

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	31 284	22 704	449	1 922	5 159	4 901	4 404	5 869
number	31 284	22 704	449	1 922	5 159	4 901	4 404	5 869
percent	100.0	72.6	1.4	6.1	16.5	15.7	14.1	18.8
Land in farms	44 354 880	39 293 823	246 005	2 510 959	8 512 795	9 653 620	9 757 879	8 612 565
acres	44 354 880	39 293 823	246 005	2 510 959	8 512 795	9 653 620	9 757 879	8 612 565
Average size of farm	1 418	1 731	548	1 306	1 650	1 970	2 216	1 467
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text)	31 284	22 704	449	1 922	5 159	4 901	4 404	5 869
farms	31 284	22 704	449	1 922	5 159	4 901	4 404	5 869
\$1,000	3 569 951	3 261 163	30 927	255 611	907 737	845 267	650 859	570 762
Average per farm	114 114	143 638	68 880	132 992	175 952	172 468	147 788	97 250
dollars	114 114	143 638	68 880	132 992	175 952	172 468	147 788	97 250
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	2 174	705	11	46	96	92	102	358
\$1,000 to \$2,499	1 164	323	12	20	54	58	51	128
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1 605	592	24	40	86	89	96	257
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 273	1 017	31	65	142	170	180	429
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3 208	1 837	63	164	220	295	337	758
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1 308	873	32	67	137	116	155	366
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3 075	2 259	73	195	362	410	403	816
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1 615	1 314	20	124	283	218	264	405
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5 415	4 779	89	443	1 154	1 059	1 002	1 032
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6 383	6 068	80	544	1 754	1 528	1 229	933
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2 066	1 984	8	151	606	593	403	223
\$500,000 to \$999,999	686	656	5	42	184	196	125	104
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	217	210	1	14	57	57	41	40
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	74	70	—	7	19	15	12	17
\$5,000,000 or more	21	17	—	—	5	5	4	3
Grains	19 026	16 151	311	1 431	4 005	3 669	3 218	3 517
farms	19 026	16 151	311	1 431	4 005	3 669	3 218	3 517
\$1,000	1 542 336	1 449 363	15 846	116 419	434 343	378 786	286 858	217 112
Sales of \$50,000 or more	8 373	7 895	103	714	2 263	2 060	1 623	1 132
\$1,000	1 334 700	1 277 705	11 690	100 272	395 484	344 460	253 423	172 376
Cotton for grain	12 820	11 124	224	1 023	2 920	2 541	2 187	2 229
\$1,000	532 159	497 479	6 032	40 146	151 195	128 690	102 019	69 398
Wheat	9 541	8 575	114	711	2 123	2 037	1 752	1 838
\$1,000	298 942	283 931	1 795	19 116	75 867	70 726	59 709	56 717
Soybeans	11 693	9 983	224	971	2 681	2 296	1 944	1 867
\$1,000	567 678	531 951	6 934	45 852	167 438	142 925	99 486	69 316
Sorghum for grain	567	517	6	45	126	135	89	116
\$1,000	8 823	8 231	100	508	1 811	2 668	1 456	1 689
Barley	630	601	5	41	133	161	142	119
\$1,000	6 562	6 303	38	399	1 505	1 812	1 646	904
Oats	1 947	1 797	16	103	433	469	346	430
\$1,000	10 048	9 566	90	508	2 238	2 792	1 791	2 146
Other grains	3 636	3 311	38	291	844	821	672	645
\$1,000	118 123	111 902	858	9 889	34 288	29 173	20 751	16 943
Cotton and cottonseed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	6 719	5 006	81	388	1 178	1 139	977	1 243
farms	6 719	5 006	81	388	1 178	1 139	977	1 243
\$1,000	80 819	69 898	728	5 315	18 656	18 358	13 335	13 505
Sales of \$50,000 or more	285	261	1	22	77	67	46	48
\$1,000	28 404	26 252	(D)	(D)	7 609	7 507	5 246	4 128
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	147	99	—	5	27	20	17	30
farms	147	99	—	5	27	20	17	30
\$1,000	1 395	1 248	—	67	271	367	171	371
Sales of \$50,000 or more	6	6	—	—	1	3	—	2
\$1,000	467	467	—	—	(D)	234	—	(D)
Fruits, nuts, and berries	30	15	—	—	3	6	1	5
farms	30	15	—	—	3	6	1	5
\$1,000	195	143	—	—	(D)	63	(D)	27
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
\$1,000	(D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
Nursery and greenhouse crops	122	53	—	1	17	13	8	14
farms	122	53	—	1	17	13	8	14
\$1,000	21 621	14 137	—	(D)	(D)	947	2 267	4 501
Sales of \$50,000 or more	41	24	—	1	7	6	5	5
\$1,000	20 744	13 855	—	(D)	(D)	875	2 214	4 421
Other crops	75	65	2	3	16	11	13	20
farms	75	65	2	3	16	11	13	20
\$1,000	7 678	7 581	(D)	137	3 162	194	(D)	1 664
Sales of \$50,000 or more	17	16	—	1	7	1	2	5
\$1,000	7 132	(D)	—	(D)	3 002	(D)	(D)	1 536
Poultry and poultry products	461	295	1	13	86	65	48	82
farms	461	295	1	13	86	65	48	82
\$1,000	73 637	72 080	(D)	(D)	29 101	8 223	11 623	20 398
Sales of \$50,000 or more	54	50	—	2	14	11	9	14
\$1,000	72 704	71 389	—	(D)	28 948	(D)	11 541	20 155
Dairy products	1 511	1 430	30	142	414	372	280	192
farms	1 511	1 430	30	142	414	372	280	192
\$1,000	166 467	162 428	1 596	13 743	47 915	45 482	28 698	24 994
Sales of \$50,000 or more	968	948	13	95	305	268	174	93
\$1,000	152 190	149 473	1 225	12 482	44 820	42 706	25 715	22 525
Cattle and calves	20 782	16 494	297	1 388	3 802	3 725	3 253	4 029
farms	20 782	16 494	297	1 388	3 802	3 725	3 253	4 029
\$1,000	1 332 772	1 180 640	8 726	80 692	271 074	319 397	252 470	248 282
