	8 676	14 316	11 068	7 987
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	25 979	338	1 994	5 703	7 605	6 090	4 249
\$5,000 to \$9,999 . . . . .	1 046	1	55	164	347	269	210
\$10,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	286	—	33	42	104	65	42
\$25,000 or more . . . . .	55	—	—	3	25	7	20
All other farm production expenses . . . . . farms . . . . .	26 701	474	2 372	6 078	7 774	5 896	4 107
\$1,000 . . . . .	73 429	1 270	5 821	16 110	21 516	19 892	8 820
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 . . . . .	23 862	416	2 173	5 403	6 709	5 334	3 827
\$5,000 to \$24,999 . . . . .	2 596	55	183	618	973	518	249
\$25,000 to \$49,999 . . . . .	156	1	12	36	71	27	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999 . . . . .	53	—	1	12	14	12	14
\$100,000 or more . . . . .	34	2	3	9	7	5	8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

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

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
<b>NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)<sup>1</sup></b>								
All farms..... number..	73 046	41 804	643	2 716	7 654	8 564	9 177	13 050
..... \$1,000..	2 729 334	2 498 212	30 081	179 837	661 231	643 598	582 092	401 375
Average per farm..... dollars..	37 365	59 760	46 782	66 214	86 390	75 152	63 429	30 757
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> ..... number..	48 115	32 964	535	2 283	6 420	7 033	7 304	9 389
Average net gain..... dollars..	60 636	79 014	58 347	81 557	106 573	95 324	82 833	45 541
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	3 365	1 083	5	33	105	190	195	555
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	12 095	5 454	115	374	599	798	887	2 681
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	16 092	11 405	198	749	2 060	2 200	2 574	3 624
\$50,000 or more.....	16 563	15 022	217	1 127	3 656	3 845	3 648	2 529
Farms with net losses..... number..	24 931	8 840	108	433	1 234	1 531	1 873	3 661
Average net loss..... dollars..	7 547	12 037	10 508	14 684	18 612	17 516	12 239	7 158
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	4 445	1 232	16	33	142	185	205	651
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	15 835	4 882	45	239	540	747	1 070	2 241
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	4 280	2 406	45	140	457	507	523	734
\$50,000 or more.....	371	320	2	21	95	92	75	35
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>								
Government payments..... farms..	47 711	31 373	306	1 983	6 162	6 782	7 212	8 928
..... \$1,000..	362 878	304 061	2 025	16 885	70 799	81 320	75 921	57 110
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	27 214	18 753	319	1 196	3 606	3 949	4 433	5 250
..... \$1,000..	148 018	116 332	1 378	7 128	24 725	25 542	25 914	31 644
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	7 954	6 373	158	637	1 743	1 598	1 349	888
..... \$1,000..	60 859	54 813	906	5 945	15 207	15 549	11 052	6 154
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	6 363	3 282	44	63	347	502	722	1 604
..... \$1,000..	62 601	40 778	322	315	3 845	5 423	9 543	21 330
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	719	401	11	28	85	73	89	115
..... \$1,000..	3 094	1 895	55	17	457	224	271	871
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	19 016	14 255	162	775	2 699	3 099	3 579	3 941
..... \$1,000..	21 463	18 845	95	850	5 216	4 347	5 048	3 289
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>								
Total..... farms..	6 815	5 357	71	440	1 427	1 389	1 183	847
..... \$1,000..	287 605	260 869	2 717	18 024	69 735	77 161	63 375	29 856
Corn..... farms..	5 841	4 610	67	395	1 277	1 193	980	698
..... \$1,000..	170 183	155 389	1 735	10 194	42 499	45 740	37 422	17 798
Wheat..... farms..	657	511	4	47	131	106	112	111
..... \$1,000..	4 451	4 050	(D)	(D)	1 086	935	993	662
Soybeans..... farms..	3 285	2 672	39	215	678	721	616	403
..... \$1,000..	112 827	101 324	(D)	(D)	26 134	30 452	24 949	11 370
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	43	35	—	3	10	10	7	5
..... \$1,000..	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	16	34	11	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	1
..... \$1,000..	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	—	—	—	(D)
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>								
Total cropland..... farms..	68 082	40 068	457	2 551	7 688	8 318	9 100	11 954
..... acres..	23 920 923	20 455 173	146 263	1 300 008	5 035 018	5 539 275	4 927 091	3 507 518
Harvested cropland..... farms..	62 712	38 671	447	2 499	7 575	8 161	8 830	11 159
..... acres..	22 274 230	19 374 638	139 393	1 246 294	4 833 386	5 306 140	4 672 963	3 176 462
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	16 998	4 831	88	217	573	678	1 023	2 252
50 to 99 acres.....	7 303	3 478	57	199	396	406	598	1 822
100 to 199 acres.....	9 140	5 396	97	329	702	783	1 091	2 394
200 to 499 acres.....	13 839	10 566	127	837	2 040	2 092	2 578	2 892
500 to 999 acres.....	10 108	9 281	51	631	2 430	2 573	2 317	1 279
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	4 373	4 215	22	218	1 195	1 349	1 018	413
2,000 acres or more.....	951	904	5	68	239	280	205	107
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	17 869	10 254	84	552	1 809	2 066	2 426	3 317
..... acres..	825 653	580 120	4 608	30 879	109 570	125 134	136 070	173 859
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	8 165	4 508	21	211	757	979	1 121	1 419
..... acres..	354 353	200 639	1 147	7 960	31 763	45 601	49 003	65 165
On which all crops failed..... farms..	1 019	595	3	33	105	124	152	178
..... acres..	27 635	20 790	(D)	(D)	4 982	4 273	4 588	5 332
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	573	365	2	12	40	56	95	160
..... acres..	31 196	26 073	(D)	(D)	2 217	6 895	5 603	10 996
Idle..... farms..	8 374	4 571	31	218	863	912	1 051	1 496
..... acres..	407 856	252 913	890	13 123	53 100	51 232	58 864	75 704
Total woodland..... farms..	25 854	13 848	79	625	2 236	2 777	3 489	4 642
..... acres..	1 642 330	1 080 741	4 503	46 373	193 976	251 135	287 904	296 850
Woodland pastured..... farms..	9 618	5 442	33	236	816	1 050	1 376	1 931
..... acres..	427 557	299 288	1 557	10 677	46 937	66 320	80 723	93 074
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	20 595	10 999	61	511	1 858	2 245	2 775	3 549
..... acres..	1 214 773	781 453	2 946	35 696	147 039	184 815	207 181	203 776

