

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.....number..	74 214	33 060	296	1 366	3 587	5 125	7 912	14 774
.....percent..	100.0	44.5	.4	1.8	4.8	6.9	10.7	19.9
Land in farms.....acres..	33 218 677	23 617 504	164 712	981 466	3 332 572	4 712 187	5 927 805	8 498 762
Average size of farm.....acres..	448	714	556	718	929	919	749	575
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text).....farms..	74 214	33 060	296	1 366	3 587	5 125	7 912	14 774
.....\$1,000..	4 146 351	3 291 636	24 923	232 623	622 172	741 880	810 425	859 613
Average per farm.....dollars..	55 870	99 566	84 200	170 295	173 452	144 757	102 430	58 184
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text).....	10 470	2 395	11	83	211	358	520	1 212
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....	10 006	2 539	21	81	203	332	604	1 298
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	11 713	3 829	35	110	295	481	892	2 016
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	12 341	4 939	47	163	342	544	1 170	2 673
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	10 245	5 131	44	129	392	641	1 238	2 687
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	2 624	1 568	14	64	152	206	365	767
\$25,000 to \$39,999.....	4 463	2 819	17	123	283	393	695	1 308
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....	1 771	1 205	20	64	136	200	285	500
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	4 285	3 226	39	171	474	595	806	1 141
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	3 661	3 063	30	210	580	747	757	739
\$250,000 to \$499,999.....	1 591	1 420	10	96	316	387	343	268
\$500,000 to \$999,999.....	729	649	5	46	149	168	169	112
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999.....	229	203	1	18	41	59	51	33
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999.....	39	34	2	6	6	5	6	9
\$5,000,000 or more.....	47	40	-	2	7	9	11	11
Grains.....farms..	15 197	10 513	140	509	1 472	1 861	2 379	4 152
.....\$1,000..	582 290	502 938	4 931	27 376	97 406	115 350	120 040	137 835
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	3 259	2 907	28	169	585	686	705	734
.....\$1,000..	410 737	377 240	3 247	21 261	80 460	92 853	91 639	87 779
Corn for grain.....farms..	601	514	6	35	119	127	112	115
.....\$1,000..	52 660	49 476	439	3 365	12 110	12 268	9 963	11 330
Wheat.....farms..	13 878	9 695	124	462	1 371	1 689	2 175	3 874
.....\$1,000..	427 081	364 078	3 127	18 388	68 431	80 765	86 592	106 774
Soybeans.....farms..	1 914	1 432	24	98	247	329	317	417
.....\$1,000..	56 350	48 685	736	2 499	8 917	12 709	12 849	10 976
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	2 209	1 759	22	121	346	389	389	492
.....\$1,000..	38 569	34 256	507	2 235	7 385	8 644	8 103	7 383
Barley.....farms..	26	22	-	2	3	3	5	9
.....\$1,000..	157	150	-	(D)	(D)	20	24	84
Oats.....farms..	347	262	3	17	25	36	66	115
.....\$1,000..	1 476	1 190	8	(D)	(D)	172	312	470
Other grains.....farms..	436	331	5	19	51	68	94	94
.....\$1,000..	5 995	5 103	116	808	391	773	2 198	817
Cotton and cottonseed.....farms..	848	701	12	39	157	150	153	190
.....\$1,000..	57 711	54 097	711	3 216	14 420	12 403	11 474	11 871
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	251	231	2	14	54	60	49	52
.....\$1,000..	48 327	46 214	(D)	(D)	12 666	10 659	9 642	9 881
Tobacco.....farms..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.....\$1,000..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.....\$1,000..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....farms..	11 904	5 865	48	253	758	1 040	1 398	2 368
.....\$1,000..	88 715	64 738	1 120	3 504	10 900	16 058	15 949	17 207
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	281	236	2	17	46	68	49	54
.....\$1,000..	30 938	27 251	(D)	(D)	4 961	8 181	7 205	4 666
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons.....farms..	628	366	2	18	70	72	98	106
.....\$1,000..	13 671	11 772	(D)	262	2 421	4 705	1 952	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	51	47	-	2	11	12	10	12
.....\$1,000..	9 670	9 047	-	(D)	1 863	4 172	(D)	1 821
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....farms..	1 204	626	2	10	52	106	177	279
.....\$1,000..	9 622	7 292	(D)	311	1 248	1 478	1 634	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	38	33	-	2	7	6	9	9
.....\$1,000..	4 287	3 845	-	(D)	975	751	(D)	1 183
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....farms..	616	267	-	10	51	85	74	47
.....\$1,000..	109 004	90 675	-	3 736	8 188	16 899	40 053	21 800
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	148	98	-	6	18	31	24	19
.....\$1,000..	104 255	88 529	-	3 696	7 774	16 162	39 437	21 460
Other crops.....farms..	793	624	10	33	117	161	152	151
.....\$1,000..	46 854	42 199	289	2 411	8 794	12 104	10 303	8 297
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	305	277	2	17	58	83	68	49
.....\$1,000..	38 133	35 541	(D)	(D)	7 689	10 551	8 567	6 497
Poultry and poultry products.....farms..	1 900	992	9	77	194	260	248	204
.....\$1,000..	402 675	342 057	1 653	27 321	83 295	84 182	93 273	52 332
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	761	610	4	55	133	174	168	76
.....\$1,000..	399 894	340 617	1 649	27 192	82 804	83 944	92 958	52 070
Dairy products.....farms..	1 020	825	9	78	173	190	184	191
.....\$1,000..	150 219	138 899	939	8 041	29 004	31 030	48 935	20 949
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	625	563	5	57	144	143	121	93
.....\$1,000..	141 709	132 718	844	7 497	28 307	29 974	47 384	18 712
Cattle and calves.....farms..	56 600	26 856	233	1 103	2 849	4 100	6 549	12 022
.....\$1,000..	2 311 232	1 718 654	15 083	139 179	304 984	420 018	456 346	383 045
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	5 147	4 113	37	246	692	927	1 050	1 161
.....\$1,000..	1 834 926	1 445 384	12 603	129 002	276 476	379 140	388 127	260 036

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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	41 154	588	3 685	9 583	11 774	9 369	6 155
number ..							
percent ..	55.5	.8	5.0	12.9	15.9	12.6	8.3
Land in farms	9 601 173	87 096	678 854	2 028 403	2 767 847	2 376 961	1 662 012
acres ..							
Average size of farm	233	148	184	212	235	254	270
acres ..							
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	41 154	588	3 685	9 583	11 774	9 369	6 155
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	854 715	6 911	49 459	205 590	257 186	152 666	182 903
dollars ..							
Average per farm	20 769	11 753	13 422	21 454	21 844	16 295	29 716
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	8 075	109	726	1 907	2 217	1 689	1 427
\$1,000 to \$2,499	7 467	124	756	1 889	2 060	1 579	1 059
\$2,500 to \$4,999	7 884	144	716	1 793	2 316	1 824	1 091
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7 402	109	620	1 672	2 137	1 770	1 094
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5 114	55	454	1 125	1 506	1 238	736
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1 056	7	78	218	314	271	168
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1 644	16	144	369	513	391	211
\$40,000 to \$49,999	566	9	38	146	159	129	85
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1 059	10	78	255	293	250	173
\$100,000 to \$249,999	598	3	52	140	180	150	73
\$250,000 to \$499,999	171	—	14	40	45	47	25
\$500,000 to \$999,999	80	1	8	22	23	19	7
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	26	1	1	3	7	11	3
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	5	—	—	1	1	1	2
\$5,000,000 or more	7	—	—	3	3	—	1
Grains	4 684	87	390	1 091	1 276	1 072	768
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	79 352	1 016	5 224	17 805	22 046	20 689	12 571
Sales of \$50,000 or more	352	5	17	88	91	97	54
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	33 497	360	1 461	7 881	8 747	10 177	4 872
Corn for grain	87	1	9	18	22	20	17
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 185	(D)	205	(D)	(D)	1 441	(D)
Wheat	4 183	84	328	992	1 142	949	688
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	63 003	984	4 038	14 424	17 542	15 674	10 341
Soybeans	482	2	56	109	139	116	60
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	7 665	(D)	556	1 665	2 136	2 176	(D)
Sorghum for grain	450	3	52	104	128	97	66
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	4 313	(D)	370	960	1 426	832	(D)
Barley	4	—	—	1	1	—	2
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	7	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
Oats	85	3	10	8	26	23	15
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	286	6	27	18	55	143	36
Other grains	105	—	9	31	31	27	7
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	893	—	27	153	245	423	44
Cotton and cottonseed	147	2	17	24	43	43	18
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 614	(D)	(D)	344	1 181	1 308	440
Sales of \$50,000 or more	20	—	2	1	7	7	3
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 114	—	(D)	(D)	625	903	290
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	6 039	51	513	1 417	1 772	1 343	943
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	23 977	217	1 932	4 881	7 792	5 168	3 988
Sales of \$50,000 or more	45	1	6	6	15	8	9
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 687	(D)	(D)	414	1 488	620	675
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	262	2	22	59	75	55	49
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	1 899	(D)	(D)	214	656	613	211
Sales of \$50,000 or more	4	—	—	—	3	1	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	623	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	—
Fruits, nuts, and berries	578	3	30	124	171	155	95
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 330	(D)	(D)	499	787	504	401
Sales of \$50,000 or more	5	—	—	2	2	—	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	443	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
Nursery and greenhouse crops	349	—	22	86	111	75	55
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	18 329	—	2 817	3 075	3 073	3 399	5 966
Sales of \$50,000 or more	50	—	5	10	14	12	9
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	15 726	—	2 741	2 276	2 382	2 860	5 467
Other crops	169	8	30	36	40	27	28
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	4 655	124	1 155	774	1 027	626	949
Sales of \$50,000 or more	28	—	9	3	6	4	6
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 592	—	854	216	545	419	558
Poultry and poultry products	908	12	95	243	280	201	77
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	60 618	(D)	(D)	14 331	17 200	17 770	1 666
Sales of \$50,000 or more	151	1	20	40	44	40	6
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	59 277	(D)	7 721	13 981	16 679	17 518	(D)
Dairy products	195	—	21	35	59	47	33
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	11 320	—	902	1 695	3 394	3 793	1 537
Sales of \$50,000 or more	62	—	5	11	19	17	10
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	8 991	—	608	1 278	2 787	3 116	1 202
Cattle and calves	29 744	452	2 758	7 029	8 605	6 829	4 071
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	592 578	3 535	27 051	142 370	181 514	84 427	153 682
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1 034	8	77	245	245	248	159
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	389 542	1 169	10 068	96 533	122 000	34 734	125 038

