

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

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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>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>								
Farms .....	12 084	6 235	65	329	1 030	1 248	1 424	2 139
number ..								
percent ..	100.0	51.6	.5	2.7	8.5	10.3	11.8	17.7
Land in farms .....	2 154 875	1 656 459	17 075	77 580	303 167	402 550	439 703	416 384
acres ..								
Average size of farm .....	178	266	263	236	294	323	309	195
acres ..								
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>								
Total sales (see text) .....	12 084	6 235	65	329	1 030	1 248	1 424	2 139
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	1 312 086	1 099 169	9 614	66 783	263 053	280 933	279 660	199 126
dollars ..								
Average per farm .....	108 580	176 290	147 912	202 988	255 391	225 106	196 390	93 093
dollars ..								
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text) .....	1 748	456	2	17	48	81	92	216
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....	1 349	371	—	8	34	57	83	189
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	1 365	476	1	12	44	57	108	254
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	1 551	582	6	16	53	87	126	294
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	1 292	678	9	26	84	108	139	312
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....	376	222	—	7	35	27	42	111
\$25,000 to \$39,999 .....	666	415	5	30	54	68	117	141
\$40,000 to \$49,999 .....	286	206	3	12	31	47	42	71
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	854	644	10	53	134	151	145	151
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	1 223	1 036	17	85	239	270	230	195
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	721	593	8	36	134	161	143	111
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	470	394	4	18	96	92	113	71
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999 .....	147	128	—	8	35	34	34	17
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	19	18	—	—	5	2	3	4
\$5,000,000 or more .....	17	16	—	1	4	6	7	2
Grains .....	4 469	2 966	41	158	531	604	684	948
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	245 721	216 724	2 249	9 547	42 706	60 380	58 858	42 984
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	1 065	921	12	55	185	238	263	168
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	206 205	189 121	1 763	8 194	37 777	54 979	53 134	33 275
dollars ..								
Corn for grain .....	2 713	1 840	27	100	328	384	417	584
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	97 630	86 837	716	3 318	17 459	25 023	23 401	16 920
Wheat .....	2 305	1 766	25	104	344	399	401	493
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	39 052	34 296	449	1 903	7 003	9 602	8 406	6 933
Soybeans .....	3 195	2 235	37	127	419	476	529	647
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	100 579	88 205	1 022	4 074	16 886	23 625	24 947	17 651
dollars ..								
Sorghum for grain .....	220	157	3	11	33	32	44	34
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	2 020	1 664	(D)	(D)	359	565	469	208
Barley .....	616	506	9	25	99	127	119	127
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	5 751	5 133	53	168	945	1 400	1 470	1 099
Oats .....	137	97	1	2	11	17	23	43
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	190	151	(D)	(D)	16	29	43	61
Other grains .....	132	107	—	3	18	25	32	29
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	499	439	—	29	38	136	123	113
dollars ..								
Cotton and cottonseed .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
dollars ..								
Tobacco .....	710	412	4	31	63	62	97	155
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	19 857	15 844	(D)	(D)	2 485	3 268	3 250	6 111
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	75	67	—	1	14	18	17	17
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	10 815	9 949	—	(D)	(D)	2 290	1 791	4 275
dollars ..								
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	2 379	1 186	7	62	162	221	282	452
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	15 950	10 911	40	609	2 161	2 722	2 570	2 810
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	39	34	—	3	8	12	8	3
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	3 499	3 049	—	204	822	1 207	587	229
dollars ..								
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	950	632	10	25	143	139	128	187
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	41 679	34 293	327	1 312	8 206	10 151	7 851	6 446
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	161	140	1	6	37	43	29	24
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	33 849	28 572	(D)	(D)	7 062	8 889	6 582	4 799
dollars ..								
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	395	248	1	11	38	64	55	79
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	12 153	11 256	(D)	(D)	2 337	2 488	2 853	2 045
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	42	40	1	2	8	13	9	7
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	10 430	(D)	(D)	(D)	2 063	2 233	2 582	1 662
dollars ..								
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	1 009	446	1	23	84	102	118	118
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	120 007	95 625	(D)	(D)	23 379	10 076	43 093	14 074
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	209	134	—	8	27	35	39	25
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	112 100	91 907	—	4 829	22 671	9 137	42 136	13 135
dollars ..								
Other crops .....	164	119	—	6	29	27	27	30
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	3 353	2 909	—	17	295	1 666	635	296
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	12	10	—	—	1	5	2	2
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	2 786	(D)	—	—	(D)	1 591	(D)	(D)
dollars ..								
Poultry and poultry products .....	1 401	948	9	53	221	231	223	211
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	568 987	453 444	3 265	30 790	123 418	132 646	88 139	75 186
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	1 023	750	8	41	175	187	178	161
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	567 375	452 364	(D)	(D)	123 042	132 451	87 906	74 943
dollars ..								
Dairy products .....	963	917	21	87	247	218	191	153
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	174 946	170 997	2 652	11 855	39 973	40 515	48 002	28 001
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	841	816	17	80	224	196	173	126
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	172 101	168 581	2 620	11 724	39 542	40 040	47 502	27 152
dollars ..								
Cattle and calves .....	4 111	2 438	33	153	418	445	540	849
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	57 115	46 858	417	2 738	9 533	8 423	10 336	15 411
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	167	146	1	8	23	36	38	40
farms ..								
\$1,000 ..	26 077	23 776	(D)	(D)	4 937	3 904	4 926	8 538
dollars ..								

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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 .....	5 849	31	321	1 139	1 779	1 505	1 074
number ..							
percent ..	48.4	.3	2.7	9.4	14.7	12.5	8.9
Land in farms .....	498 416	1 780	23 044	87 686	157 958	127 964	99 984
acres ..							
Average size of farm .....	85	57	72	77	89	85	93
acres ..							
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>							
Total sales (see text) .....	5 849	31	321	1 139	1 779	1 505	1 074
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	212 917	479	12 884	44 891	63 508	62 466	28 690
Average per farm .....	36 402	15 452	40 137	39 412	35 699	41 505	26 713
dollars ..							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text) .....	1 292	1	48	220	432	303	288
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....	978	5	56	175	285	265	192
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	889	6	57	177	262	242	145
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	969	9	37	205	297	250	171
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	614	5	48	142	162	169	88
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....	154	1	6	27	53	40	27
\$25,000 to \$39,999 .....	251	3	21	49	83	48	47
\$40,000 to \$49,999 .....	80	—	4	17	27	19	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	210	—	19	37	63	57	34
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	187	1	9	39	45	55	38
\$250,000 to \$499,999 .....	128	—	10	34	39	23	22
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	76	—	6	14	23	25	8
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999 .....	19	—	—	2	8	8	1
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
\$5,000,000 or more .....	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
Grains .....	1 503	11	87	343	424	366	272
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	28 997	52	1 235	6 472	9 230	6 328	5 680
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	144	—	7	36	43	31	27
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	17 084	—	536	3 820	5 951	3 470	3 307
Corn for grain .....	873	8	51	199	244	208	163
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	10 793	32	444	2 303	3 422	2 366	2 227
Wheat .....	539	4	28	146	150	129	82
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	4 756	(D)	(D)	1 090	1 387	1 269	815
Soybeans .....	960	5	59	217	261	229	189
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	12 375	12	538	2 851	4 110	2 388	2 476
Sorghum for grain .....	63	—	3	19	20	16	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	356	—	(D)	(D)	104	104	32
Barley .....	110	—	7	37	22	26	18
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	618	—	45	107	197	149	119
Oats .....	40	—	3	14	9	8	6
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	40	—	1	13	6	12	6
Other grains .....	25	1	3	1	7	8	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	60	(D)	(D)	(D)	4	40	4
Cotton and cottonseed .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco .....	298	9	44	73	76	64	32
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	4 013	34	683	676	1 435	749	436
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	8	—	1	—	4	1	2
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	866	—	(D)	—	527	(D)	(D)
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	1 193	7	59	249	350	319	209
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	5 038	44	317	958	1 454	1 346	920
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	5	—	—	1	—	2	2
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	450	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	318	5	31	73	91	76	42
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	7 387	50	1 266	983	1 120	2 303	1 665
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	21	—	4	4	5	5	3
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	5 277	—	1 101	507	(D)	1 854	(D)
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	147	—	9	21	46	32	39
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	897	—	(D)	69	217	(D)	490
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	2	—	1	—	—	—	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	(D)	—	—	—	(D)
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	563	3	26	124	183	134	93
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	24 381	21	344	5 671	9 330	7 578	1 437
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	75	—	3	20	20	25	7
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	20 193	—	185	4 970	7 776	6 428	835
Other crops .....	45	—	2	8	22	8	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	444	—	(D)	5	415	(D)	12
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	2	—	—	—	2	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
Poultry and poultry products .....	453	3	32	99	137	117	65
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	115 543	(D)	(D)	26 033	31 446	36 854	13 316
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	273	1	20	56	77	72	47
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	115 011	(D)	(D)	25 963	31 250	36 790	13 159
Dairy products .....	46	—	4	9	10	13	10
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 949	—	287	995	547	1 039	1 081
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	25	—	2	6	3	9	5
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 520	—	(D)	897	(D)	995	971
Cattle and calves .....	1 673	9	104	329	496	459	276
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	10 257	68	767	2 040	3 146	2 613	1 623
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	21	—	3	4	5	5	4
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 302	—	251	588	792	371	300

