

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS								
Farms	49 406	24 355	239	1 371	3 662	4 760	5 553	8 770
number								
percent	100.0	49.3	.5	2.8	7.4	9.6	11.2	17.8
Land in farms	9 122 379	6 730 559	47 345	372 573	1 296 050	1 784 215	1 627 486	1 602 890
acres								
Average size of farm	185	276	198	272	354	375	293	183
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text)	49 406	24 355	239	1 371	3 662	4 760	5 553	8 770
farms								
\$1,000	7 676 523	6 364 863	50 757	540 229	1 409 112	1 965 999	1 679 086	719 681
Average per farm	155 376	261 337	212 371	394 040	384 793	413 025	302 375	82 062
dollars								
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	6 603	1 629	6	47	164	239	277	896
\$1,000 to \$2,499	7 050	1 914	12	53	127	211	348	1 163
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6 642	2 249	18	62	151	232	430	1 356
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6 261	2 539	12	87	186	321	536	1 397
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5 025	2 457	28	91	240	345	561	1 192
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1 445	798	10	33	86	139	174	356
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2 454	1 520	24	94	194	254	373	581
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1 016	683	18	46	102	141	178	198
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 764	2 077	32	170	380	461	536	498
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3 579	2 946	33	235	639	747	806	486
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2 742	2 312	17	183	577	681	540	314
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2 139	1 798	19	153	466	524	435	201
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	1 302	1 106	9	86	282	352	279	98
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	272	239	1	26	55	77	53	27
\$5,000,000 or more	112	88	-	5	13	36	27	7
Grains	13 048	8 879	125	603	1 632	1 955	2 070	2 494
farms								
\$1,000	521 040	460 816	4 904	33 306	108 705	131 029	109 384	73 488
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2 317	2 149	28	163	536	631	522	269
\$1,000	406 855	374 593	3 490	27 179	91 585	110 804	89 185	52 349
Corn for grain	7 373	5 306	72	372	991	1 185	1 248	1 438
\$1,000	197 315	172 497	2 020	12 550	38 515	47 674	42 554	29 185
Wheat	5 812	4 447	72	323	899	1 086	1 040	1 027
\$1,000	92 937	83 755	726	6 414	19 426	24 482	19 853	12 854
Soybeans	9 792	6 968	104	492	1 351	1 559	1 668	1 794
\$1,000	226 000	200 271	2 095	13 977	49 806	57 799	46 030	30 565
Sorghum for grain	114	81	1	9	12	19	15	25
\$1,000	726	630	(D)	(D)	61	158	69	262
Barley	238	183	2	15	44	35	31	56
\$1,000	1 481	1 353	(D)	(D)	398	335	302	203
Oats	502	358	7	22	66	79	71	113
\$1,000	1 660	1 491	10	67	327	417	373	298
Other grains	247	191	4	12	40	49	44	42
\$1,000	920	819	10	148	173	162	203	121
Cotton and cottonseed	2 312	1 911	38	195	456	526	435	261
\$1,000	298 159	279 460	1 552	21 489	74 114	98 495	62 884	20 925
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 289	1 205	13	112	332	378	271	99
\$1,000	278 262	264 327	1 081	19 347	71 290	95 109	59 194	18 307
Tobacco	12 077	8 267	116	556	1 447	1 820	2 084	2 244
\$1,000	1 137 742	1 029 245	9 322	73 106	263 921	307 609	252 505	122 782
Sales of \$50,000 or more	4 704	4 231	49	346	1 015	1 193	1 068	560
\$1,000	1 025 703	956 883	8 054	68 611	254 594	294 622	233 063	97 939
Hay, silage, and field seeds	6 889	3 114	36	162	441	589	697	1 189
\$1,000	31 747	20 662	204	2 389	3 168	4 617	4 445	5 840
Sales of \$50,000 or more	52	44	-	5	9	18	7	5
\$1,000	7 321	6 655	-	1 406	708	1 860	841	1 841
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	2 160	1 406	16	92	260	301	289	448
\$1,000	73 707	65 864	908	6 560	12 579	24 782	9 951	11 084
Sales of \$50,000 or more	248	231	3	16	56	77	53	26
\$1,000	56 994	53 614	785	5 631	10 060	21 959	7 014	8 164
Fruits, nuts, and berries	955	577	4	27	83	106	146	211
\$1,000	30 137	26 512	(D)	(D)	3 884	5 718	9 480	6 221
Sales of \$50,000 or more	122	106	-	9	24	27	23	23
\$1,000	23 902	22 149	-	930	3 199	4 789	8 260	4 971
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3 269	1 475	5	89	343	369	314	355
\$1,000	318 203	273 263	(D)	(D)	74 576	87 128	55 734	42 405
Sales of \$50,000 or more	699	512	2	36	148	131	114	81
\$1,000	289 688	260 038	(D)	(D)	71 401	83 530	53 345	39 230
Other crops	2 544	1 984	32	136	428	464	450	474
\$1,000	184 478	169 295	2 049	10 297	33 975	65 523	33 522	23 928
Sales of \$50,000 or more	742	702	7	35	200	215	162	83
\$1,000	162 178	150 675	1 636	8 747	29 716	61 382	28 957	20 236
Poultry and poultry products	4 116	2 947	26	249	637	818	752	465
\$1,000	2 118 786	1 635 089	10 767	120 437	351 706	537 055	427 019	188 104
Sales of \$50,000 or more	3 450	2 611	23	224	570	754	666	374
\$1,000	2 110 859	1 629 499	10 687	119 907	350 173	536 099	425 431	187 202
Dairy products	677	603	1	32	113	148	138	171
\$1,000	179 204	169 510	(D)	(D)	35 804	46 481	37 028	44 884
Sales of \$50,000 or more	532	503	-	22	99	126	128	128
\$1,000	176 291	167 296	-	5 024	35 440	45 925	36 786	44 121
Cattle and calves	21 286	10 022	55	382	1 094	1 570	2 243	4 678
\$1,000	169 869	108 586	456	4 141	14 420	28 919	26 256	34 395
Sales of \$50,000 or more	347	275	1	13	46	64	79	72
\$1,000	50 259	38 866	(D)	(D)	5 927	15 992	9 228	6 025

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms	25 051	194	1 567	4 857	7 610	6 060	4 763
number ..							
percent ..	50.7	.4	3.2	9.8	15.4	12.3	9.6
Land in farms	2 391 820	10 678	116 548	430 011	704 414	590 017	540 152
acres ..							
Average size of farm	95	55	74	89	93	97	113
acres ..							
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	25 051	194	1 567	4 857	7 610	6 060	4 763
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	1 311 660	4 572	99 094	357 863	421 243	276 248	152 639
Average per farm	52 360	23 569	63 238	73 680	55 354	45 585	32 047
dollars ..							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	4 974	20	281	992	1 457	1 110	1 114
\$1,000 to \$2,499	5 136	42	364	971	1 550	1 188	1 021
\$2,500 to \$4,999	4 393	43	265	814	1 317	1 117	837
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3 722	27	211	691	1 189	923	681
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2 568	38	156	417	829	684	444
\$20,000 to \$24,999	647	6	45	104	192	168	132
\$25,000 to \$39,999	934	9	51	190	269	249	166
\$40,000 to \$49,999	333	1	23	76	105	92	36
\$50,000 to \$99,999	687	4	40	172	196	165	110
\$100,000 to \$249,999	633	1	40	154	184	145	109
\$250,000 to \$499,999	430	1	39	110	130	93	57
\$500,000 to \$999,999	341	1	32	89	105	77	37
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	196	1	14	59	73	35	14
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	33	—	4	11	6	12	—
\$5,000,000 or more	24	—	2	7	8	2	5
Grains	4 169	45	265	784	1 288	1 050	737
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	60 224	357	3 752	19 532	17 437	11 011	8 134
Sales of \$50,000 or more	168	1	16	29	55	36	31
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	32 262	(D)	(D)	13 688	8 908	3 712	3 968
Corn for grain	2 067	24	139	404	685	483	332
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	24 818	140	1 386	10 059	5 731	4 243	3 258
Wheat	1 365	11	98	275	416	314	251
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9 182	28	729	2 377	3 170	1 577	1 301
Soybeans	2 824	30	167	504	887	736	500
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	25 729	183	1 615	6 950	8 450	5 044	3 487
Sorghum for grain	33	—	—	8	11	11	3
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	97	—	—	23	19	50	5
Barley	55	1	5	19	11	13	6
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	128	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	44	17
Oats	144	4	10	36	46	27	21
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	169	(D)	(D)	49	44	36	29
Other grains	56	—	1	17	9	14	15
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	101	—	(D)	35	(D)	18	37
Cotton and cottonseed	401	3	32	86	96	95	89
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	18 698	16	1 452	5 156	5 764	3 550	2 760
Sales of \$50,000 or more	84	—	7	26	20	18	13
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	13 935	—	1 064	4 323	4 494	2 397	1 657
Tobacco	3 810	64	249	653	1 106	992	746
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	108 497	836	7 173	20 933	33 638	25 833	20 085
Sales of \$50,000 or more	473	2	27	95	142	116	91
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	68 821	(D)	(D)	13 950	22 619	14 873	12 569
Hay, silage, and field seeds	3 775	28	277	764	1 258	849	599
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	11 084	81	809	2 287	3 606	2 577	1 724
Sales of \$50,000 or more	8	—	1	2	1	3	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	667	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	211	(D)
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	754	6	56	146	230	184	132
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	7 844	40	399	1 688	2 528	1 842	1 346
Sales of \$50,000 or more	17	—	1	3	2	7	4
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 380	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	846	658
Fruits, nuts, and berries	378	1	13	77	120	84	83
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 625	(D)	(D)	770	1 287	965	552
Sales of \$50,000 or more	16	—	—	5	6	3	2
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	1 753	—	—	436	759	(D)	(D)
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1 794	3	95	431	601	402	262
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	44 940	29	2 117	11 586	15 341	9 309	6 560
Sales of \$50,000 or more	187	—	11	50	59	34	33
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	29 650	—	1 307	7 857	10 113	5 828	4 545
Other crops	560	5	44	104	171	124	112
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	15 183	(D)	(D)	2 430	8 180	1 318	2 094
Sales of \$50,000 or more	40	1	3	6	14	5	11
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	11 503	(D)	821	1 486	7 270	(D)	1 283
Poultry and poultry products	1 169	8	97	329	332	266	137
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	483 697	(D)	(D)	109 398	169 227	109 230	61 584
Sales of \$50,000 or more	839	3	68	226	240	198	104
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	481 360	(D)	(D)	108 828	168 696	108 460	61 277
Dairy products	74	—	1	11	16	19	27
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9 693	—	(D)	(D)	1 178	1 310	6 779
Sales of \$50,000 or more	29	—	—	3	8	9	9
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	8 995	—	—	262	1 090	1 151	6 491
Cattle and calves	11 264	64	693	2 069	3 335	2 886	2 217
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	61 283	264	3 604	10 235	16 924	17 701	12 556
Sales of \$50,000 or more	72	—	1	15	26	26	15
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	11 393	—	(D)	(D)	1 792	4 735	2 317

