

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	46 027	41	300	1 597	4 991
number..					
percent..	100.0	.1	.7	3.5	10.8
Land in farms	9 872 812	81 791	510 671	2 067 165	4 371 373
acres..					
Average size of farm	215	1 995	1 702	1 294	876
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	46 040	41	300	1 597	4 636
farms..					
\$1,000..	16 489 949	201 676	959 352	3 392 933	6 607 942
Average per farm	358 166	4 918 939	3 197 840	2 124 567	1 425 354
dollars..					
Average per acre	1 671	2 466	1 879	1 641	1 577
dollars..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	3 055 199	55 582	212 623	667 228	1 339 296
\$1,000..					
percent..	100.0	1.8	7.0	21.8	43.8
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	7 891 802	70 778	461 620	1 877 985	3 913 953
acres..					
Harvested cropland	6 724 480	64 561	432 754	1 793 876	3 713 425
acres..					
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	669 234	1 110	10 962	37 702	109 065
acres..					
Market value of agricultural products sold	3 567 825	358 695	892 416	1 784 000	2 676 019
\$1,000..					
Average per farm	77 516	8 748 658	2 974 721	1 117 094	536 169
dollars..					
Grains	19 502	15	163	1 090	3 533
farms..					
\$1,000..	1 033 206	4 714	65 626	323 210	661 970
farms..					
Cotton and cottonseed	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..					
Tobacco	3	—	—	—	—
farms..					
\$1,000..	34	—	—	—	—
farms..					
Hay, silage, and field seeds	10 938	2	33	240	756
\$1,000..	83 225	(D)	4 669	13 773	25 231
farms..					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	2 494	3	43	246	578
farms..					
\$1,000..	183 645	13 898	50 171	116 447	151 510
farms..					
Fruits, nuts, and berries	3 027	2	25	153	489
\$1,000..	231 595	(D)	35 918	93 866	160 780
farms..					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3 548	14	77	231	507
\$1,000..	478 448	145 648	263 159	355 187	415 715
farms..					
Other crops	1 725	5	52	287	778
\$1,000..	189 569	16 677	63 597	124 062	170 392
farms..					
Poultry and poultry products	1 442	9	38	71	99
farms..					
\$1,000..	169 053	92 964	145 016	162 484	165 494
farms..					
Dairy products	3 696	3	46	442	1 567
\$1,000..	645 713	19 418	93 932	294 281	523 530
farms..					
Cattle and calves	14 293	7	89	627	2 171
\$1,000..	276 971	29 534	82 327	131 032	184 814
farms..					
Hogs and pigs	2 690	4	50	208	504
\$1,000..	228 488	23 096	79 558	157 281	197 601
farms..					
Sheep, lambs, and wool	1 543	—	1	13	50
\$1,000..	5 911	—	(D)	1 659	2 036
farms..					
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	3 625	—	6	20	88
\$1,000..	41 968	—	(D)	10 719	16 949
farms..					
Total farm production expenses ¹	46 040	41	300	1 597	4 636
farms..					
\$1,000..	2 835 658	293 861	711 010	1 383 235	1 998 379
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	11 086	20	142	646	1 634
farms..					
\$1,000..	175 474	24 997	68 579	109 819	133 883
farms..					
Feed for livestock and poultry	17 888	20	154	808	2 344
farms..					
\$1,000..	414 770	79 479	166 112	264 662	336 242
farms..					
Commercial fertilizer	29 576	30	260	1 501	4 413
farms..					
\$1,000..	244 613	4 659	25 400	82 836	152 225
farms..					
Agricultural chemicals	26 238	28	243	1 353	3 983
farms..					
\$1,000..	182 494	5 124	22 941	66 178	114 657
farms..					
Petroleum products	42 348	41	298	1 591	4 614
farms..					
\$1,000..	142 449	6 981	21 789	53 306	87 364
farms..					
Electricity	31 396	41	297	1 573	4 513
farms..					
\$1,000..	53 192	3 774	10 327	22 083	33 904
farms..					
Hired farm labor	14 481	40	291	1 504	3 828
farms..					
\$1,000..	369 145	62 581	143 316	249 459	322 046
farms..					
Interest	18 209	38	280	1 490	4 029
farms..					
\$1,000..	189 849	9 548	31 270	77 851	125 075
farms..					
Payments from government programs	18 851	13	169	1 096	3 493
farms..					
\$1,000..	92 806	705	5 702	23 683	49 347
farms..					
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	15 468	6	87	624	2 157
farms..					
number..	1 025 702	30 527	119 522	317 459	587 169
Milk cows	3 990	3	46	441	1 546
farms..					
number..	300 641	7 365	35 712	115 880	223 697
Hogs and pigs	2 853	4	49	204	491
farms..					
number..	1 032 014	62 910	275 611	649 043	852 548
farms..					

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

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