

**Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 1997 and 1992**

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Item	New Hampshire	Belknap	Carroll	Cheshire	Coos
Total farm production expenses . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 921	183	175	292	185
1992..	2 440	146	155	219	171
\$1,000, 1997..	126 098	3 640	3 070	19 146	7 183
1992..	95 755	2 902	3 398	12 289	6 393
Average per farm . . . . . dollars, 1997..	43 169	19 891	17 545	65 569	38 827
1992..	39 244	19 874	21 920	56 113	37 384
Livestock and poultry purchased . . . . . farms, 1997..	706	59	39	94	58
1992..	732	52	43	73	65
\$1,000, 1997..	3 031	125	61	546	308
1992..	2 968	122	133	650	315
Feed for livestock and poultry . . . . . farms, 1997..	1 415	98	62	149	91
1992..	1 265	78	90	111	109
\$1,000, 1997..	22 257	558	413	4 027	1 968
1992..	18 649	481	488	3 125	1 973
Commercially mixed formula feeds . . . . . farms, 1997..	1 023	61	47	136	69
1992..	820	44	43	75	65
\$1,000, 1997..	17 869	431	352	3 197	1 622
1992..	13 610	348	305	2 620	1 413
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees . . . . . farms, 1997..	970	47	59	79	50
1992..	831	44	42	50	64
\$1,000, 1997..	6 287	211	150	251	193
1992..	3 271	56	79	91	69
Commercial fertilizer . . . . . farms, 1997..	1 400	72	85	112	95
1992..	1 287	69	76	104	87
\$1,000, 1997..	2 931	64	93	250	254
1992..	2 868	95	105	260	219
Agricultural chemicals . . . . . farms, 1997..	829	42	47	60	45
1992..	811	51	51	69	36
\$1,000, 1997..	1 717	39	33	98	91
1992..	1 528	48	50	70	42
Petroleum products . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 686	162	168	270	175
1992..	2 271	126	135	210	165
\$1,000, 1997..	5 148	191	181	768	286
1992..	4 171	152	208	489	288
Gasoline and gasohol . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 204	137	117	220	129
1992..	1 884	111	117	177	132
\$1,000, 1997..	1 615	80	64	151	94
1992..	1 499	63	86	134	102
Diesel fuel . . . . . farms, 1997..	1 673	91	106	182	130
1992..	1 396	77	62	111	109
\$1,000, 1997..	1 532	39	43	190	133
1992..	1 248	(D)	40	(D)	130
Natural gas . . . . . farms, 1997..	42	3	—	16	—
1992..	34	1	—	2	3
\$1,000, 1997..	99	(Z)	—	11	—
1992..	95	(D)	—	(D)	3
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. . . . . farms, 1997..	1 809	108	115	176	119
1992..	1 515	89	85	103	105
\$1,000, 1997..	1 902	72	74	416	60
1992..	1 329	41	82	221	52
Electricity . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 015	136	101	175	141
1992..	1 614	101	89	129	133
\$1,000, 1997..	3 772	111	87	592	236
1992..	3 249	108	82	429	217
Hired farm labor . . . . . farms, 1997..	907	42	51	68	52
1992..	885	50	59	96	58
\$1,000, 1997..	30 438	599	593	6 588	838
1992..	21 601	483	560	3 553	782
Contract labor . . . . . farms, 1997..	279	12	14	20	16
1992..	281	7	18	19	13
\$1,000, 1997..	1 350	20	23	103	11
1992..	1 140	49	135	36	20
Repair and maintenance . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 392	148	128	240	149
1992..	2 068	120	120	154	150
\$1,000, 1997..	9 340	275	313	1 516	574
1992..	6 969	267	331	844	432
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment. . . . . farms, 1997..	456	13	18	54	33
1992..	428	15	35	51	45
\$1,000, 1997..	1 202	23	80	166	152
1992..	698	9	38	55	106
Interest . . . . . farms, 1997..	855	62	38	74	55
1992..	813	59	36	74	68
\$1,000, 1997..	6 115	262	141	419	459
1992..	5 177	194	222	343	488
Interest paid on debt:					
Secured by real estate . . . . . farms, 1997..	627	51	30	35	42
1992..	571	42	20	55	39
\$1,000, 1997..	4 576	166	119	281	389
1992..	3 986	154	158	294	378
Not secured by real estate . . . . . farms, 1997..	409	18	9	49	31
1992..	424	27	25	33	37
\$1,000, 1997..	1 539	96	22	138	70
1992..	1 191	41	64	49	110
Cash rent . . . . . farms, 1997..	388	17	13	37	32
1992..	308	14	14	17	44
\$1,000, 1997..	1 400	16	34	92	61
1992..	1 077	41	40	50	136
Property taxes paid . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 748	178	160	264	179
1992..	2 330	138	146	211	157
\$1,000, 1997..	11 942	666	408	1 333	551
1992..	8 521	419	390	1 079	452
All other farm production expenses . . . . . farms, 1997..	2 575	160	148	241	170
1992..	2 124	115	138	189	160
\$1,000, 1997..	19 166	480	461	2 398	1 201
1992..	13 871	376	538	1 213	854

