

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	23 823	49	266	959	2 387
number ..					
percent ..	100.0	.2	1.1	4.0	10.0
Land in farms	7 876 528	230 856	766 492	1 789 308	3 373 955
acres ..					
Average size of farm	331	4 711	2 882	1 866	1 413
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	23 833	49	266	959	2 245
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	9 077 300	231 758	829 671	2 067 304	3 609 714
Average per farm	380 871	4 729 751	3 119 064	2 155 688	1 607 890
dollars ..					
Average per acre	1 206	1 004	1 082	1 155	1 110
dollars ..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..
percent ..	100.0	2.9	10.9	25.6	45.9
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	5 331 411	197 988	652 249	1 532 302	2 861 806
Harvested cropland	3 882 648	188 087	581 091	1 355 577	2 483 431
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	1 846 665	4 283	55 431	120 366	257 414
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..	\$1,000 ..
Average per farm	85 265	4 153 373	1 912 970	1 059 459	638 278
Grains	4 637	24	126	462	1 395
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	635 193	28 755	86 110	218 122	440 538
Cotton and cottonseed	1 586	15	77	272	714
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	316 675	22 990	74 055	159 131	258 866
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	2 308	4	17	65	126
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	11 825	53	127	449	2 293
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	439	1	3	12	24
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	8 351	(D)	(D)	2 167	2 787
Fruits, nuts, and berries	493	—	2	14	29
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	5 513	—	(D)	702	1 318
Nursery and greenhouse crops	634	3	13	35	73
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	72 586	10 489	23 954	40 324	53 048
Other crops	901	16	93	262	469
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	361 328	42 793	147 156	263 253	336 977
Poultry and poultry products	663	9	56	227	309
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	286 285	55 148	119 433	249 041	279 640
Dairy products	642	1	6	29	165
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	104 330	(D)	5 206	17 524	55 631
Cattle and calves	13 953	6	53	250	633
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	141 533	209	3 378	9 604	25 393
Hogs and pigs	373	1	1	7	16
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	3 180	(D)	(D)	(D)	1 396
Sheep, lambs, and wool	246	—	—	3	8
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	200	—	—	(D)	12
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	1 764	10	19	48	108
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	84 278	42 847	48 765	55 051	65 672
Total farm production expenses ¹	23 833	49	266	959	2 245
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	1 466 483	132 462	354 238	729 021	1 068 930
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	6 487	13	81	311	586
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	73 786	19 872	27 032	43 013	51 635
Feed for livestock and poultry	13 261	13	87	353	750
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	247 019	24 596	71 553	160 824	197 889
Commercial fertilizer	14 669	38	214	776	1 951
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	128 104	7 562	24 489	53 490	88 271
Agricultural chemicals	9 908	39	211	743	1 830
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	173 185	9 461	37 745	83 390	135 462
Petroleum products	22 294	49	266	956	2 232
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	85 572	5 289	15 209	32 231	52 584
Electricity	12 419	49	259	926	2 031
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	18 228	2 017	3 830	6 906	10 726
Hired farm labor	8 254	47	251	867	2 075
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	163 558	22 535	55 528	96 835	135 492
Interest	7 942	41	247	899	1 978
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	75 495	5 223	14 111	32 000	50 973
Payments from government programs	6 132	27	142	510	1 414
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	68 768	1 365	6 134	16 275	37 414
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	14 589	6	54	253	638
number ..					
877 124	1 511	18 653	54 038	138 724	
Milk cows	982	1	7	30	168
number ..					
64 888	(D)	3 512	10 165	30 735	
Hogs and pigs	633	1	1	9	22
number ..					
20 338	(D)	(D)	(D)	9 959	

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.