

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	2 500	(X)	2 678	2 794
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	14 895	14 154	12 556
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	5 958	5 285	4 494
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	2 166	(X)	2 395	2 601
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	5 908	6 589	5 872
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 728	2 751	2 258
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	760	128	860	953
\$500 to \$999	325	202	401	399
\$1,000 to \$1,999	355	449	358	448
\$2,000 to \$4,999	374	1 084	445	509
\$5,000 to \$9,999	234	1 496	190	177
\$10,000 to \$24,999	93	1 356	120	99
\$25,000 or more	25	1 194	21	16
Diesel fuel farms..	1 762	(X)	1 813	1 664
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	6 860	5 472	4 511
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	3 893	3 018	2 711
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	682	141	749	643
\$500 to \$999	242	155	219	294
\$1,000 to \$1,999	247	317	283	249
\$2,000 to \$4,999	289	856	292	240
\$5,000 to \$9,999	154	1 055	141	140
\$10,000 to \$24,999	103	1 524	101	73
\$25,000 or more	45	2 812	28	25
Natural gas farms..	129	(X)	99	68
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	214	229	693
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 657	2 310	10 191
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	18	(D)	21	2
\$100 to \$499	21	6	24	31
\$500 to \$999	23	(D)	6	5
\$1,000 to \$1,999	46	58	23	12
\$2,000 to \$4,999	12	44	13	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6	50	10	3
\$10,000 or more	3	41	2	2
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	1 863	(X)	2 136	2 124
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	1 913	1 864	1 480
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 027	873	697
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	517	26	611	643
\$100 to \$499	632	127	791	883
\$500 to \$999	297	198	310	285
\$1,000 to \$1,999	218	285	165	161
\$2,000 to \$4,999	108	303	180	98
\$5,000 to \$9,999	64	427	61	37
\$10,000 or more	27	547	18	17

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..	1 222	1 071	1 280
Commercial fertilizer farms..	909	770	806
acres on which used	237 482	161 188	172 574
Average per farm \$1,000..	11 610	6 930	5 562
Agricultural chemicals farms..	849	644	995
Average per farm \$1,000..	5 292	3 949	3 940
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	278	276	513
acres on which used	79 049	83 117	121 499
Nematodes in crops farms..	8	22	16
acres on which used	6 608	7 250	2 203
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	21	26	45
acres on which used	7 814	8 305	7 625
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	522	342	525
acres on which used	109 474	60 958	99 709
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	18	18	40
acres on which used	8 592	5 780	12 862

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