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			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.. 2 082	716	13	61	173	193	133	143
	\$1,000.. 341 925	299 556	(D)	16 641	58 409	22 672	6 408	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 165	136	—	16	39	45	21	15
	\$1,000.. 334 502	296 190	—	16 296	57 707	21 825	(D)	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 1 279	462	7	22	83	85	124	141
	\$1,000.. 4 677	3 202	38	64	423	597	1 080	999
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 17	15	—	—	3	3	5	4
	\$1,000.. 1 792	(D)	—	—	(D)	288	560	550
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 4 473	1 663	11	84	267	359	439	503
	\$1,000.. 27 757	15 560	100	561	2 681	4 383	2 977	4 857
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 85	54	—	2	13	18	11	10
	\$1,000.. 11 666	8 090	—	(D)	1 350	2 536	(D)	2 993
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 1 898	716	8	40	102	139	166	261
	\$1,000.. 4 009	2 430	4	145	797	376	454	654
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 74 222	32 933	320	1 275	3 437	4 920	7 854	15 127
	\$1,000.. 3 576 456	2 751 597	21 815	190 095	518 540	618 429	700 292	702 426
Average per farm	dollars.. 48 186	83 551	68 170	149 094	150 870	125 697	89 164	46 435
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 26 102	12 759	155	593	1 680	2 287	3 221	4 823
	\$1,000.. 1 100 066	846 101	8 142	73 431	167 455	210 948	214 077	172 048
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	16 779	6 877	82	267	757	1 033	1 702	3 036
\$5,000 to \$24,999	5 802	3 148	39	126	406	575	853	1 149
\$25,000 to \$99,999	2 342	1 694	25	124	301	421	391	432
\$100,000 to \$249,999	694	606	3	41	116	159	163	124
\$250,000 or more	485	434	6	35	100	99	112	82
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 53 275	24 192	237	996	2 677	3 699	6 045	10 538
	\$1,000.. 900 546	702 297	4 072	58 143	137 959	158 785	166 283	177 056
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	42 423	16 523	180	581	1 599	2 318	3 961	7 884
\$5,000 to \$24,999	8 354	5 572	45	234	673	855	1 558	2 207
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 510	1 267	5	108	233	311	306	304
\$100,000 to \$249,999	447	383	3	25	73	84	107	91
\$250,000 or more	541	447	4	48	99	131	113	52
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 30 085	13 871	123	659	1 681	2 408	3 595	5 405
	\$1,000.. 451 587	375 016	1 677	29 218	99 133	86 672	100 546	57 770
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	24 974	9 974	89	414	1 105	1 609	2 515	4 242
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 558	2 589	28	116	309	437	766	933
\$25,000 to \$99,999	794	676	2	73	132	189	147	133
\$100,000 or more	759	632	4	56	135	173	167	97
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 19 439	11 808	122	496	1 512	2 056	3 037	4 585
	\$1,000.. 43 927	36 150	450	1 760	7 325	8 304	8 962	9 350
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	11 698	5 860	52	221	589	821	1 527	2 650
\$1,000 to \$4,999	5 753	4 193	40	180	537	781	1 114	1 541
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 762	1 552	29	87	342	400	339	355
\$25,000 to \$49,999	174	165	—	6	35	47	48	29
\$50,000 or more	52	38	1	2	9	7	9	10
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 37 094	20 218	181	803	2 318	3 087	5 138	8 691
	\$1,000.. 163 334	132 020	1 101	6 397	21 670	28 577	34 999	39 275
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	29 234	13 719	114	492	1 355	1 702	3 447	6 609
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 609	5 322	60	263	715	1 053	1 399	1 832
\$25,000 to \$49,999	921	863	6	30	184	249	215	179
\$50,000 or more	330	314	1	18	64	83	77	71
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 25 453	14 033	161	565	1 727	2 344	3 465	5 771
	\$1,000.. 65 621	53 946	829	2 743	10 517	11 889	14 457	13 510
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	22 550	11 589	125	440	1 304	1 745	2 774	5 201
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 492	2 055	26	107	325	498	599	500
\$25,000 to \$49,999	284	265	9	14	65	71	63	43
\$50,000 or more	127	124	1	4	33	30	29	27
Petroleum products	farms.. 68 490	31 505	299	1 197	3 290	4 691	7 580	14 448
	\$1,000.. 156 445	117 577	1 061	5 399	19 832	22 954	28 921	39 410
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	61 327	25 369	243	891	2 102	3 322	5 969	12 842
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 668	5 672	55	280	1 085	1 260	1 499	1 493
\$25,000 to \$49,999	372	352	—	23	76	86	81	86
\$50,000 or more	123	112	1	3	27	23	31	27
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 47 721	22 727	181	895	2 588	3 530	5 471	10 062
	\$1,000.. 49 554	33 704	211	1 454	4 965	6 627	8 610	11 837
Diesel fuel	farms.. 49 456	24 953	271	966	2 763	3 778	6 187	10 988
	\$1,000.. 72 204	56 322	536	2 656	9 083	11 585	14 510	17 951
Natural gas	farms.. 1 673	1 178	10	55	197	255	242	419
	\$1,000.. 10 177	9 132	164	433	2 130	1 362	1 545	3 498
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 49 672	25 897	240	961	2 913	3 903	6 438	11 442
	\$1,000.. 24 510	18 419	150	856	3 654	3 381	4 255	6 124

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		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..	1 366	24	162	596	363	156	65
\$1,000..	42 369	87	927	15 636	14 270	10 905	543
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	29	—	1	9	8	10	1
\$1,000..	38 312	—	(D)	14 015	13 230	(D)	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool .. farms..	817	9	76	312	234	137	49
\$1,000..	1 474	18	208	343	584	235	87
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	2	—	1	—	1	—	—
\$1,000..	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .. farms..	2 810	17	303	773	913	585	219
\$1,000..	12 197	34	787	3 622	3 663	3 230	861
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	31	—	—	10	10	9	2
\$1,000..	3 576	—	—	1 451	(D)	1 174	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .. farms..	1 182	17	115	378	341	202	129
\$1,000..	1 578	55	135	407	460	288	233
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses .. farms..	41 289	612	3 630	9 948	11 400	9 359	6 340
\$1,000..	824 859	5 636	45 565	216 323	244 507	142 404	170 424
Average per farm .. dollars..	19 978	9 209	12 552	21 745	21 448	15 216	26 881
Livestock and poultry purchased .. farms..	13 343	201	1 423	3 903	3 900	2 672	1 244
\$1,000..	253 965	1 553	9 350	68 058	78 919	24 102	71 984
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	9 902	153	1 114	2 827	2 931	1 968	909
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	2 654	33	247	841	783	511	259
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	648	14	52	197	167	158	60
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	88	—	7	23	24	23	11
\$250,000 or more ..	51	1	3	15	15	12	5
Feed for livestock and poultry .. farms..	29 083	407	2 875	7 492	8 293	6 470	3 546
\$1,000..	198 249	1 285	11 784	48 616	57 410	33 934	45 221
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	25 900	375	2 655	6 689	7 442	5 611	3 128
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	2 782	30	176	724	757	730	365
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	243	—	28	39	50	88	38
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	64	1	3	17	17	14	12
\$250,000 or more ..	94	1	13	23	27	27	3
Commercially mixed formula feeds .. farms..	16 214	198	1 609	3 966	4 837	3 842	1 762
\$1,000..	76 571	757	8 762	17 757	20 852	23 108	5 335
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	15 000	195	1 527	3 720	4 486	3 441	1 631
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	969	1	54	197	300	312	105
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	118	—	12	17	18	53	18
\$100,000 or more ..	127	2	16	32	33	36	8
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .. farms..	7 631	69	623	1 896	2 177	1 818	1 048
\$1,000..	7 778	66	625	1 447	2 025	2 060	1 554
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	5 838	50	481	1 488	1 675	1 362	782
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	1 560	19	117	373	448	402	201
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	210	—	24	34	49	43	60
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	9	—	—	1	2	5	1
\$50,000 or more ..	14	—	1	—	3	6	4
Commercial fertilizer .. farms..	16 876	168	1 374	4 213	4 651	4 135	2 335
\$1,000..	31 314	216	2 008	7 460	8 567	8 279	4 784
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	15 515	158	1 305	3 868	4 275	3 778	2 131
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 287	9	62	334	358	336	188
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	58	1	6	9	12	16	14
\$50,000 or more ..	16	—	1	2	6	5	2
Agricultural chemicals .. farms..	11 420	124	999	2 985	3 154	2 621	1 537
\$1,000..	11 676	95	673	2 684	3 264	3 060	1 898
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	10 961	122	977	2 918	3 013	2 479	1 452
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	437	2	21	62	139	134	79
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	19	—	1	4	2	6	6
\$50,000 or more ..	3	—	—	1	—	2	—
Petroleum products .. farms..	36 985	558	3 235	9 045	10 271	8 491	5 385
\$1,000..	38 869	365	2 857	9 908	10 624	9 250	5 865
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	35 958	548	3 179	8 799	10 019	8 209	5 204
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	996	10	56	241	245	271	173
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	20	—	—	4	3	8	5
\$50,000 or more ..	11	—	—	1	4	3	3
Gasoline and gasohol .. farms..	24 994	392	2 202	6 407	7 011	5 509	3 473
\$1,000..	15 851	190	1 334	4 194	4 332	3 464	2 337
Diesel fuel .. farms..	24 503	290	2 015	6 041	6 839	5 838	3 480
\$1,000..	15 882	118	1 057	4 028	4 273	4 043	2 363
Natural gas .. farms..	495	1	28	120	139	104	103
\$1,000..	1 045	(D)	(D)	322	294	142	265
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. .. farms..	23 775	359	2 075	5 730	6 378	5 661	3 572
\$1,000..	6 091	(D)	(D)	1 364	1 725	1 601	902