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			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.. 495	315	7	34	74	59	72	69
	\$1,000.. 14 025	12 603	(D)	(D)	3 519	2 903	2 251	1 237
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 57	53	1	9	15	13	9	6
	\$1,000.. 10 965	10 299	(D)	2 001	2 996	2 387	1 691	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms.. 544	195	—	9	26	38	55	67
	\$1,000.. 1 137	579	—	8	49	142	241	139
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
	\$1,000.. (D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms.. 1 032	451	4	14	102	129	105	97
	\$1,000.. 37 157	27 126	(D)	(D)	4 990	5 553	11 582	4 386
Sales of \$50,000 or more .....	farms.. 96	62	—	3	10	22	15	12
	\$1,000.. 31 936	24 587	—	550	4 462	4 678	10 985	3 911
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .....	farms.. 1 133	623	6	32	129	137	134	185
	\$1,000.. 8 667	6 700	18	301	1 803	1 709	1 818	1 051
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>								
Total farm production expenses .....	farms.. 12 109	6 071	51	317	1 012	1 138	1 431	2 122
	\$1,000.. 1 123 200	924 753	7 902	56 450	220 103	243 428	230 740	166 130
Average per farm .....	dollars.. 92 757	152 323	154 935	178 075	217 493	213 909	161 244	78 289
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms.. 3 714	2 109	18	158	461	443	484	545
	\$1,000.. 129 432	107 064	545	12 919	27 429	35 821	16 673	13 677
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	1 917	815	—	32	178	170	180	255
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	914	612	5	79	124	102	133	169
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	725	553	13	40	116	137	142	105
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	123	100	—	5	32	25	25	13
\$250,000 or more .....	35	29	—	2	11	9	4	3
Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms.. 6 112	3 328	28	228	673	619	731	1 049
	\$1,000.. 435 279	348 734	3 606	19 134	93 390	89 017	82 630	60 957
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	3 497	1 311	—	60	166	174	276	635
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	776	551	—	63	130	118	111	129
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	904	731	22	69	210	162	150	118
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....	343	279	1	10	52	54	71	91
\$250,000 or more .....	592	456	5	26	115	111	123	76
Commercially mixed formula feeds .....	farms.. 4 501	2 717	28	189	585	542	605	768
	\$1,000.. 406 673	323 160	3 048	16 226	86 431	83 881	76 971	56 602
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	2 286	982	—	67	120	161	213	421
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	623	501	2	47	148	102	90	112
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....	719	560	21	43	169	129	124	74
\$100,000 or more .....	873	674	5	32	148	150	178	161
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .....	farms.. 6 893	4 303	50	233	759	875	999	1 387
	\$1,000.. 35 862	31 209	237	1 743	6 293	6 972	9 287	6 677
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999 .....	3 138	1 457	16	40	141	249	291	720
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....	2 305	1 563	14	115	348	317	343	426
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 187	1 043	19	65	218	244	301	196
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	169	153	1	9	36	40	34	33
\$50,000 or more .....	94	87	—	4	16	25	30	12
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms.. 7 745	4 508	37	225	767	873	1 090	1 516
	\$1,000.. 58 488	50 694	386	2 499	10 473	12 930	14 192	10 214
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	5 550	2 642	17	110	376	407	596	1 136
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 608	1 315	18	85	270	323	338	281
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	339	320	1	22	69	80	90	58
\$50,000 or more .....	248	231	1	8	52	63	66	41
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms.. 6 851	4 085	47	235	721	816	931	1 335
	\$1,000.. 38 516	33 487	337	1 551	6 585	8 785	9 841	6 388
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	5 318	2 744	34	168	425	483	545	1 089
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 177	1 010	12	51	231	243	280	193
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	223	208	—	13	40	49	73	33
\$50,000 or more .....	133	123	1	3	25	41	33	20
Petroleum products .....	farms.. 11 311	5 847	51	309	960	1 109	1 365	2 053
	\$1,000.. 33 726	28 455	192	1 353	6 177	7 665	6 764	6 304
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	9 814	4 509	45	246	648	747	1 014	1 809
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 307	1 161	5	56	266	316	308	210
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	135	125	1	3	30	33	33	25
\$50,000 or more .....	55	52	—	4	16	13	10	9
Gasoline and gasohol .....	farms.. 9 096	4 901	46	230	789	926	1 176	1 734
	\$1,000.. 11 112	9 031	58	347	1 797	2 022	2 601	2 205
Diesel fuel .....	farms.. 8 191	4 757	50	272	835	975	1 087	1 538
	\$1,000.. 15 341	13 383	96	707	2 974	4 096	2 883	2 627
Natural gas .....	farms.. 224	130	2	16	26	40	31	15
	\$1,000.. 631	439	(D)	(D)	87	148	51	117
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. ....	farms.. 8 071	4 882	48	254	851	967	1 153	1 609
	\$1,000.. 6 642	5 602	(D)	(D)	1 318	1 399	1 228	1 356

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<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.</b>							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs .. farms..	180	1	17	65	56	30	11
\$1,000..	1 422	(D)	(D)	259	915	138	59
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	4	—	—	—	4	—	—
\$1,000..	666	—	—	—	666	—	—
Sheep, lambs, and wool .. farms..	349	—	16	77	112	99	45
\$1,000..	558	—	15	79	189	184	91
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .. farms..	581	2	31	136	203	155	54
\$1,000..	10 032	(D)	(D)	651	4 063	3 261	1 882
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	34	—	1	2	9	15	7
\$1,000..	7 350	—	(D)	(D)	3 181	2 475	1 527
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .. farms..	510	4	40	123	162	117	64
\$1,000..	1 967	(D)	(D)	341	418	827	201
<b>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>							
Total farm production expenses .. farms..	6 038	40	403	1 164	1 828	1 638	965
\$1,000..	198 446	421	12 631	44 056	57 553	58 117	25 669
Average per farm .. dollars..	32 866	10 517	31 342	37 849	31 484	35 481	26 600
Livestock and poultry purchased .. farms..	1 605	14	159	334	488	406	204
\$1,000..	22 369	22	1 297	8 352	5 309	5 194	2 195
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	1 102	14	108	231	327	301	121
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	302	—	25	66	100	54	57
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	172	—	26	31	51	39	25
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	23	—	—	5	9	9	—
\$250,000 or more ..	6	—	—	1	1	3	1
Feed for livestock and poultry .. farms..	2 784	17	178	606	908	774	301
\$1,000..	86 545	9	5 689	17 699	24 208	28 014	10 926
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	2 186	17	150	472	731	618	198
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	225	—	—	60	77	54	34
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	173	—	15	32	49	38	39
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	64	—	2	11	9	27	15
\$250,000 or more ..	136	—	11	31	42	37	15
Commercially mixed formula feeds .. farms..	1 784	—	136	364	615	452	217
\$1,000..	83 513	—	5 508	17 163	22 979	27 231	10 632
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	1 304	—	108	255	501	319	121
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	122	—	—	36	17	40	29
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	159	—	15	31	47	29	37
\$100,000 or more ..	199	—	13	42	50	64	30
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .. farms..	2 590	27	179	562	798	655	369
\$1,000..	4 653	40	505	937	1 461	1 123	587
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	1 681	14	108	388	505	415	251
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	742	13	50	134	250	206	89
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	144	—	13	36	38	30	27
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	16	—	8	2	3	2	1
\$50,000 or more ..	7	—	—	2	2	2	1
Commercial fertilizer .. farms..	3 237	31	225	608	985	874	514
\$1,000..	7 794	31	392	1 468	2 706	2 054	1 142
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	2 908	31	210	534	869	790	474
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	293	—	13	72	99	76	33
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	19	—	2	—	11	3	3
\$50,000 or more ..	17	—	—	2	6	5	4
Agricultural chemicals .. farms..	2 766	36	175	579	867	714	395
\$1,000..	5 030	43	273	925	1 562	1 468	758
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	2 574	36	172	539	790	678	359
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	167	—	1	37	67	29	33
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	15	—	—	2	8	3	2
\$50,000 or more ..	10	—	2	1	2	4	1
Petroleum products .. farms..	5 464	40	380	1 041	1 642	1 510	851
\$1,000..	5 271	24	425	1 099	1 732	1 317	674
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	5 305	40	367	1 005	1 587	1 481	825
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	146	—	13	33	50	25	25
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	10	—	—	2	3	4	1
\$50,000 or more ..	3	—	—	1	2	—	—
Gasoline and gasohol .. farms..	4 195	18	278	798	1 296	1 128	677
\$1,000..	2 081	6	177	398	673	526	301
Diesel fuel .. farms..	3 434	28	255	671	1 028	1 020	432
\$1,000..	1 958	17	134	387	635	541	243
Natural gas .. farms..	94	—	20	6	27	17	24
\$1,000..	192	—	19	87	49	27	9
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. .. farms..	3 189	19	245	616	949	886	474
\$1,000..	1 040	1	94	227	375	223	120