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 2 666	1 831	17	149	396	460	455	354
	\$1,000.. 2 568 492	2 104 124	19 976	247 663	427 809	622 650	645 485	140 539
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 1 680	1 281	16	122	320	361	329	133
	\$1,000.. 2 562 678	2 100 200	(D)	247 422	427 187	621 987	644 465	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 511	211	1	8	44	46	39	73
	\$1,000.. 605	268	(D)	(D)	43	80	58	81
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 2 795	1 021	7	79	201	240	220	274
	\$1,000.. 44 355	22 170	15	1 496	4 408	5 912	5 336	5 003
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 116	82	—	6	14	33	17	12
	\$1,000.. 33 215	17 432	—	1 006	3 415	4 707	4 112	4 192
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 2 176	1 142	9	49	172	214	246	452
	\$1,000.. 11 628	8 851	39	221	2 672	2 032	1 833	2 055
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses								
	farms.. 49 383	23 748	319	1 328	3 385	4 437	5 445	8 834
	\$1,000.. 5 673 379	4 676 936	40 881	390 228	1 028 728	1 446 892	1 245 249	524 959
Average per farm	dollars.. 114 885	196 940	128 153	293 847	303 908	326 097	228 696	59 425
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 11 609	6 042	42	388	1 066	1 452	1 512	1 582
	\$1,000.. 916 191	693 397	7 685	51 640	168 572	228 591	172 048	64 861
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	6 491	2 458	7	116	294	446	585	1 010
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 800	985	6	47	161	250	245	276
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 671	1 314	13	111	299	349	354	188
\$100,000 to \$249,999	793	628	7	59	134	197	179	52
\$250,000 or more	854	657	9	55	178	210	149	56
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 22 116	10 347	55	551	1 552	2 039	2 405	3 745
	\$1,000.. 2 262 032	1 862 201	15 342	179 335	392 270	568 368	529 733	177 153
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	16 364	6 164	20	227	619	853	1 375	3 070
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 360	744	—	27	129	209	184	195
\$25,000 to \$99,999	780	567	3	58	139	127	99	141
\$100,000 to \$249,999	875	688	9	52	147	200	165	115
\$250,000 or more	2 737	2 184	23	187	518	650	582	224
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 14 292	7 142	52	442	1 192	1 608	1 647	2 201
	\$1,000.. 2 136 745	1 755 094	14 015	174 001	372 778	531 676	501 594	161 030
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	9 361	3 411	18	130	343	541	744	1 635
\$5,000 to \$24,999	815	520	—	36	111	144	101	128
\$25,000 to \$99,999	701	508	3	44	114	124	97	126
\$100,000 or more	3 415	2 703	31	232	624	799	705	312
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 23 456	13 989	234	889	2 339	2 758	3 331	4 438
	\$1,000.. 130 860	117 102	1 169	6 896	27 598	40 100	24 349	16 989
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	12 625	5 616	82	272	598	802	1 259	2 603
\$1,000 to \$4,999	6 421	4 463	88	318	799	832	1 190	1 236
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 358	2 899	58	219	674	805	662	481
\$25,000 to \$49,999	651	626	5	57	164	193	136	71
\$50,000 or more	401	385	1	23	104	126	84	47
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 36 387	18 825	283	1 041	2 678	3 342	4 412	7 069
	\$1,000.. 243 960	208 264	2 151	13 574	47 062	59 854	50 472	35 151
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	28 434	12 115	188	550	1 219	1 690	2 823	5 645
\$5,000 to \$24,999	5 621	4 499	79	349	892	963	1 079	1 137
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 261	1 192	10	75	325	376	276	170
\$50,000 or more	1 071	1 019	6	67	242	353	234	117
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 25 671	14 950	261	983	2 390	2 959	3 678	4 679
	\$1,000.. 188 784	170 560	1 616	11 534	42 135	53 771	39 170	22 334
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	20 440	10 259	182	613	1 312	1 636	2 586	3 930
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 389	2 924	65	249	584	763	707	556
\$25,000 to \$49,999	869	835	8	64	238	252	180	93
\$50,000 or more	973	932	6	57	256	308	205	100
Petroleum products	farms.. 46 229	22 825	298	1 297	3 281	4 307	5 228	8 414
	\$1,000.. 198 201	167 861	1 758	12 323	38 051	48 502	43 165	24 061
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	38 636	16 137	217	737	1 711	2 485	3 596	7 391
\$5,000 to \$24,999	5 867	5 084	68	426	1 144	1 321	1 271	854
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 204	1 116	8	97	301	351	246	113
\$50,000 or more	522	488	5	37	125	150	115	56
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 33 780	17 928	229	1 086	2 683	3 604	4 121	6 205
	\$1,000.. 48 543	39 977	410	3 289	8 489	10 916	10 153	6 720
Diesel fuel	farms.. 36 763	18 830	239	1 109	2 796	3 624	4 434	6 628
	\$1,000.. 58 965	49 499	473	3 418	10 940	14 078	13 223	7 366
Natural gas	farms.. 1 820	1 322	12	95	207	311	413	284
	\$1,000.. 11 170	9 588	40	385	2 544	2 868	2 816	935
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 30 744	18 019	269	1 115	2 818	3 684	4 232	5 901
	\$1,000.. 79 523	68 797	835	5 230	16 078	20 641	16 973	9 040

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MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 835	5	64	206	269	183	108
	\$1,000.. 464 368	1 958	44 944	169 778	130 635	89 155	27 898
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 399	3	36	135	136	67	22
	\$1,000.. 462 478	(D)	44 830	169 449	129 926	88 673	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 300	1	14	91	122	47	25
	\$1,000.. 337	(D)	(D)	(D)	156	58	17
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	\$1,000.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 1 774	13	128	494	644	348	147
	\$1,000.. 22 184	32	313	3 557	15 342	2 391	550
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 34	—	—	14	13	6	1
	\$1,000.. 15 783	—	—	1 808	12 772	(D)	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 1 034	10	75	271	316	219	143
	\$1,000.. 2 777	21	128	1 083	587	558	400
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 25 635	230	1 465	4 871	8 017	6 255	4 797
	\$1,000.. 996 443	4 779	75 155	287 241	321 363	203 717	104 187
Average per farm	dollars.. 38 870	20 779	51 300	58 970	40 085	32 569	21 719
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 5 567	67	430	1 306	1 801	1 264	699
	\$1,000.. 222 794	793	15 443	70 538	82 414	33 535	20 071
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 033	49	282	893	1 288	989	532
\$5,000 to \$24,999	815	15	80	223	277	126	94
\$25,000 to \$99,999	357	2	41	77	113	76	48
\$100,000 to \$249,999	165	—	11	38	53	48	15
\$250,000 or more	197	1	16	75	70	25	10
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 11 769	89	789	2 634	3 922	2 719	1 616
	\$1,000.. 399 831	1 570	33 265	115 428	121 468	90 980	37 119
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	10 200	76	658	2 215	3 410	2 405	1 436
\$5,000 to \$24,999	616	10	43	106	235	123	99
\$25,000 to \$99,999	213	1	21	110	47	21	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	187	—	22	51	54	43	17
\$250,000 or more	553	2	45	152	176	127	51
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 7 150	35	466	1 713	2 449	1 652	835
	\$1,000.. 381 651	1 497	32 344	110 507	115 523	86 355	35 424
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	5 950	23	369	1 343	2 069	1 432	714
\$5,000 to \$24,999	295	9	11	81	114	37	43
\$25,000 to \$99,999	193	1	21	96	46	19	10
\$100,000 or more	712	2	65	193	220	164	68
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 9 467	129	553	1 877	3 001	2 427	1 480
	\$1,000.. 13 758	141	900	4 199	4 436	2 498	1 583
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	7 009	91	364	1 269	2 259	1 835	1 191
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 958	36	136	465	600	485	236
\$5,000 to \$24,999	459	1	50	129	129	101	49
\$25,000 to \$49,999	25	1	3	7	5	6	3
\$50,000 or more	16	—	—	7	8	—	1
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 17 562	178	928	3 289	5 615	4 483	3 069
	\$1,000.. 35 696	278	2 269	8 317	11 350	8 545	4 937
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	16 319	166	812	3 040	5 233	4 122	2 946
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 122	12	104	225	341	339	101
\$25,000 to \$49,999	69	—	10	11	23	13	12
\$50,000 or more	52	—	2	13	18	9	10
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 10 721	138	612	2 234	3 323	2 702	1 712
	\$1,000.. 18 224	149	1 361	4 796	5 871	3 461	2 586
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	10 181	137	555	2 096	3 116	2 625	1 652
\$5,000 to \$24,999	465	1	53	122	186	60	43
\$25,000 to \$49,999	34	—	—	6	9	10	9
\$50,000 or more	41	—	4	10	12	7	8
Petroleum products	farms.. 23 404	206	1 371	4 451	7 418	5 722	4 236
	\$1,000.. 30 340	286	2 547	6 936	10 379	6 061	4 131
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	22 499	191	1 291	4 238	7 098	5 535	4 146
\$5,000 to \$24,999	783	15	67	179	281	165	76
\$25,000 to \$49,999	88	—	9	23	29	17	10
\$50,000 or more	34	—	4	11	10	5	4
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 15 852	118	966	3 157	5 052	3 765	2 794
	\$1,000.. 8 566	(D)	(D)	1 885	2 985	1 831	1 154
Diesel fuel	farms.. 17 933	193	1 117	3 492	5 671	4 500	2 960
	\$1,000.. 9 465	105	802	2 041	3 009	2 019	1 490
Natural gas	farms.. 498	1	38	100	145	132	82
	\$1,000.. 1 582	(D)	(D)	197	690	235	288
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 12 725	112	752	2 603	4 019	3 063	2 176
	\$1,000.. 10 727	130	915	2 812	3 695	1 976	1 199

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming							
		Total	Age of operator (years)						
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹									
—Con.									
Total farm production expenses—Con.									
Electricity	farms ..	29 259	16 808	246	1 064	2 726	3 626	3 951	5 195
	\$1,000 ..	87 664	71 406	672	6 398	14 002	21 095	20 583	8 655
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		18 825	8 429	139	371	904	1 352	1 873	3 790
\$1,000 to \$4,999		6 687	5 087	77	418	1 009	1 269	1 296	1 018
\$5,000 to \$24,999		3 293	2 907	28	238	734	873	685	349
\$25,000 to \$49,999		283	249	—	26	56	84	56	27
\$50,000 or more		171	136	2	11	23	48	41	11
Hired farm labor	farms ..	18 984	12 284	188	864	2 278	2 787	2 929	3 238
	\$1,000 ..	487 395	428 119	2 702	38 556	89 528	134 524	112 024	50 786
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		11 098	5 641	74	325	821	962	1 269	2 190
\$5,000 to \$24,999		4 200	3 356	91	290	620	841	846	668
\$25,000 to \$99,999		2 763	2 449	20	181	622	734	608	284
\$100,000 to \$249,999		625	575	3	43	163	168	131	67
\$250,000 or more		298	263	—	25	52	82	75	29
Workers by days worked:									
150 days or more	farms ..	7 680	5 774	78	475	1 273	1 530	1 436	982
	workers ..	29 489	24 845	207	2 124	5 270	7 589	6 364	3 291
Less than 150 days	farms ..	17 449	11 033	173	780	2 018	2 404	2 639	3 019
	workers ..	97 445	74 384	1 112	5 651	14 478	19 991	17 770	15 382
Contract labor	farms ..	6 485	4 036	44	276	786	990	999	941
	\$1,000 ..	67 291	59 755	495	3 841	13 021	19 429	15 623	7 346
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		2 388	1 058	13	60	123	207	265	390
\$1,000 to \$4,999		2 173	1 342	15	92	260	322	343	310
\$5,000 to \$24,999		1 360	1 113	14	85	271	290	282	171
\$25,000 to \$49,999		324	299	1	20	79	93	59	47
\$50,000 or more		240	224	1	19	53	78	50	23
Repair and maintenance	farms ..	39 441	20 524	251	1 150	3 105	4 014	4 755	7 249
	\$1,000 ..	207 332	168 261	1 335	10 683	39 372	48 248	44 015	24 609
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		31 348	13 999	180	696	1 514	2 246	3 130	6 233
\$5,000 to \$24,999		6 359	4 932	58	350	1 168	1 291	1 239	826
\$25,000 to \$49,999		1 149	1 052	11	77	293	298	234	139
\$50,000 or more		585	541	2	27	130	179	152	51
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment	farms ..	13 093	7 914	146	479	1 336	1 584	1 840	2 529
	\$1,000 ..	55 032	45 814	767	4 530	10 543	11 676	11 232	7 066
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		6 396	2 926	41	131	303	434	649	1 368
\$1,000 to \$4,999		4 356	2 938	59	199	537	634	664	845
\$5,000 to \$24,999		1 939	1 681	41	121	413	407	434	265
\$25,000 to \$49,999		273	247	1	15	56	75	60	40
\$50,000 or more		129	122	4	13	27	34	33	11
Interest	farms ..	16 538	10 045	135	762	2 239	2 652	2 518	1 739
	\$1,000 ..	205 129	160 963	1 015	11 937	36 789	50 527	43 274	17 422
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		9 539	4 734	93	327	908	1 040	1 232	1 134
\$5,000 to \$24,999		5 131	3 668	31	307	932	1 082	876	440
\$25,000 to \$99,999		1 625	1 435	10	113	359	458	348	147
\$100,000 or more		243	208	1	15	40	72	62	18
Secured by real estate	farms ..	11 820	7 055	79	498	1 500	1 978	1 853	1 147
	\$1,000 ..	140 144	109 065	622	8 783	21 877	34 690	30 549	12 544
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		1 549	731	34	45	91	126	231	204
\$1,000 to \$4,999		4 899	2 367	12	152	477	585	637	504
\$5,000 to \$24,999		4 080	2 825	26	209	696	891	681	322
\$25,000 to \$49,999		825	714	7	52	156	235	185	79
\$50,000 or more		467	418	—	40	80	141	119	38
Not secured by real estate	farms ..	8 229	5 385	78	410	1 317	1 374	1 244	962
	\$1,000 ..	64 985	51 898	392	3 154	14 912	15 837	12 725	4 878
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		2 653	1 425	46	87	256	280	281	475
\$1,000 to \$4,999		3 463	2 073	18	162	510	529	550	304
\$5,000 to \$24,999		1 633	1 458	11	138	417	430	319	143
\$25,000 to \$49,999		282	258	2	15	89	73	51	28
\$50,000 or more		198	171	1	8	45	62	43	12
Cash rent	farms ..	13 746	8 906	200	721	1 811	1 986	2 231	1 957
	\$1,000 ..	180 559	168 768	1 978	11 871	46 156	52 720	40 200	15 842
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		9 240	4 856	105	376	786	853	1 280	1 456
\$5,000 to \$9,999		1 447	1 180	42	118	219	260	313	228
\$10,000 to \$24,999		1 251	1 112	41	89	277	316	260	129
\$25,000 or more		1 808	1 758	12	138	529	557	378	144
Property taxes	farms ..	46 926	22 630	244	1 121	3 201	4 259	5 269	8 536
	\$1,000 ..	72 025	46 270	362	2 670	7 257	11 268	12 695	12 019
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		44 704	20 864	235	1 009	2 856	3 752	4 786	8 226
\$5,000 to \$9,999		1 527	1 209	5	73	254	326	326	225
\$10,000 to \$24,999		574	453	4	33	74	148	121	73
\$25,000 or more		121	104	—	6	17	33	36	12
All other farm production expenses	farms ..	42 095	21 772	303	1 235	3 199	4 215	5 056	7 764
	\$1,000 ..	370 924	308 195	1 835	24 441	56 373	98 218	86 664	40 665
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		33 828	14 874	200	679	1 669	2 271	3 314	6 741
\$5,000 to \$24,999		5 670	4 560	94	385	945	1 208	1 176	752
\$25,000 to \$49,999		1 325	1 182	4	85	311	362	282	138
\$50,000 to \$99,999		751	693	4	53	170	220	167	79
\$100,000 or more		521	463	1	33	104	154	117	54

