

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	12 084	18	121	542	1 424	
number ..	100.0	.1	1.0	4.5	11.8	
Land in farms	2 154 875	13 780	110 066	405 819	837 401	
Average size of farm	178	766	910	749	588	
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	12 109	18	121	542	1 358	
\$1,000 ..	6 824 698	48 440	304 575	1 051 818	2 136 694	
Average per farm	563 605	2 691 138	2 517 151	1 940 623	1 573 412	
Average per acre	3 176	3 515	2 767	2 592	2 597	
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	\$1,000 ..	728 486	19 448	52 242	126 332	252 925
percent ..	100.0	2.7	7.2	17.3	34.7	
Land in farms according to use:						
Total cropland	1 613 497	12 048	98 571	352 896	719 906	
Harvested cropland	1 382 035	10 736	93 792	338 947	679 786	
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	245 127	(D)	4 610	15 197	39 052	
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000 ..	1 312 086	134 228	329 118	656 357	984 368
Average per farm	108 580	7 457 127	2 719 980	1 210 991	691 270	
Grains	farms ..	4 469	4	63	312	831
\$1,000 ..	245 721	(D)	20 658	81 322	152 948	
Cotton and cottonseed	farms ..	—	—	—	—	
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	
Tobacco	farms ..	710	—	2	2	24
\$1,000 ..	19 857	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	
Hay, silage, and field seeds	farms ..	2 379	—	10	50	123
\$1,000 ..	15 950	—	242	1 392	3 054	
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	farms ..	950	—	13	59	135
\$1,000 ..	41 679	—	8 504	19 400	28 078	
Fruits, nuts, and berries	farms ..	395	—	4	13	33
\$1,000 ..	12 153	—	(D)	4 938	7 660	
Nursery and greenhouse crops	farms ..	1 009	3	22	57	110
\$1,000 ..	120 007	21 435	60 145	83 083	100 362	
Other crops	farms ..	164	—	2	7	21
\$1,000 ..	3 353	—	(D)	2 054	2 418	
Poultry and poultry products	farms ..	1 401	13	75	346	737
\$1,000 ..	568 987	99 187	192 070	382 046	526 090	
Dairy products	farms ..	963	1	8	53	262
\$1,000 ..	174 946	(D)	16 472	42 242	101 713	
Cattle and calves	farms ..	4 111	3	21	101	384
\$1,000 ..	57 115	(D)	9 357	13 067	21 643	
Hogs and pigs	farms ..	495	—	6	29	62
\$1,000 ..	14 025	—	672	4 377	8 393	
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms ..	544	—	1	7	16
\$1,000 ..	1 137	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms ..	1 032	—	9	23	46
\$1,000 ..	37 157	—	14 564	19 709	25 468	
Total farm production expenses ¹	farms ..	12 109	18	121	542	1 358
\$1,000 ..	1 123 200	99 649	243 704	532 386	792 216	
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :						
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms ..	3 714	13	86	397	899
\$1,000 ..	129 432	37 374	52 245	76 981	97 471	
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms ..	6 112	7	82	413	1 018
\$1,000 ..	435 279	24 306	88 833	242 657	360 993	
Commercial fertilizer	farms ..	7 745	7	83	363	946
\$1,000 ..	58 488	773	4 064	14 711	30 879	
Agricultural chemicals	farms ..	6 851	5	74	346	906
\$1,000 ..	38 516	519	4 226	12 289	21 203	
Petroleum products	farms ..	11 311	18	119	523	1 288
\$1,000 ..	33 726	1 885	5 183	11 326	18 108	
Electricity	farms ..	8 246	18	119	534	1 303
\$1,000 ..	17 729	1 530	3 325	6 572	10 224	
Hired farm labor	farms ..	4 814	18	107	443	1 037
\$1,000 ..	102 425	15 948	35 346	58 056	78 184	
Interest	farms ..	4 219	13	111	516	1 176
\$1,000 ..	45 896	2 141	6 569	17 685	27 921	
Payments from government programs	farms ..	2 673	4	54	255	644
\$1,000 ..	14 330	69	852	3 557	7 569	
Inventory of selected livestock:						
Cattle and calves	farms ..	4 444	3	22	107	402
number ..	261 324	(D)	12 863	34 891	90 473	
Milk cows	farms ..	1 091	1	8	54	264
number ..	84 953	(D)	6 414	17 208	43 752	
Hogs and pigs	farms ..	584	—	6	29	70
number ..	80 850	—	3 338	22 711	41 771	

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.