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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	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 ..	8 246	4 665	43	250	809	948	1 122	1 493
	\$1,000 ..	17 729	14 555	161	775	3 262	3 812	3 336	3 210
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999 .....		5 074	2 201	13	105	223	352	536	972
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....		2 274	1 681	16	110	417	402	366	370
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		847	736	14	33	152	182	212	143
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		26	23	—	1	10	3	6	3
\$50,000 or more .....		25	24	—	1	7	9	2	5
Hired farm labor .....	farms ..	4 814	3 003	21	170	607	666	735	804
	\$1,000 ..	102 425	88 958	365	4 621	16 052	20 435	30 034	17 451
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999 .....		2 945	1 476	7	92	290	295	315	477
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		1 079	852	11	50	182	194	243	172
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....		612	519	3	19	102	135	132	128
\$100,000 to \$249,999 .....		110	95	—	6	19	28	25	17
\$250,000 or more .....		68	61	—	3	14	14	20	10
Workers by days worked:									
150 days or more .....	farms ..	2 233	1 575	14	77	331	379	407	367
	workers ..	6 225	5 117	31	250	890	1 315	1 499	1 132
Less than 150 days .....	farms ..	4 116	2 427	19	140	488	512	586	682
	workers ..	14 987	10 073	139	469	1 833	2 061	3 122	2 449
Contract labor .....	farms ..	1 045	613	2	17	138	171	133	152
	\$1,000 ..	5 685	4 327	(D)	(D)	1 590	1 131	733	594
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999 .....		376	186	1	3	37	26	56	63
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....		460	266	1	9	62	86	48	60
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		167	129	—	2	24	51	28	24
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		24	17	—	2	7	4	—	4
\$50,000 or more .....		18	15	—	1	8	4	1	1
Repair and maintenance .....	farms ..	10 455	5 593	39	283	947	1 096	1 341	1 887
	\$1,000 ..	60 624	48 701	424	2 118	10 667	12 013	12 687	10 792
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999 .....		7 511	3 290	10	179	417	515	760	1 409
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		2 515	1 914	26	87	422	481	478	420
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		310	275	3	14	77	67	74	40
\$50,000 or more .....		119	114	—	3	31	33	29	18
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment .....	farms ..	4 036	2 471	18	169	474	525	549	736
	\$1,000 ..	13 376	10 729	105	831	2 400	2 817	2 529	2 047
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999 .....		1 793	869	2	30	120	169	168	380
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....		1 569	1 040	4	103	225	207	234	267
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		592	490	12	32	113	124	130	79
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		70	60	—	3	12	23	14	8
\$50,000 or more .....		12	12	—	1	4	2	3	2
Interest .....	farms ..	4 219	2 758	30	209	583	705	649	582
	\$1,000 ..	45 896	37 350	261	2 071	7 961	10 686	10 229	6 142
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999 .....		2 147	1 207	12	119	227	257	244	348
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		1 628	1 148	16	63	268	330	292	179
\$25,000 to \$99,999 .....		408	368	2	27	83	107	103	46
\$100,000 or more .....		36	35	—	—	5	11	10	9
Secured by real estate .....	farms ..	2 880	1 777	9	95	368	492	434	379
	\$1,000 ..	30 699	23 913	114	1 057	4 950	6 562	6 813	4 417
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999 .....		327	166	—	22	17	25	37	65
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....		1 009	520	2	21	109	139	107	142
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		1 279	853	5	36	189	266	220	137
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		191	169	2	12	39	46	51	19
\$50,000 or more .....		74	69	—	4	14	16	19	16
Not secured by real estate .....	farms ..	2 364	1 700	24	150	358	445	412	311
	\$1,000 ..	15 197	13 436	147	1 014	3 010	4 124	3 416	1 725
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999 .....		578	292	1	6	54	87	60	84
\$1,000 to \$4,999 .....		1 064	753	12	99	157	180	173	132
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		591	530	11	37	115	141	149	77
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		99	95	—	7	25	29	20	14
\$50,000 or more .....		32	30	—	1	7	8	10	4
Cash rent .....	farms ..	3 133	2 156	45	161	519	529	474	428
	\$1,000 ..	36 106	32 344	655	1 839	8 640	9 462	7 677	4 071
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999 .....		1 816	974	13	62	205	222	208	264
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....		442	360	6	36	91	92	77	58
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....		503	481	24	46	140	122	91	58
\$25,000 or more .....		372	341	2	17	83	93	98	48
Property taxes .....	farms ..	11 088	5 530	30	209	861	1 024	1 367	2 039
	\$1,000 ..	23 776	14 221	(D)	(D)	2 117	3 100	3 968	4 555
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999 .....		10 201	4 909	29	186	770	867	1 165	1 892
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....		679	456	1	20	66	114	145	110
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....		181	142	—	3	22	34	52	31
\$25,000 or more .....		27	23	—	—	3	9	5	6
All other farm production expenses .....	farms ..	10 879	5 780	51	316	982	1 112	1 349	1 970
	\$1,000 ..	86 280	73 927	589	4 276	17 069	18 781	20 162	13 051
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999 .....		8 323	3 641	25	179	469	572	838	1 558
\$5,000 to \$24,999 .....		1 907	1 544	20	101	376	370	352	325
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....		349	319	5	19	68	92	91	44
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....		185	170	1	11	43	54	42	19
\$100,000 or more .....		115	106	—	6	26	24	26	24

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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>FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES<sup>1</sup></b>							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity . . . . . farms ..	3 581	25	283	675	1 174	876	548
\$1,000 ..	3 174	17	211	669	996	814	467
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	2 873	25	223	548	930	680	467
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	593	—	56	113	217	151	56
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	111	—	4	13	25	44	25
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	3	—	—	—	2	1	—
\$50,000 or more ..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
Hired farm labor . . . . . farms ..	1 811	—	102	384	571	490	264
\$1,000 ..	13 467	—	857	2 828	4 170	3 919	1 693
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	1 469	—	64	317	469	393	226
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	227	—	27	49	67	63	21
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	93	—	10	13	29	27	14
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	15	—	1	3	3	5	3
\$250,000 or more ..	7	—	—	2	3	2	—
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more . . . . . farms ..	658	—	39	145	191	163	120
workers ..	1 108	—	49	264	333	312	150
Less than 150 days . . . . . farms ..	1 689	—	94	364	523	451	257
workers ..	4 914	—	478	1 080	1 520	1 136	700
Contract labor . . . . . farms ..	432	—	24	93	105	140	70
\$1,000 ..	1 357	—	151	349	315	343	200
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	190	—	9	50	27	65	39
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	194	—	13	35	63	64	19
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	38	—	1	5	13	8	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	7	—	—	2	2	2	1
\$50,000 or more ..	3	—	1	1	—	1	—
Repair and maintenance . . . . . farms ..	4 862	34	319	893	1 488	1 362	766
\$1,000 ..	11 923	63	514	2 196	3 285	3 982	1 883
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	4 221	27	310	781	1 322	1 126	655
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	601	7	9	106	156	217	106
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	35	—	—	5	8	18	4
\$50,000 or more ..	5	—	—	1	2	1	1
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment . . . . . farms ..	1 565	15	99	323	509	418	201
\$1,000 ..	2 648	23	127	429	881	707	482
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	924	8	68	215	285	235	113
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	529	7	29	89	188	150	66
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	102	—	1	18	34	31	18
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	10	—	1	1	2	2	4
\$50,000 or more ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest . . . . . farms ..	1 461	17	138	302	516	382	106
\$1,000 ..	8 546	35	507	2 264	2 792	2 127	821
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	940	13	112	162	326	273	54
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	480	4	25	126	177	97	51
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	40	—	1	14	13	12	—
\$100,000 or more ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Secured by real estate . . . . . farms ..	1 103	4	83	229	425	285	77
\$1,000 ..	6 786	21	393	1 826	2 260	1 641	645
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	161	—	7	11	81	46	16
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	489	—	55	96	177	147	14
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	426	4	20	112	162	82	46
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	22	—	1	10	3	8	—
\$50,000 or more ..	5	—	—	5	2	2	1
Not secured by real estate . . . . . farms ..	664	13	83	119	242	161	46
\$1,000 ..	1 760	13	114	438	532	486	176
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	286	—	57	42	113	58	16
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	311	13	23	56	112	84	23
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	61	—	3	20	15	17	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	4	—	—	1	1	1	1
\$50,000 or more ..	2	—	—	—	1	1	—
Cash rent . . . . . farms ..	977	13	115	245	352	183	69
\$1,000 ..	3 762	30	224	842	1 657	762	247
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	842	13	103	211	291	163	61
\$5,000 to \$9,999 ..	82	—	9	26	32	11	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999 ..	22	—	3	4	9	5	1
\$25,000 or more ..	31	—	—	4	20	4	3
Property taxes . . . . . farms ..	5 558	31	287	995	1 760	1 573	912
\$1,000 ..	9 555	31	333	1 500	2 918	2 911	1 862
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	5 292	31	286	961	1 690	1 480	844
\$5,000 to \$9,999 ..	223	—	1	33	51	83	55
\$10,000 to \$24,999 ..	39	—	—	1	18	9	11
\$25,000 or more ..	4	—	—	—	1	1	2
All other farm production expenses . . . . . farms ..	5 099	31	333	976	1 539	1 412	808
\$1,000 ..	12 353	52	1 125	2 500	3 561	3 383	1 732
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	4 682	31	290	884	1 439	1 289	749
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	363	—	40	86	79	110	48
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	30	—	1	3	13	8	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999 ..	15	—	—	2	5	2	5
\$100,000 or more ..	9	—	1	1	3	3	1

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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>NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)<sup>1</sup></b>								
All farms..... number..	12 109	6 071	51	317	1 012	1 138	1 431	2 122
\$1,000..	172 948	163 746	1 718	6 907	44 219	29 660	49 769	31 473
Average per farm..... dollars..	14 283	26 972	33 691	21 787	43 694	26 063	34 779	14 832
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> ..... number..	5 711	3 605	49	211	684	711	814	1 136
Average net gain..... dollars..	46 242	62 972	(D)	(D)	85 224	78 931	71 098	38 310
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	650	242	12	9	10	47	29	135
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	2 194	1 065	1	53	120	160	202	529
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 776	1 332	14	117	294	243	342	322
\$50,000 or more.....	1 091	966	22	32	260	261	241	150
Farms with net losses..... number..	6 398	2 466	2	106	328	427	617	986
Average net loss..... dollars..	14 246	25 657	(D)	(D)	42 910	61 968	13 136	12 218
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	706	266	—	7	19	21	42	177
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	4 197	1 365	2	47	137	197	364	618
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	1 348	713	—	40	150	161	188	174
\$50,000 or more.....	147	122	—	12	22	48	23	17
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>								
Government payments..... farms..	2 673	1 850	20	95	337	399	470	529
\$1,000..	14 330	12 000	129	458	2 357	3 270	3 214	2 574
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	3 559	2 284	22	114	342	462	516	828
\$1,000..	17 124	12 699	91	458	1 860	3 853	3 511	2 925
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	872	621	2	55	137	172	135	120
\$1,000..	6 731	5 709	(D)	(D)	923	2 634	1 321	688
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	1 129	556	1	5	30	125	128	267
\$1,000..	4 828	2 551	(D)	(D)	99	404	973	1 041
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	456	236	1	34	37	17	40	107
\$1,000..	2 507	1 723	(D)	(D)	273	102	511	615
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	1 970	1 448	21	45	241	308	340	493
\$1,000..	3 058	2 716	59	90	565	713	707	581
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>								
Total..... farms..	194	153	2	8	32	33	46	32
\$1,000..	6 263	5 760	(D)	(D)	1 466	1 985	1 631	390
Corn..... farms..	149	123	1	8	26	24	36	28
\$1,000..	3 339	3 265	(D)	(D)	879	1 138	778	255
Wheat..... farms..	63	44	—	2	12	4	12	14
\$1,000..	468	284	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	76	43
Soybeans..... farms..	66	53	1	4	16	14	15	3
\$1,000..	2 378	(D)	(D)	52	498	774	731	(D)
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	17	12	1	—	1	3	4	3
\$1,000..	33	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(Z)
Cotton..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	3	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
\$1,000..	45	(D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	(D)
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>								
Total cropland..... farms..	10 702	5 639	59	285	907	1 122	1 299	1 967
acres..	1 613 497	1 320 208	15 557	62 824	255 057	332 955	352 270	301 545
Harvested cropland..... farms..	9 474	5 177	57	267	839	1 005	1 200	1 809
acres..	1 382 035	1 171 601	14 159	55 609	230 058	303 288	317 713	250 774
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	5 291	2 039	14	83	226	327	463	926
50 to 99 acres.....	1 301	774	6	27	111	133	161	336
100 to 199 acres.....	1 213	891	17	78	191	176	173	256
200 to 499 acres.....	999	842	12	49	187	199	209	186
500 to 999 acres.....	402	378	6	21	73	99	117	62
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	204	192	2	9	37	49	62	33
2,000 acres or more.....	64	61	—	—	14	22	15	10
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	4 617	2 397	22	119	364	477	554	861
acres..	148 667	95 330	1 003	4 281	14 827	18 263	23 549	33 407
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	1 041	545	2	28	78	97	128	212
acres..	24 109	14 604	(D)	(D)	2 488	3 256	2 820	5 174
On which all crops failed..... farms..	624	377	3	18	56	94	84	122
acres..	14 280	10 530	(D)	(D)	(D)	2 886	2 563	2 576
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	202	127	—	4	20	14	37	52
acres..	5 663	3 447	—	(D)	(D)	722	820	1 116
Idle..... farms..	1 405	718	4	29	106	130	178	271
acres..	38 743	24 696	250	1 009	5 594	4 540	4 805	8 498
Total woodland..... farms..	6 534	3 478	27	130	480	664	855	1 322
acres..	335 977	205 605	1 070	7 797	28 148	42 791	51 773	74 026
Woodland pastured..... farms..	1 694	932	6	38	142	163	222	361
acres..	42 088	26 343	60	928	2 896	4 558	6 119	11 782
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	5 798	3 091	26	120	431	605	769	1 140
acres..	293 889	179 262	1 010	6 869	25 252	38 233	45 654	62 244