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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	39 283	20 485	175	852	2 265	3 257	5 003	8 933
Electricity \$1,000	35 944	27 200	139	1 255	4 452	5 103	6 772	9 478
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	32 782	15 548	133	590	1 428	2 104	3 822	7 471
\$1,000 to \$4,999	5 780	4 310	39	213	707	997	1 035	1 319
\$5,000 to \$24,999	648	563	3	44	117	142	130	127
\$25,000 to \$49,999	37	32	—	2	5	10	7	8
\$50,000 or more	36	32	—	3	8	4	9	8
Hired farm labor farms	20 628	11 798	124	496	1 509	2 250	3 006	4 413
Hired farm labor \$1,000	183 170	152 976	672	7 703	25 678	26 183	45 928	46 812
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	16 483	8 430	103	334	880	1 485	2 200	3 428
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 099	2 462	16	121	466	543	580	736
\$25,000 to \$99,999	873	759	4	28	134	197	181	215
\$100,000 to \$249,999	109	94	1	8	17	15	30	23
\$250,000 or more	64	53	—	5	12	10	15	11
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more farms	6 009	4 083	60	192	685	838	942	1 366
150 days or more workers	13 286	10 224	79	448	1 997	1 630	3 000	3 070
Less than 150 days farms	19 007	10 546	110	429	1 293	2 003	2 680	4 031
Less than 150 days workers	42 265	25 497	227	988	3 397	4 814	6 100	9 971
Contract labor farms	9 370	5 306	38	201	693	1 046	1 357	1 971
Contract labor \$1,000	27 587	19 457	65	801	3 472	4 064	4 814	6 240
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	4 474	2 083	25	80	201	364	488	925
\$1,000 to \$4,999	3 589	2 239	7	78	305	474	629	746
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 179	885	6	36	169	186	214	274
\$25,000 to \$49,999	83	64	—	5	11	16	16	16
\$50,000 or more	45	35	—	2	7	6	10	10
Repair and maintenance farms	57 440	27 687	260	1 067	3 097	4 281	6 870	12 112
Repair and maintenance \$1,000	183 808	133 137	924	5 843	20 918	25 552	35 142	44 758
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	48 672	20 821	205	784	2 014	2 873	5 017	9 928
\$5,000 to \$24,999	7 985	6 147	52	246	952	1 235	1 673	1 989
\$25,000 to \$49,999	598	556	1	25	101	139	134	156
\$50,000 or more	185	163	2	12	30	34	46	39
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	18 893	10 784	96	432	1 297	1 645	2 675	4 639
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment \$1,000	65 643	51 272	552	2 080	8 306	10 644	12 650	17 039
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	7 788	3 495	26	103	291	498	783	1 794
\$1,000 to \$4,999	7 828	4 546	33	212	581	572	1 208	1 940
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 916	2 408	34	103	354	495	610	812
\$25,000 to \$49,999	273	252	2	11	56	60	50	73
\$50,000 or more	88	83	1	3	15	20	24	20
Interest farms	31 323	15 292	171	748	2 253	3 097	4 063	4 960
Interest \$1,000	224 537	162 235	1 024	8 254	30 923	40 190	43 629	38 215
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	21 226	8 581	130	446	1 023	1 375	2 314	3 293
\$5,000 to \$24,999	8 449	5 231	33	219	907	1 322	1 371	1 379
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 509	1 354	8	73	301	376	336	260
\$100,000 or more	139	126	—	10	22	24	42	28
Secured by real estate farms	21 305	10 186	98	438	1 481	2 254	2 643	3 272
Secured by real estate \$1,000	129 019	87 437	541	3 919	14 836	21 921	24 209	22 011
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	3 680	1 486	37	62	110	295	310	672
\$1,000 to \$4,999	10 621	4 153	34	196	595	802	1 137	1 389
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 240	3 870	24	145	649	987	1 067	1 067
\$25,000 to \$49,999	571	501	3	25	96	125	144	108
\$50,000 or more	193	176	—	10	31	45	54	36
Not secured by real estate farms	18 282	10 007	130	549	1 569	2 145	2 625	2 989
Not secured by real estate \$1,000	95 518	74 799	483	4 335	16 087	18 270	19 421	16 203
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	6 682	2 920	54	149	337	479	729	1 172
\$1,000 to \$4,999	7 842	4 012	55	227	595	822	1 153	1 160
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 126	2 498	18	129	501	697	603	550
\$25,000 to \$49,999	428	390	2	34	97	102	91	64
\$50,000 or more	204	187	1	10	39	45	49	43
Cash rent farms	20 666	11 205	158	594	1 659	2 102	2 843	3 849
Cash rent \$1,000	107 452	85 430	1 049	6 375	17 721	19 611	22 551	18 124
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	15 577	7 237	122	322	846	1 126	1 874	2 947
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 434	1 624	11	53	287	385	391	497
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1 875	1 616	5	163	346	405	402	295
\$25,000 or more	780	728	20	56	180	186	176	110
Property taxes farms	70 905	31 840	283	1 141	3 204	4 759	7 733	14 720
Property taxes \$1,000	72 271	44 118	228	1 394	5 272	7 170	11 245	18 809
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	69 404	30 630	281	1 104	3 062	4 526	7 411	14 246
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 082	871	2	19	92	173	235	350
\$10,000 to \$24,999	353	287	—	17	40	53	73	104
\$25,000 or more	66	52	—	1	10	7	14	20
All other farm production expenses farms	63 762	30 398	311	1 170	3 252	4 647	7 339	13 679
All other farm production expenses \$1,000	246 104	187 681	1 507	8 516	37 039	38 454	49 864	52 302
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	56 028	24 056	252	852	2 184	3 245	5 587	11 936
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 523	5 277	50	255	840	1 120	1 465	1 547
\$25,000 to \$49,999	724	630	4	32	128	169	182	115
\$50,000 to \$99,999	306	274	4	14	64	76	67	49
\$100,000 or more	181	161	1	17	36	37	38	32

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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 ..	18 798	230	1 310	4 398	5 702	4 454	2 704
\$1,000 ..	8 744	55	543	2 181	2 605	1 985	1 375
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	17 234	229	1 198	3 997	5 253	4 093	2 464
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	1 470	—	107	379	422	338	224
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	85	1	5	19	24	22	14
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	5	—	—	1	2	1	1
\$50,000 or more ..	4	—	—	2	1	—	1
Hired farm labor farms ..	8 830	73	631	2 407	2 712	1 969	1 038
\$1,000 ..	30 194	92	1 673	7 259	8 724	5 929	6 518
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	8 053	71	592	2 258	2 460	1 792	880
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	637	2	33	120	220	136	126
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	114	—	3	26	25	33	27
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	15	—	2	1	4	7	1
\$250,000 or more ..	11	—	1	2	3	1	4
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms ..	1 926	21	127	523	453	449	353
workers ..	3 062	21	222	830	736	648	605
Less than 150 days farms ..	8 461	73	619	2 301	2 636	1 865	967
workers ..	16 768	187	1 053	4 633	5 405	3 573	1 917
Contract labor farms ..	4 064	34	351	1 121	1 103	964	491
\$1,000 ..	8 130	13	521	2 172	2 366	2 115	943
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	2 391	34	241	607	698	534	277
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	1 350	—	96	436	294	359	165
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	294	—	10	75	97	64	48
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	19	—	4	1	12	2	—
\$50,000 or more ..	10	—	—	2	2	5	1
Repair and maintenance farms ..	29 753	369	2 456	7 375	8 717	6 845	3 991
\$1,000 ..	50 671	535	2 777	14 539	13 659	11 994	7 166
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	27 851	355	2 388	6 889	8 265	6 305	3 649
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 838	14	66	470	439	524	325
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	42	—	1	14	8	8	11
\$50,000 or more ..	22	—	1	2	5	8	6
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms ..	8 109	63	669	1 918	2 370	1 994	1 095
\$1,000 ..	14 371	65	915	3 222	3 857	3 588	2 724
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	4 293	39	442	1 030	1 340	979	463
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	3 282	23	200	768	903	883	505
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	508	1	26	117	120	123	121
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	21	—	1	2	6	8	4
\$50,000 or more ..	5	—	—	1	1	1	2
Interest farms ..	16 031	238	1 575	4 560	4 969	3 402	1 287
\$1,000 ..	62 301	486	5 143	20 123	19 234	12 123	5 192
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	12 645	220	1 271	3 437	3 932	2 702	1 083
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	3 218	17	288	1 065	999	660	189
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	155	1	15	53	34	40	12
\$100,000 or more ..	13	—	1	5	4	—	3
Secured by real estate farms ..	11 119	99	1 063	3 253	3 505	2 385	814
\$1,000 ..	41 582	242	3 643	12 857	13 145	8 322	3 374
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	2 194	15	210	532	640	574	223
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	6 468	81	671	1 854	2 129	1 308	425
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	2 370	3	170	841	718	482	156
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	70	—	11	20	12	18	9
\$50,000 or more ..	17	—	1	6	6	3	1
Not secured by real estate farms ..	8 275	155	883	2 399	2 549	1 702	587
\$1,000 ..	20 719	245	1 500	7 266	6 089	3 802	1 818
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	3 762	92	469	930	1 146	819	306
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	3 830	47	364	1 270	1 207	710	232
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	628	15	48	182	183	159	41
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	38	1	2	13	7	11	4
\$50,000 or more ..	17	—	—	4	6	3	4
Cash rent farms ..	9 461	180	993	2 571	2 766	1 990	961
\$1,000 ..	22 021	273	2 022	6 016	6 304	5 273	2 132
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	8 340	169	907	2 258	2 467	1 706	833
\$5,000 to \$9,999 ..	810	11	58	241	203	205	92
\$10,000 to \$24,999 ..	259	—	19	59	82	68	31
\$25,000 or more ..	52	—	9	13	14	11	5
Property taxes farms ..	39 065	470	3 186	9 402	10 899	9 112	5 996
\$1,000 ..	28 152	129	1 330	8 850	7 036	6 320	4 487
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	38 774	470	3 184	9 317	10 828	9 032	5 943
\$5,000 to \$9,999 ..	211	—	1	58	54	71	27
\$10,000 to \$24,999 ..	66	—	—	24	10	9	23
\$25,000 or more ..	14	—	1	3	7	—	3
All other farm production expenses farms ..	33 364	453	2 946	8 075	9 444	7 650	4 796
\$1,000 ..	58 423	406	3 344	13 788	19 914	12 390	8 581
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	31 972	450	2 886	7 691	9 055	7 319	4 571
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 246	2	53	358	350	281	202
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	94	—	5	14	26	38	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999 ..	32	—	2	8	10	5	7
\$100,000 or more ..	20	—	—	4	3	7	6