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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
<b>NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)<sup>1</sup></b>							
All farms..... number..	31 242	559	2 817	6 968	9 033	6 924	4 941
..... \$1,000..	231 122	5 319	25 762	56 187	64 295	49 624	29 935
Average per farm..... dollars..	7 398	9 515	9 145	8 064	7 118	7 167	6 058
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> ..... number..	15 151	350	1 521	3 275	4 237	3 395	2 373
Average net gain..... dollars..	20 651	18 112	21 026	23 219	21 387	19 605	17 421
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	2 282	59	199	447	664	515	398
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	6 641	170	670	1 268	1 786	1 551	1 196
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	4 687	85	497	1 110	1 317	1 077	601
\$50,000 or more.....	1 541	36	155	450	470	252	178
Farms with net losses..... number..	16 091	209	1 296	3 693	4 796	3 529	2 568
Average net loss..... dollars..	5 081	4 880	4 798	5 377	5 488	4 799	4 442
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	3 213	34	281	558	840	784	716
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	10 953	142	835	2 754	3 262	2 339	1 621
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 874	33	180	367	687	388	219
\$50,000 or more.....	51	—	—	14	7	18	12
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>							
Government payments..... farms..	16 338	203	1 317	3 759	4 570	3 657	2 832
..... \$1,000..	58 817	442	4 204	13 493	16 813	13 265	10 599
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	8 461	80	737	1 848	2 547	2 014	1 235
..... \$1,000..	31 686	159	1 552	5 423	9 088	9 212	6 253
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	1 581	40	220	499	399	302	121
..... \$1,000..	6 046	91	785	1 917	1 659	1 204	391
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	3 081	15	159	561	859	875	612
..... \$1,000..	21 823	64	605	2 643	6 260	7 059	5 192
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	318	—	1	100	90	76	51
..... \$1,000..	1 200	—	(D)	(D)	330	273	335
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	4 761	35	491	997	1 503	1 145	590
..... \$1,000..	2 618	5	(D)	(D)	839	677	335
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>							
Total..... farms..	1 458	19	158	445	404	264	168
..... \$1,000..	26 736	89	1 867	7 965	9 529	5 331	1 955
Corn..... farms..	1 231	18	129	389	334	214	147
..... \$1,000..	14 794	60	1 090	4 438	5 115	2 780	1 312
Wheat..... farms..	146	2	25	52	29	28	10
..... \$1,000..	400	(D)	40	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Soybeans..... farms..	613	7	69	177	201	111	48
..... \$1,000..	11 502	(D)	736	3 327	4 336	2 448	(D)
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	8	—	—	4	2	1	1
..... \$1,000..	39	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>							
Total cropland..... farms..	28 014	432	2 435	6 721	7 881	6 162	4 383
..... acres..	3 465 750	39 260	300 522	907 323	1 042 323	695 431	480 891
Harvested cropland..... farms..	24 041	399	2 223	5 957	6 852	5 139	3 471
..... acres..	2 899 592	35 452	270 475	800 466	888 935	540 835	363 429
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres.....	12 167	209	1 050	2 801	3 429	2 764	1 914
50 to 99 acres.....	3 825	92	349	894	1 042	816	632
100 to 199 acres.....	3 744	60	390	984	1 035	797	478
200 to 499 acres.....	3 273	29	344	951	1 025	591	333
500 to 999 acres.....	827	7	79	275	247	134	85
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	158	2	8	45	54	30	19
2,000 acres or more.....	47	—	3	7	20	7	10
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	7 615	79	584	1 845	2 265	1 758	1 084
..... acres..	245 533	2 175	15 088	50 860	69 820	64 975	42 615
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	3 657	7	206	706	1 046	989	703
..... acres..	153 714	(D)	(D)	26 545	38 719	42 205	39 845
On which all crops failed..... farms..	424	1	34	109	119	95	66
..... acres..	6 845	(D)	(D)	1 162	1 733	1 527	1 812
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	208	—	17	46	53	58	34
..... acres..	5 123	—	374	1 348	1 553	1 108	740
Idle..... farms..	3 803	42	223	766	1 020	1 000	752
..... acres..	154 943	1 444	7 763	26 942	41 563	44 781	32 450
Total woodland..... farms..	12 006	102	844	2 618	3 591	2 944	1 907
..... acres..	561 589	3 890	30 476	111 330	165 643	141 291	108 959
Woodland pastured..... farms..	4 176	35	283	938	1 277	993	650
..... acres..	128 269	1 208	7 281	25 448	38 048	31 784	24 500
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	9 596	79	695	2 067	2 843	2 391	1 521
..... acres..	433 320	2 682	23 195	85 882	127 595	109 507	84 459

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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
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.</b>								
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	12 118	6 732	38	324	1 093	1 343	1 694	2 240
acres..	675 212	480 671	1 154	24 948	88 633	99 768	122 137	144 031
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. .... farms..	45 846	26 245	172	1 272	4 354	5 303	6 385	8 759
acres..	966 315	708 458	2 188	32 658	124 604	167 746	188 292	192 970
Irrigated land ..... farms..	2 021	1 359	12	105	329	361	321	231
acres..	349 799	319 732	(D)	(D)	79 146	93 269	83 589	38 477
Harvested cropland irrigated ..... farms..	1 977	1 344	12	104	322	361	319	226
acres..	348 490	318 797	(D)	(D)	78 880	93 235	(D)	37 914
Pasture and other land irrigated ..... farms..	67	28	—	2	11	3	4	8
acres..	1 309	935	—	(D)	266	34	(D)	563
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ..... farms..	12 119	6 111	29	262	1 109	1 232	1 487	1 992
acres..	657 665	344 831	1 971	11 758	50 938	69 201	86 643	124 320
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	73 046	41 804	643	2 716	7 654	8 564	9 177	13 050
\$1,000..	56 474 855	47 222 265	459 238	3 006 309	11 240 672	12 581 598	11 011 226	8 923 223
Average per farm ..... dollars..	773 141	1 129 611	714 212	1 106 888	1 468 601	1 469 126	1 199 872	683 772
Average per acre ..... dollars..	2 126	2 131	1 995	2 128	2 176	2 217	2 057	2 065
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999 .....	5 467	1 736	62	109	233	289	303	740
\$40,000 to \$69,999 .....	5 363	1 533	15	113	165	198	275	767
\$70,000 to \$99,999 .....	4 532	1 310	7	63	163	139	224	714
\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	6 947	2 350	77	178	291	245	470	1 089
\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	5 407	2 035	46	93	251	259	297	1 089
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	16 368	8 664	185	513	1 143	1 447	1 782	3 594
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	11 616	8 513	127	568	1 681	1 791	2 043	2 303
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 .....	9 909	8 606	87	624	1 739	2 163	2 180	1 813
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	6 378	6 049	29	400	1 712	1 695	1 394	819
\$5,000,000 or more .....	1 059	1 008	8	55	276	338	209	122
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ..... farms..	73 046	41 804	643	2 716	7 654	8 564	9 177	13 050
\$1,000..	6 606 816	5 357 587	61 897	341 213	1 224 044	1 331 514	1 297 507	1 101 412
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	4 550	1 252	26	99	146	119	126	736
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	6 501	2 055	37	156	293	263	302	1 004
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	10 658	4 064	103	200	418	560	857	1 926
\$20,000 to \$49,999 .....	17 424	7 834	113	460	1 063	1 370	1 717	3 111
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	11 639	7 421	116	441	1 255	1 471	1 665	2 473
\$100,000 to \$199,999 .....	11 548	9 472	159	723	2 147	2 184	2 101	2 158
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	9 345	8 414	81	581	1 998	2 247	2 058	1 449
\$500,000 or more .....	1 381	1 292	8	56	334	350	351	193
<b>SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Motortrucks, including pickups ..... farms..	66 291	39 736	580	2 551	7 404	8 244	8 936	12 021
number..	133 506	91 715	1 093	5 280	18 121	21 353	21 669	24 219
Wheel tractors ..... farms..	67 763	39 182	504	2 364	7 165	8 069	8 679	12 401
number..	199 701	135 550	1 426	7 593	25 900	30 386	31 987	38 258
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	32 925	18 393	180	1 019	3 153	3 811	4 005	6 225
number..	49 169	28 791	220	1 674	4 835	5 750	6 600	9 712
40 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	59 204	36 149	473	2 200	6 736	7 550	8 094	11 096
number..	150 532	106 759	1 206	5 919	21 065	24 636	25 387	28 546
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	49 167	29 430	362	1 453	5 207	6 089	6 763	9 556
number..	81 493	52 444	591	2 542	8 898	11 170	12 509	16 734
100 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	37 781	27 052	361	1 703	5 732	6 153	6 280	8 823
number..	69 039	54 315	615	3 377	12 167	13 466	12 878	11 812
Grain and bean combines ..... farms..	37 502	28 006	328	1 565	5 512	6 276	6 751	7 574
number..	42 226	31 564	355	1 781	6 155	7 100	7 666	8 507
Cotton pickers and strippers ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners ..... farms..	16 467	10 421	170	540	1 942	2 004	2 504	3 261
number..	17 647	11 110	176	571	2 079	2 147	2 640	3 497
Pickup balers ..... farms..	17 631	11 780	170	612	2 167	2 369	2 944	3 518
number..	21 432	14 610	227	763	2 799	2 944	3 599	4 278
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	55 762	36 375	559	2 397	6 832	7 819	8 180	10 588
acres on which used..	15 246 646	13 130 228	139 132	911 990	3 226 036	3 481 948	3 146 203	2 224 919
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops ..... farms..	26 183	18 615	249	1 445	4 054	4 392	4 040	4 435
acres on which used..	4 683 352	4 072 136	42 050	281 327	992 252	1 105 122	973 528	677 857
Nematodes in crops ..... farms..	1 741	1 044	21	67	158	263	222	313
acres on which used..	224 761	169 652	721	14 985	27 063	48 579	46 152	32 152
Diseases in crops and orchards ..... farms..	1 798	1 054	17	53	200	288	231	265
acres on which used..	186 235	149 299	320	9 638	27 047	48 844	35 402	28 048
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture ..... farms..	43 402	28 851	511	1 967	5 517	6 369	6 416	8 071
acres on which used..	16 084 884	14 044 138	178 150	911 613	3 436 380	3 851 805	3 317 588	2 348 602
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate ..... farms..	1 223	799	6	70	168	198	167	190
acres on which used..	305 487	252 891	840	28 999	89 553	61 590	44 710	27 199