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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 .....	6 038	40	403	1 164	1 828	1 638	965
\$1,000 ..	9 202	102	634	58	3 924	4 512	-28
dollars ..	1 524	2 541	1 574	50	2 147	2 755	-29
Farms with net gains <sup>2</sup> .....	2 106	29	128	451	577	606	315
Average net gain .....	17 604	7 152	16 032	13 011	21 492	20 655	12 794
dollars ..							
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000 .....	408	—	29	101	102	128	48
\$1,000 to \$9,999 .....	1 129	23	51	247	262	337	209
\$10,000 to \$49,999 .....	444	6	44	82	166	101	45
\$50,000 or more .....	125	—	4	21	47	40	13
Farms with net losses .....	3 932	11	275	713	1 251	1 032	650
Average net loss .....	7 089	9 616	5 156	8 149	6 776	7 757	6 243
dollars ..							
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000 .....	440	—	44	99	112	91	94
\$1,000 to \$9,999 .....	2 832	4	187	505	927	742	467
\$10,000 to \$49,999 .....	635	7	44	105	208	192	79
\$50,000 or more .....	25	—	—	4	4	7	10
<b>GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME</b>							
Government payments .....	823	1	44	148	245	209	176
\$1,000 ..	2 330	(D)	(D)	477	651	601	494
Other farm-related income <sup>1</sup> .....	1 275	11	116	215	392	390	151
\$1,000 ..	4 425	13	122	770	1 753	1 190	578
Customwork and other agricultural services .....	251	7	49	50	82	39	24
\$1,000 ..	1 022	9	40	371	297	152	152
Gross cash rent or share payments .....	573	—	44	79	208	171	71
\$1,000 ..	2 277	—	48	177	1 076	663	313
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products .....	220	7	36	29	81	47	20
\$1,000 ..	784	4	26	168	295	218	73
Other farm-related income sources .....	522	11	35	82	128	194	72
\$1,000 ..	342	1	7	54	85	157	39
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS</b>							
Total .....	41	—	—	8	12	8	13
\$1,000 ..	504	—	—	25	67	(D)	(D)
Corn .....	26	—	—	6	6	5	9
\$1,000 ..	74	—	—	12	47	8	8
Wheat .....	19	—	—	4	4	4	7
\$1,000 ..	184	—	—	10	(D)	(D)	9
Soybeans .....	13	—	—	3	6	3	1
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	—	(D)	7	(D)	(D)
Sorghum, barley, and oats .....	5	—	—	1	—	2	2
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Cotton .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco .....	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE</b>							
Total cropland .....	5 063	28	270	999	1 531	1 302	933
acres ..	293 289	1 006	15 885	55 962	88 408	75 316	56 712
Harvested cropland .....	4 297	27	234	877	1 276	1 099	784
acres ..	210 434	864	11 692	43 419	63 790	51 944	38 725
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres .....	3 252	23	172	648	957	840	612
50 to 99 acres .....	527	1	26	113	171	137	79
100 to 199 acres .....	322	2	17	77	92	78	56
200 to 499 acres .....	157	1	18	32	42	35	29
500 to 999 acres .....	24	—	1	5	8	5	5
1,000 to 1,999 acres .....	12	—	—	1	5	3	3
2,000 acres or more .....	3	—	—	1	1	1	—
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only .....	2 220	5	111	434	714	590	366
acres ..	53 337	95	3 137	8 596	16 544	14 984	9 981
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured .....	496	2	11	89	169	137	88
acres ..	9 505	(D)	(D)	1 825	2 796	2 648	1 902
On which all crops failed .....	247	1	12	49	104	50	31
acres ..	3 750	(D)	(D)	451	1 594	984	380
In cultivated summer fallow .....	75	1	4	10	27	14	19
acres ..	2 216	(D)	(D)	87	452	286	1 343
Idle .....	687	3	27	122	198	188	149
acres ..	14 047	8	372	1 584	3 232	4 470	4 381
Total woodland .....	3 056	8	126	554	966	827	575
acres ..	130 372	571	4 040	21 020	43 934	33 491	27 316
Woodland pastured .....	762	2	47	134	246	208	125
acres ..	15 745	(D)	(D)	2 059	4 713	5 740	2 549
Woodland not pastured .....	2 707	8	105	505	850	725	514
acres ..	114 627	(D)	(D)	18 961	39 221	27 751	24 767

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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..	2 369	1 243	13	77	228	233	275	417
acres..	96 460	65 797	233	4 032	10 000	14 677	17 477	19 378
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. .... farms..	8 221	4 313	28	180	677	864	1 028	1 536
acres..	108 941	64 849	215	2 927	9 962	12 127	18 183	21 435
Irrigated land ..... farms..	1 154	726	9	42	186	171	166	152
acres..	68 588	60 290	564	2 171	16 441	13 658	17 571	9 885
Harvested cropland irrigated ..... farms..	1 130	715	9	42	184	166	164	150
acres..	68 042	59 963	564	2 171	16 380	13 473	17 501	9 874
Pasture and other land irrigated ..... farms..	55	30	—	—	9	11	5	5
acres..	546	327	—	—	61	185	70	11
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ..... farms..	605	293	2	14	35	70	68	104
acres..	25 507	12 535	(D)	(D)	1 320	3 187	2 820	4 709
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	12 109	6 071	51	317	1 012	1 138	1 431	2 122
\$1,000..	6 824 698	4 684 855	32 857	187 436	853 227	1 132 010	1 288 079	1 191 246
Average per farm ..... dollars..	563 605	771 678	644 258	591 282	843 109	994 736	900 125	561 379
Average per acre ..... dollars..	3 176	2 848	2 703	2 575	2 892	2 789	2 952	2 820
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999 .....	809	235	1	25	39	18	59	93
\$40,000 to \$69,999 .....	580	215	—	16	31	15	35	118
\$70,000 to \$99,999 .....	510	197	—	14	55	28	41	59
\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	1 024	471	13	41	49	34	106	228
\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	1 104	420	—	31	102	51	82	154
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	4 354	2 014	8	83	234	395	468	826
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	2 112	1 256	23	70	282	275	278	348
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 .....	948	687	2	15	134	157	187	192
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	558	476	4	17	91	135	141	88
\$5,000,000 or more .....	110	100	—	5	15	30	34	16
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ..... farms..	12 106	6 070	51	317	1 012	1 138	1 430	2 122
\$1,000..	728 486	530 166	4 685	34 086	113 128	129 077	136 130	113 060
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	802	215	—	6	25	34	57	93
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	1 308	425	—	14	37	54	90	230
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	2 422	967	13	48	111	135	215	445
\$20,000 to \$49,999 .....	3 720	1 676	5	106	218	269	364	714
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	1 811	1 151	27	35	241	212	278	358
\$100,000 to \$199,999 .....	1 157	863	2	62	185	221	220	173
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	745	647	2	35	173	173	169	95
\$500,000 or more .....	141	126	2	11	22	40	37	14
<b>SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>								
Motortrucks, including pickups ..... farms..	10 269	5 567	51	286	982	1 064	1 319	1 865
number..	21 165	13 561	113	640	2 536	2 936	3 584	3 752
Wheel tractors ..... farms..	11 283	5 608	50	269	892	1 052	1 355	1 990
number..	29 617	17 294	107	752	2 800	3 291	4 549	5 795
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	7 290	3 456	5	153	547	604	830	1 317
number..	12 201	5 930	8	211	946	974	1 446	2 345
40 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	7 993	4 375	49	239	674	827	1 076	1 510
number..	17 416	11 364	99	541	1 854	2 317	3 103	3 450
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	7 480	4 068	36	205	601	764	1 021	1 441
number..	13 624	8 485	56	399	1 300	1 645	2 271	2 814
100 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	2 381	1 685	32	95	335	357	448	418
number..	3 792	2 879	43	142	554	672	832	636
Grain and bean combines ..... farms..	2 411	1 755	7	81	371	390	416	490
number..	2 718	1 996	9	92	424	453	478	540
Cotton pickers and strippers ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners ..... farms..	4 361	2 521	23	99	413	451	599	936
number..	4 987	2 907	23	119	493	508	701	1 063
Pickup balers ..... farms..	4 010	2 426	23	111	377	443	536	936
number..	5 090	3 165	26	141	522	581	727	1 168
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>								
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	7 680	4 499	37	225	765	872	1 089	1 511
acres on which used..	1 132 052	981 538	8 799	41 668	187 482	265 283	268 590	209 716
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops ..... farms..	2 946	2 009	32	124	419	449	462	523
acres on which used..	315 718	273 984	4 476	13 294	54 847	83 909	70 506	46 952
Nematodes in crops ..... farms..	270	186	2	2	36	41	51	54
acres on which used..	31 220	27 408	(D)	(D)	4 961	10 753	5 327	5 514
Diseases in crops and orchards ..... farms..	960	620	17	43	115	163	143	139
acres on which used..	51 021	44 860	845	2 639	10 182	13 166	10 945	7 083
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture ..... farms..	5 097	3 242	36	196	613	674	742	981
acres on which used..	899 645	796 090	6 301	38 327	153 339	215 750	225 729	156 644
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate ..... farms..	276	188	1	16	18	49	36	68
acres on which used..	26 219	20 969	(D)	(D)	3 753	7 036	4 227	3 085

