

Table 1. County Summary Highlights: 1997

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

Item	Rhode Island	Bristol	Kent	Newport	Providence	Washington
Farms	735	37	74	139	255	230
Land in farms	55 256	1 710	6 437	10 413	14 733	21 963
Average size of farm	75	46	87	75	58	95
Median size of farm	32	18	27	33	32	35
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹ :						
Average per farm	442 402	593 648	381 247	579 989	334 030	474 749
Average per acre	5 885	12 845	4 383	7 742	5 781	4 972
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹ :						
Average per farm	38 799	27 027	27 980	46 173	28 583	51 045
Farms by size:						
1 to 9 acres	181	15	24	35	55	52
10 to 49 acres	257	8	24	43	106	76
50 to 179 acres	221	12	19	48	77	65
180 to 499 acres	61	2	5	10	16	28
500 to 999 acres	13	—	1	3	1	8
1,000 acres or more	2	—	1	—	—	1
Total cropland	661	34	66	129	226	206
Harvested cropland	25 611	1 410	1 683	6 983	5 565	9 970
Irrigated land	606	34	59	122	205	186
Acres	19 019	1 139	1 140	5 409	4 243	7 088
Market value of agricultural products sold	48 200	2 790	2 685	14 512	9 672	18 542
Average per farm	65 578	75 400	36 283	104 402	37 928	80 617
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	39 423	2 591	2 290	11 754	6 262	16 525
Livestock, poultry, and their products	8 777	199	395	2 758	3 409	2 016
Farms by value of sales:						
Less than \$2,500	210	7	23	27	82	71
\$2,500 to \$4,999	91	4	6	11	37	33
\$5,000 to \$9,999	91	8	13	21	29	20
\$10,000 to \$24,999	109	5	13	27	39	25
\$25,000 to \$49,999	73	5	6	12	25	25
\$50,000 to \$99,999	64	5	7	11	18	23
\$100,000 or more	97	3	6	30	25	33
Total farm production expenses ¹	35 350	2 348	1 689	10 120	7 051	14 143
Average per farm	48 096	63 464	22 822	72 806	27 649	61 490
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text)	735	37	74	139	255	230
Average per farm	12 850	442	996	4 392	2 621	4 399
Average per acre	17 483	11 937	13 461	31 596	10 279	19 127
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming	370	23	32	87	118	110
Other	365	14	42	52	137	120
Operators by days worked off farm:						
Any	381	14	39	67	135	126
200 days or more	260	8	27	40	94	91
Livestock and poultry:						
Cattle and calves inventory	200	8	16	42	68	66
number	5 749	213	445	2 110	1 132	1 849
Beef cows	129	5	8	20	51	45
number	1 062	(D)	(D)	242	383	277
Milk cows	45	1	5	17	6	16
number	2 239	(D)	(D)	1 021	344	662
Cattle and calves sold	158	6	13	35	53	51
number	2 315	136	169	796	523	691
Hogs and pigs inventory	60	2	6	9	22	21
number	2 764	(D)	304	(D)	1 402	145
Hogs and pigs sold	45	1	7	5	19	13
number	4 951	(D)	932	(D)	3 156	246
Sheep and lambs inventory	69	1	7	9	26	26
number	1 064	(D)	59	(D)	417	430
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	93	3	5	19	22	44
number	58 042	22	256	(D)	(D)	1 637
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	5	—	—	1	2	2
number	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Selected crops harvested:						
Corn for grain or seed	9	—	—	2	3	4
acres	45	—	—	(D)	16	(D)
bushels	(D)	—	—	(D)	1 192	1 298
Corn for silage or green chop	53	6	6	13	10	18
acres	(D)	170	(D)	1 196	322	1 009
tons, green	(D)	(D)	2 905	20 610	4 547	16 204
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	16	—	—	1	1	5
acres	788	—	—	765	(D)	(D)
cwt.	(D)	—	—	210 300	(D)	(D)
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	255	14	23	39	98	81
acres	8 189	510	693	1 857	2 534	2 595
tons, dry	16 680	817	1 550	4 241	4 483	5 589
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	126	12	5	28	43	38
acres	1 907	264	23	372	662	587
Land in orchards	54	—	4	12	27	11
acres	389	—	6	66	287	30

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.