

Appendix B. American Indian Farm Operators

During the 1992 and previous censuses, American Indian farm operations on reservations were enumerated at the reservation level, generally as a single unit. In the 1997 census, the historic methodology was used in conjunction with an additional procedure to count American Indian farm operators on reservations who were not counted individually.

Table A, American Indian Farm Operators: 1997, reflects the results of the methodological changes to enumerate American Indian farm and ranch operators. The table provides the total number of American Indian farm operators both on and off reservations. The "other" column provides counts of operators on reservations. The "individually reported" column provides counts of operators on or off reservations. This is the only table in the Volume 1, Geographic Area Series publication where

information for total number of American Indian farm operators is available. Other than the count of operators, information for American Indian farm operators who did not report individually was collected at or aggregated to the reservation level. Consequently, other published data treat each reservation as a single farm operation. State level data are provided in Table B, State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997. American Indian agricultural resources and production not reported by individuals are included in their respective reservation reports.

The term American Indian was used on the report form that collected the counts of on-reservation operators as well as the 1997 Census of Agriculture report form. The term American Indian represents persons who also would identify themselves as Native American or Alaskan Native.

Table A. American Indian Farm Operators: 1997

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Geographic area	American Indian farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported	Other ¹
STATE TOTAL			
Mississippi	46	45	1
COUNTIES, 1997			
Carroll	3	3	—
Chickasaw	3	3	—
All other counties.....	40	39	1

¹Data represent American Indian farm and ranch operators on reservations that did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

Table B. State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997

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Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators ¹	46	(X)	(X)
Land in farms	35 544	10 124 822	.4
Estimated market value of land and buildings ²	\$1,000.. 16 811	10 554 676	.2
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ²	\$1,000.. 1 688	1 621 991	.1
Total cropland	4 522	5 947 311	.1
Harvested cropland	1 466	4 338 710	(Z)
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	2 114	1 124 094	.2
Other cropland	942	484 507	.2
Total woodland	(D)	2 675 367	(D)
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	876	934 371	.1
Irrigated land	(D)	1 076 231	(D)
Harvested cropland	(D)	1 075 974	(D)
Pastureland and other land	-	257	-
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000.. 2 174	3 127 383	.1
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	1 291 365	(Z)
Livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	1 836 018	(D)
Total farm production expenses ²	\$1,000.. 2 197	2 458 575	.1
Cattle and calves inventory	1 115	1 127 442	.1
Beef cows	734	590 402	.1
Milk cows	-	45 540	-
Heifers and heifer calves	157	255 085	.1
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	224	236 415	.1
Cattle and calves sold	398	590 771	.1
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more	107	268 693	(Z)
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter	-	10 425	-
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds	291	322 078	.1
Sheep and lambs inventory	-	4 797	-
Ewes 1 year old or older	-	2 294	-
Sheep and lambs shorn	-	2 744	-
Sheep and lambs sold	-	3 300	-
Horses and ponies inventory	84	31 591	.3
Horses and ponies sold	14	3 950	.4
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed	-	405 393	-
Wheat for grain	(D)	155 049	(D)
Oats for grain	-	1 544	-
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	389	648 809	.1

¹ Includes operators on and off reservations.
² Data are based on a sample of farms.