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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
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.</b>							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	5 386	93	437	1 277	1 588	1 215	776
acres..	194 541	2 554	12 179	41 844	56 729	44 288	36 947
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. .... farms..	19 601	176	1 382	4 494	5 711	4 597	3 241
acres..	257 857	1 355	12 351	52 465	76 419	61 192	54 075
Irrigated land ..... farms..	662	1	55	170	225	131	80
acres..	30 067	(D)	(D)	6 198	10 005	7 993	3 003
Harvested cropland irrigated ..... farms..	633	1	53	168	212	121	78
acres..	29 693	(D)	(D)	6 169	9 843	7 867	(D)
Pasture and other land irrigated ..... farms..	39	—	3	7	15	12	2
acres..	374	—	(D)	29	162	126	(D)
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ..... farms..	6 008	32	295	1 105	1 633	1 574	1 369
acres..	312 834	1 434	13 295	50 107	79 765	85 560	82 673
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>							
Estimated market value of land and buildings ..... farms..	31 242	559	2 817	6 968	9 033	6 924	4 941
\$1,000..	9 252 590	120 166	769 601	2 173 412	2 859 492	2 015 640	1 314 279
Average per farm ..... dollars..	296 159	214 967	273 199	311 913	316 561	291 109	265 995
Average per acre ..... dollars..	2 103	1 807	2 249	2 160	2 120	2 083	1 962
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999 .....	3 731	108	390	914	914	788	617
\$40,000 to \$69,999 .....	3 830	92	316	953	907	813	749
\$70,000 to \$99,999 .....	3 222	75	381	670	850	650	596
\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	4 597	50	430	1 001	1 399	955	762
\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	3 372	53	234	668	1 114	786	517
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	7 704	112	654	1 513	2 378	1 957	1 090
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	3 103	43	291	794	930	631	414
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 .....	1 303	23	97	343	429	277	134
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	329	3	22	101	95	59	49
\$5,000,000 or more .....	51	—	2	11	17	8	13
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ..... farms..	31 242	559	2 817	6 968	9 033	6 924	4 941
\$1,000..	1 249 230	22 145	116 950	288 454	374 228	272 686	174 767
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	3 298	37	296	782	895	721	567
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	4 446	94	339	972	1 220	1 013	808
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	6 594	109	536	1 299	1 816	1 607	1 227
\$20,000 to \$49,999 .....	9 590	184	973	2 232	2 835	1 929	1 437
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	4 218	73	385	974	1 293	986	507
\$100,000 to \$199,999 .....	2 076	44	179	434	692	477	250
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	931	18	102	246	258	172	135
\$500,000 or more .....	89	—	7	29	24	19	10
<b>SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>							
Motortrucks, including pickups ..... farms..	26 555	510	2 416	5 986	7 762	5 842	4 039
number..	41 791	839	3 699	9 726	12 503	8 967	6 057
Wheel tractors ..... farms..	28 581	505	2 452	6 317	8 313	6 449	4 545
number..	64 151	1 078	5 132	14 057	19 297	14 579	10 008
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	14 532	192	1 016	3 101	4 380	3 330	2 513
number..	20 378	249	1 339	4 266	6 110	4 668	3 746
40 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	23 055	430	2 092	5 080	6 822	5 155	3 476
number..	43 773	829	3 793	9 791	13 187	9 911	6 262
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	19 737	330	1 736	4 278	5 872	4 428	3 093
number..	29 049	471	2 409	6 221	8 702	6 761	4 485
100 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	10 729	243	1 013	2 543	3 218	2 334	1 378
number..	14 724	358	1 384	3 570	4 485	3 150	1 777
Grain and bean combines ..... farms..	9 496	178	924	2 434	2 713	2 106	1 141
number..	10 662	187	1 029	2 735	3 048	2 375	1 288
Cotton pickers and strippers ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners ..... farms..	6 046	76	610	1 419	1 841	1 351	749
number..	6 537	86	660	1 523	1 968	1 453	847
Pickup balers ..... farms..	5 851	78	630	1 470	1 862	1 232	579
number..	6 822	86	781	1 693	2 187	1 450	625
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>							
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	19 387	336	1 810	4 423	5 783	4 238	2 797
acres on which used..	2 116 418	39 109	189 264	539 285	661 691	430 777	256 292
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops ..... farms..	7 568	134	806	1 917	2 243	1 510	958
acres on which used..	611 216	10 290	50 828	161 219	193 067	119 253	76 559
Nematodes in crops ..... farms..	697	—	34	160	237	130	136
acres on which used..	55 109	—	3 189	14 679	14 194	10 841	12 206
Diseases in crops and orchards ..... farms..	744	1	49	187	261	152	94
acres on which used..	36 936	(D)	8 716	8 716	12 860	8 294	5 988
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture ..... farms..	14 551	292	1 571	3 476	4 325	2 959	1 928
acres on which used..	2 040 746	37 679	192 891	550 352	647 717	382 014	230 093
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate ..... farms..	424	—	55	63	169	77	60
acres on which used..	52 596	—	7 221	5 746	23 087	12 137	4 405

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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	
<b>TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR</b>									
All operators .....	73 051	41 645	485	2 680	7 944	8 581	9 378	12 577	
Full owners .....	34 450	14 221	95	446	1 475	1 834	3 051	7 320	
Part owners .....	27 356	20 425	132	1 249	4 504	5 153	5 297	4 090	
Tenants .....	11 245	6 999	258	985	1 965	1 594	1 030	1 167	
White .....	72 836	41 562	485	2 674	7 937	8 553	9 367	12 546	
Full owners .....	34 308	14 178	95	443	1 472	1 825	3 042	7 301	
Part owners .....	27 303	20 395	132	1 247	4 502	5 141	5 295	4 078	
Tenants .....	11 225	6 989	258	984	1 963	1 587	1 030	1 167	
Black and other races .....	215	83	—	6	7	28	11	31	
Full owners .....	142	43	—	3	3	9	9	19	
Part owners .....	53	30	—	2	2	12	2	12	
Tenants .....	20	10	—	1	2	7	—	—	
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>									
Land owned..... farms..	62 514	35 130	231	1 710	6 031	7 048	8 435	11 675	
acres..	12 442 226	9 231 986	37 693	308 486	1 331 625	1 919 901	2 608 952	3 025 329	
Owned land in farms .....	61 806	34 646	227	1 695	5 979	6 987	8 348	11 410	
acres..	10 761 911	8 201 158	34 121	287 645	1 229 520	1 771 769	2 398 383	2 479 720	
Land rented or leased from others .....	farms..	38 826	27 538	390	2 239	6 488	6 763	6 356	5 302
acres..	16 552 256	14 609 980	120 178	1 120 106	4 232 082	4 301 948	3 141 008	1 694 658	
landlords..	132 119	107 158	1 135	8 363	30 204	29 555	23 983	13 918	
Rented or leased land in farms .....	farms..	38 601	27 424	390	2 234	6 469	6 747	6 327	5 257
acres..	16 442 869	14 523 885	119 987	1 116 342	4 212 711	4 286 155	3 127 041	1 661 649	
Land rented or leased to others .....	farms..	12 300	6 213	30	164	657	930	1 312	3 120
acres..	1 789 702	1 116 923	3 763	24 605	121 476	163 925	224 536	578 618	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Operators by place of residence:									
On farm operated .....	51 582	31 756	260	1 769	5 911	6 728	7 626	9 462	
Not on farm operated .....	17 195	7 368	207	780	1 579	1 408	1 310	2 084	
Not reported .....	4 274	2 521	18	131	454	445	442	1 031	
Operators by principal occupation:									
Farming .....	41 645	41 645	485	2 680	7 944	8 581	9 378	12 577	
Other .....	31 406	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Operators by days worked off farm:									
None .....	31 043	26 649	210	1 247	4 267	5 031	6 346	9 548	
Any .....	37 953	10 941	249	1 252	3 108	2 877	2 242	1 213	
1 to 99 days .....	7 739	6 274	126	649	1 699	1 631	1 297	872	
100 to 199 days .....	5 994	2 547	55	279	743	678	592	200	
200 days or more .....	24 220	2 120	68	324	666	568	353	141	
Not reported .....	4 055	4 055	26	181	569	673	790	1 816	
Operators by years on present farm:									
2 years or less .....	2 606	905	138	194	242	150	94	87	
3 or 4 years .....	3 526	1 256	95	339	355	189	159	119	
5 to 9 years .....	8 155	2 996	80	861	876	511	386	282	
10 years or more .....	47 964	30 418	—	901	5 457	6 707	7 546	9 807	
Average years on present farm .....	22.6	26.7	3.3	8.3	15.8	22.5	30.3	39.1	
Not reported .....	10 800	6 070	172	385	1 014	1 024	1 193	2 282	
Operators by age group:									
Under 25 years .....	1 005	485	485	—	—	—	—	—	
25 to 34 years .....	5 430	2 680	—	2 680	—	—	—	—	
35 to 44 years .....	15 459	7 944	—	—	7 944	—	—	—	
45 to 49 years .....	8 925	4 389	—	—	—	4 389	—	—	
50 to 54 years .....	8 442	4 192	—	—	—	4 192	—	—	
55 to 59 years .....	8 438	4 572	—	—	—	—	4 572	—	
60 to 64 years .....	7 796	4 806	—	—	—	—	4 806	—	
65 to 69 years .....	6 381	4 418	—	—	—	—	—	4 418	
70 years and over .....	11 175	8 159	—	—	—	—	—	8 159	
Average age .....	53.4	55.4	21.4	30.5	39.9	49.3	59.5	72.7	
Operators by sex:									
Male .....	69 006	39 857	476	2 632	7 748	8 299	8 972	11 730	
Female .....	4 045	1 788	9	48	196	282	406	847	
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....									
	289	172	2	13	34	32	35	56	
<b>FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) .....	farms..	61 748	34 388	413	2 171	6 375	6 992	7 789	10 648
acres..	20 611 315	17 050 718	116 616	1 051 287	4 060 806	4 621 460	4 119 030	3 081 519	
Partnership .....	farms..	7 603	4 705	59	367	974	1 017	1 374	
acres..	4 003 282	3 413 666	24 762	240 628	817 904	822 339	860 499	647 534	
Corporation:									
Family held .....	farms..	2 790	2 125	11	114	516	560	498	426
acres..	2 306 920	2 085 217	(D)	(D)	522 459	568 140	507 458	369 900	
More than 10 stockholders .....	farms..	53	29	2	2	10	5	5	
10 or less stockholders .....	farms..	2 737	2 096	9	112	506	555	493	
Other than family held .....	farms..	253	129	1	15	31	47	15	
acres..	100 399	55 035	(D)	(D)	18 444	18 133	6 155	7 785	
More than 10 stockholders .....	farms..	50	25	—	4	7	8	4	
10 or less stockholders .....	farms..	203	104	1	11	24	39	11	
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ....									
farms..	657	298	1	13	48	68	59	109	
acres..	182 864	120 407	(D)	(D)	22 618	27 852	32 282	34 631	

