

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	68 346	(X)	72 449	82 192
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	306 292	298 913	249 831
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	4 481	4 126	3 040
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	60 387	(X)	65 296	74 772
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	72 404	81 535	87 906
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 199	1 249	1 176
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	25 372	5 990	23 471	26 127
\$500 to \$999	13 045	8 808	15 485	18 803
\$1,000 to \$1,999	11 162	14 775	13 629	16 771
\$2,000 to \$4,999	8 678	24 276	10 429	11 083
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 637	10 191	1 783	1 614
\$10,000 to \$24,999	430	5 755	454	343
\$25,000 or more	63	2 609	45	31
Diesel fuel farms..	52 390	(X)	55 477	59 232
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	136 095	127 757	110 429
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 598	2 303	1 864
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	13 872	3 215	14 020	15 433
\$500 to \$999	8 476	5 811	9 576	11 830
\$1,000 to \$1,999	9 754	13 343	11 302	13 539
\$2,000 to \$4,999	12 748	38 720	13 885	13 578
\$5,000 to \$9,999	5 116	33 849	4 874	3 888
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2 114	28 442	1 634	887
\$25,000 or more	310	12 714	186	77
Natural gas farms..	3 032	(X)	3 439	3 577
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	9 609	9 123	5 728
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	3 169	2 653	1 601
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	159	6	109	203
\$100 to \$499	616	168	665	1 027
\$500 to \$999	660	453	655	853
\$1,000 to \$1,999	579	752	787	851
\$2,000 to \$4,999	677	1 940	774	466
\$5,000 to \$9,999	187	1 224	301	117
\$10,000 or more	154	5 067	148	60
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	56 936	(X)	62 275	69 085
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	88 184	80 498	45 768
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 549	1 293	662
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	11 661	571	13 155	16 215
\$100 to \$499	19 540	4 506	21 506	29 154
\$500 to \$999	7 492	5 021	8 275	10 689
\$1,000 to \$1,999	7 383	9 892	7 625	7 694
\$2,000 to \$4,999	7 456	22 158	8 228	4 428
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 502	16 173	2 668	689
\$10,000 or more	902	29 863	818	216

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..	53 032	58 908	68 623
Commercial fertilizer farms..	48 605	54 458	62 703
acres on which used	12 717 478	12 647 349	11 815 747
Average per farm \$1,000..	491 584	405 097	328 661
Agricultural chemicals farms..	44 527	51 053	62 830
Average per farm \$1,000..	406 227	301 155	218 630
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	9 839	12 005	16 629
acres on which used	1 481 648	1 896 881	2 145 938
Nematodes in crops farms..	806	1 150	1 656
acres on which used	111 460	164 923	175 051
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	2 346	2 202	2 452
acres on which used	626 566	560 511	473 244
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	38 120	43 792	53 496
acres on which used	13 192 036	13 156 844	11 714 916
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	1 077	1 165	1 503
acres on which used	231 934	190 681	208 562

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