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<b>LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.</b>							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	1 126	3	66	223	366	295	173
acres..	30 663	155	1 648	4 101	12 191	7 938	4 630
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. .... farms..	3 908	12	189	731	1 192	1 046	738
acres..	44 092	48	1 471	6 603	13 425	11 219	11 326
Irrigated land ..... farms..	428	7	30	108	125	105	53
acres..	8 298	40	585	913	2 423	1 510	2 827
Harvested cropland irrigated ..... farms..	415	7	30	105	122	100	51
acres..	8 079	40	(D)	891	(D)	1 432	(D)
Pasture and other land irrigated ..... farms..	25	—	2	6	5	10	2
acres..	219	—	(D)	22	(D)	78	(D)
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ..... farms..	312	—	10	52	84	84	82
acres..	12 972	—	365	1 470	3 451	3 979	3 707
<b>VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS<sup>1</sup></b>							
Estimated market value of land and buildings ..... farms..	6 038	40	403	1 164	1 828	1 638	965
\$1,000..	2 139 843	13 065	100 205	374 963	649 130	624 371	378 109
Average per farm ..... dollars..	354 396	326 614	248 649	322 133	355 104	381 179	391 823
Average per acre ..... dollars..	4 245	2 729	4 395	3 921	4 007	4 913	4 122
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999 .....	574	—	87	105	157	135	90
\$40,000 to \$69,999 .....	365	9	11	61	105	93	86
\$70,000 to \$99,999 .....	313	—	35	55	80	63	80
\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	553	16	55	159	147	101	75
\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	684	8	11	135	248	181	101
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	2 340	—	156	424	765	663	332
\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	856	—	39	182	235	283	117
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999 .....	261	7	1	34	58	97	64
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999 .....	82	—	8	7	27	21	19
\$5,000,000 or more .....	10	—	—	2	6	1	1
<b>VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ..... farms..	6 036	40	403	1 164	1 826	1 638	965
\$1,000..	198 320	4 238	14 783	40 224	56 479	52 964	29 632
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999 .....	587	4	18	63	195	181	126
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	883	6	71	137	229	282	158
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....	1 455	—	81	322	470	379	203
\$20,000 to \$49,999 .....	2 044	—	126	455	616	534	313
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	660	15	65	110	182	170	118
\$100,000 to \$199,999 .....	294	7	39	52	109	56	31
\$200,000 to \$499,999 .....	98	8	3	23	24	26	14
\$500,000 or more .....	15	—	—	2	1	10	2
<b>SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT<sup>1</sup></b>							
Motortrucks, including pickups ..... farms..	4 702	30	341	873	1 522	1 280	656
number..	7 604	80	610	1 472	2 362	1 975	1 105
Wheel tractors ..... farms..	5 675	40	371	1 085	1 729	1 541	909
number..	12 323	127	839	2 254	3 784	3 237	2 082
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	3 834	20	229	725	1 121	1 092	647
number..	6 271	26	376	1 151	1 807	1 706	1 205
40 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	3 618	40	288	692	1 095	944	559
number..	6 052	101	463	1 103	1 977	1 531	877
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) ..... farms..	3 412	34	278	639	1 038	887	536
number..	5 139	72	411	892	1 670	1 313	781
100 horsepower (PTO) or more ..... farms..	696	22	47	173	230	169	55
number..	913	29	52	211	307	218	96
Grain and bean combines ..... farms..	656	15	54	113	219	157	98
number..	722	15	62	127	256	161	101
Cotton pickers and strippers ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners ..... farms..	1 840	28	89	411	522	484	306
number..	2 080	28	109	462	571	528	382
Pickup balers ..... farms..	1 584	19	105	331	517	384	228
number..	1 925	19	132	428	610	464	272
<b>AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS<sup>1</sup></b>							
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	3 181	31	224	607	967	858	494
acres on which used..	150 514	766	6 389	31 749	52 059	37 983	21 568
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops ..... farms..	937	19	51	277	236	214	140
acres on which used..	41 734	740	886	7 715	12 325	10 505	9 563
Nematodes in crops ..... farms..	84	—	1	25	12	35	11
acres on which used..	3 812	—	(D)	1 368	907	886	(D)
Diseases in crops and orchards ..... farms..	340	12	25	104	66	66	67
acres on which used..	6 161	54	442	1 557	439	2 065	1 604
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture ..... farms..	1 855	29	164	400	574	446	242
acres on which used..	103 555	642	4 115	22 031	32 165	28 228	16 374
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate ..... farms..	88	—	1	25	38	12	12
acres on which used..	5 250	—	(D)	(D)	507	2 390	1 826

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			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 .....	12 084	6 235	65	329	1 030	1 248	1 424	2 139
Full owners .....	7 576	3 339	22	108	370	597	757	1 485
Part owners .....	3 179	2 109	20	81	412	489	570	537
Tenants .....	1 329	787	23	140	248	162	97	117
White .....	11 837	6 134	65	328	1 023	1 239	1 404	2 075
Full owners .....	7 411	3 277	22	108	366	592	746	1 443
Part owners .....	3 118	2 084	20	81	410	486	563	524
Tenants .....	1 308	773	23	139	247	161	95	108
Black and other races .....	247	101	—	1	7	9	20	64
Full owners .....	165	62	—	—	4	5	11	42
Part owners .....	61	25	—	—	2	3	7	13
Tenants .....	21	14	—	1	1	1	2	9
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>								
Land owned..... farms..	10 790	5 468	42	191	784	1 094	1 330	2 027
acres..	1 307 862	877 231	4 926	28 561	105 230	178 890	249 433	310 191
Owned land in farms .....	10 755	5 448	42	189	782	1 086	1 327	2 022
acres..	1 188 733	816 779	4 881	26 749	99 659	167 914	234 435	283 141
Land rented or leased from others .....	4 543	2 916	43	221	663	655	672	662
acres..	975 894	845 688	12 688	50 987	205 300	235 334	205 836	135 543
landlords..	14 915	11 611	209	748	2 841	3 074	2 784	1 955
Rented or leased land in farms .....	4 508	2 896	43	221	660	651	667	654
acres..	966 142	839 680	12 194	50 831	203 508	234 636	205 268	133 243
Land rented or leased to others..... farms..	1 798	829	7	27	105	149	184	357
acres..	128 881	66 460	539	1 968	7 363	11 674	15 566	29 350
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated .....	9 175	4 870	48	234	773	970	1 121	1 724
Not on farm operated .....	1 923	783	15	73	172	146	165	212
Not reported .....	986	582	2	22	85	132	138	203
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	6 235	6 235	65	329	1 030	1 248	1 424	2 139
Other .....	5 849	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None .....	4 873	4 014	34	165	594	732	905	1 584
Any .....	6 362	1 372	28	128	330	362	317	207
1 to 99 days .....	968	681	14	76	148	172	149	122
100 to 199 days .....	1 077	326	2	19	81	90	84	50
200 days or more .....	4 317	365	12	33	101	100	84	35
Not reported .....	849	849	3	36	106	154	202	348
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less .....	497	200	16	50	61	42	22	9
3 or 4 years .....	679	260	21	52	77	58	35	17
5 to 9 years .....	1 436	586	6	102	172	135	105	66
10 years or more .....	7 420	4 065	—	75	556	804	1 004	1 626
Average years on present farm .....	20.6	24.4	3.0	6.8	12.9	18.3	25.1	36.7
Not reported .....	2 052	1 124	22	50	164	209	258	421
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years .....	96	65	65	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years .....	650	329	—	329	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years .....	2 169	1 030	—	—	1 030	—	—	—
45 to 49 years .....	1 385	581	—	—	—	581	—	—
50 to 54 years .....	1 642	667	—	—	—	667	—	—
55 to 59 years .....	1 600	717	—	—	—	—	717	—
60 to 64 years .....	1 329	707	—	—	—	—	707	—
65 to 69 years .....	1 107	675	—	—	—	—	—	675
70 years and over .....	2 106	1 464	—	—	—	—	—	1 464
Average age .....	55.2	57.0	21.7	30.5	40.0	49.6	59.5	73.1
Operators by sex:								
Male .....	10 694	5 535	61	301	916	1 057	1 279	1 921
Female .....	1 390	700	4	28	114	191	145	218
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....								
	85	35	—	1	4	6	11	13
<b>FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	10 229	5 068	55	262	819	948	1 142	1 842
acres..	1 482 680	1 093 801	13 574	52 650	201 479	243 562	289 113	293 423
Partnership .....	994	620	7	26	93	139	158	197
acres..	336 763	281 120	2 822	6 758	56 215	71 462	78 418	65 445
Corporation:								
Family held .....	706	480	2	35	98	138	113	94
acres..	292 251	250 529	(D)	(D)	33 131	80 540	68 230	54 556
More than 10 stockholders .....	13	12	—	—	3	2	3	4
10 or less stockholders .....	693	468	2	35	95	136	110	90
Other than family held .....	65	27	—	2	8	11	5	1
acres..	8 802	4 612	—	(D)	970	1 966	581	(D)
More than 10 stockholders .....	7	5	—	—	1	3	1	—
10 or less stockholders .....	58	22	—	2	7	8	4	1
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. .... farms..								
acres..	90	40	1	4	12	12	6	5
	34 379	26 397	(D)	4 492	11 372	5 020	3 361	(D)

