

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 number..	73 367	97	878	4 750	13 733
..... percent..	100.0	.1	1.2	6.5	18.7
Land in farms acres..	25 994 621	109 768	1 335 256	6 291 792	12 890 899
Average size of farm acres..	354	1 132	1 521	1 325	939
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ farms..	73 375	97	878	4 750	13 239
..... \$1,000..	29 926 921	288 741	2 066 552	8 311 383	15 622 737
Average per farm dollars..	407 863	2 976 711	2 353 704	1 749 765	1 180 054
Average per acre dollars..	1 164	2 630	1 548	1 321	1 253
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹ \$1,000..	6 208 376	70 819	343 542	1 435 185	3 091 785
..... percent..	100.0	1.1	5.5	23.1	49.8
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland acres..	21 491 743	93 420	1 237 689	5 865 378	11 877 320
Harvested cropland acres..	18 968 607	90 519	1 198 822	5 673 379	11 393 018
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured acres..	1 944 590	1 627	28 170	151 750	408 021
Market value of agricultural products sold \$1,000..	8 290 264	829 710	2 073 190	4 145 345	6 217 752
Average per farm dollars..	112 997	8 553 713	2 361 264	872 704	452 760
Grains farms..	42 216	31	556	3 958	11 968
..... \$1,000..	3 407 898	14 701	230 372	1 174 153	2 308 180
Cotton and cottonseed farms..	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco farms..	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds farms..	15 351	6	110	681	2 122
..... \$1,000..	119 207	409	5 448	18 376	39 900
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons farms..	2 999	9	123	597	1 281
..... \$1,000..	97 155	6 439	19 459	48 482	73 058
Fruits, nuts, and berries farms..	580	—	—	8	26
..... \$1,000..	8 990	—	—	1 564	3 419
Nursery and greenhouse crops farms..	1 242	4	22	88	171
..... \$1,000..	153 313	44 912	75 451	109 540	126 628
Other crops farms..	2 014	6	128	734	1 335
..... \$1,000..	414 408	21 648	123 865	309 411	387 495
Poultry and poultry products farms..	1 972	40	179	398	538
..... \$1,000..	744 210	399 481	608 215	719 944	737 666
Dairy products farms..	9 554	4	97	747	3 258
..... \$1,000..	1 093 657	(D)	93 734	307 864	695 504
Cattle and calves farms..	30 320	13	249	1 649	5 778
..... \$1,000..	742 357	44 396	167 740	318 819	477 335
Hogs and pigs farms..	7 717	44	414	1 631	3 622
..... \$1,000..	1 449 187	284 570	735 275	1 112 792	1 337 099
Sheep, lambs, and wool farms..	2 672	—	11	69	236
..... \$1,000..	16 081	—	2 832	5 540	7 263
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) farms..	3 033	3	10	61	164
..... \$1,000..	43 802	(D)	10 799	18 859	24 205
Total farm production expenses ¹ farms..	73 375	97	878	4 750	13 239
..... \$1,000..	6 362 110	633 608	1 606 339	3 134 879	4 553 027
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased farms..	22 175	85	670	2 793	6 203
..... \$1,000..	639 336	109 571	282 838	444 100	530 565
Feed for livestock and poultry farms..	35 429	82	706	3 056	8 097
..... \$1,000..	1 301 623	323 512	656 704	932 389	1 108 904
Commercial fertilizer farms..	48 605	35	606	4 185	12 216
..... \$1,000..	491 584	3 950	39 683	167 340	314 746
Agricultural chemicals farms..	44 527	36	531	3 453	10 957
..... \$1,000..	406 227	6 048	37 770	141 159	265 375
Petroleum products farms..	68 346	96	874	4 737	13 176
..... \$1,000..	306 292	19 140	47 737	111 122	186 954
Electricity farms..	58 622	96	866	4 642	12 871
..... \$1,000..	107 403	6 483	17 795	37 247	61 894
Hired farm labor farms..	27 434	90	792	3 898	9 683
..... \$1,000..	334 790	50 799	123 402	223 738	283 406
Interest farms..	42 431	89	835	4 531	11 894
..... \$1,000..	499 899	21 493	76 085	198 415	325 714
Payments from government programs farms..	46 977	51	610	3 881	11 743
..... \$1,000..	318 419	2 929	17 421	80 560	167 382
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves farms..	30 913	13	246	1 624	5 720
..... number..	2 395 456	26 978	190 008	551 484	1 153 081
Milk cows farms..	9 603	4	96	736	3 212
..... number..	541 650	(D)	36 468	128 066	306 401
Hogs and pigs farms..	7 512	44	407	1 594	3 503
..... number..	5 722 460	730 815	2 240 607	3 912 914	5 028 270

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.