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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..	74 222	32 933	320	1 275	3 437	4 920	7 854	15 127
..... \$1,000..	456 080	453 501	3 632	31 480	72 864	93 270	94 608	157 647
Average per farm..... dollars..	6 145	13 770	11 351	24 690	21 200	18 957	12 046	10 422
Farms with net gains ² number..	33 245	17 791	202	777	1 834	2 629	3 908	8 441
Average net gain..... dollars..	22 356	34 220	24 084	50 036	51 510	46 534	35 631	24 761
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	6 719	2 340	32	75	102	378	423	1 330
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	16 126	7 605	68	274	627	791	1 593	4 252
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	7 660	5 451	82	263	642	870	1 325	2 269
\$50,000 or more.....	2 740	2 395	20	165	463	590	567	590
Farms with net losses..... number..	40 977	15 142	118	498	1 603	2 291	3 946	6 686
Average net loss..... dollars..	7 007	10 257	10 445	14 854	13 479	12 688	11 312	7 682
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	7 887	2 319	25	73	136	287	478	1 320
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	26 284	9 063	45	247	859	1 271	2 391	4 250
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	6 373	3 404	46	154	543	646	987	1 028
\$50,000 or more.....	433	356	2	24	65	87	90	88
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	20 218	12 470	126	515	1 524	2 039	2 898	5 368
..... \$1,000..	127 920	98 977	784	4 107	15 101	20 269	23 633	35 083
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	13 253	7 567	96	351	1 104	1 200	1 646	3 170
..... \$1,000..	68 159	48 777	378	2 409	10 296	8 867	11 075	15 752
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	4 750	2 921	60	214	625	630	667	725
..... \$1,000..	35 241	27 479	202	1 886	6 753	6 347	6 814	5 477
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	4 983	2 433	22	42	209	210	493	1 457
..... \$1,000..	25 137	15 201	122	320	2 516	1 324	2 471	8 449
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	579	243	—	15	50	30	62	86
..... \$1,000..	2 177	1 364	—	17	260	101	649	336
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	5 176	3 541	30	133	473	598	773	1 534
..... \$1,000..	5 604	4 733	54	186	767	1 095	1 141	1 491
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	1 832	1 373	26	74	219	266	286	502
..... \$1,000..	26 668	23 922	207	1 346	4 244	6 306	5 534	6 284
Corn..... farms..	47	45	—	5	13	7	10	10
..... \$1,000..	866	(D)	—	(D)	115	413	163	107
Wheat..... farms..	1 708	1 276	25	67	198	246	259	481
..... \$1,000..	21 773	19 274	193	986	3 302	4 714	4 597	5 481
Soybeans..... farms..	48	36	1	1	9	3	14	8
..... \$1,000..	361	308	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	152	27
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	119	98	1	7	21	17	17	35
..... \$1,000..	886	859	(D)	(D)	176	259	281	109
Cotton..... farms..	85	72	2	5	21	12	15	17
..... \$1,000..	2 527	2 369	(D)	(D)	523	901	331	560
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	15	11	—	3	2	3	3	—
..... \$1,000..	254	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	10	—
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	58 741	28 259	237	1 112	3 089	4 386	6 837	12 598
..... acres..	14 843 823	10 628 634	85 325	476 139	1 630 200	2 185 786	2 601 076	3 650 108
Harvested cropland..... farms..	44 786	23 719	198	936	2 711	3 742	5 821	10 311
..... acres..	8 462 079	6 706 027	60 109	320 388	1 156 529	1 457 344	1 643 177	2 068 480
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	19 764	7 403	34	216	655	923	1 828	3 747
50 to 99 acres.....	8 427	4 244	38	145	351	567	1 091	2 052
100 to 199 acres.....	6 336	3 845	42	166	380	584	932	1 741
200 to 499 acres.....	5 714	4 192	46	184	565	727	973	1 697
500 to 999 acres.....	2 752	2 352	24	139	403	488	602	696
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	1 417	1 321	13	69	277	354	298	310
2,000 acres or more.....	376	362	1	17	80	99	97	68
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	33 970	15 700	129	606	1 695	2 442	3 871	6 957
..... acres..	4 980 365	2 963 845	19 505	118 059	352 346	539 435	757 520	1 176 980
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	3 540	1 810	11	54	170	289	395	891
..... acres..	495 874	292 540	1 918	9 778	26 893	49 774	54 097	150 080
On which all crops failed..... farms..	1 559	1 037	12	42	143	187	265	388
..... acres..	153 568	120 205	1 372	5 966	13 776	18 552	34 111	46 428
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	1 883	1 388	9	65	205	267	324	518
..... acres..	318 342	274 439	1 099	10 204	53 108	66 300	56 074	87 654
Idle..... farms..	4 184	1 993	14	68	202	324	471	914
..... acres..	433 595	271 578	1 322	11 744	27 548	54 381	56 097	120 486
Total woodland..... farms..	19 801	8 726	54	300	849	1 328	2 167	4 028
..... acres..	2 131 519	1 132 993	4 908	36 757	116 550	182 052	301 547	491 179
Woodland pastured..... farms..	14 588	6 665	38	206	624	986	1 665	3 146
..... acres..	1 470 384	808 695	3 639	27 014	88 907	122 947	212 947	353 241
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	7 776	3 267	24	128	345	539	841	1 390
..... acres..	661 135	324 298	1 269	9 743	27 643	59 105	88 600	137 938

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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..... number..	41 289	612	3 630	9 948	11 400	9 359	6 340
..... \$1,000..	2 579	614	-2 899	-9 743	-3 235	5 900	11 944
Average per farm..... dollars..	62	1 003	-799	-979	-284	630	1 884
Farms with net gains ² number..	15 454	235	1 247	3 161	4 066	3 779	2 966
Average net gain..... dollars..	8 697	8 959	6 023	9 605	8 782	8 999	8 332
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	4 379	88	461	808	1 247	1 002	773
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	8 521	136	602	1 810	2 163	2 139	1 671
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	2 209	10	174	446	567	549	463
\$50,000 or more.....	345	1	10	97	89	89	59
Farms with net losses..... number..	25 835	377	2 383	6 787	7 334	5 580	3 374
Average net loss..... dollars..	5 103	3 956	4 368	5 909	5 310	5 037	3 785
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	5 568	118	507	1 251	1 367	1 210	1 115
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	17 221	238	1 714	4 597	5 041	3 665	1 966
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	2 969	20	159	921	902	678	289
\$50,000 or more.....	77	1	3	18	24	27	4
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments..... farms..	7 748	79	575	1 631	2 066	1 864	1 533
..... \$1,000..	28 943	219	1 849	5 094	7 149	7 497	7 134
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	5 686	68	420	1 243	1 488	1 462	1 005
..... \$1,000..	19 382	116	1 142	3 419	5 462	5 140	4 104
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	1 829	19	237	404	603	419	147
..... \$1,000..	7 762	20	786	1 820	2 335	2 054	747
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	2 550	29	113	422	584	713	689
..... \$1,000..	9 936	71	228	1 180	2 711	2 718	3 028
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	336	16	22	139	60	60	39
..... \$1,000..	813	23	30	269	270	615	157
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	1 635	7	108	437	428	418	237
..... \$1,000..	871	2	99	150	146	302	172
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total..... farms..	459	9	30	127	124	103	66
..... \$1,000..	2 746	102	139	763	1 004	469	270
Corn..... farms..	2	—	—	1	—	1	—
..... \$1,000..	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	—
Wheat..... farms..	432	9	25	121	119	95	63
..... \$1,000..	2 500	(D)	(D)	749	835	429	266
Soybeans..... farms..	12	—	1	2	3	3	3
..... \$1,000..	53	—	(D)	(D)	13	(D)	(D)
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	21	1	3	5	4	7	1
..... \$1,000..	28	(D)	(D)	5	10	12	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	13	—	—	3	8	2	—
..... \$1,000..	159	—	—	(D)	146	(D)	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	4	—	1	3	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	—	—
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland..... farms..	30 482	361	2 564	6 931	8 785	7 200	4 641
..... acres..	4 215 189	42 168	302 572	876 849	1 218 428	1 063 834	711 338
Harvested cropland..... farms..	21 067	224	1 678	4 818	6 175	5 040	3 132
..... acres..	1 756 052	19 355	120 999	381 101	513 519	436 905	284 173
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres.....	12 361	126	1 049	2 837	3 596	2 932	1 821
50 to 99 acres.....	4 183	55	297	983	1 272	994	582
100 to 199 acres.....	2 491	29	198	579	684	628	373
200 to 499 acres.....	1 522	8	104	316	482	350	262
500 to 999 acres.....	400	5	26	80	111	103	75
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	96	1	4	20	25	28	18
2,000 acres or more.....	14	—	—	3	5	5	1
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	18 270	223	1 640	4 248	5 398	4 245	2 516
..... acres..	2 016 520	20 167	154 895	425 268	603 389	504 190	308 611
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	1 730	10	113	319	458	442	388
..... acres..	203 334	797	12 534	27 563	44 368	61 550	56 522
On which all crops failed..... farms..	522	3	45	123	147	109	95
..... acres..	33 363	35	2 825	7 248	9 696	7 236	6 323
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	495	6	51	99	143	107	89
..... acres..	43 903	841	3 985	8 433	12 561	10 102	7 981
Idle..... farms..	2 191	18	148	436	593	542	454
..... acres..	162 017	973	7 334	27 236	34 895	43 851	47 728
Total woodland..... farms..	11 075	103	888	3 322	2 671	2 550	1 541
..... acres..	998 526	7 072	73 274	191 232	327 322	244 735	154 891
Woodland pastured..... farms..	7 923	73	656	1 817	2 386	1 902	1 089
..... acres..	661 689	5 055	53 958	125 446	223 911	160 530	92 789
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	4 509	47	342	1 040	1 380	1 075	625
..... acres..	336 837	2 017	19 316	65 786	103 411	84 205	62 102