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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>TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR</b>							
All operators .....	5 849	31	321	1 139	1 779	1 505	1 074
Full owners .....	4 237	8	141	684	1 282	1 197	925
Part owners .....	1 070	7	75	282	377	225	104
Tenants .....	542	16	105	173	120	83	45
White .....	5 703	30	315	1 123	1 727	1 467	1 041
Full owners .....	4 134	7	140	669	1 247	1 172	899
Part owners .....	1 034	7	71	281	362	215	98
Tenants .....	535	16	104	173	118	80	44
Black and other races .....	146	1	6	16	52	38	33
Full owners .....	103	1	1	15	35	25	26
Part owners .....	36	—	4	1	15	10	6
Tenants .....	7	—	1	—	2	3	1
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND</b>							
Land owned..... farms..	5 322	16	217	968	1 661	1 427	1 033
acres..	430 631	697	11 454	59 033	136 758	117 989	104 700
Owned land in farms .....	5 307	15	216	966	1 659	1 422	1 029
acres..	371 954	655	10 682	51 828	120 168	102 398	86 223
Land rented or leased from others .....	1 627	23	181	456	502	313	152
acres..	130 206	1 159	12 983	36 073	38 763	27 314	13 914
landlords..	3 304	50	393	929	1 005	637	290
Rented or leased land in farms .....	1 612	23	180	455	497	308	149
acres..	126 462	1 125	12 362	35 858	37 790	25 566	13 761
Land rented or leased to others .....	969	4	32	138	278	263	254
acres..	62 421	76	1 393	7 420	17 563	17 339	18 630
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated .....	4 305	16	207	870	1 360	1 109	743
Not on farm operated .....	1 140	15	97	212	298	282	236
Not reported .....	404	—	17	57	121	114	95
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other .....	5 849	31	321	1 139	1 779	1 505	1 074
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None .....	859	2	12	66	110	170	499
Any .....	4 990	29	309	1 073	1 669	1 335	575
1 to 99 days .....	287	2	11	36	65	78	95
100 to 199 days .....	751	9	36	135	220	235	116
200 days or more .....	3 952	18	262	902	1 384	1 022	364
Not reported .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less .....	297	8	70	89	68	52	10
3 or 4 years .....	419	7	53	138	146	61	14
5 to 9 years .....	850	2	93	282	252	160	61
10 years or more .....	3 355	—	53	497	1 070	985	750
Average years on present farm .....	16.8	2.5	5.8	10.3	14.6	19.2	28.6
Not reported .....	928	14	52	133	243	247	239
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years .....	31	31	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years .....	321	—	321	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years .....	1 139	—	—	1 139	—	—	—
45 to 49 years .....	804	—	—	—	804	—	—
50 to 54 years .....	975	—	—	—	975	—	—
55 to 59 years .....	883	—	—	—	—	883	—
60 to 64 years .....	622	—	—	—	—	622	—
65 to 69 years .....	432	—	—	—	—	—	432
70 years and over .....	642	—	—	—	—	—	642
Average age .....	53.2	21.2	30.9	39.9	49.7	58.9	72.4
Operators by sex:							
Male .....	5 159	31	294	986	1 586	1 343	919
Female .....	690	—	27	153	193	162	155
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....							
	50	1	3	7	17	10	12
<b>FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	5 161	27	284	981	1 596	1 351	922
acres..	388 879	1 719	17 708	69 234	123 880	103 051	73 287
Partnership .....	374	2	27	75	95	85	90
acres..	55 643	(D)	(D)	9 702	15 585	13 218	13 797
Corporation:							
Family held .....	226	2	7	64	57	49	47
acres..	41 722	(D)	(D)	7 657	15 172	7 693	9 799
More than 10 stockholders .....	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
10 or less stockholders .....	225	2	7	64	56	49	47
Other than family held .....	38	—	1	10	12	9	6
acres..	4 190	—	(D)	(D)	1 419	1 274	750
More than 10 stockholders .....	2	—	—	—	—	—	2
10 or less stockholders .....	36	—	1	10	12	9	4
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. .... farms..	50	—	2	9	19	11	9
acres..	7 982	—	(D)	(D)	1 902	2 728	2 351

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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.. 4 111	2 438	33	153	418	445	540	849
	number.. 136 747	113 599	1 019	7 021	23 315	21 266	26 946	34 032
	\$1,000.. 57 115	46 858	417	2 738	9 533	8 423	10 336	15 411
Calves	farms.. 2 434	1 562	20	106	287	309	349	491
	number.. 55 095	46 849	332	2 539	10 072	10 372	12 459	11 075
	\$1,000.. 10 349	8 322	34	341	1 884	2 019	1 921	2 122
Cattle	farms.. 3 235	1 953	27	126	332	366	430	672
	number.. 81 652	66 750	687	4 482	13 243	10 894	14 487	22 957
	\$1,000.. 46 766	38 536	383	2 397	7 649	6 404	8 415	13 288
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 789	406	3	21	48	70	94	170
	number.. 13 951	10 538	300	1 006	1 512	1 721	3 151	2 848
	\$1,000.. 9 859	7 476	180	585	1 117	1 213	2 309	2 073
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 584	356	7	39	79	60	81	90
	number.. 80 850	69 911	3 410	10 218	17 652	17 108	14 944	6 579
Farms with—								
1 to 24	354	175	2	17	31	23	42	60
25 to 49	41	29	—	3	13	2	3	8
50 to 99	57	40	—	4	8	9	12	7
100 to 199	57	48	2	4	12	12	11	7
200 to 499	35	29	2	6	7	5	5	4
500 or more	40	35	1	5	8	9	8	4
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 302	211	4	20	47	40	47	53
	number.. 10 533	9 571	(D)	1 659	1 969	3 010	1 679	(D)
Other	farms.. 547	333	7	38	72	57	75	84
	number.. 70 317	60 340	(D)	8 559	15 683	14 098	13 265	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 495	315	7	34	74	59	72	69
	number.. 149 472	128 373	(D)	21 131	36 895	30 732	19 655	(D)
	\$1,000.. 14 025	12 603	(D)	(D)	3 519	2 903	2 251	1 237
Feeder pigs	farms.. 89	51	2	3	9	17	10	10
	number.. 34 770	30 460	(D)	(D)	9 026	10 440	1 370	7 095
	\$1,000.. 1 325	1 158	(D)	(D)	413	384	51	227
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 315	217	4	20	48	43	48	54
	number.. 15 039	13 477	(D)	2 577	3 207	3 517	2 164	(D)
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 275	196	4	15	41	40	47	49
	number.. 7 127	6 315	(D)	1 116	1 536	1 591	1 039	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 263	182	4	19	37	39	43	40
	number.. 7 912	7 162	(D)	1 461	1 671	1 926	1 125	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 616	225	—	11	36	44	62	72
	number.. 21 985	12 176	—	167	1 233	4 494	3 916	2 366
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 496	182	—	8	26	38	50	60
	number.. 10 145	4 763	—	110	602	963	1 496	1 592
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 497	180	—	5	24	35	53	63
	number.. 14 667	7 680	—	88	913	1 877	2 990	1 812
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 457	172	—	9	22	29	49	63
	number.. 14 323	7 570	—	133	697	2 935	1 992	1 813
	pounds of wool.. 97 097	50 809	—	770	4 675	19 873	13 566	11 925
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 2 572	1 024	7	56	191	262	239	269
	number.. 22 533	11 006	26	550	2 161	3 342	2 270	2 652
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 639	277	2	7	63	91	61	53
	number.. 2 518	1 377	(D)	(D)	314	438	307	282
Goats inventory	farms.. 558	191	2	6	54	40	51	38
	number.. 5 311	2 033	(D)	(D)	633	545	540	282
Goats sold	farms.. 178	69	1	5	18	17	14	14
	number.. 2 216	963	(D)	110	240	253	273	(D)
<b>POULTRY</b>								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 637	341	3	19	73	85	73	88
	number.. 4 639 682	4 408 998	63	214 925	(D)	2 143 928	318 134	(D)
Farms with—								
1 to 399	567	284	3	15	60	63	58	85
400 to 3,199	8	5	—	—	1	2	2	—
3,200 to 9,999	19	17	—	—	4	8	4	—
10,000 to 19,999	20	15	—	—	3	6	5	—
20,000 to 49,999	6	4	—	—	1	3	2	—
50,000 to 99,999	8	7	—	—	1	2	1	—
100,000 or more	9	9	—	—	3	4	1	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 618	327	3	16	70	84	67	87
	number.. 4 120 639	3 890 819	63	(D)	1 049 345	1 979 159	255 702	(D)
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 96	57	—	5	10	12	14	16
	number.. 519 043	518 179	—	(D)	(D)	164 769	62 432	532
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 160	108	—	10	18	34	27	19
	number.. 3 751 337	3 093 629	—	(D)	538 901	1 423 854	550 194	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 997	712	8	36	167	173	164	164
	number.. 256 926 521	194 549 219	1 918 200	10 193 973	49 820 246	51 639 031	47 188 534	33 789 235
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	36	15	—	2	4	5	1	3
2,000 to 59,999	81	47	2	1	16	8	5	15
60,000 to 99,999	96	70	—	2	21	13	9	25
100,000 or more	784	580	6	31	126	147	149	121
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 42	15	—	1	6	2	4	2
	number.. 1 814	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	30	(D)
Turkeys sold	farms.. 49	28	—	2	7	7	7	5
	number.. 750 971	750 104	—	(D)	460 653	2 965	(D)	(D)