Sales of \$50,000 or more	5 589	5 240	44	361	1 282	1 399	1 105	1 049
\$1,000	1 073 070	963 159	5 570	61 597	218 451	273 085	208 324	196 133

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		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms	8 580	219	994	2 302	2 331	1 418	1 316
number							
percent	27.4	.7	3.2	7.4	7.5	4.5	4.2
Land in farms	5 061 057	44 903	340 658	760 671	1 759 427	885 894	1 269 504
acres							
Average size of farm	590	205	343	330	755	625	965
acres							
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	8 580	219	994	2 302	2 331	1 418	1 316
farms							
\$1,000	308 788	2 728	26 970	63 723	83 029	99 861	32 479
Average per farm	35 989	12 454	27 132	27 682	35 619	70 424	24 680
dollars							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	1 469	17	111	325	364	267	385
\$1,000 to \$2,499	841	36	102	233	250	120	100
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1 013	37	116	266	266	160	168
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 256	46	155	355	318	218	164
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1 371	40	178	358	412	204	179
\$20,000 to \$24,999	435	15	53	134	127	63	43
\$25,000 to \$39,999	816	19	123	245	209	122	98
\$40,000 to \$49,999	301	1	43	96	66	53	42
\$50,000 to \$99,999	636	8	75	184	180	109	80
\$100,000 to \$249,999	315	—	26	79	112	62	36
\$250,000 to \$499,999	82	—	6	17	16	30	13
\$500,000 to \$999,999	30	—	5	7	7	4	7
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	7	—	1	3	—	2	1
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	4	—	—	—	—	2	—
\$5,000,000 or more	4	—	—	—	2	2	—
Grains	2 875	68	356	820	806	456	369
farms							
\$1,000	92 973	1 160	12 225	27 258	26 026	14 493	11 811
Sales of \$50,000 or more	478	3	50	136	157	78	54
farms							
\$1,000	56 995	189	7 189	16 163	17 062	8 916	7 476
Cotton for grain	1 696	39	213	525	477	253	189
farms							
\$1,000	34 680	466	4 379	11 482	9 053	4 649	4 651
Wheat	966	19	108	273	262	154	150
farms							
\$1,000	15 012	138	1 418	3 898	4 614	2 690	2 254
Soybeans	1 710	46	220	512	472	276	184
farms							
\$1,000	35 727	509	5 356	10 076	10 696	5 574	3 516
Sorghum for grain	50	—	5	8	18	11	8
farms							
\$1,000	591	—	24	70	214	129	153
Barley	29	—	5	3	9	7	5
farms							
\$1,000	259	—	87	13	50	89	20
Oats	150	1	22	49	40	29	9
farms							
\$1,000	482	(D)	111	170	106	55	(D)
Other grains	325	8	42	97	71	53	54
farms							
\$1,000	6 221	(D)	849	1 550	1 292	1 307	(D)
Cotton and cottonseed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	1 713	24	170	458	507	300	254
farms							
\$1,000	10 921	174	1 117	2 617	3 402	1 998	1 612
Sales of \$50,000 or more	24	1	2	2	9	7	3
farms							
\$1,000	2 152	(D)	(D)	(D)	970	510	307
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	48	—	2	10	18	9	9
farms							
\$1,000	147	—	(D)	(D)	74	35	24
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fruits, nuts, and berries	15	1	1	3	8	1	1
farms							
\$1,000	53	(D)	(D)	(D)	43	(D)	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
farms							
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nursery and greenhouse crops	69	1	2	16	24	16	10
farms							
\$1,000	7 484	(D)	(D)	295	1 418	5 032	650
Sales of \$50,000 or more	17	—	1	2	7	5	2
farms							
\$1,000	6 889	—	(D)	(D)	1 229	4 852	(D)
Other crops	10	—	1	4	—	1	4
farms							
\$1,000	97	—	(D)	7	—	(D)	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
farms							
\$1,000	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
Poultry and poultry products	166	2	30	64	34	25	11
farms							
\$1,000	1 557	(D)	256	169	12	(D)	(D)
Sales of \$50,000 or more	4	—	1	1	—	1	1
farms							
\$1,000	1 315	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Dairy products	81	1	10	27	21	10	12
farms							
\$1,000	4 039	(D)	(D)	1 981	764	470	601
Sales of \$50,000 or more	20	—	—	10	4	2	4
farms							
\$1,000	2 717	—	—	1 695	(D)	(D)	426
Cattle and calves	4 288	145	568	1 224	1 127	678	546
farms							
\$1,000	152 132	1 291	8 654	20 798	34 645	71 853	14 891
Sales of \$50,000 or more	349	3	30	72	98	88	58
farms							
\$1,000	109 911	250	3 159	8 904	23 608	64 960	9 029

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MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 3 067	2 684	61	322	825	617	489	370
	\$1,000.. 281 516	256 863	3 455	32 306	85 410	63 000	43 379	29 313
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 1 026	971	20	122	341	238	162	88
	\$1,000.. 247 018	225 751	2 908	28 079	75 596	56 128	37 975	25 064
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 2 533	1 733	37	148	445	404	302	397
	\$1,000.. 37 134	28 653	463	3 325	6 190	6 995	4 793	6 888
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 129	118	1	9	22	34	22	30
	\$1,000.. 18 998	13 856	(D)	2 205	(D)	3 351	2 222	3 836
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 1 604	966	18	81	245	247	205	170
	\$1,000.. 24 380	18 128	84	650	5 362	3 456	4 868	3 707
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 95	73	—	3	27	16	14	13
	\$1,000.. 16 697	13 381	—	362	4 256	2 298	3 559	2 907