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity farms	12 451	107	705	2 478	3 995	3 042	2 124
\$1,000	16 258	111	1 325	4 767	5 032	3 127	1 896
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	10 396	75	559	1 881	3 381	2 616	1 884
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 600	30	108	465	471	333	193
\$5,000 to \$24,999	386	2	31	110	125	80	38
\$25,000 to \$49,999	34	—	4	7	9	7	2
\$50,000 or more	35	—	3	15	9	6	2
Hired farm labor farms	6 700	78	383	1 422	2 157	1 652	1 008
\$1,000	59 276	338	3 218	15 781	19 164	13 122	7 653
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	5 457	53	314	1 168	1 742	1 360	820
\$5,000 to \$24,999	844	25	39	164	297	194	125
\$25,000 to \$99,999	314	—	23	65	91	81	54
\$100,000 to \$249,999	50	—	4	11	17	12	6
\$250,000 or more	35	—	3	14	10	5	3
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	1 906	15	124	438	535	448	346
workers	4 644	17	365	1 262	1 346	997	657
Less than 150 days farms	6 416	77	368	1 356	2 066	1 569	980
workers	23 061	411	1 880	4 388	7 521	5 853	3 008
Contract labor farms	2 449	19	145	538	779	573	395
\$1,000	7 537	8	341	2 667	2 387	1 348	785
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 330	18	85	275	381	340	231
\$1,000 to \$4,999	831	1	42	168	306	185	129
\$5,000 to \$24,999	247	—	15	85	78	39	30
\$25,000 to \$49,999	25	—	3	4	8	7	3
\$50,000 or more	16	—	—	6	6	2	2
Repair and maintenance farms	18 917	157	1 124	3 800	6 122	4 600	3 114
\$1,000	39 070	277	2 778	9 595	11 993	9 318	5 109
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	17 349	142	992	3 424	5 700	4 170	2 921
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 427	14	125	344	379	390	175
\$25,000 to \$49,999	97	—	4	15	30	33	15
\$50,000 or more	44	1	3	17	13	7	3
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	5 179	73	265	1 008	1 713	1 266	854
\$1,000	9 218	152	901	1 957	3 344	1 928	935
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	3 470	42	125	651	1 134	878	640
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 418	22	103	273	505	323	192
\$5,000 to \$24,999	258	9	29	73	70	59	18
\$25,000 to \$49,999	26	—	7	7	3	5	4
\$50,000 or more	7	—	1	4	1	1	—
Interest farms	6 493	47	489	1 615	2 315	1 361	666
\$1,000	44 166	106	3 401	16 814	12 483	7 958	3 405
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 805	44	366	1 102	1 706	1 022	565
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 463	1	100	441	553	290	78
\$25,000 to \$99,999	190	2	19	60	48	43	18
\$100,000 or more	35	—	4	12	8	6	5
Secured by real estate farms	4 765	12	294	1 184	1 759	1 032	484
\$1,000	31 079	83	2 484	10 503	9 746	5 729	2 534
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	818	—	16	163	318	195	126
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 532	9	201	588	917	542	275
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 255	1	60	380	485	260	69
\$25,000 to \$49,999	111	2	6	44	26	23	10
\$50,000 or more	49	—	11	9	13	12	4
Not secured by real estate farms	2 844	36	271	699	942	630	266
\$1,000	13 087	23	917	6 310	2 737	2 229	870
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 228	26	91	275	460	263	113
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 390	10	149	360	417	315	139
\$5,000 to \$24,999	175	—	25	50	52	44	4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	24	—	3	3	7	4	7
\$50,000 or more	27	—	3	11	6	4	3
Cash rent farms	4 840	97	362	1 250	1 599	1 092	440
\$1,000	11 792	91	1 123	3 506	3 920	2 479	672
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	4 384	95	311	1 105	1 466	983	424
\$5,000 to \$9,999	267	2	41	82	57	81	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999	139	—	5	48	60	19	7
\$25,000 or more	50	—	5	15	16	9	5
Property taxes farms	24 296	200	1 236	4 610	7 613	6 081	4 556
\$1,000	25 754	136	1 177	5 153	7 621	6 519	5 147
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	23 840	199	1 199	4 521	7 506	5 997	4 418
\$5,000 to \$9,999	318	1	33	48	60	64	112
\$10,000 to \$24,999	121	—	3	34	43	17	24
\$25,000 or more	17	—	1	7	4	3	2
All other farm production expenses farms	20 323	200	1 207	3 977	6 368	5 011	3 560
\$1,000	62 729	343	5 106	16 787	19 500	12 837	8 157
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	18 954	180	1 100	3 597	5 979	4 683	3 415
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 110	19	84	321	312	265	109
\$25,000 to \$49,999	143	1	13	31	43	35	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58	—	6	11	19	14	8
\$100,000 or more	58	—	4	17	15	14	8

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹								
All farms..... number..	49 391	23 752	319	1 329	3 386	4 439	5 445	8 834
..... \$1,000..	1 601 413	1 370 723	11 706	119 658	298 724	426 998	347 747	165 890
Average per farm..... dollars..	32 423	57 710	36 694	90 036	88 223	96 192	63 865	18 779
Farms with net gains ² number..	27 045	15 767	282	1 026	2 472	2 991	3 674	5 322
Average net gain..... dollars..	65 541	93 648	43 302	122 763	128 828	153 465	102 644	34 535
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	3 880	1 132	20	38	73	99	191	711
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	10 319	4 846	105	249	420	576	1 033	2 463
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	6 822	4 697	96	330	813	851	1 204	1 403
\$50,000 or more.....	6 024	5 092	61	409	1 166	1 465	1 246	745
Farms with net losses..... number..	22 346	7 985	37	303	914	1 448	1 771	3 512
Average net loss..... dollars..	7 658	13 254	13 668	20 781	21 596	22 110	16 582	5 099
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	4 773	1 376	11	25	69	174	254	843
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	14 304	4 762	13	152	465	752	1 023	2 357
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	2 880	1 507	11	89	292	430	408	277
\$50,000 or more.....	389	340	2	37	88	92	86	35
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	12 269	7 921	84	424	1 354	1 753	1 895	2 411
..... \$1,000..	51 035	43 605	317	2 463	10 238	13 112	10 641	6 834
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	12 334	6 529	74	389	944	1 146	1 541	2 435
..... \$1,000..	75 354	52 763	353	2 622	8 971	13 402	13 992	13 424
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	3 074	1 926	53	155	351	387	430	550
..... \$1,000..	25 999	21 865	292	1 041	5 076	6 299	5 621	3 535
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	6 008	2 730	10	106	243	351	651	1 369
..... \$1,000..	24 450	13 581	23	838	1 549	1 690	3 873	5 609
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	1 743	980	1	26	120	165	223	445
..... \$1,000..	17 684	11 499	(D)	(D)	1 096	3 729	2 870	3 584
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	3 936	2 458	23	171	463	568	637	596
..... \$1,000..	7 221	5 818	(D)	(D)	1 249	1 684	1 627	697
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	1 414	1 151	19	90	258	269	248	267
..... \$1,000..	22 171	21 250	376	2 630	3 862	5 825	6 255	2 302
Corn..... farms..	779	638	6	52	146	146	151	137
..... \$1,000..	8 055	7 643	163	661	1 032	2 175	3 154	456
Wheat..... farms..	479	406	4	33	93	115	87	74
..... \$1,000..	2 545	2 496	5	519	467	510	763	233
Soybeans..... farms..	336	281	4	17	71	77	64	48
..... \$1,000..	4 783	4 519	(D)	(D)	939	1 650	1 055	523
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	24	20	—	1	4	6	4	5
..... \$1,000..	99	(D)	—	(D)	1	(D)	(D)	3
Cotton..... farms..	237	215	6	30	73	31	45	30
..... \$1,000..	3 553	3 449	72	637	829	1 137	519	255
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	150	117	5	5	22	23	20	42
..... \$1,000..	3 138	(D)	(D)	(D)	594	(D)	(D)	832
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	44 502	22 438	226	1 236	3 345	4 335	5 122	8 174
..... acres..	5 608 388	4 447 846	38 643	282 535	952 796	1 220 098	1 078 096	875 678
Harvested cropland..... farms..	38 241	20 243	218	1 127	3 046	3 962	4 674	7 216
..... acres..	4 233 693	3 588 953	33 445	240 635	816 394	1 034 558	871 573	592 348
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	26 277	11 071	99	470	1 196	1 694	2 435	5 177
50 to 99 acres.....	4 390	2 713	33	181	409	531	655	904
100 to 199 acres.....	2 899	2 192	39	149	395	499	568	542
200 to 499 acres.....	2 628	2 318	29	194	537	627	564	367
500 to 999 acres.....	1 234	1 169	16	90	319	352	257	135
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	625	599	1	35	159	193	148	63
2,000 acres or more.....	188	181	1	8	31	66	47	28
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	21 639	10 069	47	403	1 199	1 729	2 265	4 426
..... acres..	882 844	511 452	2 782	19 593	68 529	100 001	124 719	195 828
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	5 381	3 113	21	149	449	643	772	1 079
..... acres..	147 598	100 787	621	6 849	19 378	24 784	24 434	24 721
On which all crops failed..... farms..	1 613	951	4	54	155	194	233	311
..... acres..	35 598	26 613	(D)	(D)	4 434	6 981	5 796	7 564
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	1 696	1 048	7	33	113	183	270	442
..... acres..	43 078	33 890	(D)	(D)	4 593	6 980	9 107	10 435
Idle..... farms..	8 485	4 756	34	236	729	973	1 137	1 647
..... acres..	265 577	186 151	1 545	11 095	39 468	46 794	42 467	44 782
Total woodland..... farms..	31 171	15 627	83	604	1 977	3 698	3 698	6 366
..... acres..	2 639 726	1 730 632	6 043	59 232	246 441	428 971	423 855	566 090
Woodland pastured..... farms..	14 135	6 872	39	215	736	1 117	1 558	3 207
..... acres..	478 315	290 204	1 490	10 069	36 906	65 677	67 542	108 520
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	24 881	12 744	66	504	1 672	2 422	3 035	5 045
..... acres..	2 161 411	1 440 428	4 553	49 163	209 535	363 294	356 313	457 570

