

**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 .....	57 916	75	679	3 073	8 430	
number..						
percent..	100.0	.1	1.2	5.3	14.6	
Land in farms .....	15 111 022	88 838	1 208 563	4 361 096	8 322 131	
acres..						
Average size of farm .....	261	1 185	1 780	1 419	987	
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> .....	57 922	75	679	3 073	8 058	
farms..						
\$1,000..	30 852 897	245 329	2 646 844	9 038 101	16 365 856	
Average per farm .....	532 663	3 271 050	3 898 151	2 941 133	2 031 007	
dollars..						
Average per acre .....	2 064	2 762	2 190	2 072	2 035	
dollars..						
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	\$1,000..	3 709 854	38 547	278 692	972 482	1 910 958
percent..	100.0	1.0	7.5	26.2	51.5	
Land in farms according to use:						
Total cropland .....	12 848 950	79 775	1 133 118	4 099 145	7 752 943	
acres..						
Harvested cropland .....	11 716 704	78 867	1 109 103	4 000 756	7 521 169	
acres..						
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured .....	985 333	769	20 210	79 173	196 175	
acres..						
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	\$1,000..	5 229 977	524 059	1 307 758	2 615 313	3 922 744
Average per farm .....	90 303	6 987 455	1 926 005	851 062	465 331	
dollars..						
Grains .....	farms..	33 540	33	519	2 668	7 600
\$1,000..	2 982 707	35 296	336 496	1 186 538	2 120 908	
Cotton and cottonseed .....	farms..	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	
Tobacco .....	farms..	2 011	—	2	17	95
\$1,000..	28 408	—	(D)	2 257	6 925	
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	farms..	9 580	4	80	381	1 134
\$1,000..	46 774	92	1 591	5 447	13 321	
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	farms..	1 125	—	40	111	231
\$1,000..	43 622	—	15 921	25 378	33 578	
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	farms..	536	—	5	14	44
\$1,000..	11 885	—	1 318	3 295	6 217	
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	farms..	1 195	5	22	68	159
\$1,000..	110 877	31 032	51 243	71 345	87 044	
Other crops .....	farms..	299	1	18	59	97
\$1,000..	22 343	(D)	10 115	17 885	20 374	
Poultry and poultry products .....	farms..	1 379	31	126	280	435
\$1,000..	515 456	283 727	398 680	474 783	505 261	
Dairy products .....	farms..	2 749	—	51	237	799
\$1,000..	255 784	—	35 799	90 953	176 488	
Cattle and calves .....	farms..	21 585	8	220	1 005	2 901
\$1,000..	331 134	34 828	88 596	145 136	201 736	
Hogs and pigs .....	farms..	6 623	32	292	1 072	2 378
\$1,000..	843 002	129 225	348 780	573 678	729 625	
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms..	1 896	1	6	50	172
\$1,000..	3 812	(D)	(D)	125	603	
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms..	3 181	2	12	39	132
\$1,000..	34 172	(D)	17 908	18 499	20 662	
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	farms..	57 922	75	679	3 073	8 058
\$1,000..	4 011 772	453 243	1 069 004	2 012 028	2 873 564	
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :						
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms..	14 780	62	459	1 603	3 227
\$1,000..	282 253	65 955	128 974	188 775	225 586	
Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms..	25 765	63	513	1 874	4 316
\$1,000..	818 113	226 415	435 517	610 344	708 312	
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms..	41 337	36	543	2 750	7 521
\$1,000..	451 832	2 660	43 078	154 949	285 987	
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms..	36 541	34	495	2 423	6 891
\$1,000..	291 799	4 701	34 348	109 584	192 539	
Petroleum products .....	farms..	53 806	74	676	3 060	8 035
\$1,000..	192 729	8 161	27 229	70 899	120 187	
Electricity .....	farms..	39 997	74	669	3 011	7 647
\$1,000..	56 716	7 117	14 528	25 520	36 846	
Hired farm labor .....	farms..	16 964	67	634	2 598	5 577
\$1,000..	248 070	58 472	114 401	179 160	219 725	
Interest .....	farms..	27 599	63	630	2 872	7 014
\$1,000..	272 608	5 963	37 215	100 516	168 832	
Payments from government programs .....	farms..	30 295	35	485	2 495	6 956
\$1,000..	188 508	1 191	15 261	58 517	113 021	
Inventory of selected livestock:						
Cattle and calves .....	farms..	23 025	8	221	1 009	2 899
number..	976 701	7 437	85 274	213 574	399 470	
Milk cows .....	farms..	3 216	—	50	233	795
number..	131 630	—	14 570	38 919	80 964	
Hogs and pigs .....	farms..	6 442	32	285	1 046	2 305
number..	3 972 060	538 531	1 516 716	2 555 076	3 324 021	

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