

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	5 494	(X)	5 435	5 857
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	14 829	15 276	12 827
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 699	2 811	2 190
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	4 479	(X)	4 645	5 232
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	5 758	6 043	6 421
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 286	1 301	1 227
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	2 568	450	2 369	2 580
\$500 to \$999	664	433	789	976
\$1,000 to \$1,999	550	693	652	781
\$2,000 to \$4,999	433	1 267	559	666
\$5,000 to \$9,999	190	1 205	193	172
\$10,000 to \$24,999	59	809	72	49
\$25,000 or more	15	901	11	8
Diesel fuel farms..	3 647	(X)	3 301	3 268
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	5 896	5 996	4 252
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 617	1 816	1 301
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	2 115	358	1 821	1 799
\$500 to \$999	477	315	468	517
\$1,000 to \$1,999	411	569	330	425
\$2,000 to \$4,999	354	1 059	366	360
\$5,000 to \$9,999	185	1 272	204	124
\$10,000 to \$24,999	81	1 130	92	40
\$25,000 or more	24	1 194	20	3
Natural gas farms..	88	(X)	101	87
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	61	138	105
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	693	1 368	1 212
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	6	(Z)	17	9
\$100 to \$499	67	9	28	34
\$500 to \$999	1	(D)	20	16
\$1,000 to \$1,999	3	4	8	23
\$2,000 to \$4,999	8	21	20	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2	(D)	7	1
\$10,000 or more	1	(D)	1	1
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	3 756	(X)	3 977	4 128
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	3 114	3 099	2 049
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	829	779	496
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	1 425	66	1 499	1 649
\$100 to \$499	1 409	288	1 414	1 678
\$500 to \$999	370	251	389	403
\$1,000 to \$1,999	239	314	337	218
\$2,000 to \$4,999	205	611	235	132
\$5,000 to \$9,999	60	372	76	32
\$10,000 or more	48	1 214	27	16

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

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Chemicals used	1997	1992	1987
Any chemicals or fertilizer used ¹ farms..	3 379	3 631	3 896
Commercial fertilizer farms..	3 031	3 181	3 252
acres on which used	234 911	257 402	246 899
Average per farm \$1,000..	16 537	18 543	16 437
Agricultural chemicals farms..	2 346	2 366	2 821
Average per farm \$1,000..	17 435	16 197	11 996
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	1 449	1 692	1 728
acres on which used	113 473	133 702	129 050
Average per farm	92	143	144
Nematodes in crops farms..	4 923	13 401	8 314
acres on which used	869	885	1 079
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	86 353	87 945	72 535
acres on which used	1 428	1 482	1 833
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	149 286	146 504	138 262
acres on which used			
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	383	560	552
acres on which used	45 461	61 640	53 000

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