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 579	360	10	30	104	83	65	68
	\$1,000.. 1 720	1 437	20	95	529	332	290	170
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 31 284	22 962	617	1 865	4 964	4 911	4 446	6 159
	\$1,000.. 2 733 387	2 485 159	34 185	193 021	665 470	657 983	498 843	435 656
Average per farm	dollars.. 87 373	108 229	55 405	103 497	134 059	133 982	112 200	70 735
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 12 882	10 343	260	957	2 667	2 509	1 893	2 057
	\$1,000.. 452 194	386 221	4 625	29 926	93 378	114 858	76 328	67 106
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	5 666	4 094	87	295	957	949	803	1 003
\$5,000 to \$24,999	4 616	3 865	125	436	1 161	875	629	639
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 907	1 734	38	180	397	500	318	301
\$100,000 to \$249,999	426	397	9	27	93	110	86	72
\$250,000 or more	267	253	1	19	59	75	57	42
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 19 837	15 543	362	1 286	3 737	3 575	3 121	3 462
	\$1,000.. 369 705	338 884	3 981	28 422	97 776	87 055	60 702	60 948
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	11 024	7 643	192	666	1 513	1 505	1 584	2 183
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 454	5 655	133	428	1 563	1 425	1 137	969
\$25,000 to \$99,999	1 898	1 811	33	151	543	530	319	235
\$100,000 to \$249,999	292	273	3	23	77	71	51	48
\$250,000 or more	169	161	1	18	41	44	30	27
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 11 547	9 106	222	737	2 410	2 209	1 827	1 701
	\$1,000.. 166 206	154 315	1 279	11 668	51 489	35 948	28 844	25 087
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	7 408	5 282	151	429	1 328	1 200	1 013	1 161
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 191	2 916	69	240	788	769	639	411
\$25,000 to \$99,999	765	736	2	49	247	194	148	96
\$100,000 or more	183	172	—	19	47	46	27	33
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 20 099	17 190	426	1 503	4 036	3 869	3 449	3 907
	\$1,000.. 157 342	146 886	2 537	11 569	43 575	38 060	29 421	21 725
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	3 890	2 700	36	209	437	451	494	1 073
\$1,000 to \$4,999	7 292	6 109	197	526	1 232	1 235	1 194	1 725
\$5,000 to \$24,999	7 804	7 306	187	702	2 008	1 881	1 546	982
\$25,000 to \$49,999	825	803	6	56	256	232	165	88
\$50,000 or more	288	272	—	10	103	70	50	39
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 18 287	15 582	439	1 351	3 692	3 525	3 155	3 420
	\$1,000.. 185 850	175 443	2 741	14 262	48 826	46 067	36 071	27 475
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	8 961	6 757	217	572	1 311	1 283	1 267	2 107
\$5,000 to \$24,999	7 592	7 138	211	646	1 885	1 725	1 582	1 089
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 226	1 197	8	103	343	390	205	148
\$50,000 or more	508	490	3	30	153	127	101	76
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 19 619	16 087	464	1 331	3 781	3 593	3 175	3 743
	\$1,000.. 175 778	165 447	2 914	12 855	47 531	42 205	34 456	25 486
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	11 011	8 018	233	600	1 583	1 621	1 432	2 549
\$5,000 to \$24,999	6 957	6 464	223	632	1 680	1 511	1 415	1 003
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 195	1 159	5	75	377	339	246	117
\$50,000 or more	456	446	3	24	141	122	82	74
Petroleum products	farms.. 29 541	22 296	579	1 814	4 860	4 791	4 367	5 885
	\$1,000.. 159 131	145 683	2 002	10 996	37 568	36 877	30 636	27 604
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	19 229	12 483	402	1 035	2 206	2 105	2 348	4 387
\$5,000 to \$24,999	9 711	9 237	176	741	2 494	2 536	1 897	1 393
\$25,000 to \$49,999	441	427	1	29	114	117	90	76
\$50,000 or more	160	149	—	9	46	33	32	29
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 25 976	20 051	481	1 567	4 409	4 394	3 982	5 218
	\$1,000.. 52 564	47 263	694	3 300	11 401	11 785	10 044	10 038
Diesel fuel	farms.. 24 137	19 553	488	1 616	4 501	4 342	3 878	4 728
	\$1,000.. 78 846	73 282	1 005	5 590	19 635	18 806	15 292	12 955
Natural gas	farms.. 933	791	32	127	206	125	136	165
	\$1,000.. 2 464	1 950	21	296	447	328	570	288
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 25 924	20 771	475	1 698	4 642	4 519	4 149	5 288
	\$1,000.. 25 256	23 188	282	1 810	6 084	5 958	4 730	4 323

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MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 383	6	75	143	93	45	21
	\$1,000.. 24 653	25	3 344	8 445	9 542	2 892	405
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 55	—	9	25	9	10	2
	\$1,000.. 21 267	—	2 684	7 169	8 660	(D)	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 800	24	100	228	266	108	74
	\$1,000.. 8 481	57	521	992	4 996	1 333	581
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 11	—	1	—	3	4	3
	\$1,000.. 5 142	—	(D)	—	(D)	897	224
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 638	7	76	193	204	109	49
	\$1,000.. 6 252	10	520	1 140	2 106	1 473	1 003
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 22	—	2	4	11	3	2
	\$1,000.. 3 316	—	(D)	298	1 271	704	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 219	5	28	81	71	23	11