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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
<b>TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR</b>							
All operators .....	31 406	520	2 750	7 515	8 786	6 856	4 979
Full owners .....	20 229	166	1 275	4 050	5 525	5 037	4 176
Part owners .....	6 931	65	676	2 112	2 244	1 342	492
Tenants .....	4 246	289	799	1 353	1 017	477	311
White .....	31 274	519	2 743	7 486	8 747	6 821	4 958
Full owners .....	20 130	165	1 270	4 030	5 498	5 010	4 157
Part owners .....	6 908	65	675	2 105	2 237	1 336	490
Tenants .....	4 236	289	798	1 351	1 012	475	311
Black and other races .....	132	1	7	29	39	35	21
Full owners .....	99	1	5	20	27	27	19
Part owners .....	23	—	1	7	7	6	2
Tenants .....	10	—	1	2	5	2	—
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>							
Land owned..... farms..	27 384	235	1 967	6 203	7 825	6 446	4 708
acres..	3 210 240	18 350	147 445	566 152	881 262	851 633	745 398
Owned land in farms .....	27 160	231	1 951	6 162	7 769	6 379	4 668
acres..	2 560 753	13 391	129 091	462 199	740 835	665 245	549 992
Land rented or leased from others .....	11 288	355	1 485	3 496	3 289	1 838	825
farms..	1 942 276	34 517	229 436	656 677	606 190	280 567	134 889
acres..	24 961	609	3 205	8 409	7 308	3 895	1 535
landlords..	11 177	354	1 475	3 465	3 261	1 819	803
Rented or leased land in farms .....	1 918 984	33 668	226 437	650 763	600 279	276 957	130 880
acres..	6 087	29	277	1 118	1 617	1 558	1 488
Land rented or leased to others .....	672 779	5 808	21 353	109 867	146 338	189 998	199 415
acres..							
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated .....	19 826	233	1 545	4 878	5 963	4 456	2 751
Not on farm operated .....	9 827	257	1 065	2 262	2 390	2 004	1 849
Not reported .....	1 753	30	140	375	433	396	379
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other .....	31 406	520	2 750	7 515	8 786	6 856	4 979
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None .....	4 394	36	80	264	399	900	2 715
Any .....	27 012	484	2 670	7 251	8 387	5 956	2 264
1 to 99 days .....	1 465	43	85	212	236	397	492
100 to 199 days .....	3 447	87	275	743	967	878	497
200 days or more .....	22 100	354	2 310	6 296	7 184	4 681	1 275
Not reported .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less .....	1 701	162	418	511	368	169	73
3 or 4 years .....	2 270	95	560	767	535	236	77
5 to 9 years .....	5 159	74	933	1 840	1 378	637	297
10 years or more .....	17 546	—	499	3 470	5 487	4 721	3 369
Average years on present farm .....	17.1	3.1	6.3	11.0	16.0	22.1	30.1
Not reported .....	4 730	189	340	927	1 018	1 093	1 163
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years .....	520	520	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years .....	2 750	—	2 750	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years .....	7 515	—	—	7 515	—	—	—
45 to 49 years .....	4 536	—	—	—	4 536	—	—
50 to 54 years .....	4 250	—	—	—	4 250	—	—
55 to 59 years .....	3 866	—	—	—	—	3 866	—
60 to 64 years .....	2 990	—	—	—	—	2 990	—
65 to 69 years .....	1 963	—	—	—	—	—	1 963
70 years and over .....	3 016	—	—	—	—	—	3 016
Average age .....	50.8	21.1	30.7	39.9	49.4	59.0	72.5
Operators by sex:							
Male .....	29 149	492	2 668	7 174	8 242	6 364	4 209
Female .....	2 257	28	82	341	544	492	770
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....	117	—	8	24	27	34	24
<b>FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	27 360	466	2 456	6 626	7 699	6 031	4 082
acres..	3 560 597	40 329	302 244	906 361	1 057 076	766 615	487 972
Partnership .....	2 898	45	230	660	754	607	602
acres..	589 616	4 701	39 486	141 651	169 309	124 605	109 864
Corporation:							
Family held .....	665	3	38	131	201	121	171
acres..	221 703	1 230	11 966	40 211	75 032	31 941	61 323
More than 10 stockholders .....	24	—	3	4	5	3	9
farms..	641	3	35	127	196	118	162
10 or less stockholders .....	641	3	35	127	196	118	162
farms..	124	—	3	28	46	25	22
Other than family held .....	45 364	—	(D)	8 609	26 715	(D)	5 158
acres..	25	—	—	6	11	5	3
More than 10 stockholders .....	99	—	3	22	35	20	19
farms..	99	—	3	22	35	20	19
10 or less stockholders .....	99	—	3	22	35	20	19
farms..	359	6	23	70	86	72	102
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. .... farms..	62 457	799	(D)	16 130	12 982	(D)	16 555
acres..	62 457	799	(D)	16 130	12 982	(D)	16 555