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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..	36 763	18 227	154	746	2 059	2 909	4 434	7 925
acres..	15 431 722	11 342 709	72 320	455 967	1 523 969	2 265 519	2 895 634	4 129 300
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	33 238	15 562	94	534	1 615	2 316	3 814	7 189
acres..	811 613	513 168	2 159	12 603	61 853	78 830	129 548	228 175
Irrigated land farms..	2 710	1 817	22	117	340	438	410	490
acres..	506 459	454 895	6 151	30 078	99 740	110 160	105 979	102 787
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	2 439	1 697	22	107	321	408	390	449
acres..	464 133	424 524	(D)	(D)	94 750	100 680	99 494	95 079
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	465	265	1	18	43	70	51	82
acres..	42 326	30 371	(D)	(D)	4 990	9 480	6 485	7 708
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	5 443	2 993	15	78	281	461	606	1 552
acres..	955 313	603 762	2 901	16 124	48 034	100 263	118 840	317 600
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	74 222	32 933	320	1 275	3 437	4 920	7 854	15 127
\$1,000..	20 188 097	13 265 790	98 830	550 698	1 777 611	2 476 245	3 473 439	4 888 967
Average per farm dollars..	271 996	402 811	308 843	431 920	517 199	503 302	442 251	323 195
Average per acre dollars..	610	562	529	601	565	545	576	557
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	9 251	2 569	16	96	208	373	485	1 391
\$40,000 to \$69,999	10 215	3 074	46	124	292	456	537	1 619
\$70,000 to \$99,999	9 535	3 294	40	144	309	350	658	1 793
\$100,000 to \$149,999	11 495	4 184	69	157	371	554	872	2 161
\$150,000 to \$199,999	7 939	3 470	18	72	265	308	914	1 893
\$200,000 to \$499,999	16 404	9 216	71	363	911	1 392	2 633	3 846
\$500,000 to \$999,999	5 916	4 299	45	187	626	842	1 039	1 560
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	2 452	1 956	10	104	312	454	465	611
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	859	731	4	23	127	168	199	210
\$5,000,000 or more	156	140	1	5	16	23	52	43
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	74 220	32 933	320	1 275	3 437	4 920	7 854	15 127
\$1,000..	2 741 400	1 760 641	16 661	78 291	266 295	329 201	427 878	642 315
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	10 264	3 066	3	120	218	332	681	1 712
\$5,000 to \$9,999	11 668	4 124	44	126	288	469	834	2 363
\$10,000 to \$19,999	16 558	6 200	39	202	533	785	1 383	3 258
\$20,000 to \$49,999	20 825	9 418	128	369	888	1 402	2 472	4 159
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8 550	5 178	64	192	674	938	1 273	2 037
\$100,000 to \$199,999	4 288	3 189	20	187	499	575	831	1 077
\$200,000 to \$499,999	1 856	1 562	21	73	293	373	321	481
\$500,000 or more	211	196	1	6	44	46	59	40
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	68 223	31 460	285	1 258	3 348	4 782	7 577	14 210
number..	142 809	77 881	680	2 891	9 348	13 434	19 392	32 136
Wheel tractors farms..	63 282	29 234	245	1 033	2 896	4 357	7 164	13 539
number..	107 733	57 503	457	1 778	5 868	9 075	14 993	25 332
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	25 569	10 801	59	304	851	1 494	2 677	5 416
number..	30 447	13 235	70	342	1 076	1 776	3 462	6 509
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	49 732	24 295	219	885	2 453	3 768	6 106	10 864
number..	77 286	44 268	387	1 436	4 792	7 299	11 531	18 823
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	35 792	18 346	134	532	1 604	2 812	4 763	8 501
number..	51 137	26 232	169	749	2 279	4 171	6 889	11 975
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	18 155	11 394	143	505	1 456	1 894	2 850	4 546
number..	26 149	18 036	218	687	2 513	3 128	4 642	6 848
Grain and bean combines farms..	9 185	6 767	44	285	832	1 193	1 735	2 678
number..	11 374	8 479	58	330	1 037	1 579	2 212	3 263
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	620	514	13	27	109	101	131	133
number..	896	727	15	37	154	143	179	199
Mower conditioners farms..	17 098	9 463	78	349	1 035	1 482	2 543	3 976
number..	19 403	10 807	98	397	1 153	1 706	2 949	4 504
Pickup balers farms..	17 865	10 928	92	407	1 181	1 782	3 107	4 359
number..	22 847	14 402	120	521	1 541	2 414	4 269	5 537
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	37 033	20 182	181	802	2 307	3 078	5 135	8 679
acres on which used..	7 853 463	6 237 229	58 136	291 395	1 028 563	1 347 788	1 627 637	1 883 710
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	6 299	4 444	72	257	625	747	1 063	1 680
acres on which used..	1 220 545	1 067 616	16 275	56 862	202 025	227 844	272 936	291 674
Nematodes in crops farms..	353	231	—	8	62	46	38	77
acres on which used..	51 294	43 292	—	1 608	12 752	9 218	6 069	13 645
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	1 064	696	11	16	149	134	163	223
acres on which used..	127 280	108 955	644	3 022	31 073	28 022	21 617	24 577
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	18 156	10 164	105	445	1 352	1 834	2 561	3 867
acres on which used..	3 818 204	2 984 389	39 291	152 949	503 470	674 280	830 594	783 805
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	594	384	10	37	61	51	91	134
acres on which used..	106 806	96 596	1 390	12 670	21 016	15 667	24 367	21 486

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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
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	18 536	284	1 702	4 285	5 345	4 203	2 717
acres..	4 089 013	36 353	286 313	908 755	1 131 783	991 766	734 043
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	17 676	144	1 407	3 991	5 251	4 149	2 734
acres..	298 445	1 503	16 695	51 567	90 314	76 626	61 740
Irrigated land farms..	893	6	77	201	276	187	146
acres..	51 564	145	4 610	9 514	14 120	13 339	9 836
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	742	6	69	160	231	152	124
acres..	39 609	145	3 973	6 246	10 217	11 146	7 882
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	200	—	13	52	62	43	30
acres..	11 955	—	637	3 268	3 903	2 193	1 954
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	2 450	18	139	403	563	630	697
acres..	351 551	1 936	17 964	50 831	71 901	95 886	113 033
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	41 289	612	3 630	9 948	11 400	9 359	6 340
\$1,000..	6 922 307	51 461	443 482	1 605 777	2 006 527	1 657 016	1 158 043
Average per farm dollars..	167 655	84 087	122 171	161 417	176 011	177 051	182 657
Average per acre dollars..	728	611	732	770	755	693	688
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	6 682	231	887	1 654	1 622	1 107	1 181
\$40,000 to \$69,999	7 141	148	785	1 767	1 826	1 537	1 078
\$70,000 to \$99,999	6 241	47	607	1 576	1 764	1 345	902
\$100,000 to \$149,999	7 311	109	506	1 835	2 228	1 680	953
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4 469	21	328	937	1 228	1 290	665
\$200,000 to \$499,999	7 188	46	447	1 670	2 057	1 849	1 119
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1 617	9	36	346	485	437	304
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	496	1	24	147	141	85	98
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	128	—	10	12	44	27	35
\$5,000,000 or more	16	—	—	4	5	2	5
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	41 287	612	3 630	9 948	11 400	9 357	6 340
\$1,000..	980 759	13 239	79 361	228 745	272 184	236 707	150 524
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	7 198	139	661	1 646	1 890	1 532	1 330
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7 544	82	743	1 896	1 982	1 728	1 113
\$10,000 to \$19,999	10 358	186	844	2 577	2 886	2 242	1 623
\$20,000 to \$49,999	11 407	140	1 039	2 697	3 349	2 699	1 483
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3 372	54	232	799	978	754	555
\$100,000 to \$199,999	1 099	1	90	301	223	309	175
\$200,000 to \$499,999	294	10	20	29	89	90	56
\$500,000 or more	15	—	1	3	3	3	5
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	36 763	554	3 331	8 900	10 041	8 339	5 598
number..	64 928	865	5 725	15 806	17 590	15 023	9 919
Wheel tractors farms..	34 048	379	2 480	7 827	9 669	8 252	5 441
number..	50 230	480	3 458	11 113	14 008	12 767	8 404
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	14 768	159	1 042	3 076	4 108	3 928	2 455
number..	17 212	191	1 210	3 501	4 643	4 795	2 872
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	24 437	251	1 765	5 799	7 048	5 716	3 858
number..	33 018	289	2 248	7 612	9 365	7 972	5 532
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	20 446	182	1 391	4 737	6 030	4 829	3 277
number..	24 905	207	1 647	5 554	7 297	6 008	4 192
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	6 761	80	532	1 751	1 712	1 593	1 093
number..	8 113	82	601	2 058	2 068	1 964	1 340
Grain and bean combines farms..	2 418	25	152	554	745	559	383
number..	2 895	25	174	653	890	679	474
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	106	—	14	21	32	36	3
number..	169	—	17	36	45	67	4
Mower conditioners farms..	7 635	62	577	1 864	2 155	1 792	1 185
number..	8 596	69	639	2 089	2 433	2 054	1 312
Pickup balers farms..	6 937	57	518	1 696	2 019	1 767	880
number..	8 445	64	629	2 036	2 463	2 218	1 035
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	16 851	168	1 373	4 214	4 629	4 132	2 335
acres on which used..	1 616 234	17 319	105 323	415 028	431 575	417 824	229 165
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	1 855	11	113	569	452	441	269
acres on which used..	152 929	3 250	8 175	46 120	38 313	36 211	20 860
Nematodes in crops farms..	122	—	4	36	17	14	51
acres on which used..	8 002	—	1 053	1 570	849	1 084	3 446
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	368	—	14	104	98	82	70
acres on which used..	18 325	—	1 212	1 752	3 175	6 082	6 104
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	7 992	84	736	2 129	2 323	1 706	1 014
acres on which used..	833 815	6 042	52 484	213 152	246 579	192 606	122 952
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	210	1	17	53	44	69	26
acres on which used..	10 210	(D)	(D)	1 162	1 493	5 013	2 116

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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	74 214	33 060	296	1 366	3 587	5 125	7 912	14 774
Full owners	41 550	16 608	72	407	1 221	2 042	3 826	9 040
Part owners	25 169	13 697	86	557	1 804	2 588	3 606	5 056
Tenants	7 495	2 755	138	402	562	495	480	678
White	69 827	31 535	280	1 296	3 410	4 833	7 557	14 159
Full owners	38 961	15 750	66	387	1 132	1 890	3 621	8 654
Part owners	23 809	13 149	82	519	1 741	2 476	3 479	4 852
Tenants	7 057	2 636	132	390	537	467	457	653
Black and other races	4 387	1 525	16	70	177	292	355	615
Full owners	2 589	858	6	20	89	152	205	386
Part owners	1 360	548	4	38	63	112	127	204
Tenants	438	119	6	12	25	28	23	25
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	67 016	30 459	158	968	3 044	4 649	7 461	14 179
acres..	20 298 569	13 841 881	43 918	340 843	1 249 709	2 195 453	3 417 175	6 594 783
Owned land in farms	66 719	30 305	158	964	3 025	4 630	7 432	14 096
acres..	18 462 130	12 741 627	39 313	301 418	1 181 805	2 089 917	3 220 802	5 908 372
Land rented or leased from others	32 873	16 558	224	962	2 372	3 096	4 108	5 796
acres..	15 028 575	11 065 137	125 759	682 767	2 168 124	2 721 975	2 730 027	2 636 485
landlords..	74 336	46 438	597	2 758	7 960	9 838	11 553	13 732
Rented or leased land in farms	32 664	16 452	224	959	2 366	3 083	4 086	5 734
acres..	14 756 547	10 875 877	125 399	680 048	2 150 767	2 622 270	2 707 003	2 590 390
Land rented or leased to others	7 093	3 632	13	84	233	357	690	2 255
acres..	2 108 467	1 289 514	4 965	42 144	85 261	205 241	219 397	732 506
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	50 915	24 317	131	846	2 505	3 881	6 052	10 902
Not on farm operated	18 341	6 160	138	439	834	830	1 370	2 549
Not reported	4 958	2 583	27	81	248	414	490	1 323
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	33 060	33 060	296	1 366	3 587	5 125	7 912	14 774
Other	41 154	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	26 047	20 664	96	533	1 590	2 485	4 917	11 043
Any	43 859	8 088	169	705	1 634	2 070	2 118	1 392
1 to 99 days	5 169	3 471	63	268	595	749	993	803
100 to 199 days	6 887	2 013	42	188	420	526	519	318
200 days or more	31 803	2 604	64	249	619	795	606	271
Not reported	4 308	4 308	31	128	363	570	877	2 339
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	4 705	1 167	60	181	239	241	277	169
3 or 4 years	6 635	1 710	62	228	328	358	412	322
5 to 9 years	11 172	3 349	58	414	648	747	796	686
10 years or more	39 578	20 969	—	310	1 764	2 933	5 266	10 696
Average years on present farm	19.0	25.1	3.8	7.0	12.5	17.0	22.8	34.6
Not reported	12 124	5 865	116	233	608	846	1 161	2 901
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	884	296	296	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	5 051	1 366	—	1 366	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	13 170	3 587	—	—	3 587	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	8 203	2 313	—	—	—	2 313	—	—
50 to 54 years	8 696	2 812	—	—	—	2 812	—	—
55 to 59 years	8 801	3 539	—	—	—	—	3 539	—
60 to 64 years	8 480	4 373	—	—	—	—	4 373	—
65 to 69 years	7 333	4 789	—	—	—	—	—	4 789
70 years and over	13 596	9 985	—	—	—	—	—	9 985
Average age	55.1	60.5	21.4	30.4	39.8	49.8	59.8	73.2
Operators by sex:								
Male	67 876	30 201	282	1 283	3 291	4 685	7 391	13 269
Female	6 338	2 859	14	83	296	440	521	1 505
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)								
	551	233	—	22	41	50	53	67
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	67 226	29 416	262	1 166	3 079	4 516	7 056	13 337
acres..	26 499 815	18 336 901	134 658	737 204	2 508 571	3 654 878	4 575 727	6 725 863
Partnership	4 963	2 454	31	154	331	389	582	967
acres..	3 916 340	2 936 169	28 911	154 865	499 554	524 856	820 510	907 473
Corporation:								
Family held	1 271	842	2	31	135	179	200	295
acres..	2 076 510	1 793 449	(D)	(D)	269 864	346 458	444 726	698 815
More than 10 stockholders	35	20	—	1	4	2	4	9
10 or less stockholders	1 236	822	2	30	131	177	196	286
Other than family held	145	62	—	5	14	10	13	20
acres..	205 213	162 418	—	7 120	12 480	95 324	17 810	29 684
More than 10 stockholders	16	12	—	2	3	2	2	3
10 or less stockholders	129	50	—	3	11	8	11	17
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms..								
acres..	609	286	1	10	28	31	61	155
	520 799	388 567	(D)	(D)	42 103	90 671	69 032	136 927

