

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	24 279	81	469	1 947	4 960
number ..					
percent ..	100.0	.3	1.9	8.0	20.4
Land in farms	58 607 778	2 660 246	8 127 178	20 460 509	34 227 219
acres ..					
Average size of farm	2 414	32 843	17 329	10 509	6 901
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	24 275	81	469	1 829	4 959
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	16 969 895	503 436	1 856 822	4 821 984	8 708 653
Average per farm	699 069	6 215 261	3 959 109	2 636 405	1 756 131
dollars ..					
Average per acre	294	189	228	241	258
dollars ..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	\$1,000 ..	40 259	174 365	520 497	1 017 746
percent ..	100.0	2.1	9.2	27.5	53.7
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	17 629 001	485 775	1 869 723	5 659 723	10 468 108
acres ..					
Harvested cropland	9 399 718	328 847	1 258 092	3 600 039	6 368 288
acres ..					
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	39 581 918	2 100 420	6 117 035	14 368 266	23 020 028
acres ..					
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000 ..	188 047	468 057	935 582	1 403 128
Average per farm	77 051	2 321 569	997 990	480 525	282 889
dollars ..					
Grains	9 007	54	340	1 483	3 722
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	711 744	27 355	117 710	337 706	555 751
Cotton and cottonseed	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	6 019	15	164	571	1 367
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	91 110	2 790	14 748	32 539	53 696
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	125	14	22	30	37
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	1 546	(D)	265	(D)	1 056
Fruits, nuts, and berries	192	—	—	4	8
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	1 172	—	—	(D)	167
Nursery and greenhouse crops	362	2	10	25	44
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	20 173	(D)	7 880	12 794	15 519
Other crops	610	21	112	250	414
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	78 076	1 186	32 628	58 172	72 007
Poultry and poultry products	412	26	40	52	76
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	5 638	3 931	4 448	4 473	4 881
Dairy products	210	27	52	104	152
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	36 160	7 324	16 395	28 634	34 468
Cattle and calves	14 055	73	364	1 406	3 532
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	834 544	118 333	239 219	410 631	600 530
Hogs and pigs	595	25	44	82	142
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	32 246	20 669	24 581	27 834	29 074
Sheep, lambs, and wool	2 033	10	33	161	443
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	30 919	1 131	3 927	10 853	18 857
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	2 289	19	71	193	402
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	27 403	1 698	6 256	11 067	17 123
Total farm production expenses ¹	24 274	81	469	1 829	4 959
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	1 512 749	144 842	362 276	689 882	1 073 453
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	8 433	66	312	1 013	2 571
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	153 915	43 591	75 750	98 364	121 784
Feed for livestock and poultry	13 389	70	353	1 273	3 304
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	153 271	28 616	51 084	79 744	109 937
Commercial fertilizer	12 334	68	414	1 609	4 169
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	123 302	5 935	23 626	55 958	94 064
Agricultural chemicals	11 866	64	356	1 421	3 867
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	74 449	3 637	12 528	31 623	55 349
Petroleum products	22 336	81	465	1 820	4 938
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	115 091	4 982	16 326	38 611	70 145
Electricity	18 072	79	459	1 739	4 636
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	29 820	2 365	6 329	12 106	18 838
Hired farm labor	8 186	57	418	1 529	3 630
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	109 424	11 292	34 190	64 476	92 674
Interest	12 583	69	434	1 594	4 096
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	149 306	8 126	28 437	62 488	102 684
Payments from government programs	12 008	63	351	1 545	3 934
farms ..					
\$1,000 ..	177 138	2 432	12 498	43 480	86 238
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	14 216	69	358	1 392	3 506
number ..					
number ..	2 618 319	203 716	536 375	1 067 942	1 699 543
Milk cows	721	28	61	143	251
number ..					
number ..	18 052	3 902	7 840	13 342	16 334
Hogs and pigs	627	25	44	84	138
number ..					
number ..	177 740	102 410	131 701	149 691	156 580

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.