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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
<b>INJURIES AND DEATHS</b>								
Farm-related injuries:								
Operator and family members . . . . . farms..	598	459	4	33	110	108	116	88
..... number..	682	525	6	39	137	122	126	95
Hired workers . . . . . farms..	335	294	1	22	71	89	65	46
..... number..	521	459	(D)	(D)	108	137	117	67
Farm-related deaths:								
Operator and family members . . . . . farms..	23	17	—	1	7	7	1	1
..... number..	25	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hired workers . . . . . farms..	2	2	—	—	1	1	—	—
..... number..	(D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	—
<b>FARMS BY SIZE</b>								
1 to 9 acres . . . . .	4 254	1 162	27	108	208	214	208	397
10 to 49 acres . . . . .	12 604	3 193	76	185	425	479	647	1 381
50 to 69 acres . . . . .	3 639	1 105	22	59	120	150	201	553
70 to 99 acres . . . . .	5 767	2 239	40	132	243	261	398	1 165
100 to 139 acres . . . . .	5 365	2 311	47	122	259	297	412	1 174
140 to 179 acres . . . . .	4 835	2 454	41	146	289	279	447	1 252
180 to 219 acres . . . . .	3 548	2 006	28	127	298	270	399	884
220 to 259 acres . . . . .	2 995	1 821	25	112	254	272	428	730
260 to 499 acres . . . . .	11 688	8 554	90	639	1 505	1 617	2 051	2 652
500 to 999 acres . . . . .	11 619	10 393	59	709	2 615	2 729	2 612	1 669
1,000 to 1,999 acres . . . . .	5 414	5 156	23	262	1 407	1 629	1 278	557
2,000 acres or more . . . . .	1 323	1 251	7	79	321	384	297	163
<b>FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM</b>								
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) . . . . .	50 011	31 419	364	1 994	6 087	6 588	7 104	9 282
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) . . . . .	437	210	2	11	45	46	48	58
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) . . . . .	445	163	—	3	12	27	51	70
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) . . . . .	1 409	482	—	19	102	143	106	112
Other crop farming (1119) . . . . .	3 068	1 090	12	50	156	177	244	451
Tobacco farming (11191) . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton farming (11192) . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199) . . . . .	3 068	1 090	12	50	156	177	244	451
Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111) . . . . .	7 391	2 657	25	121	250	332	601	1 328
Cattle feedlots (112112) . . . . .	1 990	968	15	43	126	151	217	416
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) . . . . .	1 452	1 344	17	118	371	359	295	184
Hog and pig farming (1122) . . . . .	3 369	2 297	47	278	620	535	460	357
Poultry and egg production (1123) . . . . .	301	115	—	9	21	32	25	28
Sheep and goat farming (1124) . . . . .	611	149	2	4	21	22	32	68
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) . . . . .	2 567	751	1	30	133	169	195	223
<b>LIVESTOCK</b>								
Cattle and calves inventory . . . . . farms..	24 452	14 641	144	898	2 749	2 923	3 399	4 528
..... number..	1 437 697	1 152 310	7 350	70 967	253 602	271 786	277 328	271 277
Farms with—								
1 to 9 . . . . .	4 541	1 520	31	106	276	241	312	554
10 to 49 . . . . .	11 990	6 507	66	344	997	1 141	1 480	2 479
50 to 99 . . . . .	4 083	3 178	23	235	671	661	738	850
100 to 199 . . . . .	2 583	2 272	20	146	523	569	573	441
200 to 499 . . . . .	1 041	971	4	56	239	252	262	158
500 or more . . . . .	214	193	—	11	43	59	34	46
Cows and heifers that had calved . . . . . farms..	19 492	11 998	105	700	2 196	2 372	2 831	3 794
..... number..	580 829	452 736	2 908	28 697	95 097	105 616	108 781	111 637
Beef cows . . . . . farms..	17 682	10 384	84	562	1 770	1 943	2 475	3 550
..... number..	453 127	330 714	2 066	20 013	61 582	72 016	81 844	93 193
Farms with—								
1 to 9 . . . . .	5 377	2 077	30	103	313	305	450	876
10 to 49 . . . . .	10 099	6 465	44	342	1 078	1 207	1 510	2 284
50 to 99 . . . . .	1 606	1 325	7	87	275	307	366	283
100 to 199 . . . . .	477	413	3	20	84	94	128	84
200 to 499 . . . . .	105	93	—	9	19	26	21	18
500 or more . . . . .	18	11	—	1	1	4	—	5
Milk cows . . . . . farms..	2 238	1 945	26	152	476	512	433	346
..... number..	127 702	122 022	842	8 684	33 515	33 600	26 937	18 444
Farms with—								
1 to 4 . . . . .	315	164	5	8	22	34	32	63
5 to 9 . . . . .	73	50	2	4	9	9	9	17
10 to 49 . . . . .	747	665	12	63	134	175	152	129
50 to 99 . . . . .	794	768	7	59	225	216	176	85
100 to 199 . . . . .	254	244	—	16	72	64	51	41
200 to 499 . . . . .	53	52	—	2	13	14	13	10
500 or more . . . . .	2	2	—	—	1	—	—	1
Heifers and heifer calves . . . . . farms..	17 944	11 081	100	701	2 131	2 242	2 586	3 321
..... number..	399 548	330 885	1 793	21 648	72 819	84 522	78 495	71 608
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves . . . . . farms..	20 935	12 615	108	752	2 367	2 502	2 954	3 932
..... number..	457 320	368 689	2 649	20 622	85 686	81 648	90 052	88 032

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<b>INJURIES AND DEATHS</b>							
Farm-related injuries:							
Operator and family members .....	139	1	19	43	38	24	14
farms..	157	(D)	24	46	44	26	(D)
number..	41	—	3	9	16	5	8
Hired workers .....	62	—	4	13	19	9	17
farms..	6	1	1	3	—	—	1
number..	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—	(D)
Hired workers .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>FARMS BY SIZE</b>							
1 to 9 acres .....	3 092	78	313	888	873	505	435
10 to 49 acres .....	9 411	192	868	2 232	2 606	2 071	1 442
50 to 69 acres .....	2 534	50	223	523	669	588	481
70 to 99 acres .....	3 528	54	280	729	919	896	650
100 to 139 acres .....	3 054	54	244	690	776	736	554
140 to 179 acres .....	2 381	33	187	544	668	536	413
180 to 219 acres .....	1 542	20	139	354	461	343	225
220 to 259 acres .....	1 174	7	102	283	365	245	172
260 to 499 acres .....	3 134	20	282	796	970	656	410
500 to 999 acres .....	1 226	10	93	396	367	216	144
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	258	1	16	68	87	51	35
2,000 acres or more .....	72	1	3	12	25	13	18
<b>FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM</b>							
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) .....	18 592	332	1 700	4 292	4 954	4 140	3 174
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) .....	227	—	16	51	88	34	38
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) .....	282	—	14	54	86	68	60
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) .....	927	1	41	234	321	203	127
Other crop farming (1119) .....	1 978	25	143	488	600	410	312
Tobacco farming (11191) .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton farming (11192) .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199) .....	1 978	25	143	488	600	410	312
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211) .....	4 734	82	402	1 089	1 328	1 077	756
Cattle feedlots (11212) .....	1 022	26	105	309	264	183	135
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) .....	108	3	15	35	21	22	12
Hog and pig farming (1122) .....	1 072	33	163	335	262	189	90
Poultry and egg production (1123) .....	186	1	19	63	55	34	14
Sheep and goat farming (1124) .....	462	9	28	122	131	104	68
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) .....	1 816	8	104	443	676	392	193
<b>LIVESTOCK</b>							
Cattle and calves inventory..... farms..	9 811	174	925	2 572	2 796	2 041	1 303
number..	285 387	3 595	23 071	69 961	81 739	61 418	45 603
Farms with—							
1 to 9 .....	3 021	59	306	945	811	542	358
10 to 49 .....	5 483	104	503	1 321	1 580	1 217	758
50 to 99 .....	905	6	87	225	273	193	121
100 to 199 .....	311	4	27	67	106	61	46
200 to 499 .....	70	1	—	10	23	25	11
500 or more .....	21	—	2	4	3	3	9
Cows and heifers that had calved .....	7 494	126	679	1 831	2 207	1 631	1 020
farms..	128 093	1 579	10 301	29 607	37 580	28 069	20 957
number..	7 298	120	655	1 778	2 161	1 596	988
Beef cows .....	122 413	1 437	9 381	27 760	36 298	27 256	20 281
farms..							
number..							
Farms with—							
1 to 9 .....	3 300	69	332	871	957	671	400
10 to 49 .....	3 634	47	294	842	1 089	838	524
50 to 99 .....	281	2	25	55	90	63	46
100 to 199 .....	64	2	4	7	23	19	9
200 to 499 .....	12	—	—	—	1	5	6
500 or more .....	7	—	—	3	1	—	3
Milk cows .....	293	6	39	73	79	53	43
farms..	5 680	142	920	1 847	1 282	813	676
number..							
Farms with—							
1 to 4 .....	151	2	19	37	46	27	20
5 to 9 .....	23	—	2	2	8	5	6
10 to 49 .....	82	3	12	20	15	19	13
50 to 99 .....	26	1	5	10	7	—	3
100 to 199 .....	10	—	1	3	3	2	1
200 to 499 .....	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
500 or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Heifers and heifer calves..... farms..	6 863	112	635	1 734	2 022	1 469	891
number..	68 663	1 107	6 449	16 208	19 526	14 410	10 963
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves .....	8 320	138	787	2 208	2 375	1 745	1 067
farms..	88 631	909	6 321	24 146	24 633	18 939	13 683
number..							

