

**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..	14 094	3	24	114	529
..... percent..	100.0	(Z)	.2	.8	3.8
Land in farms ..... acres..	45 787 108	(D)	184 866	4 096 759	13 969 234
Average size of farm ..... acres..	3 249	(D)	7 703	35 936	26 407
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	14 075	3	24	114	529
..... \$1,000..	8 801 195	(D)	145 900	536 174	2 135 965
Average per farm ..... dollars..	625 307	(D)	6 079 182	4 703 277	4 037 742
Average per acre ..... dollars..	195	(D)	789	131	153
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	619 915	(D)	20 938	56 381	163 684
..... percent..	100.0	(D)	3.4	9.1	26.4
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland ..... acres..	2 179 428	(D)	68 868	133 820	514 607
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	1 079 953	(D)	58 558	103 170	386 539
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured ..... acres..	41 323 935	(D)	117 143	3 891 461	12 386 871
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	1 617 708	176 654	410 560	809 240	1 213 602
Average per farm ..... dollars..	114 780	58 884 517	17 106 650	7 098 598	2 294 145
Grains ..... farms..	1 023	1	2	16	150
..... \$1,000..	85 839	(D)	(D)	15 227	44 274
Cotton and cottonseed ..... farms..	458	—	—	4	101
..... \$1,000..	38 956	—	—	(D)	20 946
Tobacco ..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds ..... farms..	2 926	1	5	21	183
..... \$1,000..	118 808	(D)	(D)	14 655	58 617
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons ..... farms..	524	1	2	11	110
..... \$1,000..	88 776	(D)	(D)	19 301	71 152
Fruits, nuts, and berries ..... farms..	1 114	—	2	10	60
..... \$1,000..	43 560	—	(D)	(D)	29 349
Nursery and greenhouse crops ..... farms..	245	—	2	5	22
..... \$1,000..	48 409	—	(D)	25 386	40 623
Other crops ..... farms..	117	1	1	5	48
..... \$1,000..	37 830	(D)	(D)	20 107	34 222
Poultry and poultry products ..... farms..	254	—	1	2	6
..... \$1,000..	16 306	—	(D)	(D)	15 681
Dairy products ..... farms..	182	1	14	77	128
..... \$1,000..	463 423	(D)	135 904	394 439	458 077
Cattle and calves ..... farms..	8 094	3	20	101	370
..... \$1,000..	647 440	139 664	204 756	292 810	432 197
Hogs and pigs ..... farms..	246	—	—	2	7
..... \$1,000..	900	—	—	(D)	144
Sheep, lambs, and wool ..... farms..	840	—	—	3	19
..... \$1,000..	16 997	—	—	2 767	6 174
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) ..... farms..	1 312	—	2	7	52
..... \$1,000..	10 463	—	(D)	786	2 146
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	14 075	3	24	114	529
..... \$1,000..	1 204 227	85 978	270 564	569 216	865 219
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :					
Livestock and poultry purchased ..... farms..	4 419	3	21	88	322
..... \$1,000..	221 246	30 186	66 463	117 967	173 040
Feed for livestock and poultry ..... farms..	7 760	3	21	103	357
..... \$1,000..	334 541	27 419	114 529	244 177	292 059
Commercial fertilizer ..... farms..	4 793	1	9	58	337
..... \$1,000..	34 563	(D)	4 340	7 186	20 354
Agricultural chemicals ..... farms..	3 315	1	8	54	294
..... \$1,000..	18 085	(D)	(D)	4 380	12 066
Petroleum products ..... farms..	12 467	3	24	114	526
..... \$1,000..	49 544	(D)	2 559	6 552	20 086
Electricity ..... farms..	7 045	3	24	111	501
..... \$1,000..	30 598	459	2 669	8 812	18 572
Hired farm labor ..... farms..	5 226	3	24	112	501
..... \$1,000..	140 862	(D)	32 213	67 316	106 617
Interest ..... farms..	4 808	3	23	108	494
..... \$1,000..	78 791	(D)	8 529	25 452	46 576
Payments from government programs ..... farms..	2 586	1	9	52	261
..... \$1,000..	29 524	(D)	1 187	2 340	6 688
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves ..... farms..	8 677	3	19	99	357
..... number..	1 676 171	76 579	214 712	465 025	803 017
Milk cows ..... farms..	523	1	14	78	135
..... number..	215 844	(D)	57 817	177 181	211 708
Hogs and pigs ..... farms..	346	—	—	2	7
..... number..	6 114	—	—	(D)	457

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.

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