

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	29 541	(X)	32 702	34 983
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	159 131	157 432	144 494
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	5 387	4 814	4 130
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	25 976	(X)	29 920	31 784
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	52 564	57 131	58 655
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 024	1 909	1 845
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	6 352	1 504	6 678	7 200
\$500 to \$999	4 316	2 820	5 438	6 078
\$1,000 to \$1,999	5 852	7 758	7 286	7 921
\$2,000 to \$4,999	7 218	20 951	8 234	8 343
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 742	10 978	1 821	1 791
\$10,000 to \$24,999	426	5 627	427	418
\$25,000 or more	70	2 925	36	33
Diesel fuel farms..	24 137	(X)	25 407	26 344
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	78 846	73 927	66 444
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	3 267	2 910	2 522
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	4 511	1 044	4 399	4 175
\$500 to \$999	3 138	2 131	3 678	4 821
\$1,000 to \$1,999	4 394	5 983	5 391	6 008
\$2,000 to \$4,999	7 423	22 627	7 562	7 866
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3 313	21 743	3 238	2 689
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1 135	15 398	998	689
\$25,000 or more	223	9 920	141	96
Natural gas farms..	933	(X)	1 158	1 126
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	2 464	1 770	1 782
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 641	1 528	1 583
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	41	2	104	48
\$100 to \$499	215	55	370	368
\$500 to \$999	174	121	186	212
\$1,000 to \$1,999	223	288	258	280
\$2,000 to \$4,999	204	543	198	164
\$5,000 to \$9,999	47	303	24	39
\$10,000 or more	29	1 153	18	15
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	25 924	(X)	28 717	30 475
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	25 256	24 604	17 613
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	974	857	578
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	3 820	197	4 551	5 642
\$100 to \$499	9 916	2 395	11 284	13 748
\$500 to \$999	5 368	3 490	5 555	6 080
\$1,000 to \$1,999	3 713	4 745	4 073	3 474
\$2,000 to \$4,999	2 461	6 791	2 679	1 315
\$5,000 to \$9,999	473	2 942	450	160
\$10,000 or more	173	4 696	125	56

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..	22 154	24 347	26 707
Commercial fertilizer farms..	18 287	19 672	21 429
acres on which used	8 646 036	7 572 947	6 901 886
Average per farm \$1,000..	185 850	128 044	96 748
Agricultural chemicals farms..	19 619	21 271	24 704
Average per farm \$1,000..	175 778	110 347	77 926
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	4 578	3 850	7 237
acres on which used	1 031 306	868 389	1 491 899
Nematodes in crops farms..	235	394	508
acres on which used	64 492	74 714	76 683
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	289	209	243
acres on which used	93 604	50 430	36 911
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	16 568	18 447	21 254
acres on which used	8 265 297	7 853 762	6 977 251
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	349	307	277
acres on which used	102 704	68 469	62 646

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