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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
<b>LIVESTOCK—Con.</b>								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 23 622	14 510	140	880	2 718	2 895	3 383	4 494
	number.. 949 478	788 484	4 257	41 993	166 152	195 508	199 959	180 615
	\$1,000.. 546 901	469 231	2 460	25 211	102 953	116 335	119 715	102 556
Calves	farms.. 10 463	6 035	69	366	1 082	1 185	1 388	1 945
	number.. 188 480	133 718	1 122	7 422	26 125	30 436	31 498	37 115
	\$1,000.. 48 952	33 577	327	1 889	6 077	7 541	8 039	9 705
Cattle	farms.. 18 576	11 718	106	735	2 231	2 376	2 726	3 544
	number.. 760 998	654 766	3 135	34 571	140 027	165 072	168 461	143 500
	\$1,000.. 497 949	435 654	2 133	23 323	96 876	108 795	111 676	92 851
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 7 645	5 351	51	358	1 105	1 158	1 230	1 449
	number.. 449 549	408 671	1 692	20 234	97 814	103 999	99 782	85 150
	\$1,000.. 337 592	307 282	1 309	15 264	74 752	76 463	76 467	63 028
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 7 168	5 338	75	480	1 436	1 320	1 141	886
	number.. 4 679 166	4 289 850	30 758	407 916	1 352 077	1 098 482	939 244	461 373
Farms with—								
1 to 24	farms.. 1 290	504	9	31	116	99	87	162
	number.. 494	274	5	14	61	50	70	74
25 to 49	farms.. 667	476	5	43	90	94	101	143
	number.. 889	664	14	77	150	149	150	124
50 to 99	farms.. 1 545	1 311	28	108	332	358	297	188
	number.. 2 283	2 109	14	207	687	570	436	195
100 to 199	farms.. 5 132	4 038	49	356	1 088	1 000	878	667
	number.. 548 832	512 265	5 394	52 416	176 956	129 054	92 484	55 961
200 to 499	farms.. 6 821	5 154	72	467	1 392	1 278	1 110	835
	number.. 4 130 334	3 777 585	25 364	355 500	1 175 121	969 428	846 760	405 412
500 or more	farms.. 7 447	5 552	79	511	1 474	1 379	1 183	926
	number.. 9 374 726	8 622 405	72 504	929 284	2 979 488	2 072 235	1 710 745	858 149
	\$1,000.. 1 064 209	977 941	8 717	88 580	344 941	231 775	200 390	103 539
Feeder pigs	farms.. 1 046	755	12	76	227	188	144	108
	number.. 1 126 036	1 059 554	6 354	218 475	372 919	272 016	108 841	80 949
	\$1,000.. 45 469	42 851	281	6 421	15 477	12 316	4 275	4 080
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 5 375	4 205	51	370	1 128	1 046	904	706
	number.. 924 700	868 570	7 083	82 294	319 952	211 956	157 910	89 375
	\$1,000.. 5 105	4 036	43	354	1 083	1 014	872	670
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 460 590	432 030	3 284	38 699	159 599	105 088	79 691	45 669
	number.. 4 881	3 911	49	352	1 066	972	846	626
	\$1,000.. 464 110	436 540	3 799	43 595	160 353	106 868	78 219	43 706
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 2 263	1 205	5	74	219	268	274	365
	number.. 72 544	44 586	187	2 704	9 067	9 089	11 113	12 426
	\$1,000.. 2 029	1 086	5	71	196	246	242	326
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 43 368	26 439	121	1 779	4 952	5 817	6 631	7 139
	number.. 2 117	1 145	5	63	204	254	274	345
	\$1,000.. 60 539	37 242	178	2 138	7 755	7 985	9 502	9 684
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 1 902	1 025	5	62	178	230	226	324
	number.. 62 645	38 757	114	2 277	8 933	7 902	9 007	10 524
	\$1,000.. 454 942	286 558	726	15 011	67 392	56 139	70 669	76 621
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 7 603	2 935	21	135	592	709	684	794
	number.. 51 690	23 357	161	1 318	3 880	6 140	6 256	5 602
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 745	632	6	34	119	161	157	155
	number.. 7 226	3 850	34	100	391	1 256	1 049	1 020
	\$1,000.. 1 210	460	3	11	108	115	94	129
Goats inventory	farms.. 10 781	4 717	(D)	(D)	1 111	1 130	1 019	1 396
	number.. 399	163	2	4	31	46	31	49
	\$1,000.. 4 809	1 918	(D)	(D)	379	491	384	536
<b>POULTRY</b>								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 747	784	6	44	161	160	118	295
	number.. 3 722 915	3 361 922	(D)	(D)	1 655 150	(D)	(D)	180 806
Farms with—								
1 to 399	farms.. 1 701	748	6	42	153	153	109	285
	number.. 23	18	—	1	3	—	5	8
400 to 3,199	farms.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. 5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3,200 to 9,999	farms.. 4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. 5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	farms.. 4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. 6	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	farms.. 6	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. 7	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
50,000 to 99,999	farms.. 1 687	757	6	44	155	150	113	289
	number.. 3 535 791	3 177 983	(D)	(D)	1 654 572	1 229 356	90 603	176 366
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 310	152	2	9	26	33	29	53
	number.. 187 124	183 939	(D)	280	578	(D)	(D)	4 440
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 225	111	1	6	24	23	18	39
	number.. 2 843 245	2 414 274	(D)	(D)	1 058 638	611 362	467 601	253 917
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 115	42	—	5	7	14	8	8
	number.. 363 353	65 045	—	1 447	(D)	3 917	2 559	(D)
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	farms.. 107	41	—	5	7	14	8	7
	number.. 7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2,000 to 59,999	farms.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
60,000 to 99,999	farms.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	farms.. 158	61	—	4	9	15	16	17
	number.. (D)	(D)	—	(D)	41	(D)	129	71
Turkeys sold	farms.. 109	61	1	4	16	19	10	11
	number.. 3 160 485	2 139 707	(D)	(D)	439 834	829 646	640 551	103 255