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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..	1 673	9	104	329	496	459	276
	number..	23 148	161	1 682	4 954	7 064	5 761	3 526
	\$1,000..	10 257	68	767	2 040	3 146	2 613	1 623
Calves .....	farms..	872	6	58	176	249	237	146
	number..	8 246	73	484	2 034	2 263	2 071	1 321
	\$1,000..	2 028	21	139	457	584	514	314
Cattle .....	farms..	1 282	6	83	246	393	351	203
	number..	14 902	88	1 198	2 920	4 801	3 690	2 205
	\$1,000..	8 230	48	628	1 583	2 563	2 099	1 308
Fattened on grain and concentrates .....	farms..	383	2	22	107	113	95	44
	number..	3 413	(D)	(D)	982	957	724	425
	\$1,000..	2 382	(D)	(D)	580	721	520	337
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	farms..	228	2	22	74	66	46	18
	number..	10 939	(D)	503	1 554	7 257	1 187	(D)
Farms with—								
1 to 24 .....		179	1	19	61	46	36	16
25 to 49 .....		12	—	—	5	—	5	—
50 to 99 .....		17	1	—	6	8	1	1
100 to 199 .....		9	—	3	1	—	2	—
200 to 499 .....		6	—	—	1	2	2	1
500 or more .....		5	—	—	—	5	—	—
Used or to be used for breeding .....	farms..	91	1	10	32	23	17	8
	number..	962	(D)	87	270	437	92	(D)
Other .....	farms..	214	2	21	68	62	44	17
	number..	9 977	(D)	416	1 284	6 820	1 095	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold .....	farms..	180	1	17	65	56	30	11
	number..	21 099	(D)	(D)	3 401	15 225	1 272	631
	\$1,000..	1 422	(D)	(D)	259	915	138	59
Feeder pigs .....	farms..	38	1	3	13	11	5	5
	number..	4 310	(D)	(D)	1 918	1 642	256	(D)
	\$1,000..	167	(D)	(D)	74	59	12	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30 .....	farms..	98	1	10	35	24	18	10
	number..	1 562	(D)	(D)	388	873	130	78
Dec. 1 and May 31 .....	farms..	79	1	5	32	20	16	5
	number..	812	(D)	(D)	208	471	71	31
June 1 and Nov. 30 .....	farms..	81	1	10	26	20	16	8
	number..	750	(D)	(D)	180	402	59	47
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory .....	farms..	391	—	22	94	123	102	50
	number..	9 809	—	437	1 453	3 235	3 170	1 514
Ewes 1 year old or older .....	farms..	314	—	20	68	101	86	39
	number..	5 382	—	228	689	1 825	1 765	875
Sheep and lambs sold .....	farms..	317	—	16	69	104	88	40
	number..	6 987	—	199	980	2 216	2 469	1 123
Sheep and lambs shorn .....	farms..	285	—	14	60	91	80	40
	number..	6 753	—	248	857	2 284	2 070	1 294
	pounds of wool..	46 288	—	1 963	5 469	16 002	12 977	9 877
Horses and ponies inventory .....	farms..	1 548	6	79	315	546	376	226
	number..	11 527	51	322	1 766	4 389	3 107	1 892
Horses and ponies sold .....	farms..	362	1	17	83	130	97	34
	number..	1 141	(D)	(D)	206	516	283	81
Goats inventory .....	farms..	367	3	26	99	126	86	27
	number..	3 278	(D)	(D)	821	1 150	885	254
Goats sold .....	farms..	109	1	10	29	37	28	4
	number..	1 253	(D)	80	271	551	305	(D)
<b>POULTRY</b>								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	farms..	296	4	22	72	94	67	37
	number..	230 684	116	(D)	(D)	161 749	2 198	(D)
Farms with—								
1 to 399 .....		283	4	21	71	85	66	36
400 to 3,199 .....		3	—	—	—	2	1	—
3,200 to 9,999 .....		2	—	—	—	2	—	—
10,000 to 19,999 .....		5	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999 .....		2	—	1	1	3	—	—
50,000 to 99,999 .....		1	—	—	—	1	—	—
100,000 or more .....		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older .....	farms..	291	4	22	71	94	64	36
	number..	229 820	116	(D)	(D)	161 492	1 922	(D)
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old .....	farms..	39	—	4	8	13	7	7
	number..	864	—	47	162	257	276	122
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text) .....	farms..	52	1	3	12	19	15	2
	number..	657 708	(D)	52 000	(D)	230 712	(D)	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	farms..	285	2	21	58	78	74	52
	number..	62 377 302	(D)	(D)	11 746 479	16 826 612	21 336 828	8 191 469
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999 .....		21	1	2	5	9	3	1
2,000 to 59,999 .....		34	—	3	4	8	7	12
60,000 to 99,999 .....		26	—	—	7	5	8	6
100,000 or more .....		204	1	16	42	56	56	33
Turkey hens kept for breeding .....	farms..	27	—	2	8	6	5	6
	number..	(D)	—	(D)	31	37	20	28
Turkeys sold .....	farms..	21	—	2	5	7	5	2
	number..	867	—	(D)	43	498	83	(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.. 3 554	2 456	36	153	452	499	562	754
	acres.. 405 451	356 912	4 467	15 213	68 798	98 518	95 475	74 441
	bushels.. 36 823 284	32 719 524	410 184	1 400 525	6 403 876	9 032 471	8 858 624	6 613 844
Irrigated	farms.. 168	141	3	4	35	37	34	28
	acres.. 19 763	17 577	104	480	4 505	4 794	4 536	3 158
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	1 331	715	7	53	115	112	143	285
25 to 99 acres	1 184	836	16	52	158	154	169	287
100 to 249 acres	609	502	7	28	94	126	136	111
250 to 499 acres	248	229	5	15	56	51	62	40
500 acres or more	182	174	1	5	29	56	52	31
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 1 404	1 169	21	100	274	250	252	272
	acres.. 93 117	87 279	1 299	6 147	21 221	19 227	23 041	16 344
	tons, green.. 865 641	811 261	11 653	59 516	189 261	179 705	217 174	153 952
Irrigated	farms.. 21	20	—	—	4	6	6	4
	acres.. 1 547	(D)	—	—	125	271	(D)	82
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	499	329	3	27	57	68	57	117
25 to 99 acres	619	565	16	54	150	114	124	107
100 to 249 acres	230	220	2	17	54	52	57	38
250 to 499 acres	47	46	—	2	11	14	11	8
500 acres or more	9	9	—	—	2	2	3	2
Wheat for grain	farms.. 2 339	1 792	25	105	346	404	409	503
	acres.. 199 351	173 492	2 390	9 022	33 979	48 350	44 194	35 557
	bushels.. 12 711 370	11 170 130	140 270	575 800	2 249 690	3 201 963	2 710 975	2 291 432
Irrigated	farms.. 59	49	1	3	12	11	12	10
	acres.. 4 575	3 890	(D)	(D)	896	1 242	794	778
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	815	545	6	34	95	107	95	208
25 to 99 acres	932	723	13	41	139	161	166	203
100 to 249 acres	386	333	3	22	77	73	100	58
250 to 499 acres	152	140	2	7	25	46	37	23
500 acres or more	54	51	1	1	10	17	11	11
Barley for grain	farms.. 972	835	20	57	173	194	195	196
	acres.. 47 405	42 501	815	1 666	8 194	10 551	12 134	9 141
	bushels.. 3 489 722	3 142 967	54 298	114 987	637 487	820 666	889 584	625 945
Irrigated	farms.. 23	18	—	1	6	2	4	5
	acres.. 1 676	1 474	—	(D)	350	(D)	334	700
Oats for grain	farms.. 460	326	4	22	50	63	79	108
	acres.. 5 611	4 390	38	173	595	812	1 331	1 441
	bushels.. 302 370	240 643	2 460	9 563	31 538	48 695	72 534	75 853
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	farms.. 711	413	4	31	64	62	97	155
	acres.. 7 939	6 030	(D)	(D)	980	1 333	1 351	2 101
	pounds.. 11 987 083	9 400 016	(D)	(D)	1 530 263	1 956 258	2 056 876	3 420 405
Irrigated	farms.. 89	66	—	10	22	6	11	17
	acres.. 1 168	1 020	—	60	308	117	192	344
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres	21	13	2	—	2	1	5	3
1.0 to 1.9 acres	54	19	—	1	2	—	6	10
2.0 to 2.9 acres	76	31	—	1	4	4	5	17
3.0 to 4.9 acres	123	49	—	6	8	5	9	21
5.0 to 9.9 acres	203	127	—	18	13	17	22	57
10.0 to 24.9 acres	179	125	2	5	25	20	35	38
25.0 acres or more	55	49	—	—	10	15	15	9
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 3 226	2 252	37	128	423	479	534	651
	acres.. 509 683	442 415	5 452	20 939	85 668	119 019	124 265	87 072
	bushels.. 15 171 466	13 253 145	162 447	611 079	2 563 514	3 564 190	3 662 801	2 689 114
Irrigated	farms.. 154	126	5	8	34	23	30	26
	acres.. 16 841	14 814	224	719	3 967	2 770	3 692	3 442
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	784	407	6	25	72	67	73	164
25 to 99 acres	1 238	805	16	41	141	160	168	279
100 to 249 acres	632	514	8	35	111	106	133	121
250 to 499 acres	302	274	4	15	48	70	87	50
500 acres or more	270	252	3	12	51	76	73	37
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 126	90	—	4	22	22	17	25
	acres.. 2 219	2 130	—	(D)	244	1 429	(D)	231
	cwt.. 523 810	514 550	—	(D)	37 299	372 974	(D)	34 756
Irrigated	farms.. 28	25	—	1	9	6	6	3
	acres.. 1 112	1 110	—	(D)	224	614	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	108	75	—	4	17	16	16	22
5.0 to 24.9 acres	5	3	—	—	1	1	—	1
25.0 to 99.9 acres	6	5	—	—	4	—	—	1
100.0 to 249.9 acres	4	4	—	—	—	2	1	1
250.0 acres or more	3	3	—	—	—	3	—	—