	\$1,000.. 284	10	26	75	110	46	16
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 8 322	246	910	2 217	2 397	1 403	1 149
	\$1,000.. 248 229	2 427	21 133	51 080	68 535	82 058	22 996
Average per farm	dollars.. 29 828	9 867	23 223	23 040	28 592	58 487	20 014
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 2 539	76	390	708	785	355	225
	\$1,000.. 65 973	636	3 426	6 458	12 454	39 726	3 272
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	1 572	62	242	441	491	208	128
\$5,000 to \$24,999	751	6	130	235	228	74	78
\$25,000 to \$99,999	173	8	12	27	56	63	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	29	4	4	3	5	6	11
\$250,000 or more	14	—	2	2	5	4	1
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 4 294	109	562	1 286	1 306	655	376
	\$1,000.. 30 821	142	2 196	5 372	9 701	10 598	2 812
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	3 381	103	435	1 038	1 008	517	280
\$5,000 to \$24,999	799	6	120	217	272	105	79
\$25,000 to \$99,999	87	—	5	26	19	24	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	—	2	5	3	6	3
\$250,000 or more	8	—	—	—	4	3	1
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 2 441	48	301	756	796	351	189
	\$1,000.. 11 891	51	782	2 022	5 302	2 192	1 542
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	2 126	48	280	661	684	308	145
\$5,000 to \$24,999	275	—	17	86	104	33	35
\$25,000 to \$99,999	29	—	3	8	5	6	7
\$100,000 or more	11	—	1	1	3	4	2
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 2 909	74	334	975	839	413	274
	\$1,000.. 10 456	133	1 388	2 584	2 657	2 639	1 055
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 190	17	106	467	332	146	122
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 183	51	160	363	342	158	109
\$5,000 to \$24,999	498	6	59	137	157	101	38
\$25,000 to \$49,999	22	—	6	6	5	3	2
\$50,000 or more	16	—	3	2	3	5	3
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 2 705	58	311	838	793	427	278
	\$1,000.. 10 406	113	1 161	2 961	3 162	1 464	1 547
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	2 204	57	275	659	645	349	219
\$5,000 to \$24,999	454	1	31	169	133	69	51
\$25,000 to \$49,999	29	—	1	5	12	7	4
\$50,000 or more	18	—	4	5	3	2	4
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 3 532	105	328	1 027	1 094	574	404
	\$1,000.. 10 331	154	1 329	2 759	2 829	1 997	1 263
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	2 993	98	241	902	950	450	352
\$5,000 to \$24,999	493	7	76	110	138	116	46
\$25,000 to \$49,999	36	—	10	11	5	6	4
\$50,000 or more	10	—	1	4	1	2	2
Petroleum products	farms.. 7 245	232	819	1 999	2 128	1 179	888
	\$1,000.. 13 447	163	1 351	3 434	4 157	2 635	1 708
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	6 746	232	761	1 861	1 972	1 105	815
\$5,000 to \$24,999	474	—	56	130	151	67	70
\$25,000 to \$49,999	14	—	2	5	3	3	1
\$50,000 or more	11	—	—	3	2	4	2
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 5 925	169	672	1 559	1 787	976	762
	\$1,000.. 5 301	69	621	1 432	1 634	820	724
Diesel fuel	farms.. 4 584	138	548	1 359	1 326	737	476
	\$1,000.. 5 564	59	546	1 451	1 792	1 031	684
Natural gas	farms.. 142	4	9	45	54	10	20
	\$1,000.. 514	1	2	55	117	295	44
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 5 153	142	591	1 419	1 550	822	629
	\$1,000.. 2 069	34	182	496	613	488	256

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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 ..	25 727	20 064	441	1 457	4 461	4 517	4 018	5 170
	\$1,000 ..	46 851	41 876	636	2 762	10 624	10 404	8 600	8 850
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		12 052	7 791	181	536	1 428	1 449	1 477	2 720
\$1,000 to \$4,999		12 338	11 005	247	841	2 720	2 707	2 272	2 218
\$5,000 to \$24,999		1 216	1 153	12	74	281	329	248	209
\$25,000 to \$49,999		60	58	1	2	14	22	10	9
\$50,000 or more		61	57	—	4	18	10	11	14
Hired farm labor	farms ..	11 987	9 949	170	760	2 628	2 421	2 015	1 955
	\$1,000 ..	109 897	100 184	592	6 196	25 051	25 828	22 643	19 874
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		8 101	6 343	153	508	1 643	1 467	1 223	1 349
\$5,000 to \$24,999		2 900	2 685	13	198	786	703	577	408
\$25,000 to \$99,999		853	799	3	46	173	221	187	169
\$100,000 to \$249,999		105	97	1	7	20	25	23	21
\$250,000 or more		28	25	—	1	6	5	5	8
Workers by days worked:									
150 days or more	farms ..	4 355	3 838	25	275	1 010	948	918	662
	workers ..	7 941	7 083	41	424	1 882	1 848	1 603	1 285
Less than 150 days	farms ..	10 545	8 620	153	680	2 311	2 085	1 639	1 752
	workers ..	24 140	20 022	321	1 608	5 449	5 002	3 966	3 676
Contract labor	farms ..	2 956	2 419	19	193	577	588	500	542
	\$1,000 ..	12 328	10 914	97	700	3 426	2 772	1 685	2 234
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		1 051	726	1	81	148	145	154	197
\$1,000 to \$4,999		1 261	1 112	16	84	276	308	240	188
\$5,000 to \$24,999		586	528	1	25	134	122	97	149
\$25,000 to \$49,999		35	34	1	2	10	9	7	5
\$50,000 or more		23	19	—	1	9	4	2	3
Repair and maintenance	farms ..	27 502	21 276	513	1 699	4 721	4 658	4 213	5 472