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹							
All farms	25 639	230	1 466	4 871	8 017	6 257	4 798
\$1,000..	230 690	1 174	13 878	46 431	81 870	54 129	33 207
Average per farm	8 998	5 104	9 467	9 532	10 212	8 651	6 921
Farms with net gains ²	11 278	117	627	1 927	3 424	2 876	2 307
Average net gain	26 245	14 057	29 485	31 983	30 154	23 890	18 325
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000	2 748	19	117	467	877	671	597
\$1,000 to \$9,999	5 473	65	355	873	1 529	1 406	1 245
\$10,000 to \$49,999	2 125	30	105	385	687	607	311
\$50,000 or more	932	3	50	202	331	192	154
Farms with net losses	14 361	113	839	2 944	4 593	3 381	2 491
Average net loss	4 547	4 166	5 494	5 163	4 654	4 312	3 641
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000	3 397	40	189	576	969	846	777
\$1,000 to \$9,999	9 542	57	530	2 051	3 117	2 232	1 555
\$10,000 to \$49,999	1 373	16	118	302	492	291	154
\$50,000 or more	49	—	2	15	15	12	5
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments	4 348	14	232	682	1 270	1 097	1 053
\$1,000..	7 430	16	351	1 402	1 954	1 777	1 930
Other farm-related income ¹	5 805	31	286	946	1 796	1 556	1 190
\$1,000..	22 591	21	653	3 473	6 315	6 577	5 552
Customwork and other agricultural services	1 148	16	92	189	389	290	172
\$1,000..	4 134	17	146	547	1 494	1 352	578
Gross cash rent or share payments	3 278	1	96	441	916	986	838
\$1,000..	10 868	(D)	(D)	1 305	2 519	3 186	3 596
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products	763	1	20	142	275	187	138
\$1,000..	6 186	(D)	(D)	1 111	1 918	1 758	1 287
Other farm-related income sources	1 478	19	125	346	501	288	199
\$1,000..	1 403	(D)	(D)	509	384	280	91
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total	263	3	14	44	95	60	47
\$1,000..	922	(D)	(D)	140	365	308	74
Corn	141	3	7	23	55	26	27
\$1,000..	412	(D)	(D)	74	200	81	42
Wheat	73	—	6	9	26	18	14
\$1,000..	50	—	3	4	20	19	4
Soybeans	55	2	2	9	22	14	6
\$1,000..	264	(D)	(D)	(D)	116	126	(D)
Sorghum, barley, and oats	4	—	—	1	1	1	1
\$1,000..	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Cotton	22	—	2	6	6	7	1
\$1,000..	104	—	(D)	49	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco	33	—	2	7	6	11	7
\$1,000..	(D)	—	(D)	10	17	41	(D)
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland	22 064	175	1 357	4 242	6 743	5 412	4 135
Harvested cropland	1 160 542	6 440	67 347	237 040	360 232	276 698	212 785
farms	17 998	157	1 124	3 426	5 586	4 409	3 296
acres	644 740	4 056	41 990	152 074	203 688	141 171	101 761
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres	15 206	138	937	2 868	4 662	3 748	2 853
50 to 99 acres	1 677	11	111	325	562	393	275
100 to 199 acres	707	4	37	149	245	162	110
200 to 499 acres	310	4	30	64	86	86	40
500 to 999 acres	65	—	6	15	15	17	12
1,000 to 1,999 acres	26	—	3	3	13	2	5
2,000 acres or more	7	—	—	2	3	1	1
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only	11 570	59	667	2 227	3 612	2 906	2 099
acres	371 392	1 452	20 163	62 494	117 134	96 878	73 271
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured	2 268	14	113	376	705	571	489
acres	46 811	167	1 501	6 962	13 154	12 232	12 795
On which all crops failed	662	6	40	120	229	154	113
acres	8 985	97	962	1 322	2 607	2 184	1 813
In cultivated summer fallow	648	5	25	92	174	191	161
acres	9 188	18	253	1 186	2 688	2 973	2 070
Idle	3 729	20	179	630	1 097	974	829
acres	79 426	650	2 478	13 002	20 961	21 260	21 075
Total woodland	15 544	68	764	2 731	4 710	4 055	3 216
acres	909 094	3 387	34 320	132 972	254 496	233 540	250 379
Woodland pastured	7 263	42	389	1 272	2 183	1 905	1 472
acres	188 111	951	7 513	28 288	53 564	51 231	46 564
Woodland not pastured	12 137	40	576	2 096	3 692	3 190	2 543
acres	720 983	2 436	26 807	104 684	200 932	182 309	203 815

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.								
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	8 034	3 817	18	166	491	695	800	1 647
acres..	384 903	233 932	736	12 011	39 151	55 359	51 094	75 581
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	32 453	16 589	123	785	2 470	3 286	3 852	6 073
acres..	489 362	318 149	1 923	18 795	57 662	79 787	74 441	85 541
Irrigated land farms..	4 695	3 207	30	236	748	836	749	608
acres..	156 250	139 506	814	10 957	31 056	51 537	28 412	16 730
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	4 451	3 061	28	227	717	803	717	569
acres..	146 035	131 451	715	10 399	29 714	48 294	26 909	15 420
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	411	254	4	16	54	60	52	68
acres..	10 215	8 055	99	558	1 342	3 243	1 503	1 310
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	3 328	1 678	12	54	232	362	330	688
acres..	133 346	74 464	198	2 478	16 990	18 221	12 236	24 341
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	49 391	23 752	319	1 329	3 386	4 439	5 445	8 834
\$1,000..	18 565 852	12 372 037	106 195	649 111	2 329 515	3 195 755	2 978 144	3 113 315
Average per farm dollars..	375 895	520 884	332 901	488 421	687 984	719 927	546 950	352 424
Average per acre dollars..	2 081	1 902	1 836	1 913	1 901	1 902	1 923	1 881
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	5 238	1 946	69	154	200	302	411	810
\$40,000 to \$69,999	4 120	1 466	51	121	114	201	379	600
\$70,000 to \$99,999	4 470	1 685	13	52	190	207	348	875
\$100,000 to \$149,999	6 921	2 698	42	162	315	392	619	1 168
\$150,000 to \$199,999	5 434	2 488	7	189	319	396	490	1 087
\$200,000 to \$499,999	13 957	6 954	54	349	946	1 249	1 572	2 784
\$500,000 to \$999,999	5 436	3 495	56	149	641	797	889	963
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	2 543	1 917	25	92	400	555	469	376
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	1 067	918	2	52	227	271	223	143
\$5,000,000 or more	205	185	—	9	34	69	45	28
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	49 391	23 752	319	1 329	3 386	4 439	5 445	8 834
\$1,000..	2 425 402	1 743 023	16 445	109 748	374 243	495 994	387 710	358 882
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	4 951	1 838	2	82	109	164	378	1 103
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7 509	2 647	44	112	260	344	557	1 330
\$10,000 to \$19,999	10 275	4 155	57	210	338	670	976	1 904
\$20,000 to \$49,999	15 444	7 020	112	450	974	1 088	1 684	2 712
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5 568	3 326	66	147	636	773	782	922
\$100,000 to \$199,999	3 075	2 484	26	162	494	674	551	577
\$200,000 to \$499,999	1 973	1 748	9	132	425	546	408	228
\$500,000 or more	596	534	3	34	150	180	109	58
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	43 760	22 052	309	1 237	3 241	4 236	5 096	7 933
number..	95 575	59 504	835	3 508	10 828	13 980	14 395	15 958
Wheel tractors farms..	45 013	21 800	278	1 207	2 996	4 043	5 041	8 235
number..	101 346	59 728	733	3 081	9 608	12 576	13 927	19 803
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	27 861	13 372	138	677	2 428	3 228	3 139	5 327
number..	43 053	23 193	203	1 119	3 104	4 457	5 412	8 898
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	31 779	16 718	238	928	2 512	3 222	3 920	5 898
number..	58 293	36 535	530	1 962	6 504	8 119	8 515	10 905
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	29 929	15 568	218	829	2 343	3 041	3 686	5 451
number..	46 388	27 007	399	1 347	4 375	5 742	6 400	8 744
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	6 993	5 018	98	350	989	1 047	1 091	1 443
number..	11 905	9 528	131	615	2 129	2 377	2 115	2 161
Grain and bean combines farms..	6 951	4 962	81	262	865	1 130	1 229	1 395
number..	7 737	5 614	83	290	1 018	1 309	1 362	1 552
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	1 593	1 485	12	134	354	419	375	191
number..	1 912	1 790	12	150	447	522	443	216
Mower conditioners farms..	11 361	5 742	47	217	713	944	1 301	2 520
number..	12 513	6 452	53	239	826	1 134	1 442	2 758
Pickup balers farms..	12 023	6 045	42	188	718	1 014	1 405	2 678
number..	14 573	7 495	51	242	939	1 281	1 718	3 264
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	36 171	18 754	282	1 026	2 671	3 322	4 401	7 052
acres on which used..	3 670 634	3 055 329	36 092	191 313	687 042	857 761	723 042	560 079
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	14 391	9 709	216	788	1 815	2 118	2 279	2 493
acres on which used..	1 819 373	1 649 750	21 308	115 904	399 146	519 014	367 953	226 425
Nematodes in crops farms..	5 606	4 142	105	351	823	859	951	1 053
acres on which used..	424 873	388 252	3 381	32 637	111 164	110 934	86 658	43 478
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	5 525	3 575	52	318	753	862	754	836
acres on which used..	361 169	329 159	3 096	31 514	83 735	100 433	70 515	39 866
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	16 194	9 562	187	660	1 620	2 068	2 229	2 798
acres on which used..	2 458 604	2 163 492	28 874	148 675	521 315	644 922	481 477	338 229
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	2 629	2 010	73	206	438	481	443	369
acres on which used..	507 568	478 358	4 369	36 370	126 501	158 784	109 678	42 656