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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>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED</b>								
Corn for grain or seed .....	farms..	1 098	9	69	258	299	267	196
	acres..	48 539	257	2 044	10 479	14 548	11 191	10 020
	bushels..	4 103 760	15 897	169 964	889 190	1 299 861	891 767	837 081
Irrigated .....	farms..	27	—	3	4	9	4	7
	acres..	2 186	—	(D)	175	1 083	(D)	487
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres .....		616	6	43	145	169	150	103
25 to 99 acres .....		348	2	19	86	87	91	63
100 to 249 acres .....		107	1	7	22	33	21	23
250 to 499 acres .....		19	—	—	3	7	3	6
500 acres or more .....		8	—	—	2	3	2	1
Corn for silage or green chop .....	farms..	235	2	12	49	75	62	35
	acres..	5 838	(D)	(D)	857	1 558	1 779	901
	tons, green..	54 380	(D)	(D)	8 556	15 095	16 246	9 358
Irrigated .....	farms..	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
	acres..	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres .....		170	1	5	40	56	43	25
25 to 99 acres .....		54	1	4	7	18	17	7
100 to 249 acres .....		10	—	3	2	1	1	3
250 to 499 acres .....		1	—	—	—	—	1	—
500 acres or more .....		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wheat for grain .....	farms..	547	4	28	147	152	132	84
	acres..	25 859	66	1 108	5 666	7 532	6 700	4 787
	bushels..	1 541 240	2 752	65 118	345 881	442 116	411 644	273 729
Irrigated .....	farms..	10	—	—	4	1	1	4
	acres..	685	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	585
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres .....		270	4	14	72	84	63	33
25 to 99 acres .....		209	—	12	62	47	52	36
100 to 249 acres .....		53	—	2	12	15	13	11
250 to 499 acres .....		12	—	—	1	5	2	4
500 acres or more .....		3	—	—	—	1	2	—
Barley for grain .....	farms..	137	—	10	42	30	35	20
	acres..	4 904	—	346	850	1 471	1 237	1 000
	bushels..	346 755	—	25 667	53 957	114 065	87 925	65 141
Irrigated .....	farms..	5	—	—	1	1	—	3
	acres..	202	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
Oats for grain .....	farms..	134	—	4	41	43	34	12
	acres..	1 221	—	32	439	279	360	111
	bushels..	61 727	—	1 420	22 146	14 902	17 883	5 376
Irrigated .....	farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco .....	farms..	298	9	44	73	76	64	32
	acres..	1 909	21	345	344	675	317	208
	pounds..	2 587 067	25 592	506 497	457 133	871 475	451 838	274 532
Irrigated .....	farms..	23	—	6	5	8	3	1
	acres..	148	—	38	(D)	59	26	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres .....		8	1	2	1	3	—	1
1.0 to 1.9 acres .....		35	2	3	14	7	7	2
2.0 to 2.9 acres .....		45	4	6	11	7	13	4
3.0 to 4.9 acres .....		74	1	7	17	18	20	11
5.0 to 9.9 acres .....		76	1	12	22	19	15	7
10.0 to 24.9 acres .....		54	—	12	8	18	9	7
25.0 acres or more .....		6	—	2	—	4	—	—
Soybeans for beans .....	farms..	974	5	59	220	266	233	191
	acres..	67 268	72	3 135	15 776	20 587	14 172	13 526
	bushels..	1 918 321	1 816	83 590	451 535	632 370	373 952	375 058
Irrigated .....	farms..	28	1	1	9	7	3	7
	acres..	2 027	(D)	(D)	214	197	(D)	1 498
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres .....		377	4	26	79	90	101	77
25 to 99 acres .....		433	1	26	101	122	101	82
100 to 249 acres .....		118	—	6	29	37	24	22
250 to 499 acres .....		28	—	1	9	9	2	7
500 acres or more .....		18	—	—	2	8	5	3
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes .....	farms..	36	—	1	9	16	8	2
	acres..	90	—	(D)	5	76	7	(D)
	cwt..	9 260	—	(D)	845	7 396	929	(D)
Irrigated .....	farms..	3	—	—	1	—	2	—
	acres..	2	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	—
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres .....		33	—	1	9	13	8	2
5.0 to 24.9 acres .....		2	—	—	—	2	—	—
25.0 to 99.9 acres .....		1	—	—	—	1	—	—
100.0 to 249.9 acres .....		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
250.0 acres or more .....		—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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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>									
<b>Con.</b>									
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . .	farms . . . . .	5 223	2 879	30	154	474	541	653	1 027
	acres . . . . .	223 014	160 361	1 442	10 047	32 119	34 749	38 786	43 218
	tons, dry . . . . .	450 781	342 079	2 735	20 696	69 630	78 254	86 404	84 360
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . . . .	46	28	—	2	10	5	6	5
	acres . . . . .	1 357	1 059	—	(D)	(D)	318	506	124
Farms by acres harvested:									
	1 to 24 acres . . . . .	2 570	1 042	9	52	122	169	238	452
	25 to 99 acres . . . . .	2 098	1 374	17	71	247	264	298	477
	100 to 249 acres . . . . .	486	401	4	25	95	92	94	91
	250 to 499 acres . . . . .	61	54	—	3	10	13	21	7
	500 acres or more . . . . .	8	8	—	3	—	3	2	—
Alfalfa hay . . . . .	farms . . . . .	1 956	1 321	17	74	261	264	317	388
	acres . . . . .	54 137	42 706	387	2 095	8 441	9 807	11 714	10 262
	tons, dry . . . . .	138 627	111 305	546	4 485	20 968	27 948	31 548	25 810
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . . . .	26	19	—	1	6	4	6	2
	acres . . . . .	672	530	—	(D)	88	238	171	(D)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) . . . .	farms . . . . .	951	632	10	25	143	139	128	187
	acres . . . . .	35 958	31 404	312	1 064	7 466	8 659	7 117	6 787
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . . . .	403	299	7	17	90	67	56	62
	acres . . . . .	21 435	19 061	250	915	6 346	3 818	4 868	2 864
Farms by acres harvested:									
	0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	397	211	3	8	49	35	35	81
	5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	321	220	2	8	44	50	47	69
	25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	139	114	4	4	28	33	23	22
	100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	67	62	1	5	17	12	16	11
	250.0 acres or more . . . . .	27	25	—	—	5	9	7	4
Green peas, excluding green cowpeas, harvested for sale . . . . .	farms . . . . .	85	72	—	5	23	12	17	15
	acres . . . . .	3 130	3 090	—	(D)	646	(D)	855	1 168
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . . . .	43	40	—	3	16	6	7	8
	acres . . . . .	2 155	(D)	—	(D)	640	331	750	320
Sweet corn harvested for sale . . . . .	farms . . . . .	550	365	5	16	87	84	81	92
	acres . . . . .	11 332	9 902	102	642	2 495	2 605	2 373	1 685
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . . . .	192	150	2	10	50	30	35	23
	acres . . . . .	7 324	6 761	(D)	(D)	2 029	1 337	1 749	1 016
Land in orchards . . . . .	farms . . . . .	422	200	1	6	28	56	35	74
	acres . . . . .	5 251	4 153	(D)	(D)	812	1 224	1 064	792
Irrigated . . . . .	farms . . . . .	50	34	1	1	6	12	8	6
	acres . . . . .	514	448	(D)	(D)	59	73	268	(D)
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:									
	0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	264	100	—	4	12	22	12	50
	5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	119	64	—	1	8	22	15	18
	25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	27	25	—	—	7	10	5	3
	100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	8	8	1	1	—	1	2	3
	250.0 acres or more . . . . .	4	3	—	—	1	1	1	—
Apples . . . . .	farms . . . . .	310	159	1	4	22	45	32	55
	Bearing and nonbearing . . . . .	3 221	2 668	(D)	(D)	467	809	559	625
	pounds . . . . .	45 755 344	43 241 961	(D)	(D)	6 425 831	12 343 797	8 262 446	9 434 243

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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>SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—</b>							
<b>Con.</b>							
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . .							
farms . . .	2 344	11	117	455	720	637	404
acres . . .	62 653	437	4 432	11 659	18 885	17 621	9 619
tons, dry . . .	108 702	792	7 668	19 714	35 030	30 114	15 384
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	18	—	2	3	5	7	1
acres . . .	298	—	(D)	26	66	195	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres . . . . .	1 528	7	67	294	452	423	285
25 to 99 acres . . . . .	724	3	40	146	239	189	107
100 to 249 acres . . . . .	85	1	7	14	29	23	11
250 to 499 acres . . . . .	7	—	3	1	—	2	1
500 acres or more . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alfalfa hay . . . . . farms . . .	635	2	28	118	219	180	88
acres . . .	11 431	(D)	(D)	2 012	3 420	3 443	2 033
tons, dry . . .	27 322	(D)	(D)	4 520	7 637	9 181	4 655
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	7	—	2	—	—	4	1
acres . . .	142	—	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) . . . . . farms . . .	319	5	31	74	91	76	42
acres . . .	4 554	23	504	708	1 195	1 166	958
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	104	4	12	24	26	28	10
acres . . .	2 374	(D)	408	183	438	646	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	186	4	17	43	57	47	18
5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	101	1	10	24	21	25	20
25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	25	—	3	7	11	1	3
100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	5	—	1	—	2	2	—
250.0 acres or more . . . . .	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
Green peas, excluding green cowpeas, harvested for sale . . . . . farms . . .	13	—	—	5	4	3	1
acres . . .	40	—	—	(D)	1	7	(D)
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	3	—	—	1	—	2	—
acres . . .	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	—
Sweet corn harvested for sale . . . . . farms . . .	185	2	16	42	54	46	25
acres . . .	1 430	(D)	(D)	275	562	229	319
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	42	1	2	7	13	15	4
acres . . .	562	(D)	(D)	45	268	58	(D)
Land in orchards . . . . . farms . . .	222	—	4	21	80	60	57
acres . . .	1 098	—	19	77	286	234	482
Irrigated . . . . . farms . . .	16	—	—	1	6	6	3
acres . . .	66	—	—	(D)	8	38	(D)
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres . . . . .	164	—	2	16	58	44	44
5.0 to 24.9 acres . . . . .	55	—	2	5	22	14	12
25.0 to 99.9 acres . . . . .	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
100.0 to 249.9 acres . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
250.0 acres or more . . . . .	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Apples . . . . . farms . . .	151	—	2	14	57	41	37
Bearing and nonbearing . . . . .	553	—	(D)	(D)	117	102	311
pounds . . .	2 513 383	—	(D)	142 257	(D)	43 045	(D)

<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.