

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	694	(X)	607	659
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	1 642	1 487	1 390
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 366	2 450	2 109
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	602	(X)	519	599
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	594	591	621
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	987	1 139	1 036
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	356	64	248	336
\$500 to \$999	98	64	111	122
\$1,000 to \$1,999	72	100	69	70
\$2,000 to \$4,999	57	158	70	51
\$5,000 to \$9,999	10	72	15	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	9	136	6	10
\$25,000 or more	—	—	—	1
Diesel fuel farms..	380	(X)	335	271
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	596	502	433
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 568	1 498	1 598
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	193	(D)	169	136
\$500 to \$999	87	(D)	70	65
\$1,000 to \$1,999	42	53	43	42
\$2,000 to \$4,999	34	95	32	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12	90	13	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	8	126	4	8
\$25,000 or more	4	141	4	1
Natural gas farms..	30	(X)	18	24
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	48	50	25
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 599	2 801	1 044
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	2	(D)	1	11
\$100 to \$499	12	2	7	2
\$500 to \$999	4	2	—	3
\$1,000 to \$1,999	4	(D)	1	3
\$2,000 to \$4,999	4	(D)	3	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4	29	5	1
\$10,000 or more	—	—	1	—
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	485	(X)	412	405
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	404	344	311
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	833	836	769
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	152	(D)	163	200
\$100 to \$499	194	42	143	119
\$500 to \$999	59	37	30	40
\$1,000 to \$1,999	32	42	33	20
\$2,000 to \$4,999	30	83	32	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	10	67	5	8
\$10,000 or more	8	(D)	6	9

Table 15. Agricultural Chemicals Used, Including Fertilizer: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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Chemicals used	1997	1992	1987
Any chemicals or fertilizer used ¹ farms..	537	461	482
Commercial fertilizer farms..	493	408	399
acres on which used	15 580	14 835	13 931
Average per farm \$1,000..	1 528	1 332	1 335
Agricultural chemicals farms..	347	307	355
Average per farm \$1,000..	824	904	778
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	199	185	210
acres on which used	5 973	6 599	6 250
Nematodes in crops farms..	14	22	17
acres on which used	(D)	510	195
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	118	120	109
acres on which used	2 351	3 143	2 874
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	175	165	185
acres on which used	8 557	7 666	7 317
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	19	24	21
acres on which used	265	792	816

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