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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
<b>LIVESTOCK—Con.</b>							
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 9 112	174	835	2 324	2 599	1 925	1 255
	number.. 160 994	1 942	11 919	36 114	47 500	34 555	28 964
	\$1,000.. 77 670	834	5 478	16 559	23 237	16 084	15 479
Calves	farms.. 4 428	88	383	1 121	1 224	962	650
	number.. 54 762	768	4 185	14 000	15 276	12 021	8 512
	\$1,000.. 15 375	184	1 198	3 929	4 260	3 410	2 394
Cattle	farms.. 6 858	124	647	1 759	2 002	1 402	924
	number.. 106 232	1 174	7 734	22 114	32 224	22 534	20 452
	\$1,000.. 62 295	649	4 280	12 630	18 976	12 673	13 086
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 2 294	43	251	698	640	406	256
	number.. 40 878	324	2 246	8 364	12 543	7 794	9 607
	\$1,000.. 30 310	231	1 576	6 085	9 581	5 506	7 330
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 830	45	257	580	492	305	151
	number.. 389 316	7 346	72 821	114 342	99 119	52 863	42 825
Farms with—							
1 to 24	786	29	85	265	241	105	61
25 to 49	220	8	27	47	53	65	20
50 to 99	191	—	36	70	44	25	16
100 to 199	225	2	21	74	52	53	23
200 to 499	234	3	55	72	55	35	14
500 or more	174	3	33	52	47	22	17
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 1 094	27	127	343	303	195	99
	number.. 36 567	199	4 918	11 309	10 795	5 603	3 743
Other	farms.. 1 667	39	238	519	454	281	136
	number.. 352 749	7 147	67 903	103 033	88 324	47 260	39 082
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 895	49	263	597	516	314	156
	number.. 752 321	22 063	119 815	250 015	191 752	107 127	61 549
	\$1,000.. 86 267	2 689	15 578	27 982	21 473	11 195	7 351
Feeder pigs	farms.. 291	5	32	96	65	63	30
	number.. 66 482	302	3 836	28 126	16 546	14 841	2 831
	\$1,000.. 2 617	16	125	1 121	588	635	133
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 170	27	138	365	327	207	106
	number.. 56 130	286	8 617	17 874	15 073	8 576	5 704
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 1 069	24	123	338	290	190	104
	number.. 28 560	159	4 265	9 072	7 704	4 342	3 018
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 970	22	112	305	272	181	78
	number.. 27 570	127	4 352	8 802	7 369	4 234	2 686
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 1 058	12	68	296	321	224	137
	number.. 27 958	327	1 510	7 129	8 577	6 619	3 796
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 943	12	63	262	292	193	121
	number.. 16 929	228	1 023	4 293	5 305	3 782	2 298
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 972	14	62	266	292	210	128
	number.. 23 297	309	1 068	5 227	8 510	4 884	3 299
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 877	13	62	242	253	194	113
	number.. 23 888	395	1 319	6 857	7 043	5 348	2 926
	pounds of wool.. 168 384	2 999	9 168	50 807	48 878	36 789	19 743
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 4 668	53	334	1 255	1 593	969	464
	number.. 28 333	184	1 652	6 312	9 836	6 527	3 822
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 113	11	81	297	410	214	100
	number.. 3 376	20	217	751	1 286	646	456
Goats inventory	farms.. 750	7	51	241	249	145	57
	number.. 6 064	84	451	1 867	1 944	1 236	482
Goats sold	farms.. 236	5	18	85	73	37	18
	number.. 2 891	46	199	1 074	989	338	245
<b>POULTRY</b>							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 963	7	78	304	290	181	103
	number.. 360 993	(D)	2 338	13 536	(D)	(D)	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 399	953	7	78	301	286	179	102
400 to 3,199	5	—	—	2	3	—	—
3,200 to 9,999	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
50,000 to 99,999	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
100,000 or more	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 930	7	76	293	283	175	96
	number.. 357 808	257	2 154	12 785	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 158	2	10	44	49	36	17
	number.. 3 185	(D)	184	751	819	909	(D)
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 114	2	13	37	34	19	9
	number.. 428 971	(D)	478	5 921	(D)	(D)	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 73	—	4	36	23	6	4
	number.. 298 308	—	(D)	29 656	(D)	542	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	66	—	2	34	21	6	3
2,000 to 59,999	6	—	2	2	1	—	—
60,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 97	1	4	36	28	20	8
	number.. 325	(D)	(D)	120	95	71	20
Turkeys sold	farms.. 48	—	—	17	19	8	3
	number.. 1 020 778	(D)	—	1 079	(D)	(D)	(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
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 48 443	34 031	380	2 323	6 991	7 417	7 812	9 108
	acres.. 10 710 072	9 411 157	68 342	616 027	2 354 791	2 581 647	2 265 550	1 524 800
	bushels.. 1 363 015 453	1 207 437 579	8 632 645	79 498 217	304 815 635	332 670 570	289 095 099	192 725 413
Irrigated	farms.. 949	785	10	68	207	206	186	108
	acres.. 196 140	180 998	1 222	13 594	46 627	50 256	50 342	18 957
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	6 188	2 224	55	159	263	257	399	1 091
25 to 99 acres	14 164	7 813	127	474	1 020	1 101	1 575	3 516
100 to 249 acres	13 078	10 008	112	781	1 986	2 005	2 431	2 693
250 to 499 acres	9 498	8 704	60	608	2 244	2 387	2 151	1 254
500 acres or more	5 515	5 282	26	301	1 478	1 667	1 256	554
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 3 774	3 308	21	243	772	819	801	652
	acres.. 119 116	109 982	412	7 458	27 438	27 924	25 529	21 221
	tons, green.. 1 892 873	1 753 167	6 064	119 711	445 135	460 029	391 413	330 815
Irrigated	farms.. 23	21	—	—	2	6	9	4
	acres.. 745	(D)	—	—	(D)	244	281	168
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	2 204	1 831	14	137	413	425	438	404
25 to 99 acres	1 366	1 291	7	93	313	349	327	202
100 to 249 acres	177	159	—	10	35	39	31	44
250 to 499 acres	21	21	—	3	8	5	4	1
500 acres or more	6	6	—	—	3	1	1	1
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 1 117	753	4	54	172	174	196	153
	acres.. 76 990	60 444	185	2 851	17 223	13 411	16 312	10 462
	bushels.. 6 392 482	5 054 668	10 163	244 712	1 420 593	1 208 363	1 329 611	841 226
Irrigated	farms.. 9	8	—	1	—	4	3	—
	acres.. 591	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	319	—
Wheat for grain	farms.. 14 822	11 011	105	723	2 407	2 417	2 552	2 807
	acres.. 983 556	842 322	6 347	55 444	207 867	216 785	205 555	150 324
	bushels.. 53 954 013	46 419 089	338 986	3 094 028	11 747 191	11 985 332	11 263 932	7 989 620
Irrigated	farms.. 69	56	—	6	8	16	11	15
	acres.. 3 060	2 597	—	251	571	594	659	522
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	5 225	3 210	44	214	596	580	638	1 138
25 to 99 acres	6 708	5 189	47	353	1 115	1 127	1 219	1 328
100 to 249 acres	2 258	2 019	10	114	534	536	569	256
250 to 499 acres	506	474	1	35	136	136	98	68
500 acres or more	125	119	3	7	26	38	28	17
Oats for grain	farms.. 3 588	2 967	17	168	595	737	667	783
	acres.. 69 009	61 261	258	3 718	13 035	17 086	12 704	14 460
	bushels.. 4 887 273	4 404 331	17 159	225 691	941 944	1 231 908	939 101	1 048 528
Irrigated	farms.. 14	9	—	2	—	4	2	1
	acres.. 187	135	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 47 008	32 889	371	2 205	6 729	7 212	7 532	8 840
	acres.. 9 825 475	8 560 130	63 155	542 575	2 147 589	2 376 388	2 073 642	1 356 781
	bushels.. 415 716 620	364 215 578	2 642 896	23 069 669	92 311 827	101 814 459	87 490 005	56 886 722
Irrigated	farms.. 635	526	4	40	139	137	118	88
	acres.. 83 999	76 033	199	4 242	19 016	21 692	20 754	10 130
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	5 611	2 055	40	120	233	285	388	989
25 to 99 acres	14 754	8 161	150	518	1 055	1 126	1 600	3 712
100 to 249 acres	12 957	9 926	117	768	2 057	1 998	2 402	2 584
250 to 499 acres	8 981	8 242	40	562	2 102	2 327	2 096	1 115
500 acres or more	4 705	4 505	24	237	1 282	1 476	1 046	440
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms.. 24 156	14 629	118	821	2 765	3 008	3 492	4 425
	acres.. 822 508	615 252	4 854	38 689	131 963	142 063	144 728	152 955
	tons, dry.. 2 248 811	1 761 802	12 680	112 174	398 401	427 367	411 920	399 260
Irrigated	farms.. 109	75	—	7	16	15	19	18
	acres.. 2 155	1 402	—	150	262	294	470	226
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	14 055	7 051	60	348	1 227	1 269	1 691	2 456
25 to 99 acres	8 418	6 130	43	366	1 194	1 381	1 457	1 689
100 to 249 acres	1 500	1 295	15	96	306	321	307	250
250 to 499 acres	164	137	—	10	33	33	35	26
500 acres or more	19	16	—	1	5	4	2	4
Alfalfa hay	farms.. 16 864	10 906	93	622	2 203	2 296	2 602	3 090
	acres.. 448 404	350 362	3 293	22 036	80 706	81 203	80 686	82 438
	tons, dry.. 1 495 988	1 214 262	9 675	77 710	291 901	288 614	282 810	263 552
Irrigated	farms.. 77	53	—	6	13	11	13	10
	acres.. 1 243	907	—	130	255	209	188	125
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	farms.. 1 262	803	5	58	202	192	174	172
	acres.. 66 780	58 937	428	3 163	17 023	17 980	11 622	8 721
Irrigated	farms.. 358	259	1	28	61	79	50	40
	acres.. 29 011	26 265	(D)	(D)	6 195	10 000	5 806	2 264
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	471	204	—	11	45	36	45	67
5.0 to 24.9 acres	276	167	—	10	35	37	41	44
25.0 to 99.9 acres	328	261	4	27	69	71	50	40
100.0 to 249.9 acres	140	128	—	9	40	35	31	13
250.0 acres or more	47	43	1	1	13	13	7	8