	\$1,000 ..	202 374	185 286	2 348	12 933	47 077	47 720	39 452	35 755
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		15 573	10 241	319	871	1 906	1 830	1 845	3 470
\$5,000 to \$24,999		10 614	9 773	189	758	2 481	2 452	2 092	1 801
\$25,000 to \$49,999		1 015	979	5	56	258	295	224	141
\$50,000 or more		300	283	—	14	76	81	52	60
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment	farms ..	15 150	12 661	310	952	3 001	3 005	2 436	2 957
	\$1,000 ..	83 396	76 423	943	5 722	18 541	20 786	14 876	15 555
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		4 220	3 010	88	226	583	541	581	991
\$1,000 to \$4,999		6 754	5 793	173	441	1 446	1 377	1 121	1 235
\$5,000 to \$24,999		3 656	3 366	49	238	857	955	627	640
\$25,000 to \$49,999		347	327	—	36	73	84	77	57
\$50,000 or more		173	165	—	11	42	48	30	34
Interest	farms ..	20 557	16 287	424	1 424	4 058	3 988	3 237	3 156
	\$1,000 ..	226 685	206 301	2 714	15 332	51 509	57 501	44 396	34 849
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		9 593	6 472	240	582	1 356	1 277	1 308	1 709
\$5,000 to \$24,999		8 816	7 743	168	724	2 227	2 084	1 433	1 107
\$25,000 to \$99,999		2 017	1 947	16	112	446	596	462	315
\$100,000 or more		131	125	—	6	29	31	34	25
Secured by real estate	farms ..	13 746	11 134	171	784	2 812	2 926	2 375	2 066
	\$1,000 ..	126 327	114 745	1 165	7 770	27 274	32 377	25 914	20 245
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		1 432	823	8	40	195	111	192	277
\$1,000 to \$4,999		5 147	3 907	68	271	928	1 009	821	810
\$5,000 to \$24,999		6 176	5 454	93	420	1 486	1 531	1 113	811
\$25,000 to \$49,999		767	733	2	44	152	213	194	128
\$50,000 or more		224	217	—	9	51	62	55	40
Not secured by real estate	farms ..	13 989	11 302	326	1 090	2 931	2 829	2 156	1 970
	\$1,000 ..	100 358	91 556	1 548	7 562	24 234	25 124	18 482	14 605
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		2 930	1 905	92	169	335	360	419	530
\$1,000 to \$4,999		5 594	4 333	127	473	1 103	1 036	811	783
\$5,000 to \$24,999		4 688	4 314	100	396	1 317	1 216	761	524
\$25,000 to \$49,999		590	573	4	38	132	173	122	104
\$50,000 or more		187	177	3	14	44	44	43	29
Cash rent	farms ..	14 133	11 814	336	1 181	3 338	2 929	2 165	1 865
	\$1,000 ..	189 113	176 767	4 023	18 772	59 835	46 572	28 572	18 813
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		5 827	4 172	149	339	824	941	860	1 059
\$5,000 to \$9,999		2 963	2 609	66	267	809	637	509	321
\$10,000 to \$24,999		3 454	3 197	90	365	1 085	807	497	353
\$25,000 or more		1 889	1 836	31	210	620	544	299	132
Property taxes	farms ..	27 765	20 675	329	1 358	4 279	4 594	4 278	5 837
	\$1,000 ..	98 335	85 827	760	3 924	15 792	20 541	20 328	24 481
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		22 146	15 508	287	1 170	3 440	3 260	3 010	4 341
\$5,000 to \$9,999		3 843	3 537	32	128	565	919	857	1 036
\$10,000 to \$24,999		1 567	1 427	10	53	232	367	364	401
\$25,000 or more		209	203	—	7	42	48	47	59
All other farm production expenses	farms ..	29 867	22 528	598	1 845	4 903	4 842	4 368	5 972
	\$1,000 ..	264 410	243 016	3 272	18 647	64 962	60 738	50 496	44 901
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		17 517	11 190	367	887	1 859	2 018	2 032	4 027
\$5,000 to \$24,999		10 229	9 316	216	822	2 514	2 226	1 930	1 608
\$25,000 to \$49,999		1 383	1 313	14	92	334	398	253	222
\$50,000 to \$99,999		530	512	1	31	144	157	103	76
\$100,000 or more		208	197	—	13	52	43	50	39

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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	5 663	123	618	1 471	1 776	944	731
\$1,000	4 975	74	366	1 290	1 556	1 158	530
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	4 261	93	534	1 138	1 239	679	578
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 333	30	80	314	518	246	145
\$5,000 to \$24,999	63	—	4	17	17	17	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2	—	—	1	1	—	—
\$50,000 or more	4	—	—	1	1	2	—
Hired farm labor farms	2 038	45	165	627	622	350	229
\$1,000	9 713	7	533	1 927	2 177	4 037	1 032
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	1 758	45	146	546	549	290	182
\$5,000 to \$24,999	215	—	14	71	63	30	37
\$25,000 to \$99,999	54	—	5	8	6	25	10
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8	—	—	2	4	2	—
\$250,000 or more	3	—	—	—	—	3	—
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	517	14	32	170	161	80	60
workers	858	14	33	229	286	207	89
Less than 150 days farms	1 925	45	160	575	594	328	223
workers	4 118	55	323	1 018	1 417	877	428
Contract labor farms	537	13	49	145	198	82	50
\$1,000	1 414	4	41	441	419	376	134
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	325	13	39	63	139	43	28
\$1,000 to \$4,999	149	—	9	76	39	13	12
\$5,000 to \$24,999	58	—	1	3	18	26	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
\$50,000 or more	4	—	—	3	1	—	—
Repair and maintenance farms	6 226	151	665	1 729	1 900	1 040	741
\$1,000	17 088	143	1 552	4 426	5 660	3 416	1 892
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	5 332	151	613	1 435	1 625	879	629
\$5,000 to \$24,999	841	—	48	283	256	147	107
\$25,000 to \$49,999	36	—	1	8	13	10	4