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	Total	Age of operator (years)					
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LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	4 217	19	250	830	1 279	1 023	816
acres..	150 971	299	7 026	31 351	40 277	37 695	34 323
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	15 864	73	862	3 005	4 826	3 950	3 148
acres..	171 213	552	7 855	28 648	49 409	42 084	42 665
Irrigated land farms..	1 488	13	103	345	473	350	204
acres..	16 744	104	969	3 050	4 860	3 250	4 511
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	1 390	13	93	312	445	342	185
acres..	14 584	104	725	2 320	4 390	3 027	4 018
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	157	—	15	50	44	19	29
acres..	2 160	—	244	730	470	223	493
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	1 650	3	80	197	419	417	534
acres..	58 882	(D)	(D)	6 157	13 586	13 152	23 959
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	25 639	230	1 466	4 871	8 017	6 257	4 798
\$1,000..	6 193 816	42 659	294 124	1 186 863	1 879 968	1 615 388	1 174 813
Average per farm dollars..	241 578	185 475	200 631	243 659	234 498	258 173	244 855
Average per acre dollars..	2 564	2 036	2 485	2 614	2 610	2 683	2 348
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	3 292	62	260	686	1 067	607	610
\$40,000 to \$69,999	2 654	12	181	395	844	711	511
\$70,000 to \$99,999	2 785	19	184	496	788	726	572
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4 223	41	208	808	1 312	973	881
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2 946	37	145	570	908	797	489
\$200,000 to \$499,999	7 003	36	373	1 407	2 291	1 691	1 205
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1 941	22	87	363	571	511	387
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	626	1	22	131	195	180	97
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	149	—	5	11	35	59	39
\$5,000,000 or more	20	—	1	4	6	2	7
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	25 639	230	1 466	4 871	8 017	6 257	4 798
\$1,000..	682 379	6 220	56 139	141 009	197 368	153 771	127 872
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	3 113	17	131	452	869	797	847
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4 862	30	306	849	1 543	1 136	998
\$10,000 to \$19,999	6 120	61	286	1 254	1 963	1 520	1 036
\$20,000 to \$49,999	8 424	92	466	1 697	2 753	2 055	1 361
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 242	17	169	456	707	510	383
\$100,000 to \$199,999	591	10	60	103	115	199	104
\$200,000 to \$499,999	225	3	38	49	56	38	41
\$500,000 or more	62	—	10	11	11	2	28
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	21 708	209	1 298	4 194	6 727	5 322	3 958
number..	36 071	381	2 334	7 152	11 396	8 750	6 058
Wheel tractors farms..	23 213	199	1 278	4 378	7 262	5 806	4 290
number..	41 618	455	2 225	7 579	13 028	10 717	7 614
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	14 489	99	721	2 624	4 611	3 626	2 808
number..	19 860	190	998	3 346	6 361	5 196	3 769
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	15 061	192	852	2 918	4 696	3 774	2 629
number..	21 758	265	1 227	4 233	6 667	5 521	3 845
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	14 361	180	743	2 814	4 540	3 616	2 468
number..	19 381	232	972	3 750	6 068	4 947	3 412
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	1 975	31	221	374	493	490	366
number..	2 377	33	255	483	599	574	433
Grain and bean combines farms..	1 989	46	138	422	604	515	264
number..	2 123	46	145	470	620	558	284
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	108	1	16	30	18	33	10
number..	122	(D)	16	35	22	37	(D)
Mower conditioners farms..	5 619	43	303	1 036	1 906	1 519	812
number..	6 061	54	328	1 097	2 085	1 620	877
Pickup balers farms..	5 978	65	342	1 010	2 050	1 614	897
number..	7 078	96	392	1 164	2 434	1 944	1 048
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	17 417	178	915	3 253	5 561	4 459	3 051
acres on which used..	615 305	6 654	35 614	151 204	196 497	139 184	86 152
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	4 682	73	340	935	1 425	1 187	722
acres on which used..	169 623	2 100	11 435	61 543	49 104	23 693	21 748
Nematodes in crops farms..	1 464	44	110	312	428	314	256
acres on which used..	36 621	830	4 769	7 976	12 797	4 363	5 886
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	1 950	18	182	454	660	392	244
acres on which used..	32 010	434	4 143	6 378	13 620	4 186	3 249
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	6 632	96	376	1 566	2 126	1 620	848
acres on which used..	295 112	2 727	19 226	96 746	93 956	49 659	32 798
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	619	1	52	167	203	127	69
acres on which used..	29 210	(D)	(D)	8 578	10 054	4 024	3 446

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		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR								
All operators	49 406	24 355	239	1 371	3 662	4 760	5 553	8 770
Full owners	28 608	12 279	63	421	1 318	1 875	2 554	6 048
Part owners	16 591	9 863	75	572	1 761	2 411	2 621	2 423
Tenants	4 207	2 213	101	378	583	474	378	299
White	47 295	23 238	235	1 327	3 538	4 542	5 274	8 322
Full owners	27 519	11 762	63	408	1 270	1 785	2 438	5 798
Part owners	15 859	9 428	74	553	1 718	2 324	2 497	2 262
Tenants	3 917	2 048	98	366	550	433	339	262
Black and other races	2 111	1 117	4	44	124	218	279	448
Full owners	1 089	517	—	13	48	90	116	250
Part owners	732	435	1	19	43	87	124	161
Tenants	290	165	3	12	33	41	39	37
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	45 338	22 216	138	999	3 090	4 305	5 187	8 497
acres..	5 697 692	3 668 147	13 798	130 173	478 302	799 478	917 159	1 329 237
Owned land in farms	45 199	22 142	138	993	3 079	4 286	5 175	8 471
acres..	5 234 476	3 404 585	13 588	121 841	450 049	758 769	854 431	1 205 907
Land rented or leased from others	21 008	12 173	178	955	2 352	2 902	3 019	2 767
farms..	3 952 084	3 372 346	33 808	254 805	856 235	1 037 602	784 546	405 350
landlords..	80 685	60 629	711	5 003	14 451	17 279	14 187	8 998
Rented or leased land in farms	20 798	12 076	176	950	2 344	2 885	2 999	2 722
acres..	3 887 903	3 325 974	33 757	250 732	846 001	1 025 446	773 055	396 983
Land rented or leased to others	8 381	4 121	15	135	398	609	944	2 020
farms..	527 397	309 934	261	12 405	38 487	52 865	74 219	131 697
acres..								
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	34 817	17 871	125	845	2 527	3 382	4 172	6 820
Not on farm operated	9 771	3 815	86	398	748	843	794	946
Not reported	4 818	2 669	28	128	387	535	587	1 004
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	24 355	24 355	239	1 371	3 662	4 760	5 553	8 770
Other	25 051	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	19 960	15 734	135	775	2 156	2 826	3 606	6 236
Any	25 856	5 031	79	461	1 099	1 347	1 181	864
1 to 99 days	3 984	2 532	45	190	509	601	627	560
100 to 199 days	3 844	1 123	18	106	256	322	258	163
200 days or more	18 028	1 376	16	165	334	424	296	141
Not reported	3 590	3 590	25	135	407	587	766	1 670
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	1 953	669	57	120	149	165	117	61
3 or 4 years	2 890	988	52	219	261	198	169	89
5 to 9 years	6 015	2 133	28	395	590	448	389	283
10 years or more	27 958	15 099	—	341	1 958	2 974	3 697	6 129
Average years on present farm	21.2	25.2	3.2	7.5	13.7	19.1	25.0	37.4
Not reported	10 590	5 466	102	296	704	975	1 181	2 208
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	433	239	239	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	2 938	1 371	—	1 371	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	8 519	3 662	—	—	3 662	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	6 011	2 283	—	—	—	2 283	—	—
50 to 54 years	6 359	2 477	—	—	—	2 477	—	—
55 to 59 years	6 033	2 679	—	—	—	—	2 679	—
60 to 64 years	5 580	2 874	—	—	—	—	2 874	—
65 to 69 years	4 869	3 008	—	—	—	—	—	3 008
70 years and over	8 664	5 762	—	—	—	—	—	5 762
Average age	55.2	57.5	21.7	30.5	40.0	49.6	59.6	72.9
Operators by sex:								
Male	45 343	22 442	219	1 296	3 343	4 415	5 162	8 007
Female	4 063	1 913	20	75	319	345	391	763
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	320	209	3	13	37	55	55	46
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	42 887	20 352	198	1 074	2 888	3 856	4 610	7 726
farms..	6 506 629	4 591 185	35 206	233 530	884 949	1 212 049	1 067 100	1 158 351
acres..	4 166	2 393	25	161	377	491	580	759
Partnership	1 323 383	1 052 458	5 260	64 404	166 444	273 489	304 675	238 186
farms..	1 951	1 414	13	114	351	377	324	235
acres..	1 162 084	993 051	6 822	69 126	203 035	285 822	233 143	195 103
More than 10 stockholders	23	13	—	—	4	7	1	1
10 or less stockholders	1 928	1 401	13	114	347	370	323	234
Other than family held	175	103	1	16	34	16	17	19
farms..	62 206	49 134	(D)	5 168	27 586	4 900	8 629	(D)
acres..	18	8	—	2	1	3	2	—
More than 10 stockholders	157	95	1	14	33	13	15	19
10 or less stockholders								
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	227	93	2	6	12	20	22	31
farms..	68 077	44 731	(D)	345	14 036	7 955	13 939	(D)
acres..								

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR							
All operators	25 051	194	1 567	4 857	7 610	6 060	4 763
Full owners	16 329	35	699	2 708	4 614	4 308	3 965
Part owners	6 728	46	515	1 611	2 412	1 497	647
Tenants	1 994	113	353	538	584	255	151
White	24 057	192	1 521	4 706	7 304	5 797	4 537
Full owners	15 757	35	678	2 636	4 471	4 154	3 783
Part owners	6 431	45	502	1 562	2 295	1 407	620
Tenants	1 869	112	341	508	538	236	134
Black and other races	994	2	46	151	306	263	226
Full owners	572	—	21	72	143	154	182
Part owners	297	1	13	49	117	90	27
Tenants	125	1	12	30	46	19	17
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	23 122	83	1 219	4 329	7 049	5 821	4 621
acres..	2 029 545	3 410	66 878	321 363	550 411	523 335	564 148
Owned land in farms	23 057	81	1 214	4 319	7 026	5 805	4 612
acres..	1 829 891	3 235	62 098	295 715	504 880	470 474	493 489
Land rented or leased from others	8 835	159	873	2 164	3 033	1 781	825
acres..	579 738	7 473	54 864	136 160	206 461	122 924	51 856
landlords..	20 056	308	1 940	4 931	7 038	4 028	1 811
Rented or leased land in farms	8 722	159	868	2 149	2 996	1 752	798
acres..	561 929	7 443	54 450	134 296	199 534	119 543	46 663
Land rented or leased to others.....	4 260	7	123	549	1 127	1 162	1 292
acres..	217 463	205	5 194	27 512	52 458	56 242	75 852
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	16 946	78	990	3 390	5 384	4 163	2 941
Not on farm operated	5 956	94	430	1 233	1 691	1 372	1 246
Not reported	2 149	22	147	344	535	525	576
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	25 051	194	1 567	4 857	7 610	6 060	4 763
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	4 226	14	90	230	426	823	2 643
Any	20 825	180	1 477	4 627	7 184	5 237	2 120
1 to 99 days	1 452	22	51	193	328	389	469
100 to 199 days	2 721	22	163	517	843	713	463
200 days or more	16 652	136	1 263	3 917	6 013	4 135	1 188
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	1 284	44	208	425	381	165	61
3 or 4 years	1 902	52	323	557	630	263	77
5 to 9 years	3 882	24	474	1 183	1 333	628	240
10 years or more	12 859	—	226	1 943	3 984	3 751	2 955
Average years on present farm	17.4	3.3	6.1	10.4	14.7	20.6	31.3
Not reported	5 124	74	336	749	1 282	1 253	1 430
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	194	194	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	1 567	—	1 567	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	4 857	—	—	4 857	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	3 728	—	—	—	3 728	—	—
50 to 54 years	3 882	—	—	—	3 882	—	—
55 to 59 years	3 354	—	—	—	—	3 354	—
60 to 64 years	2 706	—	—	—	—	2 706	—
65 to 69 years	1 861	—	—	—	—	—	1 861
70 years and over	2 902	—	—	—	—	—	2 902
Average age	53.0	21.8	30.6	40.2	49.5	59.1	72.6
Operators by sex:							
Male	22 901	180	1 474	4 479	7 115	5 615	4 038
Female	2 150	14	93	378	495	445	725
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)							
	111	—	11	24	39	15	22
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship).....	22 535	181	1 412	4 340	6 896	5 471	4 235
farms..	1 915 444	9 264	96 570	308 154	571 822	495 004	434 630
Partnership	1 773	13	117	328	503	419	393
farms..	270 925	1 414	11 405	39 385	80 059	64 376	74 286
acres..							
Corporation:							
Family held	537	—	26	154	153	118	86
farms..	169 033	—	4 532	74 378	42 995	22 929	24 199
acres..	10	—	—	5	3	1	1
More than 10 stockholders	527	—	26	149	150	117	85
farms..							
Other than family held	72	—	5	14	24	17	12
farms..	13 072	—	3 552	997	4 386	2 601	1 536
acres..							
More than 10 stockholders	10	—	1	4	4	1	4
farms..	62	—	4	14	20	16	8
farms..							
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	134	—	7	21	34	35	37
farms..	23 346	—	489	7 097	5 152	5 107	5 501
acres..							