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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
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR							
All operators	41 154	588	3 685	9 583	11 774	9 369	6 155
Full owners	24 942	196	1 688	5 160	7 025	6 213	4 660
Part owners	11 472	79	1 011	3 098	3 641	2 539	1 104
Tenants	4 740	313	986	1 325	1 108	617	391
White	38 292	536	3 339	8 802	10 970	8 817	5 828
Full owners	23 211	177	1 519	4 720	6 536	5 842	4 417
Part owners	10 660	75	929	2 845	3 387	2 387	1 037
Tenants	4 421	284	891	1 237	1 047	588	374
Black and other races	2 862	52	346	781	804	552	327
Full owners	1 731	19	169	440	489	371	243
Part owners	812	4	82	253	254	152	67
Tenants	319	29	95	88	61	29	17
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	36 557	276	2 712	8 294	10 701	8 776	5 798
acres..	6 456 688	25 985	306 585	1 055 031	1 751 019	1 755 848	1 562 220
Owned land in farms	36 414	275	2 699	8 258	10 666	8 752	5 764
acres..	5 720 503	24 714	286 786	965 899	1 584 606	1 571 391	1 287 107
Land rented or leased from others	16 315	393	2 001	4 443	4 781	3 179	1 518
acres..	3 963 438	62 593	418 128	1 075 799	1 201 609	822 792	382 517
landlords..	27 898	597	3 115	7 556	8 347	5 725	2 558
Rented or leased land in farms	16 212	392	1 997	4 423	4 749	3 156	1 495
acres..	3 880 670	62 382	392 068	1 062 504	1 183 241	805 570	374 905
Land rented or leased to others	3 461	14	156	573	871	882	965
acres..	818 953	1 482	45 859	102 427	184 781	201 679	282 725
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	26 598	242	2 219	6 622	8 142	6 158	3 215
Not on farm operated	12 181	296	1 304	2 510	3 019	2 675	2 377
Not reported	2 375	50	162	451	613	536	563
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	41 154	588	3 685	9 583	11 774	9 369	6 155
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	5 383	53	123	327	462	1 111	3 307
Any	35 771	535	3 562	9 256	11 312	8 258	2 848
1 to 99 days	1 698	47	118	279	335	472	447
100 to 199 days	4 874	86	390	1 088	1 439	1 238	633
200 days or more	29 199	402	3 054	7 889	9 538	6 548	1 768
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	3 538	154	761	1 066	913	490	154
3 or 4 years	4 925	130	923	1 656	1 381	625	210
5 to 9 years	7 823	80	1 124	2 603	2 274	1 298	444
10 years or more	18 609	—	414	3 060	5 745	5 560	3 830
Average years on present farm	14.2	3.2	5.3	8.8	13.0	18.2	26.9
Not reported	6 259	224	463	1 198	1 461	1 396	1 517
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	588	588	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	3 685	—	3 685	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	9 583	—	—	9 583	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	5 890	—	—	—	5 890	—	—
50 to 54 years	5 884	—	—	—	5 884	—	—
55 to 59 years	5 262	—	—	—	—	5 262	—
60 to 64 years	4 107	—	—	—	—	4 107	—
65 to 69 years	2 544	—	—	—	—	—	2 544
70 years and over	3 611	—	—	—	—	—	3 611
Average age	50.7	21.5	30.6	39.8	49.5	59.1	72.3
Operators by sex:							
Male	37 675	536	3 514	8 945	10 958	8 594	5 128
Female	3 479	52	171	638	816	775	1 027
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)							
	318	2	41	77	97	52	49
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	37 810	536	3 390	8 920	10 912	8 650	5 402
acres..	8 162 914	79 380	589 005	1 771 917	2 357 564	2 059 658	1 305 390
Partnership	2 509	42	246	524	631	536	530
acres..	980 171	4 827	67 189	192 023	287 292	225 874	202 966
Corporation:							
Family held	429	6	18	89	127	92	97
acres..	283 061	1 963	6 674	47 353	72 737	65 856	88 478
More than 10 stockholders	15	—	—	3	4	5	3
10 or less stockholders	414	6	18	86	123	87	94
Other than family held	83	—	8	13	26	22	14
acres..	42 795	—	9 780	1 548	18 232	8 367	4 868
More than 10 stockholders	4	—	—	4	—	—	—
10 or less stockholders	79	—	8	9	26	22	14
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms..	323	4	23	37	78	69	112
acres..	132 232	926	6 206	15 562	32 022	17 206	60 310

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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.. 56 600	26 856	233	1 103	2 849	4 100	6 549	12 022
	number.. 4 346 420	3 192 955	27 469	234 346	531 223	751 578	826 621	821 718
	\$1,000.. 2 311 232	1 718 654	15 083	139 179	304 984	420 018	456 346	383 045
Calves	farms.. 35 951	15 663	117	579	1 438	2 258	3 867	7 404
	number.. 827 216	500 843	4 128	19 944	57 273	88 252	123 351	207 895
	\$1,000.. 252 814	152 933	1 231	5 872	16 260	27 617	37 847	64 106
Cattle	farms.. 40 015	19 937	163	832	2 178	3 122	4 916	8 726
	number.. 3 519 204	2 692 112	23 341	214 402	473 950	663 326	703 270	613 823
	\$1,000.. 2 058 418	1 565 721	13 852	133 307	288 724	392 402	418 499	318 939
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 1 984	869	6	49	93	132	195	394
	number.. 958 192	661 728	(D)	(D)	(D)	228 418	181 085	16 697
	\$1,000.. 730 344	501 561	(D)	(D)	(D)	164 855	141 646	11 221
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 3 002	965	18	81	250	237	185	194
	number.. 1 689 700	1 441 182	311	53 044	342 744	99 362	41 132	904 589
Farms with—								
1 to 24	2 426	643	14	49	172	137	120	151
25 to 49	203	80	3	2	11	30	16	18
50 to 99	115	52	1	10	8	14	12	7
100 to 199	77	48	—	3	20	10	13	2
200 to 499	44	31	—	3	9	9	6	4
500 or more	137	111	—	14	30	37	18	12
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 1 500	536	4	45	129	156	91	111
	number.. 254 742	195 633	41	23 960	48 351	23 727	11 546	88 008
Other	farms.. 2 710	865	16	75	214	217	169	174
	number.. 1 434 958	1 245 549	270	29 084	294 393	75 635	29 586	816 581
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 2 082	716	13	61	173	193	133	143
	number.. 3 943 563	3 411 032	482	295 449	644 078	551 336	206 500	1 713 187
	\$1,000.. 341 925	299 556	(D)	16 641	58 409	22 672	6 408	(D)
Feeder pigs	farms.. 600	218	2	24	53	68	36	35
	number.. 1 675 792	1 451 476	(D)	218 655	242 565	424 841	(D)	402 278
	\$1,000.. 38 082	33 347	(D)	6 994	3 793	7 325	2 199	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 582	567	4	49	135	160	99	120
	number.. 355 945	310 206	49	26 196	88 169	43 707	18 127	133 958
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 1 342	500	4	43	120	139	88	106
	number.. 160 529	140 432	24	10 618	40 503	22 097	9 266	57 924
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 213	463	4	43	107	138	76	95
	number.. 195 416	169 774	25	15 578	47 666	21 610	8 861	76 034
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 1 529	535	10	31	93	98	135	168
	number.. 67 171	43 195	776	1 664	7 173	8 435	14 534	10 613
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 1 162	442	10	21	75	82	123	131
	number.. 34 228	19 929	436	593	3 507	3 883	6 737	4 773
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 1 218	441	7	19	77	83	120	135
	number.. 53 502	35 188	467	889	5 056	6 652	12 296	9 828
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 911	351	7	18	63	61	97	105
	number.. 47 285	29 778	431	973	4 640	4 925	10 962	7 847
	pounds of wool.. 314 208	202 139	4 508	8 395	35 007	28 552	80 126	45 551
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 18 444	7 396	50	404	1 044	1 515	1 850	2 533
	number.. 93 712	43 788	267	2 249	6 436	9 382	12 424	13 030
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 3 485	1 316	9	70	221	284	335	397
	number.. 13 186	7 075	66	219	864	2 614	1 803	1 509
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 907	627	5	27	101	127	173	194
	number.. 31 967	16 678	20	343	2 977	4 317	5 846	3 175
Goats sold	farms.. 671	220	1	10	34	51	65	59
	number.. 13 126	7 008	(D)	(D)	1 062	1 978	2 851	959
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 3 293	1 264	10	52	168	239	309	486
	number.. 5 059 373	4 416 019	(D)	(D)	1 034 164	841 039	1 481 518	852 498
Farms with—								
1 to 399	3 095	1 108	9	40	130	201	263	465
400 to 3,199	6	5	—	—	—	—	3	2
3,200 to 9,999	68	47	—	4	16	10	10	7
10,000 to 19,999	75	61	1	3	15	18	21	3
20,000 to 49,999	35	30	—	5	4	5	10	6
50,000 to 99,999	10	9	—	—	2	4	1	2
100,000 or more	4	4	—	—	1	1	1	1
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 3 169	1 206	10	50	155	232	291	468
	number.. 4 186 985	3 784 197	(D)	(D)	845 836	618 411	1 329 489	788 918
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 745	287	4	13	38	61	70	101
	number.. 872 388	631 822	(D)	(D)	188 328	222 628	152 029	63 580
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 448	254	2	18	59	56	63	56
	number.. 5 126 049	4 350 827	(D)	(D)	1 003 043	984 746	1 212 483	925 802
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 632	467	3	48	102	135	126	53
	number.. 169 292 948	136 710 269	859 000	13 586 732	33 569 272	42 851 825	35 183 836	10 659 604
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	76	27	—	3	8	9	2	5
2,000 to 59,999	17	11	—	3	1	1	5	1
60,000 to 99,999	29	20	—	1	1	5	9	4
100,000 or more	510	409	3	41	92	120	110	43
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 295	84	3	4	13	17	20	27
	number.. 9 979	(D)	8	9	(D)	63	74	174
Turkeys sold	farms.. 65	34	—	2	8	10	4	10
	number.. 1 748 650	1 543 562	(D)	(D)	(D)	473 981	312 300	325 641