\$50,000 or more	17	—	3	3	6	4	1
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	2 489	96	251	728	685	423	306
\$1,000	6 972	73	710	1 623	2 146	1 509	913
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 210	82	131	364	308	168	157
\$1,000 to \$4,999	961	14	92	314	258	176	107
\$5,000 to \$24,999	290	—	26	45	107	74	38
\$25,000 to \$49,999	20	—	1	4	2	3	2
\$50,000 or more	8	—	1	1	2	2	2
Interest farms	4 270	127	518	1 274	1 339	671	341
\$1,000	20 384	225	1 851	5 546	6 743	4 233	1 786
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	3 121	120	427	947	912	459	256
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 073	7	85	316	399	189	77
\$25,000 to \$99,999	70	—	6	11	26	20	7
\$100,000 or more	6	—	—	—	2	3	1
Secured by real estate farms	2 612	16	314	758	807	461	256
\$1,000	11 582	48	1 137	2 994	4 127	2 379	898
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	609	6	91	167	143	111	91
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 240	9	179	403	362	190	97
\$5,000 to \$24,999	722	1	39	182	283	152	65
\$25,000 to \$49,999	34	—	3	5	18	5	3
\$50,000 or more	7	—	2	1	1	3	—
Not secured by real estate farms	2 687	112	331	814	852	385	193
\$1,000	8 802	177	714	2 552	2 616	1 855	888
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	1 025	75	148	244	283	165	110
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 261	30	148	445	447	142	49
\$5,000 to \$24,999	374	7	33	120	114	72	28
\$25,000 to \$49,999	17	—	2	4	4	3	4
\$50,000 or more	10	—	—	1	4	3	2
Cash rent farms	2 319	77	325	785	662	326	144
\$1,000	12 346	268	1 814	4 280	4 070	1 323	592
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	1 655	58	240	496	475	273	113
\$5,000 to \$9,999	354	19	42	168	91	21	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	257	—	25	108	84	24	16
\$25,000 or more	53	—	18	13	12	8	2
Property taxes farms	7 090	116	661	1 859	2 087	1 313	1 054
\$1,000	12 508	99	955	2 703	3 694	2 931	2 126
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	6 638	116	643	1 788	1 955	1 177	959
\$5,000 to \$9,999	306	—	4	58	74	99	71
\$10,000 to \$24,999	140	—	14	13	57	35	21
\$25,000 or more	6	—	—	—	1	2	3
All other farm production expenses farms	7 339	207	818	2 051	2 129	1 217	917
\$1,000	21 394	197	2 461	5 278	7 110	4 016	2 333
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	6 327	207	704	1 758	1 785	1 061	812
\$5,000 to \$24,999	913	—	109	279	305	130	90
\$25,000 to \$49,999	70	—	2	10	30	17	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18	—	—	2	5	6	3
\$100,000 or more	11	—	1	2	4	3	1

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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..	31 284	22 962	617	1 865	4 964	4 911	4 446	6 159
..... \$1,000..	801 485	745 031	10 510	58 095	217 078	177 632	150 726	130 991
Average per farm..... dollars..	25 620	32 446	17 034	31 150	43 730	36 170	33 901	21 268
Farms with net gains ² number..	19 917	16 061	449	1 366	3 619	3 451	3 165	4 011
Average net gain..... dollars..	48 261	54 651	26 975	49 361	68 314	61 251	56 415	40 153
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	877	412	14	32	81	56	92	137
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	5 798	3 744	172	295	524	719	689	1 345
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	8 156	7 127	190	630	1 619	1 456	1 404	1 828
\$50,000 or more.....	5 086	4 778	73	409	1 395	1 220	980	701
Farms with net losses..... number..	11 367	6 901	168	499	1 345	1 460	1 281	2 148
Average net loss..... dollars..	14 051	19 232	9 535	18 704	22 417	23 113	21 723	13 995
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	1 279	537	7	21	92	119	86	212
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	6 322	3 321	104	237	534	597	618	1 231
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 288	2 586	55	207	604	620	480	620
\$50,000 or more.....	478	457	2	34	115	124	97	85
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	22 037	17 764	296	1 489	4 172	3 976	3 508	4 323
..... \$1,000..	180 817	159 570	1 234	10 179	38 290	40 843	34 517	34 507
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	15 647	12 533	354	1 044	2 781	2 627	2 531	3 196
..... \$1,000..	84 118	69 510	812	5 581	16 070	14 038	13 586	19 422
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	3 888	3 480	131	480	972	865	677	355
..... \$1,000..	31 390	29 296	547	3 716	10 001	7 285	5 558	2 188
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	4 746	3 131	28	148	442	546	665	1 302
..... \$1,000..	37 723	26 200	141	(D)	(D)	3 415	4 839	14 512
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	173	129	—	1	13	33	38	44
..... \$1,000..	603	482	—	(D)	(D)	32	144	295
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	12 428	10 631	258	830	2 519	2 282	2 127	2 615
..... \$1,000..	14 403	13 532	124	992	3 637	3 307	3 045	2 427
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	3 745	3 397	59	417	1 036	908	606	371
..... \$1,000..	129 023	123 009	1 039	13 113	40 741	34 573	20 727	12 816
Corn..... farms..	2 378	2 179	52	290	693	564	369	211