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
INJURIES AND DEATHS								
Farm-related injuries:								
Operator and family members	farms.. 323	192	1	17	26	33	42	73
	number.. 388	237	(D)	(D)	26	40	56	94
Hired workers	farms.. 348	296	2	22	61	90	78	43
	number.. 668	588	(D)	(D)	80	210	192	64
Farm-related deaths:								
Operator and family members	farms.. 16	11	1	2	1	2	1	4
	number.. 20	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hired workers	farms.. 7	5	—	—	—	2	—	3
	number.. 12	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	(D)
FARMS BY SIZE								
1 to 9 acres	3 968	1 357	27	118	241	288	274	409
10 to 49 acres	15 601	5 623	64	338	808	994	1 233	2 186
50 to 69 acres	5 259	2 211	16	109	235	318	466	1 067
70 to 99 acres	5 323	2 441	13	108	242	407	492	1 179
100 to 139 acres	4 785	2 450	28	129	295	402	518	1 078
140 to 179 acres	2 892	1 644	16	91	188	269	416	664
180 to 219 acres	2 040	1 233	5	46	192	209	309	472
220 to 259 acres	1 463	969	13	53	129	192	249	333
260 to 499 acres	4 003	2 917	27	165	539	681	749	756
500 to 999 acres	2 461	2 055	28	132	448	550	487	410
1,000 to 1,999 acres	1 133	1 013	1	58	269	281	251	153
2,000 acres or more	478	442	1	24	76	169	109	63
FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM								
Oilseed and grain farming (1111)	5 627	2 624	52	119	330	422	555	1 146
Vegetable and melon farming (1112)	1 161	625	4	45	89	125	121	241
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113)	797	369	2	19	41	75	85	147
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114)	2 781	1 160	3	68	271	290	249	279
Other crop farming (1119)	14 657	8 825	114	578	1 472	1 871	2 173	2 617
Tobacco farming (11191)	9 657	6 412	87	424	1 072	1 390	1 641	1 798
Cotton farming (11192)	781	564	12	70	134	153	120	75
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199)	4 219	1 849	15	84	266	328	412	744
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211)	14 594	5 196	18	113	301	516	1 005	3 243
Cattle feedlots (11212)	443	185	2	1	8	17	36	121
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)	612	542	1	28	101	131	129	152
Hog and pig farming (1122)	2 017	1 342	14	126	305	346	343	208
Poultry and egg production (1123)	3 564	2 564	23	209	553	722	664	393
Sheep and goat farming (1124)	464	109	1	—	14	35	24	35
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129)	2 689	814	5	65	177	210	169	188
LIVESTOCK								
Cattle and calves inventory	farms.. 22 632	10 447	58	401	1 183	1 657	2 330	4 818
	number.. 941 311	602 306	3 025	22 891	85 992	130 277	150 100	210 021
Farms with—								
1 to 9	4 700	1 543	4	61	176	221	285	796
10 to 49	12 947	5 586	36	214	545	770	1 168	2 853
50 to 99	3 162	1 892	11	72	234	315	494	766
100 to 199	1 157	852	4	33	119	202	237	257
200 to 499	578	494	3	17	95	123	123	133
500 or more	88	80	—	4	14	26	23	13
Cows and heifers that had calved	farms.. 20 267	9 528	52	351	1 052	1 500	2 135	4 438
	number.. 514 072	325 443	1 449	11 624	46 305	65 956	80 129	119 980
Beef cows	farms.. 19 616	9 007	51	327	951	1 375	2 012	4 291
	number.. 435 672	252 276	1 416	9 164	31 958	46 013	64 199	99 526
Farms with—								
1 to 9	6 972	2 449	9	96	255	337	479	1 273
10 to 49	10 742	5 239	37	180	524	754	1 164	2 580
50 to 99	1 373	927	3	33	115	188	253	335
100 to 199	426	317	1	17	40	78	94	87
200 to 499	93	68	1	1	15	17	19	15
500 or more	10	7	—	—	2	1	3	1
Milk cows	farms.. 1 092	796	3	36	133	176	185	263
	number.. 78 400	73 167	33	2 460	14 347	19 943	15 930	20 454
Farms with—								
1 to 4	362	181	—	5	23	28	44	81
5 to 9	105	50	2	1	3	10	10	24
10 to 49	160	118	1	8	21	20	17	51
50 to 99	179	170	—	12	33	36	52	37
100 to 199	194	189	—	9	35	58	45	42
200 to 499	77	74	—	1	14	19	16	24
500 or more	15	14	—	—	4	5	1	4
Heifers and heifer calves	farms.. 16 443	7 812	50	298	937	1 248	1 769	3 510
	number.. 225 756	150 203	952	5 638	22 566	35 902	36 538	48 607
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	farms.. 18 500	8 635	57	317	982	1 368	1 960	3 951
	number.. 201 483	126 660	624	5 629	17 121	28 419	33 433	41 434

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
INJURIES AND DEATHS							
Farm-related injuries:							
Operator and family members farms..	131	—	9	36	47	22	17
number..	151	—	11	41	51	27	21
Hired workers farms..	52	—	4	16	11	9	12
number..	80	—	7	22	15	23	13
Farm-related deaths:							
Operator and family members farms..	5	1	—	1	—	1	2
number..	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Hired workers farms..	2	—	—	—	1	—	1
number..	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	(D)
FARMS BY SIZE							
1 to 9 acres	2 611	56	255	638	740	489	433
10 to 49 acres	9 978	75	662	2 141	3 120	2 345	1 635
50 to 69 acres	3 048	18	183	522	942	825	558
70 to 99 acres	2 882	17	165	481	885	733	601
100 to 139 acres	2 335	12	104	427	687	585	520
140 to 179 acres	1 248	6	51	190	390	330	281
180 to 219 acres	807	1	42	115	245	216	188
220 to 259 acres	494	2	25	74	141	119	133
260 to 499 acres	1 086	5	60	186	299	273	263
500 to 999 acres	406	2	13	59	118	105	109
1,000 to 1,999 acres	120	—	6	18	35	31	30
2,000 acres or more	36	—	1	6	8	9	12
FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM							
Oilseed and grain farming (1111)	3 003	33	162	486	890	711	721
Vegetable and melon farming (1112)	536	7	41	80	160	140	108
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113)	428	1	16	74	138	116	83
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114)	1 621	3	87	382	548	365	236
Other crop farming (1119)	5 832	74	399	1 086	1 716	1 432	1 125
Tobacco farming (11191)	3 245	61	219	571	924	846	624
Cotton farming (11192)	217	1	22	48	50	53	43
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199)	2 370	12	158	467	742	533	458
Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111)	9 398	58	546	1 657	2 720	2 412	2 005
Cattle feedlots (112112)	258	—	20	30	77	67	64
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)	70	—	1	10	19	19	21
Hog and pig farming (1122)	675	3	53	177	226	140	76
Poultry and egg production (1123)	1 000	6	85	275	277	234	123
Sheep and goat farming (1124)	355	1	21	103	146	57	27
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129)	1 875	8	136	497	693	367	174
LIVESTOCK							
Cattle and calves inventory farms..	12 185	72	775	2 283	3 618	3 069	2 368
number..	339 005	1 649	18 338	58 239	101 619	89 701	69 459
Farms with—							
1 to 9	3 157	30	230	673	911	723	590
10 to 49	7 361	34	461	1 306	2 179	1 899	1 482
50 to 99	1 270	5	65	239	413	336	212
100 to 199	305	3	17	54	91	81	59
200 to 499	84	—	2	9	23	28	22
500 or more	8	—	—	2	1	2	3
Cows and heifers that had calved farms..	10 739	60	652	1 976	3 219	2 723	2 109
number..	188 629	673	9 324	31 564	56 778	50 156	40 134
Beef cows farms..	10 609	59	645	1 951	3 187	2 698	2 089
number..	183 396	669	9 277	31 226	56 059	49 298	36 867
Farms with—							
1 to 9	4 523	35	308	911	1 312	1 092	865
10 to 49	5 503	22	319	948	1 696	1 440	1 078
50 to 99	446	2	15	71	142	124	92
100 to 199	109	—	2	16	29	33	29
200 to 499	25	—	1	5	7	8	4
500 or more	3	—	—	—	1	1	1
Milk cows farms..	296	3	20	57	93	59	64
number..	5 233	4	47	338	719	858	3 267
Farms with—							
1 to 4	181	3	16	42	60	31	29
5 to 9	55	—	4	7	19	11	14
10 to 49	42	—	—	6	11	11	14
50 to 99	9	—	—	2	2	3	2
100 to 199	5	—	—	—	1	3	1
200 to 499	3	—	—	—	—	—	3
500 or more	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Heifers and heifer calves farms..	8 631	55	568	1 664	2 632	2 155	1 557
number..	75 553	466	4 640	14 156	21 989	19 418	14 884
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves farms..	9 865	67	625	1 858	2 967	2 487	1 861
number..	74 823	510	4 374	12 519	22 852	20 127	14 441

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 21 286	10 022	55	382	1 094	1 570	2 243	4 678
	number.. 443 147	277 619	1 307	10 658	37 739	65 328	67 806	94 781
	\$1,000.. 169 869	108 586	456	4 141	14 420	28 919	26 256	34 395
Calves	farms.. 15 538	7 308	45	288	807	1 149	1 595	3 424
	number.. 216 528	128 426	761	5 045	18 471	24 568	28 904	50 677
	\$1,000.. 57 064	33 374	238	1 384	4 792	6 548	7 355	13 058
Cattle	farms.. 13 484	6 362	32	233	688	982	1 469	2 958
	number.. 226 619	149 193	546	5 613	19 268	40 760	38 902	44 104
	\$1,000.. 112 805	75 211	218	2 757	9 628	22 371	18 901	21 337
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 949	465	2	8	50	72	97	236
	number.. 16 765	12 923	(D)	(D)	944	7 819	1 656	2 337
	\$1,000.. 10 761	8 257	(D)	(D)	686	4 723	1 164	1 557
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 2 986	1 955	18	155	407	486	484	405
	number.. 9 624 860	7 842 394	68 836	1 031 661	1 554 230	2 230 245	2 380 524	576 898
Farms with—								
1 to 24	944	435	2	17	54	71	111	180
25 to 49	170	103	—	3	18	17	22	43
50 to 99	125	85	—	4	11	25	14	31
100 to 199	72	54	—	5	8	13	7	21
200 to 499	77	55	1	4	13	12	16	9
500 or more	1 598	1 223	15	122	303	348	314	121
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 1 279	861	2	58	155	192	223	231
	number.. 989 037	832 347	(D)	143 571	113 454	216 468	311 151	(D)
Other	farms.. 2 872	1 897	17	153	394	475	467	391
	number.. 8 635 823	7 010 047	(D)	888 090	1 440 776	2 013 777	2 069 373	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 2 666	1 831	17	149	396	460	455	354
	number.. 36 431 039	29 919 236	209 255	3 820 230	5 888 217	8 756 988	9 301 749	1 942 797
	\$1,000.. 2 568 492	2 104 124	19 976	247 663	427 809	622 650	645 485	140 539
Feeder pigs	farms.. 421	323	1	39	73	77	87	46
	number.. 14 489 819	12 153 162	(D)	2 081 888	1 693 722	3 117 539	4 743 748	(D)
	\$1,000.. 453 850	383 234	(D)	63 058	55 688	95 017	152 320	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 355	901	2	63	164	198	234	240
	number.. 2 102 446	1 778 472	(D)	285 971	241 441	474 377	683 251	(D)
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 1 272	857	2	63	156	190	216	230
	number.. 1 041 057	880 668	(D)	142 116	121 189	234 748	336 602	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 127	778	1	53	145	182	210	187
	number.. 1 061 389	897 804	(D)	143 855	120 252	239 629	346 649	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 613	252	1	10	48	59	50	84
	number.. 13 827	6 348	(D)	(D)	1 128	1 626	1 200	2 212
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 483	196	1	8	37	47	36	67
	number.. 8 296	3 709	(D)	(D)	730	1 092	583	1 191
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 451	196	1	8	40	45	34	68
	number.. 9 094	3 856	(D)	(D)	608	1 157	731	1 292
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 396	165	1	5	34	37	31	57
	number.. 9 222	4 080	(D)	(D)	683	1 274	754	1 265
	pounds of wool.. 56 706	25 824	(D)	(D)	4 324	7 623	4 702	8 742
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 7 160	2 532	15	172	478	606	518	743
	number.. 41 177	17 174	98	1 176	3 499	5 027	3 755	3 619
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 515	494	3	43	120	137	100	91
	number.. 5 449	2 611	14	239	549	1 032	528	249
Goats inventory	farms.. 2 224	792	7	43	123	163	190	266
	number.. 36 892	15 078	87	1 010	1 988	3 759	3 864	4 370
Goats sold	farms.. 866	315	2	19	50	67	72	105
	number.. 14 309	5 790	(D)	(D)	830	1 925	1 286	1 163
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 726	995	7	83	216	217	231	241
	number.. 16 162 563	13 376 719	(D)	(D)	4 199 281	2 905 536	2 831 262	2 020 089
Farms with—								
1 to 399	1 007	420	3	13	58	71	98	177
400 to 3,199	13	10	—	—	2	3	2	3
3,200 to 9,999	203	159	2	19	48	30	44	16
10,000 to 19,999	269	216	2	22	58	63	43	28
20,000 to 49,999	187	152	—	27	41	41	32	11
50,000 to 99,999	32	24	—	1	3	8	8	4
100,000 or more	15	14	—	1	6	1	4	2
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 566	897	7	70	198	194	205	223
	number.. 12 306 292	10 427 601	53 644	1 050 832	3 337 326	2 330 389	1 948 043	1 707 367
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 325	167	2	14	26	32	42	51
	number.. 3 856 271	2 949 118	(D)	(D)	861 955	575 147	883 219	312 722
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 932	690	4	82	183	174	156	91
	number.. 24 553 211	19 621 050	49 600	2 215 935	6 641 388	4 566 031	3 619 659	2 528 437
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 2 086	1 523	15	111	317	418	413	249
	number.. 591 248 423	467 119 540	3 663 000	34 242 137	105 072 653	139 412 051	129 190 504	55 539 195
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	29	17	—	1	3	3	5	5
2,000 to 59,999	112	63	1	5	8	8	16	25
60,000 to 99,999	174	105	2	6	12	27	25	33
100,000 or more	1 771	1 338	12	99	294	380	367	186
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 155	84	—	1	11	34	14	24
	number.. 957 914	808 582	—	(D)	(D)	411 373	311 463	57 274
Turkeys sold	farms.. 773	606	7	49	125	193	147	85
	number.. 56 471 419	46 929 468	359 000	3 697 828	9 878 985	17 489 490	11 332 384	4 171 781