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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.. 29 744	452	2 758	7 029	8 605	6 829	4 071
	number.. 1 153 465	8 401	63 933	273 735	355 150	199 259	252 987
	\$1,000.. 592 578	3 535	27 051	142 370	181 514	84 427	153 682
Calves	farms.. 20 288	290	1 823	4 791	5 897	4 710	2 777
	number.. 326 373	4 395	24 080	74 351	95 566	82 547	45 434
	\$1,000.. 99 881	1 549	7 439	22 492	28 770	25 512	14 121
Cattle	farms.. 20 078	289	1 863	4 697	5 858	4 625	2 746
	number.. 827 092	4 006	39 853	199 384	259 584	116 712	207 553
	\$1,000.. 492 697	1 987	19 612	119 878	152 744	58 914	139 562
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 1 115	13	84	269	342	259	148
	number.. 296 464	111	948	(D)	121 132	3 725	(D)
	\$1,000.. 228 783	65	584	(D)	86 640	2 803	(D)
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 2 037	31	250	887	537	235	97
	number.. 248 518	906	7 103	90 681	118 556	28 443	2 829
Farms with—							
1 to 24	1 783	21	222	797	469	200	74
25 to 49	123	7	14	44	31	17	10
50 to 99	63	1	6	27	14	5	10
100 to 199	29	1	4	9	12	3	—
200 to 499	13	1	3	3	3	1	2
500 or more	26	—	1	7	8	9	1
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 964	19	115	408	259	110	53
	number.. 59 109	79	4 475	29 462	17 849	6 681	563
Other	farms.. 1 845	28	225	814	476	216	86
	number.. 189 409	827	2 628	61 219	100 707	21 762	2 266
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 366	24	162	596	363	156	65
	number.. 532 531	929	9 470	222 182	161 889	133 976	4 085
	\$1,000.. 42 369	87	927	15 636	14 270	10 905	543
Feeder pigs	farms.. 382	10	43	160	115	46	8
	number.. 224 316	(D)	1 559	119 258	60 304	(D)	297
	\$1,000.. 4 735	13	61	2 270	992	(D)	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 015	19	120	428	270	122	56
	number.. 45 739	86	710	27 213	8 452	8 764	514
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 842	16	93	352	231	104	46
	number.. 20 097	43	344	12 286	2 795	4 403	226
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 750	12	87	322	199	86	44
	number.. 25 642	43	366	14 927	5 657	4 361	288
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 994	11	91	385	282	163	62
	number.. 23 976	316	2 487	7 216	7 796	4 790	1 371
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 720	11	59	250	211	139	50
	number.. 14 299	233	1 273	4 143	4 734	3 237	679
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 777	9	72	290	225	133	48
	number.. 18 314	231	2 670	4 463	6 247	3 384	1 319
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 560	9	50	193	162	109	37
	number.. 17 507	331	1 675	5 187	5 689	3 517	1 108
	pounds of wool.. 112 069	2 462	12 100	33 593	34 872	22 613	6 429
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 11 048	114	1 110	3 097	3 457	2 250	1 020
	number.. 49 924	317	4 353	12 382	16 102	11 600	5 170
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 2 169	15	247	592	714	448	153
	number.. 6 111	25	535	1 482	1 998	1 596	475
Goats inventory	farms.. 1 280	4	132	411	393	229	111
	number.. 15 289	7	979	3 980	5 408	3 683	1 232
Goats sold	farms.. 451	—	48	147	142	82	32
	number.. 6 118	—	405	1 391	2 271	1 400	651
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 2 029	18	181	621	580	411	218
	number.. 643 354	368	71 681	187 742	149 394	(D)	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 399	1 987	18	175	609	571	398	216
400 to 3,199	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
3,200 to 9,999	21	—	3	8	2	7	1
10,000 to 19,999	14	—	3	3	3	4	1
20,000 to 49,999	5	—	—	—	3	2	—
50,000 to 99,999	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
100,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 963	15	174	598	564	401	211
	number.. 402 788	242	41 078	99 095	56 373	182 995	23 005
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 458	6	46	140	131	87	48
	number.. 240 566	126	30 603	88 647	93 021	(D)	(D)
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 194	3	20	59	50	40	22
	number.. 775 222	(D)	84 905	193 192	257 360	191 269	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 165	2	20	50	48	36	9
	number.. 32 582 679	(D)	4 390 993	7 236 101	10 087 629	9 858 579	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	49	1	6	19	11	7	5
2,000 to 59,999	6	—	—	2	3	1	—
60,000 to 99,999	9	—	—	4	3	2	—
100,000 or more	101	1	14	25	31	26	4
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 211	6	7	73	62	46	17
	number.. (D)	(D)	23	208	269	727	45
Turkeys sold	farms.. 31	1	1	5	10	12	2
	number.. 205 088	(D)	(D)	(D)	413	644	(D)

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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
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 706	599	7	39	135	149	131	138
	acres.. 150 404	140 202	1 173	7 943	34 392	36 938	27 347	32 409
	bushels.. 20 917 282	19 642 634	179 944	1 244 755	4 869 550	4 931 840	3 907 773	4 508 772
Irrigated	farms.. 283	259	4	18	70	61	55	51
	acres.. 85 678	80 907	673	5 994	21 158	18 383	16 445	18 254
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	108	71	—	7	10	7	21
	25 to 99 acres	206	170	3	9	39	42	37
	100 to 249 acres	198	170	1	12	38	45	39
	250 to 499 acres	114	111	3	7	28	32	21
	500 acres or more	80	77	—	4	20	23	13
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 2 557	2 021	24	131	390	454	448	574
	acres.. 417 872	365 664	4 308	20 166	78 686	97 346	82 161	82 997
	bushels.. 18 863 920	16 623 142	257 029	1 017 711	3 548 924	4 226 456	4 003 624	3 569 398
Irrigated	farms.. 309	270	3	15	47	78	67	60
	acres.. 35 124	31 608	230	1 183	6 200	8 019	9 176	6 800
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	317	207	—	12	36	40	39
	25 to 99 acres	1 066	789	13	56	126	166	263
	100 to 249 acres	710	615	6	40	133	140	154
	250 to 499 acres	283	244	3	17	62	53	51
	500 acres or more	181	166	2	6	33	55	31
Wheat for grain	farms.. 13 935	9 722	124	464	1 372	1 692	2 182	3 888
	acres.. 4 825 074	4 074 470	35 681	198 314	733 967	892 071	987 326	1 227 111
	bushels.. 141 302 977	120 157 896	1 060 318	6 016 502	22 322 284	26 259 768	29 167 703	35 331 321
Irrigated	farms.. 570	478	6	34	89	123	98	128
	acres.. 128 977	119 085	2 064	6 776	28 082	29 638	22 414	30 111
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	819	382	9	19	41	54	65
	25 to 99 acres	3 492	1 893	30	86	196	232	404
	100 to 249 acres	3 789	2 520	43	118	275	375	532
	250 to 499 acres	2 644	2 069	19	82	291	370	469
	500 acres or more	3 191	2 858	23	159	569	661	712
Barley for grain	farms.. 52	46	1	2	6	8	13	16
	acres.. 2 809	2 657	(D)	(D)	342	613	566	1 048
	bushels.. 113 200	109 727	(D)	(D)	8 192	30 111	23 838	44 066
Irrigated	farms.. 3	3	—	—	2	—	—	1
	acres.. 253	253	—	—	(D)	—	—	(D)
Oats for grain	farms.. 676	526	5	22	63	85	134	217
	acres.. 30 391	24 976	223	1 014	3 625	4 611	5 720	9 783
	bushels.. 1 159 885	964 163	6 300	42 100	128 986	177 255	242 471	367 051
Irrigated	farms.. 21	20	—	1	4	6	5	4
	acres.. 1 833	(D)	—	(D)	386	570	514	203
Cotton	farms.. 849	701	12	39	157	150	153	190
	acres.. 176 962	164 010	1 672	8 926	39 542	39 152	36 911	37 807
	bales.. 190 186	178 423	2 403	10 823	47 093	41 357	36 123	40 624
Irrigated	farms.. 228	192	7	18	45	46	31	45
	acres.. 63 607	59 656	1 112	4 521	16 868	14 532	9 720	12 903
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	76	53	2	6	11	6	7
	25 to 99 acres	320	232	6	10	53	44	50
	100 to 249 acres	232	204	2	11	42	43	52
	250 to 499 acres	125	120	1	3	24	37	28
	500 acres or more	96	92	1	9	27	20	16
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 1 921	1 434	24	98	247	329	318	418
	acres.. 323 082	277 874	3 984	14 622	49 791	75 231	69 382	64 864
	bushels.. 9 498 068	8 247 330	111 569	425 148	1 531 187	2 196 291	2 124 520	1 858 615
Irrigated	farms.. 119	100	—	6	27	34	18	15
	acres.. 12 375	11 090	—	866	2 474	3 487	2 248	2 015
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	253	137	2	12	26	18	55
	25 to 99 acres	799	562	10	38	100	118	124
	100 to 249 acres	522	423	6	27	60	108	103
	250 to 499 acres	196	170	5	16	32	39	33
	500 acres or more	151	142	1	5	29	40	27
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 35	23	—	—	3	5	5	10
	acres.. (D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	48	4	7
	cwt.. 59 120	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	810	1 490
Irrigated	farms.. 18	14	—	—	2	2	3	7
	acres.. (D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	4	6
Peanuts for nuts	farms.. 662	530	9	28	98	140	131	124
	acres.. 68 340	60 466	787	3 229	11 624	17 907	14 708	12 211
	pounds.. 163 572 035	146 189 703	1 512 400	8 492 155	30 462 089	42 782 308	34 630 257	28 310 494
Irrigated	farms.. 388	326	4	25	66	83	87	61
	acres.. 40 577	36 964	456	2 684	7 320	10 508	9 793	6 203
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres	99	62	3	2	11	14	18
	25 to 99 acres	313	240	2	13	40	53	69
	100 to 249 acres	199	180	4	11	37	59	26
	250 to 499 acres	44	41	—	2	9	10	11
	500 acres or more	7	7	—	—	1	4	—