..... \$1,000..	53 040	50 819	590	5 826	16 862	13 546	8 804	5 191
Wheat..... farms..	1 285	1 193	8	113	338	328	252	154
..... \$1,000..	22 876	21 934	51	1 502	7 108	6 542	4 467	2 264
Soybeans..... farms..	1 508	1 350	31	172	441	367	206	133
..... \$1,000..	46 200	43 545	397	5 041	14 436	12 013	6 832	4 826
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	200	192	2	16	66	53	34	21
..... \$1,000..	1 048	989	(D)	(D)	447	308	82	96
Cotton..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	202	193	2	28	62	56	29	16
..... \$1,000..	5 859	5 722	(D)	(D)	1 889	2 164	542	439
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	27 712	21 049	380	1 760	4 832	4 600	4 175	5 302
..... acres..	19 355 256	17 761 674	153 927	1 248 131	4 536 690	4 529 862	3 741 316	3 551 748
Harvested cropland..... farms..	25 654	20 194	361	1 701	4 721	4 501	4 047	4 863
..... acres..	14 284 741	13 360 397	122 414	967 496	3 597 986	3 481 509	2 787 078	2 403 914
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	3 076	1 090	34	84	160	173	196	443
50 to 99 acres.....	2 187	1 197	39	98	190	170	222	478
100 to 199 acres.....	3 755	2 591	91	227	421	411	479	962
200 to 499 acres.....	7 337	6 359	130	610	1 417	1 318	1 278	1 606
500 to 999 acres.....	5 555	5 317	47	450	1 501	1 384	1 120	815
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	2 687	2 609	14	168	751	734	545	397
2,000 acres or more.....	1 057	1 031	6	64	281	311	207	162
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	10 437	8 064	121	678	1 827	1 796	1 631	2 011
..... acres..	2 302 552	2 006 236	21 196	154 964	458 602	453 898	428 871	488 705
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	3 358	2 581	19	173	580	642	540	627
..... acres..	636 233	502 941	2 016	22 730	98 582	122 707	121 094	135 812
On which all crops failed..... farms..	2 653	2 308	32	187	532	566	506	485
..... acres..	368 168	337 450	2 832	24 305	74 501	84 541	70 325	80 946
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	3 497	3 097	35	192	625	723	646	876
..... acres..	892 921	825 617	2 624	40 477	149 696	224 069	189 206	219 545
Idle..... farms..	5 190	4 128	53	275	925	934	839	1 102
..... acres..	870 641	729 033	2 845	38 159	157 323	163 138	144 742	222 826
Total woodland..... farms..	3 373	2 443	21	124	457	528	556	757
..... acres..	235 435	180 337	413	7 684	30 260	39 481	40 636	61 863
Woodland pastured..... farms..	1 198	813	9	39	146	161	190	268
..... acres..	156 275	123 737	140	5 440	21 188	25 224	27 730	44 015
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	2 494	1 867	15	92	351	426	422	561
..... acres..	79 160	56 600	273	2 244	9 072	14 257	12 906	17 848

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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	8 322	246	910	2 217	2 397	1 403	1 149
\$1,000 ..	56 454	914	2 455	10 744	18 273	15 561	8 509
Average per farm	6 784	3 714	2 698	4 846	7 623	11 091	7 406
Farms with net gains ²	3 856	169	441	1 028	1 096	636	486
Average net gain	21 644	6 637	12 847	17 896	23 900	32 291	23 750
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000	465	40	71	135	109	74	36
\$1,000 to \$9,999	2 054	90	226	520	588	329	301
\$10,000 to \$49,999	1 029	33	118	325	311	166	76
\$50,000 or more	308	6	26	48	88	67	73
Farms with net losses	4 466	77	469	1 189	1 301	767	663
Average net loss	6 047	2 702	6 846	6 437	6 089	6 488	4 576
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000	742	25	71	187	206	133	120
\$1,000 to \$9,999	3 001	52	312	800	856	507	474
\$10,000 to \$49,999	702	—	85	193	236	120	68
\$50,000 or more	21	—	1	9	3	7	1
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments	4 273	71	436	1 099	1 160	745	762
\$1,000 ..	21 247	168	1 588	4 031	5 351	4 494	5 615
Other farm-related income ¹	3 114	28	323	707	930	586	540
\$1,000 ..	14 609	135	1 327	2 532	4 527	3 084	3 004
Customwork and other agricultural services	408	4	74	132	107	58	33
\$1,000 ..	2 094	2	339	791	674	134	153
Gross cash rent or share payments	1 615	6	128	326	441	332	382
\$1,000 ..	11 523	132	954	1 565	3 514	2 740	2 618
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products	44	—	—	13	16	14	1
\$1,000 ..	121	—	—	(D)	84	30	(D)
Other farm-related income sources	1 797	18	205	441	583	285	265
\$1,000 ..	871	2	34	(D)	255	180	(D)
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total	348	9	43	115	108	54	19
\$1,000 ..	6 014	58	515	2 016	2 461	685	279
Corn	199	2	30	73	60	27	7
\$1,000 ..	2 221	(D)	199	789	934	153	(D)
Wheat	92	3	10	28	23	18	10
\$1,000 ..	942	(D)	(D)	(D)	303	225	91
Soybeans	158	5	18	56	57	18	4
\$1,000 ..	2 655	43	247	924	1 152	240	49
Sorghum, barley, and oats	8	—	2	3	2	1	—
\$1,000 ..	59	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—
Cotton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed	9	—	—	—	3	5	1
\$1,000 ..	137	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland	6 663	124	721	1 800	1 872	1 145	1 001
Harvested cropland	1 593 582	17 836	162 947	389 691	434 200	309 296	279 612
Farms	5 460	108	616	1 548	1 589	896	703
Acres	924 344	12 169	109 920	247 017	262 858	165 124	127 256