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Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.							
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 11 264	64	693	2 069	3 335	2 886	2 217
	number.. 165 528	708	10 377	27 973	46 233	46 424	33 813
	\$1,000.. 61 283	264	3 604	10 235	16 924	17 701	12 556
Calves	farms.. 8 230	48	523	1 535	2 387	2 132	1 605
	number.. 88 102	358	6 428	14 778	24 157	25 195	17 186
	\$1,000.. 23 690	95	1 639	3 856	6 500	7 032	4 568
Cattle	farms.. 7 122	40	405	1 293	2 187	1 782	1 415
	number.. 77 426	350	3 949	13 195	22 076	21 229	16 627
	\$1,000.. 37 593	169	1 965	6 379	10 424	10 668	7 988
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 484	—	34	87	150	111	102
	number.. 3 842	—	254	724	1 414	794	656
	\$1,000.. 2 505	—	165	495	912	524	408
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 031	10	80	259	317	229	136
	number.. 1 782 466	7 717	208 583	707 065	464 348	291 649	103 104
Farms with—							
1 to 24	509	5	38	104	144	122	96
25 to 49	67	1	3	8	22	20	13
50 to 99	40	1	4	6	11	14	4
100 to 199	18	—	2	2	7	5	2
200 to 499	22	—	—	8	10	3	1
500 or more	375	3	33	131	123	65	20
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 418	3	24	80	130	105	76
	number.. 156 690	(D)	22 161	68 210	23 275	31 755	(D)
Other	farms.. 975	9	77	252	301	216	120
	number.. 1 625 776	(D)	186 422	638 855	441 073	259 894	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 835	5	64	206	269	183	108
	number.. 6 511 803	(D)	765 638	2 568 286	1 648 461	1 165 785	(D)
	\$1,000.. 464 368	1 958	44 944	169 778	130 635	89 155	27 898
Feeder pigs	farms.. 98	—	9	32	27	21	9
	number.. 2 336 657	—	425 374	950 100	(D)	492 368	(D)
	\$1,000.. 70 616	—	13 466	28 039	(D)	15 181	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 454	4	24	90	136	116	84
	number.. 323 974	(D)	49 436	138 672	47 013	70 727	(D)
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 415	3	24	85	125	102	76
	number.. 160 389	(D)	24 663	69 304	21 580	35 702	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 349	4	22	67	111	90	55
	number.. 163 585	(D)	24 773	69 368	25 433	35 025	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 361	2	20	113	140	58	28
	number.. 7 479	(D)	(D)	2 058	3 623	1 149	292
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 287	1	15	92	106	53	20
	number.. 4 587	(D)	(D)	1 359	2 090	765	182
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 255	1	14	78	100	40	22
	number.. 5 238	(D)	258	1 323	2 588	743	(D)
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 231	1	9	73	94	35	19
	number.. 5 142	(D)	(D)	1 428	2 451	881	213
	pounds of wool.. 30 882	(D)	(D)	9 024	14 053	5 652	1 306
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 4 628	24	309	1 169	1 688	953	485
	number.. 24 003	72	1 544	6 276	8 847	4 553	2 711
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 1 021	5	77	295	377	193	74
	number.. 2 838	6	166	764	1 172	456	274
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 432	15	113	377	498	275	154
	number.. 21 814	145	1 390	6 911	7 417	3 936	2 015
Goats sold	farms.. 551	5	47	161	193	102	43
	number.. 8 519	45	511	3 491	2 456	1 578	438
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 731	3	67	212	213	142	94
	number.. 2 785 844	(D)	359 128	749 960	549 767	630 128	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 399	587	3	51	168	185	109	71
400 to 3,199	3	—	—	—	—	—	3
3,200 to 9,999	44	—	3	8	10	12	11
10,000 to 19,999	53	—	7	24	11	11	—
20,000 to 49,999	35	—	5	12	6	7	5
50,000 to 99,999	8	—	1	—	—	3	4
100,000 or more	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 669	3	57	192	196	135	86
	number.. 1 878 691	47	236 167	463 265	211 197	520 381	447 634
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 158	1	18	51	50	21	17
	number.. 907 153	(D)	122 961	286 695	338 570	109 747	(D)
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 242	2	28	74	52	56	30
	number.. 4 932 161	(D)	628 633	1 498 905	1 069 884	1 173 950	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 563	3	46	144	160	133	77
	number.. 124 128 883	(D)	(D)	28 112 474	39 385 240	29 657 381	15 421 706
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	12	1	—	3	2	5	1
2,000 to 59,999	49	1	1	12	13	11	11
60,000 to 99,999	69	—	4	23	14	16	12
100,000 or more	433	1	41	106	131	101	53
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 71	2	7	19	19	17	7
	number.. 149 332	(D)	(D)	72	42	131 758	22
Turkeys sold	farms.. 167	—	6	45	53	49	14
	number.. 9 541 951	—	217 440	2 522 609	2 736 269	3 606 563	459 070

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 8 862	6 248	75	402	1 109	1 324	1 462	1 876
	acres.. 821 039	717 917	9 017	47 817	159 927	194 415	179 410	127 331
	bushels.. 74 423 999	65 108 027	790 246	4 623 170	14 607 596	17 905 135	16 046 415	11 135 465
Irrigated	farms.. 255	188	—	23	47	36	49	33
	acres.. 12 462	10 957	—	1 230	2 304	2 347	3 290	1 786
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	3 887	2 143	18	103	235	309	464	1 014
25 to 99 acres	2 714	2 029	27	158	369	412	493	570
100 to 249 acres	1 419	1 274	21	89	307	374	298	185
250 to 499 acres	547	523	6	30	141	148	134	64
500 acres or more	295	279	3	22	57	81	73	43
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 1 212	898	4	40	142	194	232	286
	acres.. 80 164	75 379	(D)	(D)	11 898	18 619	19 059	21 344
	tons, green.. 1 128 059	1 061 231	(D)	(D)	160 567	251 269	273 695	314 513
Irrigated	farms.. 43	38	—	—	4	11	13	10
	acres.. 2 282	2 259	—	—	301	795	414	749
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 210	153	1	14	18	35	38	47
	acres.. 8 344	7 190	(D)	811	(D)	2 037	1 037	2 343
	bushels.. 404 508	349 394	(D)	45 834	(D)	95 398	50 076	111 956
Irrigated	farms.. 9	6	—	1	—	1	3	1
	acres.. 660	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wheat for grain	farms.. 5 949	4 512	72	323	906	1 096	1 056	1 059
	acres.. 616 397	546 620	4 505	38 522	125 600	158 582	130 388	89 023
	bushels.. 30 357 728	27 240 467	228 178	2 011 750	6 354 935	7 916 054	6 503 739	4 225 811
Irrigated	farms.. 80	66	—	8	10	16	16	16
	acres.. 3 073	2 736	—	213	597	849	828	249
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	1 993	1 220	28	84	169	209	268	462
25 to 99 acres	2 210	1 683	29	125	338	398	419	374
100 to 249 acres	1 137	1 029	10	75	255	309	233	147
250 to 499 acres	394	376	5	27	99	115	84	46
500 acres or more	215	204	—	12	45	65	52	30
Barley for grain	farms.. 412	320	2	18	63	61	59	117
	acres.. 16 838	15 341	(D)	(D)	3 894	3 369	3 594	3 423
	bushels.. 1 110 796	1 025 051	(D)	(D)	258 983	233 288	241 626	217 544
Irrigated	farms.. 1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
	acres.. (D)	(D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	—
Oats for grain	farms.. 1 059	742	10	43	117	152	144	276
	acres.. 21 870	18 781	176	769	3 609	5 503	4 167	4 557
	bushels.. 1 401 369	1 221 315	11 640	53 526	237 186	329 899	301 509	287 555
Irrigated	farms.. 19	19	1	1	4	4	—	9
	acres.. 325	325	(D)	(D)	(D)	108	—	154
Cotton	farms.. 2 320	1 912	38	195	456	526	436	261
	acres.. 677 541	636 453	3 807	47 825	164 825	222 570	147 072	50 354
	bales.. 916 278	860 454	5 133	64 592	225 197	303 769	196 578	65 185
Irrigated	farms.. 73	62	—	6	13	18	18	7
	acres.. 12 220	11 441	—	1 023	1 437	6 343	1 673	965
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	291	156	8	6	25	29	33	55
25 to 99 acres	608	431	12	63	63	92	104	97
100 to 249 acres	571	507	14	57	136	127	130	43
250 to 499 acres	399	385	4	43	121	111	70	36
500 acres or more	451	433	—	26	111	167	99	30
Tobacco	farms.. 12 095	8 279	116	556	1 447	1 822	2 086	2 252
	acres.. 320 599	287 888	2 513	20 438	72 153	84 359	72 678	35 748
	pounds.. 703 559 462	635 547 739	5 733 725	45 139 420	162 125 696	189 042 403	157 101 683	76 404 812
Irrigated	farms.. 1 865	1 496	21	102	350	412	377	234
	acres.. 57 500	53 172	491	3 487	15 314	17 483	12 108	4 289
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres	594	235	—	5	12	32	45	141
1.0 to 1.9 acres	1 220	511	10	25	41	61	128	246
2.0 to 2.9 acres	1 013	479	8	16	34	50	107	264
3.0 to 4.9 acres	1 446	736	8	33	81	90	177	347
5.0 to 9.9 acres	1 921	1 200	26	61	126	213	305	469
10.0 to 24.9 acres	2 260	1 754	34	152	300	372	501	395
25.0 acres or more	3 641	3 364	30	264	853	1 004	823	390
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 9 933	7 043	104	492	1 360	1 573	1 684	1 830
	acres.. 1 280 412	1 120 592	11 687	78 450	276 824	317 930	267 358	168 343
	bushels.. 35 785 336	31 551 445	329 852	2 172 239	7 840 804	9 052 423	7 386 040	4 770 087
Irrigated	farms.. 118	95	—	12	17	23	28	15
	acres.. 5 496	4 963	—	496	1 119	1 433	1 115	800
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	3 174	1 678	29	89	218	228	361	753
25 to 99 acres	3 487	2 416	39	179	391	496	627	684
100 to 249 acres	1 911	1 661	23	135	409	457	389	248
250 to 499 acres	816	775	9	56	205	236	183	86
500 acres or more	545	513	4	33	137	156	124	59

