

Table 45. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1997

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

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms	20 189	19	110	429	1 124
number ..	100.0	.1	.5	2.1	5.6
Land in farms	4 593 452	33 163	147 873	486 340	1 125 905
Average size of farm	228	1 745	1 344	1 134	1 002
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	20 189	19	110	429	1 124
\$1,000 ..	6 558 081	61 501	211 330	632 907	1 433 652
Average per farm	324 834	3 236 902	1 921 178	1 475 307	1 275 491
Average per acre	1 482	1 855	1 429	1 301	1 273
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	902 193	22 396	52 936	131 755	285 824
percent ..	100.0	2.5	5.9	14.6	31.7
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	2 462 818	27 569	111 737	376 488	854 393
Harvested cropland	1 654 535	27 277	103 299	338 423	761 517
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	753 239	(D)	5 795	26 568	66 283
Market value of agricultural products sold	1 588 173	162 103	398 734	794 905	1 191 347
Average per farm	78 665	8 531 730	3 624 852	1 852 925	1 059 918
Grains	4 648	3	26	178	580
\$1,000 ..	190 416	(D)	17 296	48 010	106 860
Cotton and cottonseed	891	1	8	88	299
\$1,000 ..	134 290	(D)	4 931	40 948	92 714
Tobacco	1 274	1	10	78	281
\$1,000 ..	205 570	(D)	14 138	54 734	126 494
Hay, silage, and field seeds	2 753	3	18	57	127
\$1,000 ..	14 308	16	553	854	(D)
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1 039	1	8	31	76
\$1,000 ..	59 313	(D)	22 785	32 718	41 598
Fruits, nuts, and berries	614	1	6	19	45
\$1,000 ..	33 037	(D)	11 126	19 305	24 633
Nursery and greenhouse crops	766	5	23	40	84
\$1,000 ..	144 313	45 058	83 883	100 196	119 624
Other crops	288	—	2	12	52
\$1,000 ..	9 812	—	(D)	2 659	7 281
Poultry and poultry products	882	11	63	239	461
\$1,000 ..	587 774	97 102	222 452	429 836	558 886
Dairy products	201	—	1	21	70
\$1,000 ..	54 535	—	(D)	16 774	39 817
Cattle and calves	9 287	—	25	149	381
\$1,000 ..	76 008	—	1 292	8 627	14 912
Hogs and pigs	1 031	—	6	45	92
\$1,000 ..	64 550	—	15 551	37 959	50 908
Sheep, lambs, and wool	127	—	—	1	4
\$1,000 ..	119	—	—	(D)	(D)
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	1 489	—	4	15	33
\$1,000 ..	14 083	—	(D)	(D)	5 002
Total farm production expenses ¹	20 188	19	110	428	1 123
\$1,000 ..	1 233 736	99 865	289 595	591 928	904 985
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	4 480	11	68	287	606
\$1,000 ..	88 949	18 278	31 787	56 911	74 655
Feed for livestock and poultry	9 768	7	67	297	668
\$1,000 ..	410 005	27 176	124 420	269 726	371 099
Commercial fertilizer	13 351	10	61	254	784
\$1,000 ..	92 169	1 689	7 086	19 903	45 885
Agricultural chemicals	8 402	10	60	272	786
\$1,000 ..	76 319	1 881	7 192	24 233	49 487
Petroleum products	18 262	19	110	424	1 111
\$1,000 ..	59 101	2 493	6 792	16 924	32 774
Electricity	10 136	18	108	425	1 101
\$1,000 ..	19 540	2 696	4 728	8 253	12 767
Hired farm labor	5 826	17	99	373	996
\$1,000 ..	129 512	17 480	41 008	67 350	100 072
Interest	5 581	14	100	398	1 030
\$1,000 ..	47 350	2 030	7 342	16 270	28 118
Payments from government programs	5 834	6	38	206	630
\$1,000 ..	28 977	269	1 067	4 465	11 338
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	9 902	—	29	154	392
number ..	453 631	—	4 242	33 578	72 718
Milk cows	394	—	1	20	69
number ..	24 766	—	(D)	7 137	16 868
Hogs and pigs	1 226	—	6	45	94
number ..	304 793	—	39 765	129 185	198 824

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.