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

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

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
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>							
Corn for grain or seed .....	farms.. 14 412	265	1 448	3 717	4 012	2 960	2 010
	acres.. 1 298 915	16 310	126 946	360 539	391 436	238 316	165 368
	bushels.. 155 577 874	1 928 191	15 213 643	43 495 084	46 651 748	28 535 985	19 753 223
Irrigated .....	farms.. 164	1	18	32	54	39	20
	acres.. 15 142	(D)	2 001	2 494	4 984	4 056	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	3 964	87	413	893	1 026	905	640
25 to 99 acres .....	6 351	142	615	1 594	1 745	1 328	927
100 to 249 acres .....	3 070	28	327	914	920	556	325
250 to 499 acres .....	794	5	74	257	245	132	81
500 acres or more .....	233	3	19	59	76	39	37
Corn for silage or green chop .....	farms.. 466	6	62	131	118	81	68
	acres.. 9 134	168	793	2 029	2 393	1 939	1 812
	tons, green.. 139 706	(D)	(D)	32 617	37 449	29 812	24 704
Irrigated .....	farms.. 2	—	2	—	—	—	—
	acres.. (D)	—	(D)	—	—	—	—
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	373	4	52	115	93	60	49
25 to 99 acres .....	75	1	10	13	20	17	14
100 to 249 acres .....	18	1	—	3	5	4	5
250 to 499 acres .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
500 acres or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sorghum for grain or seed .....	farms.. 364	2	41	112	98	83	28
	acres.. 16 546	(D)	(D)	4 916	5 462	3 202	1 472
	bushels.. 1 337 814	(D)	(D)	385 467	438 226	247 595	132 638
Irrigated .....	farms.. 1	—	—	—	1	—	—
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
Wheat for grain .....	farms.. 3 811	69	384	1 044	1 063	762	489
	acres.. 141 234	2 173	13 834	39 995	42 995	27 086	15 151
	bushels.. 7 534 924	122 069	762 305	2 093 766	2 348 470	1 433 461	774 853
Irrigated .....	farms.. 13	—	1	4	4	1	3
	acres.. 463	—	(D)	191	134	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	2 015	39	192	531	537	429	287
25 to 99 acres .....	1 519	28	157	425	444	282	183
100 to 249 acres .....	239	2	35	77	67	44	14
250 to 499 acres .....	32	—	—	10	13	6	3
500 acres or more .....	6	—	—	1	2	1	2
Oats for grain .....	farms.. 621	6	62	160	191	138	64
	acres.. 7 748	80	684	1 939	2 221	1 990	834
	bushels.. 482 942	4 794	44 220	118 142	137 991	122 466	55 329
Irrigated .....	farms.. 5	—	2	2	1	—	—
	acres.. 52	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—
Soybeans for beans .....	farms.. 14 119	254	1 428	3 676	3 917	2 915	1 929
	acres.. 1 265 345	15 109	116 555	357 689	393 108	229 126	153 758
	bushels.. 51 501 042	613 459	4 823 788	14 555 527	16 077 895	9 188 874	6 241 499
Irrigated .....	farms.. 109	1	8	32	31	21	16
	acres.. 7 966	(D)	(D)	2 716	2 098	1 832	894
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	3 556	90	344	794	919	844	565
25 to 99 acres .....	6 593	129	696	1 705	1 732	1 367	964
100 to 249 acres .....	3 031	25	320	868	966	549	303
250 to 499 acres .....	739	8	59	255	226	125	66
500 acres or more .....	200	2	9	54	74	30	31
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	farms.. 9 527	100	800	2 390	2 951	2 056	1 230
	acres.. 207 256	2 436	16 633	47 962	64 677	46 283	29 265
	tons, dry.. 487 009	5 647	39 783	116 754	151 263	107 630	65 932
Irrigated .....	farms.. 34	—	2	9	12	6	5
	acres.. 753	—	(D)	124	468	103	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres .....	7 004	71	586	1 805	2 141	1 504	897
25 to 99 acres .....	2 288	23	195	529	742	502	297
100 to 249 acres .....	205	6	17	52	63	39	28
250 to 499 acres .....	27	—	2	3	5	10	7
500 acres or more .....	3	—	—	1	—	1	1
Alfalfa hay .....	farms.. 5 958	62	501	1 564	1 884	1 221	726
	acres.. 98 042	1 203	7 288	23 644	31 548	20 783	13 576
	tons, dry.. 281 726	3 416	22 479	68 097	88 013	62 009	37 712
Irrigated .....	farms.. 24	—	1	9	5	6	3
	acres.. 336	—	(D)	124	73	103	(D)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	farms.. 459	1	47	109	153	82	67
	acres.. 7 843	(D)	(D)	1 553	3 278	897	1 214
Irrigated .....	farms.. 99	—	10	28	33	18	10
	acres.. 2 746	—	118	362	1 597	330	339
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres .....	267	—	26	65	92	51	33
5.0 to 24.9 acres .....	109	—	9	24	36	19	21
25.0 to 99.9 acres .....	67	1	9	18	16	11	12
100.0 to 249.9 acres .....	12	—	3	2	6	1	—
250.0 acres or more .....	4	—	—	—	3	—	1

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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
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—</b>								
Con.								
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)—								
Con.								
Green peas, excluding green cowpeas, harvested for sale .....	farms.. 200	159	—	10	47	47	34	21
	acres.. 8 705	7 588	—	360	2 309	2 520	1 578	821
Irrigated .....	farms.. 50	42	—	4	15	11	8	4
	acres.. 2 834	2 593	—	163	921	840	440	229
Sweet corn harvested for sale .....	farms.. 636	420	4	30	113	100	83	90
	acres.. 24 653	20 754	(D)	(D)	6 178	6 989	3 234	3 103
Irrigated .....	farms.. 170	125	—	15	32	37	22	19
	acres.. 9 598	7 945	—	732	1 428	3 767	1 551	468
Land in orchards .....	farms.. 734	299	—	8	44	50	81	116
	acres.. 8 645	6 122	—	110	627	1 226	1 896	2 262
Irrigated .....	farms.. 48	23	—	—	5	2	10	6
	acres.. 423	334	—	—	(D)	(D)	69	170
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres .....	450	151	—	4	21	26	39	61
5.0 to 24.9 acres .....	222	104	—	2	17	15	31	39
25.0 to 99.9 acres .....	50	33	—	2	5	7	7	12
100.0 to 249.9 acres .....	7	6	—	—	1	1	2	2
250.0 acres or more .....	5	5	—	—	—	1	2	2
Apples .....	farms.. 568	244	—	7	41	36	69	91
Bearing and nonbearing .....	acres.. 5 239	3 777	—	70	411	787	1 110	1 399
	pounds.. 51 795 145	43 529 974	—	738 239	3 237 957	6 190 906	17 371 616	15 991 256

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		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
<b>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—</b>							
Con.							
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)—							
Con.							
Green peas, excluding green cowpeas,							
harvested for sale . . . . . farms . .	41	1	4	15	5	9	7
acres . .	1 118	(D)	150	379	192	(D)	223
Irrigated . . . . . farms . .	8	—	—	4	—	—	4
acres . .	242	—	—	(D)	—	—	(D)
Sweet corn harvested for sale . . . . . farms . .	216	—	21	53	74	37	31
acres . .	3 898	—	467	519	2 038	392	483
Irrigated . . . . . farms . .	45	—	5	11	17	8	4
acres . .	1 653	—	(D)	(D)	1 264	227	(D)
Land in orchards . . . . . farms . .	435	1	19	98	133	112	72
acres . .	2 523	(D)	(D)	527	789	802	297
Irrigated . . . . . farms . .	25	—	5	4	10	5	1
acres . .	90	—	22	21	29	(D)	(D)
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	299	1	12	68	92	73	53
5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	118	—	7	25	34	34	18
25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	17	—	—	5	7	4	1
100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
250.0 acres or more . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Apples . . . . . farms . .	324	1	16	67	106	75	59
Bearing and nonbearing . . . . . acres . .	1 462	(D)	(D)	248	465	494	173
pounds . .	8 265 171	(D)	(D)	1 111 615	3 432 344	3 131 443	367 723

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

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