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED							
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 2 614	26	168	513	841	630	436
	acres.. 103 122	773	6 410	32 676	27 692	21 171	14 400
	bushels.. 9 315 972	67 141	537 989	3 551 319	2 177 067	1 764 885	1 217 571
Irrigated	farms.. 67	2	6	18	16	17	8
	acres.. 1 505	(D)	91	174	141	239	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	1 744	20	106	352	569	393	304
25 to 99 acres	685	5	44	129	219	183	105
100 to 249 acres	145	1	13	27	39	48	17
250 to 499 acres	24	—	5	2	7	4	6
500 acres or more	16	—	—	3	7	2	4
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 314	6	20	54	76	103	55
	acres.. 4 785	56	621	637	849	1 803	819
	tons, green.. 66 828	822	6 412	8 310	11 672	28 189	11 423
Irrigated	farms.. 5	—	—	1	—	4	—
	acres.. 23	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	—
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 57	—	—	15	19	14	9
	acres.. 1 154	—	—	221	309	420	204
	bushels.. 55 114	—	—	10 699	13 693	20 245	10 477
Irrigated	farms.. 3	—	—	—	1	2	—
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	—
Wheat for grain	farms.. 1 437	11	102	286	439	331	268
	acres.. 69 777	266	5 018	18 943	22 839	11 617	11 094
	bushels.. 3 117 261	11 569	238 413	782 642	1 072 918	543 127	468 592
Irrigated	farms.. 14	—	—	4	4	3	3
	acres.. 337	—	—	75	90	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	773	7	53	139	219	187	168
25 to 99 acres	527	4	35	118	177	120	73
100 to 249 acres	108	—	12	22	31	21	22
250 to 499 acres	18	—	1	4	8	3	2
500 acres or more	11	—	1	3	4	—	3
Barley for grain	farms.. 92	1	9	27	21	20	14
	acres.. 1 497	(D)	(D)	409	180	398	332
	bushels.. 85 745	(D)	(D)	18 970	9 405	25 315	21 740
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oats for grain	farms.. 317	4	19	83	94	62	55
	acres.. 3 089	35	175	883	738	749	509
	bushels.. 180 054	1 160	10 700	54 353	40 873	41 206	31 762
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton	farms.. 408	3	32	88	99	96	90
	acres.. 41 088	66	3 398	10 662	12 792	7 759	6 411
	bales.. 55 824	45	4 816	14 843	17 131	10 364	8 625
Irrigated	farms.. 11	—	—	—	2	6	3
	acres.. 779	—	—	—	(D)	170	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	135	2	8	26	27	30	42
25 to 99 acres	177	1	17	35	44	50	30
100 to 249 acres	64	—	6	19	17	8	14
250 to 499 acres	14	—	—	4	2	6	2
500 acres or more	18	—	1	4	9	2	2
Tobacco	farms.. 3 816	64	249	653	1 107	995	748
	acres.. 32 711	295	2 199	6 171	9 898	8 003	6 144
	pounds.. 68 011 723	541 622	4 458 455	13 148 975	20 814 374	16 376 913	12 671 384
Irrigated	farms.. 369	9	26	73	98	109	54
	acres.. 4 327	80	199	838	1 204	1 124	883
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 0.9 acres	359	6	19	53	105	94	82
1.0 to 1.9 acres	709	12	62	122	204	174	135
2.0 to 2.9 acres	534	11	25	80	168	134	116
3.0 to 4.9 acres	710	13	46	121	189	204	137
5.0 to 9.9 acres	721	15	58	112	228	185	123
10.0 to 24.9 acres	506	6	20	109	134	139	98
25.0 acres or more	277	1	19	56	79	65	57
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 2 890	31	175	513	911	747	513
	acres.. 159 820	1 344	10 913	41 492	51 439	33 904	20 728
	bushels.. 4 233 891	29 832	267 260	1 226 590	1 331 416	840 015	538 778
Irrigated	farms.. 23	—	4	1	5	9	4
	acres.. 533	—	(D)	(D)	69	115	253
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	1 496	19	82	246	438	389	322
25 to 99 acres	1 071	8	66	205	369	283	140
100 to 249 acres	250	4	19	48	79	59	41
250 to 499 acres	41	—	4	9	11	11	6
500 acres or more	32	—	4	5	14	5	4

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes farms..	459	290	3	12	45	57	59	114
acres..	18 806	18 566	(D)	(D)	3 692	6 243	2 583	3 539
cwt..	3 586 031	3 555 586	(D)	(D)	685 412	1 109 157	488 175	718 983
Irrigated farms..	48	34	—	1	6	9	9	9
acres..	457	439	—	(D)	31	282	18	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	356	199	1	9	21	29	42	97
5.0 to 24.9 acres	33	22	—	—	3	6	5	8
25.0 to 99.9 acres	21	20	—	—	6	8	4	2
100.0 to 249.9 acres	27	27	1	1	10	7	4	4
250.0 acres or more	22	22	1	2	5	7	4	3
Sweetpotatoes farms..	512	400	2	26	90	81	94	107
acres..	29 058	23 505	(D)	(D)	4 956	9 288	4 781	2 414
bushels..	8 221 798	6 612 299	(D)	594 587	1 315 001	2 952 247	1 162 378	(D)
Irrigated farms..	69	61	—	3	10	17	15	16
acres..	2 569	2 542	—	(D)	98	1 888	405	(D)
Peanuts for nuts farms..	1 765	1 423	27	97	312	336	328	323
acres..	122 784	114 690	1 132	6 306	28 393	34 358	29 475	15 026
pounds..	325 662 397	304 152 867	3 032 774	15 948 326	75 340 963	93 948 009	75 402 985	40 479 810
Irrigated farms..	81	75	—	5	19	21	17	13
acres..	5 877	(D)	—	(D)	1 419	1 748	818	936
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	755	499	11	39	74	79	99	197
25 to 99 acres	608	533	13	44	133	135	131	77
100 to 249 acres	300	291	3	8	87	87	69	37
250 to 499 acres	89	88	—	5	16	31	26	10
500 acres or more	13	12	—	1	2	4	3	2
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) farms..	19 761	9 308	53	376	1 111	1 557	2 047	4 164
acres..	602 755	359 940	2 123	19 517	49 506	77 616	89 206	121 972
tons, dry..	1 218 338	764 948	5 063	43 042	110 710	175 799	184 721	245 613
Irrigated farms..	297	176	2	14	44	44	33	39
acres..	8 510	6 566	(D)	(D)	1 514	2 107	1 563	993
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	12 265	5 007	23	181	511	666	1 033	2 593
25 to 99 acres	6 381	3 486	25	149	469	672	811	1 360
100 to 249 acres	982	703	5	38	116	188	164	192
250 to 499 acres	110	92	—	5	12	25	33	17
500 acres or more	23	20	—	3	3	6	6	2
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text) farms..	16 651	7 854	49	315	924	1 304	1 764	3 498
acres..	475 587	278 802	1 756	15 174	38 660	57 770	69 537	95 905
tons, dry..	981 188	604 999	4 159	34 899	87 830	134 430	148 705	194 976
Irrigated farms..	219	126	2	9	33	31	24	27
acres..	6 451	4 946	(D)	(D)	1 238	1 492	1 364	610
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	2 160	1 406	16	92	260	301	289	448
acres..	50 079	43 454	650	3 434	9 162	16 427	7 427	6 355
Irrigated farms..	735	518	6	42	108	141	113	108
acres..	23 933	21 941	183	1 557	2 858	11 521	2 857	2 966
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	1 024	531	3	31	73	90	81	253
5.0 to 24.9 acres	762	534	6	35	106	111	130	146
25.0 to 99.9 acres	282	256	4	19	62	66	63	42
100.0 to 249.9 acres	58	54	3	2	10	24	10	5
250.0 acres or more	34	31	—	5	9	10	5	2
Land in orchards farms..	1 213	539	4	24	61	100	119	231
acres..	15 388	11 345	45	587	2 083	2 556	3 470	2 603
Irrigated farms..	168	80	—	3	13	17	17	30
acres..	1 235	753	—	6	253	155	211	129
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	737	256	2	10	24	39	42	139
5.0 to 24.9 acres	321	160	1	4	14	33	42	66
25.0 to 99.9 acres	125	94	1	10	14	19	28	22
100.0 to 249.9 acres	27	26	—	—	9	9	4	4
250.0 acres or more	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	—
Apples farms..	770	358	2	21	37	62	80	156
Bearing and nonbearing acres..	11 086	8 963	(D)	(D)	1 730	2 095	2 572	1 977
pounds..	139 031 973	124 475 572	(D)	(D)	21 214 935	26 516 185	47 534 986	23 176 562

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—							
Con.							
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes farms..	169	1	13	27	43	48	37
acres..	240	(D)	(D)	33	40	90	53
cwt..	30 445	(D)	(D)	3 033	5 517	13 075	6 897
Irrigated farms..	14	1	2	3	3	3	2
acres..	18	(D)	(D)	5	8	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	157	1	11	25	41	44	35
5.0 to 24.9 acres	11	—	2	2	2	3	2
25.0 to 99.9 acres	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
100.0 to 249.9 acres	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
250.0 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sweetpotatoes farms..	112	3	8	16	34	30	21
acres..	5 553	(D)	(D)	1 097	(D)	136	241
bushels..	1 609 499	(D)	(D)	399 338	(D)	36 718	53 365
Irrigated farms..	8	—	—	2	2	2	2
acres..	27	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Peanuts for nuts farms..	342	1	25	61	111	71	73
acres..	8 094	(D)	(D)	1 223	2 566	1 362	2 360
pounds..	21 509 530	(D)	(D)	3 392 494	6 121 287	4 000 576	6 205 778
Irrigated farms..	6	—	—	—	—	5	1
acres..	(D)	—	—	—	—	56	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	256	—	21	38	87	59	51
25 to 99 acres	75	1	4	23	20	9	18
100 to 249 acres	9	—	—	—	3	3	3
250 to 499 acres	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
500 acres or more	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) farms..	10 453	58	638	1 978	3 293	2 544	1 942
acres..	242 815	1 293	15 687	46 787	79 791	59 001	40 256
tons, dry..	453 390	2 561	29 005	90 834	148 332	108 407	74 251
Irrigated farms..	121	—	15	25	47	27	7
acres..	1 944	—	260	523	703	378	80
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	7 258	44	431	1 359	2 219	1 770	1 435
25 to 99 acres	2 895	11	189	560	968	699	468
100 to 249 acres	279	3	16	55	98	70	37
250 to 499 acres	18	—	2	3	8	5	—
500 acres or more	3	—	—	1	—	—	2
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text) farms..	8 797	50	537	1 693	2 809	2 160	1 548
acres..	196 785	992	12 281	38 032	65 970	47 918	31 592
tons, dry..	376 189	1 904	23 333	75 582	126 322	88 267	60 781
Irrigated farms..	93	—	12	22	34	20	5
acres..	1 505	—	225	485	432	294	69
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	754	6	56	146	230	184	132
acres..	6 625	34	481	1 325	2 415	1 331	1 039
Irrigated farms..	217	1	19	52	60	62	23
acres..	1 992	(D)	(D)	229	1 216	264	175
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	493	3	32	94	153	119	92
5.0 to 24.9 acres	228	3	21	45	66	59	34
25.0 to 99.9 acres	26	—	3	5	9	4	5
100.0 to 249.9 acres	4	—	—	1	1	2	—
250.0 acres or more	3	—	—	1	1	—	1
Land in orchards farms..	674	3	23	126	215	174	133
acres..	4 043	(D)	(D)	845	1 111	1 279	650
Irrigated farms..	88	—	1	18	43	17	9
acres..	482	—	(D)	(D)	189	94	117
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	481	2	15	83	156	125	100
5.0 to 24.9 acres	161	—	7	37	52	37	28
25.0 to 99.9 acres	31	1	1	6	7	11	5
100.0 to 249.9 acres	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
250.0 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Apples farms..	412	3	17	80	118	112	82
Bearing and nonbearing acres..	2 123	(D)	(D)	495	494	807	249
pounds..	14 556 401	(D)	(D)	5 465 517	3 183 173	4 363 333	1 376 328

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

²Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than \$1,000.