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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.. 107	2	9	20	30	26	20
	acres.. 10 202	(D)	(D)	1 611	2 474	4 110	1 357
	bushels.. 1 274 648	(D)	(D)	214 543	259 706	574 431	143 504
Irrigated	farms.. 24	—	2	5	6	5	6
	acres.. 4 771	—	(D)	(D)	748	2 591	749
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	37	1	2	8	9	9	8
25 to 99 acres	36	1	5	7	12	5	6
100 to 249 acres	28	—	2	4	8	8	6
250 to 499 acres	3	—	—	—	1	—	—
500 acres or more	3	—	—	1	—	2	—
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 536	4	55	120	163	119	75
	acres.. 52 208	405	4 623	12 599	15 509	11 744	7 328
	bushels.. 2 240 778	(D)	(D)	483 103	698 276	469 956	343 452
Irrigated	farms.. 39	—	2	10	7	12	8
	acres.. 3 516	—	(D)	920	(D)	964	1 025
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	110	1	8	20	43	20	18
25 to 99 acres	277	2	32	64	75	65	39
100 to 249 acres	95	—	12	24	27	22	10
250 to 499 acres	39	1	—	6	14	9	6
500 acres or more	15	—	3	6	4	3	2
Wheat for grain	farms.. 4 213	84	330	999	1 149	956	695
	acres.. 750 604	12 023	49 549	166 694	209 928	183 583	128 827
	bushels.. 21 145 081	341 265	1 358 765	4 829 629	5 905 679	5 174 004	3 535 739
Irrigated	farms.. 92	—	4	18	30	22	18
	acres.. 9 892	—	761	1 627	3 219	2 398	1 887
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	437	15	35	101	111	91	84
25 to 99 acres	1 599	37	126	420	435	358	223
100 to 249 acres	1 269	21	113	279	340	288	228
250 to 499 acres	575	6	38	130	173	131	97
500 acres or more	333	5	18	69	90	88	63
Barley for grain	farms.. 6	—	—	2	2	—	2
	acres.. 152	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
	bushels.. 3 473	—	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oats for grain	farms.. 150	4	13	18	43	44	28
	acres.. 5 415	110	337	404	1 423	2 159	982
	bushels.. 195 722	5 800	12 730	15 831	42 443	85 921	32 997
Irrigated	farms.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	1
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
Cotton	farms.. 148	2	17	24	44	43	18
	acres.. 12 952	(D)	(D)	1 433	3 583	5 011	1 412
	bales.. 11 763	(D)	(D)	1 128	3 746	4 137	1 677
Irrigated	farms.. 36	—	2	5	14	9	6
	acres.. 3 951	—	(D)	(D)	1 543	1 165	808
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	23	1	5	4	4	5	4
25 to 99 acres	88	1	9	17	27	24	10
100 to 249 acres	28	—	2	2	12	9	3
250 to 499 acres	5	—	1	1	1	2	—
500 acres or more	4	—	—	—	—	3	1
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 487	2	57	111	140	117	60
	acres.. 45 208	(D)	(D)	10 139	12 038	12 167	6 966
	bushels.. 1 250 738	(D)	(D)	269 546	342 641	357 030	178 573
Irrigated	farms.. 19	—	1	5	6	4	3
	acres.. 1 285	—	(D)	480	222	310	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	116	1	18	29	36	19	13
25 to 99 acres	237	1	26	49	69	60	32
100 to 249 acres	99	—	12	28	22	28	9
250 to 499 acres	26	—	1	4	10	7	4
500 acres or more	9	—	—	1	3	3	2
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 12	—	2	3	—	5	2
	acres.. 7	—	(D)	(D)	—	4	(D)
	cwt.. (D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	940	(D)
Irrigated	farms.. 4	—	—	—	—	2	2
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	(D)
Peanuts for nuts	farms.. 132	8	23	22	33	21	25
	acres.. 7 874	221	1 505	1 075	1 758	1 284	2 031
	pounds.. 17 382 332	518 163	3 826 908	2 494 798	3 708 598	2 204 664	4 629 201
Irrigated	farms.. 62	4	16	10	14	10	8
	acres.. 3 613	73	978	609	817	649	487
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	37	4	6	6	9	7	5
25 to 99 acres	73	4	12	15	19	10	13
100 to 249 acres	19	—	5	1	5	3	5
250 to 499 acres	3	—	—	—	—	1	2
500 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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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
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . farms..	35 751	18 585	102	656	2 001	2 877	4 726	8 223
acres..	2 478 944	1 616 498	11 036	69 627	215 690	295 137	414 234	610 774
tons, dry..	4 651 859	3 223 368	28 879	142 399	474 125	628 054	848 139	1 101 772
Irrigated farms..	720	515	7	27	98	101	120	162
acres..	61 957	53 075	1 374	2 940	9 667	8 123	16 667	14 304
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	10 840	4 172	25	119	386	504	1 020	2 118
25 to 99 acres	17 838	9 339	45	329	895	1 380	2 389	4 301
100 to 249 acres	5 596	3 914	21	145	531	741	1 032	1 444
250 to 499 acres	1 153	901	7	52	139	200	220	283
500 acres or more	324	259	4	11	50	52	65	77
Alfalfa hay farms..	4 720	3 400	32	141	523	610	846	1 248
acres..	298 750	249 792	3 088	11 511	46 080	53 979	63 888	71 246
tons, dry..	1 058 813	910 966	14 125	42 947	175 903	202 043	241 137	234 811
Irrigated farms..	354	266	5	14	52	46	72	77
acres..	33 785	29 303	(D)	(D)	5 482	4 348	11 319	5 708
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text) farms..	22 448	11 620	48	426	1 240	1 841	3 047	5 018
acres..	1 323 816	826 151	2 931	37 851	107 295	146 810	218 465	312 799
tons, dry..	2 395 285	1 534 760	4 676	67 707	199 963	290 618	413 644	558 152
Irrigated farms..	312	223	1	11	43	52	49	67
acres..	17 572	14 508	(D)	(D)	2 564	3 021	3 836	3 583
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	629	367	2	18	70	72	98	107
acres..	19 240	17 003	(D)	(D)	3 660	5 379	3 770	3 760
Irrigated farms..	204	123	2	4	23	32	24	38
acres..	5 290	4 750	(D)	(D)	1 245	1 801	422	1 200
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	348	163	2	9	25	29	37	61
5.0 to 24.9 acres	162	107	—	4	23	22	32	26
25.0 to 99.9 acres	84	64	—	4	15	12	22	11
100.0 to 249.9 acres	14	13	—	1	3	4	3	2
250.0 acres or more	21	20	—	—	4	5	4	7
Land in orchards farms..	2 733	1 188	4	17	94	182	351	540
acres..	86 272	50 571	161	927	6 268	8 946	13 858	20 412
Irrigated farms..	203	84	1	3	7	9	25	39
acres..	2 026	1 165	(D)	(D)	123	156	208	557
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	635	220	—	2	16	25	64	113
5.0 to 24.9 acres	1 276	521	2	9	41	80	150	239
25.0 to 99.9 acres	637	318	2	4	21	55	98	138
100.0 to 249.9 acres	145	101	—	—	12	18	34	37
250.0 acres or more	40	28	—	2	4	4	5	13

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		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—							
Con.							
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . farms . .	17 166	149	1 362	3 936	5 134	4 135	2 450
acres . .	862 446	6 249	58 817	184 501	264 546	213 890	134 443
tons, dry . .	1 428 491	9 795	95 740	298 994	453 027	353 677	217 258
Irrigated farms . .	205	2	15	37	57	52	42
acres . .	8 882	(D)	(D)	1 389	2 509	1 984	1 951
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	6 668	65	595	1 608	1 887	1 566	947
25 to 99 acres	8 499	75	637	1 893	2 654	2 048	1 192
100 to 249 acres	1 682	8	116	388	495	433	242
250 to 499 acres	252	—	9	40	75	74	54
500 acres or more	65	1	5	7	23	14	15
Alfalfa hay farms . .	1 320	11	83	310	397	306	213
acres . .	48 958	998	2 246	9 955	15 685	11 273	8 801
tons, dry . .	147 847	1 774	7 674	33 030	48 230	33 089	24 050
Irrigated farms . .	88	2	7	22	19	17	21
acres . .	4 482	(D)	(D)	897	1 272	481	1 309
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text) farms . .	10 828	85	884	2 546	3 336	2 597	1 380
acres . .	497 665	3 174	35 019	112 516	154 459	124 526	67 971
tons, dry . .	860 525	4 872	58 598	183 174	276 989	217 039	119 853
Irrigated farms . .	89	—	6	10	32	29	12
acres . .	3 064	—	422	354	943	987	358
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms . .	262	2	22	59	75	55	49
acres . .	2 237	(D)	(D)	280	703	646	330
Irrigated farms . .	81	—	11	19	26	13	12
acres . .	540	—	62	(D)	86	(D)	57
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	185	1	15	50	51	32	36
5.0 to 24.9 acres	55	1	3	5	18	17	11
25.0 to 99.9 acres	20	—	4	4	5	5	2
100.0 to 249.9 acres	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
250.0 acres or more	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
Land in orchards farms . .	1 545	6	81	340	484	379	255
acres . .	35 701	235	2 566	7 310	11 575	7 955	6 061
Irrigated farms . .	119	—	8	32	41	19	19
acres . .	861	—	33	127	302	176	224
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:							
0.1 to 4.9 acres	415	—	32	115	127	88	53
5.0 to 24.9 acres	755	5	35	152	241	192	130
25.0 to 99.9 acres	319	—	9	59	100	88	63
100.0 to 249.9 acres	44	1	3	11	13	10	6
250.0 acres or more	12	—	2	3	3	1	3

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.