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Item	Grafton	Hillsborough	Merrimack	Rockingham	Strafford	Sullivan
Total farm production expenses . . . . . farms, 1997..	404	390	411	403	234	244
1992..	348	327	345	340	201	188
\$1,000, 1997..	15 885	15 902	24 114	14 905	9 170	13 082
1992..	13 931	13 648	13 795	10 352	7 161	11 887
Average per farm . . . . . dollars, 1997..	39 319	40 775	58 671	36 985	39 186	53 616
1992..	40 032	41 737	39 986	30 448	35 627	63 228
Livestock and poultry purchased . . . . . farms, 1997..	114	83	77	81	46	55
1992..	101	104	111	70	43	70
\$1,000, 1997..	490	636	245	189	163	268
1992..	576	258	315	290	111	197
Feed for livestock and poultry . . . . . farms, 1997..	242	188	196	155	118	116
1992..	187	122	184	147	93	144
\$1,000, 1997..	4 608	1 647	3 225	1 462	1 365	2 985
1992..	4 458	1 638	2 412	1 414	876	1 785
Commercially mixed formula feeds . . . . . farms, 1997..	145	141	154	119	68	83
1992..	125	87	137	109	46	89
\$1,000, 1997..	3 792	1 329	2 570	1 116	967	2 492
1992..	3 683	908	1 779	941	358	1 256
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees . . . . . farms, 1997..	104	124	150	182	95	80
1992..	124	146	127	122	71	41
\$1,000, 1997..	164	434	1 897	1 064	231	1 691
1992..	191	344	615	506	87	1 233
Commercial fertilizer . . . . . farms, 1997..	198	211	186	193	134	114
1992..	199	201	195	156	117	83
\$1,000, 1997..	432	399	495	230	289	426
1992..	501	414	532	199	201	342
Agricultural chemicals . . . . . farms, 1997..	93	105	122	157	81	77
1992..	119	133	98	130	84	40
\$1,000, 1997..	135	528	273	304	109	107
1992..	112	484	192	299	83	147
Petroleum products . . . . . farms, 1997..	376	365	390	316	230	234
1992..	329	316	312	314	199	165
\$1,000, 1997..	687	581	1 093	626	264	471
1992..	489	495	730	590	311	419
Gasoline and gasohol . . . . . farms, 1997..	327	328	346	243	175	182
1992..	268	281	229	251	169	149
\$1,000, 1997..	273	226	280	168	122	157
1992..	209	212	240	194	90	170
Diesel fuel . . . . . farms, 1997..	240	183	218	197	170	156
1992..	254	188	195	157	121	122
\$1,000, 1997..	235	161	(D)	(D)	92	(D)
1992..	181	151	189	(D)	(D)	(D)
Natural gas . . . . . farms, 1997..	5	11	5	1	–	1
1992..	8	4	8	2	4	2
\$1,000, 1997..	4	7	(D)	(D)	–	(D)
1992..	2	10	29	(D)	(D)	(D)
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. . . . . farms, 1997..	285	206	243	239	166	152
1992..	242	215	228	197	121	130
\$1,000, 1997..	174	187	471	285	49	112
1992..	97	122	273	263	87	92
Electricity . . . . . farms, 1997..	300	262	272	290	188	150
1992..	244	199	192	239	143	145
\$1,000, 1997..	520	536	544	482	393	271
1992..	447	501	357	335	311	462
Hired farm labor . . . . . farms, 1997..	132	146	125	148	61	82
1992..	134	105	114	113	66	90
\$1,000, 1997..	1 603	3 971	7 370	4 007	2 513	2 356
1992..	1 726	4 323	2 815	1 939	2 574	2 846
Contract labor . . . . . farms, 1997..	32	46	47	46	26	20
1992..	36	32	32	73	25	26
\$1,000, 1997..	79	468	219	151	137	138
1992..	68	138	282	208	79	124
Repair and maintenance . . . . . farms, 1997..	338	298	350	342	189	210
1992..	305	316	307	263	174	159
\$1,000, 1997..	1 245	1 301	1 372	1 281	643	819
1992..	1 070	1 020	952	818	437	799
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment. . . . . farms, 1997..	110	69	35	63	27	34
1992..	59	45	50	43	31	54
\$1,000, 1997..	283	156	85	78	24	156
1992..	151	67	79	53	63	76
Interest . . . . . farms, 1997..	147	101	93	108	88	89
1992..	116	94	100	149	48	69
\$1,000, 1997..	846	727	919	852	634	855
1992..	722	636	729	890	241	712
Interest paid on debt:						
Secured by real estate . . . . . farms, 1997..	105	70	72	85	64	73
1992..	84	70	68	108	39	46
\$1,000, 1997..	603	598	616	712	549	543
1992..	515	529	536	739	191	493
Not secured by real estate . . . . . farms, 1997..	70	50	41	53	46	42
1992..	56	57	67	67	16	39
\$1,000, 1997..	243	129	304	141	85	312
1992..	207	107	192	151	50	219
Cash rent . . . . . farms, 1997..	74	56	62	44	21	32
1992..	79	31	48	19	20	22
\$1,000, 1997..	262	241	328	112	162	92
1992..	197	140	173	39	165	96
Property taxes paid . . . . . farms, 1997..	389	373	390	366	213	236
1992..	341	307	323	338	182	187
\$1,000, 1997..	1 628	1 815	1 956	1 580	1 008	998
1992..	1 202	1 167	1 118	1 033	656	1 003
All other farm production expenses . . . . . farms, 1997..	350	323	373	372	223	215
1992..	297	288	265	323	178	171
\$1,000, 1997..	2 901	2 461	4 093	2 488	1 234	1 449
1992..	2 021	2 022	2 497	1 740	965	1 645