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres	1 986	33	203	591	598	304	257
50 to 99 acres	990	27	108	250	306	165	134
100 to 199 acres	1 164	31	153	320	301	199	160
200 to 499 acres	978	15	124	305	274	159	101
500 to 999 acres	238	2	17	60	80	43	36
1,000 to 1,999 acres	78	—	6	15	24	22	11
2,000 acres or more	26	—	5	7	6	4	4
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only	2 373	40	249	693	686	405	300
Acres	296 316	4 480	25 105	80 294	83 478	54 714	48 245
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured	777	2	60	175	200	160	180
Acres	133 292	(D)	(D)	17 863	26 884	38 527	42 036
On which all crops failed	345	—	32	88	120	60	45
Acres	30 718	—	2 534	4 997	8 883	7 763	6 541
In cultivated summer fallow	400	4	42	91	115	68	80
Acres	67 304	(D)	(D)	12 417	18 731	12 725	16 577
Idle	1 062	16	75	232	310	211	218
Acres	141 608	1 025	10 714	27 103	33 366	30 443	38 957
Total woodland	930	4	76	254	274	175	147
\$1,000 ..	55 098	23	2 216	13 001	17 880	11 850	10 128
Woodland pastured	385	4	32	103	106	75	65
\$1,000 ..	32 538	23	1 775	7 105	10 339	5 934	7 359
Woodland not pastured	827	—	50	172	195	114	96
\$1,000 ..	22 560	—	438	5 896	7 541	5 916	2 769

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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..	16 858	13 069	178	964	2 866	2 996	2 670	3 395
acres..	23 588 662	20 321 013	87 076	1 200 205	3 750 660	4 865 699	5 660 862	4 756 511
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	20 151	15 147	162	1 042	3 286	3 337	3 210	4 110
acres..	1 175 527	1 030 799	4 589	54 939	195 185	218 578	315 065	242 443
Irrigated land farms..	1 439	1 169	10	72	295	308	243	241
acres..	343 742	306 623	(D)	(D)	83 176	80 743	58 031	65 336
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	1 385	1 143	10	71	291	304	237	230
acres..	331 627	297 185	(D)	(D)	81 896	78 150	(D)	60 863
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	146	86	—	2	16	24	15	29
acres..	12 115	9 438	—	(D)	1 280	2 593	(D)	4 473
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	6 632	4 972	32	279	1 030	1 176	1 039	1 416
acres..	1 454 341	1 113 215	3 680	41 347	198 168	258 584	260 328	351 108
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	31 284	22 962	617	1 865	4 964	4 911	4 446	6 159
\$1,000..	15 236 514	13 392 680	181 303	861 180	3 150 669	3 304 148	3 100 387	2 794 992
Average per farm dollars..	487 039	583 254	293 846	461 759	634 704	672 806	697 343	453 806
Average per acre dollars..	348	345	459	348	382	348	326	322
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	3 067	1 266	44	122	204	165	174	557
\$40,000 to \$69,999	2 385	1 106	84	172	127	144	113	466
\$70,000 to \$99,999	2 361	1 195	54	55	228	152	199	507
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3 177	1 902	81	183	208	413	295	722
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2 641	1 873	70	134	349	335	341	644
\$200,000 to \$499,999	9 124	7 620	186	630	1 864	1 596	1 535	1 809
\$500,000 to \$999,999	5 194	4 858	74	384	1 262	1 204	1 117	817
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	2 343	2 214	23	152	504	669	437	429
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	839	789	1	26	183	190	217	172
\$5,000,000 or more	153	139	—	7	35	43	18	36
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	31 284	22 962	617	1 865	4 964	4 911	4 446	6 159
\$1,000..	2 852 531	2 535 371	50 178	190 989	625 101	635 261	533 523	500 320
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	1 434	584	20	85	58	97	98	226
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2 145	933	39	42	163	203	117	369
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4 038	2 239	94	165	371	247	362	1 000
\$20,000 to \$49,999	7 974	5 268	168	452	963	971	969	1 745
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6 219	5 141	114	440	1 087	1 217	1 046	1 237
\$100,000 to \$199,999	5 358	4 906	113	391	1 357	1 114	1 014	917
\$200,000 to \$499,999	3 483	3 291	67	264	799	897	700	564
\$500,000 or more	633	600	2	26	166	165	140	101
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	29 771	22 212	584	1 830	4 851	4 798	4 329	5 820
number..	75 361	61 943	1 142	4 624	13 644	14 761	12 790	14 982
Wheel tractors farms..	28 705	21 427	492	1 617	4 677	4 581	4 272	5 788
number..	88 731	73 254	1 306	4 603	15 194	16 893	15 845	19 413
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	12 177	8 823	156	597	1 607	1 830	1 890	2 743
number..	19 635	14 485	287	878	2 527	2 844	3 186	4 763
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	26 438	20 475	474	1 545	4 559	4 366	4 088	5 463
number..	69 096	58 769	1 019	3 725	12 667	14 049	12 659	14 650
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	21 179	16 249	300	1 043	3 341	3 535	3 441	4 589
number..	38 660	31 332	511	1 728	6 107	7 289	6 816	8 881
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	16 943	14 614	347	1 149	3 563	3 342	2 951	3 262
number..	30 436	27 437	508	1 997	6 560	6 760	5 843	5 769
Grain and bean combines..... farms..	12 685	11 447	256	840	2 655	2 786	2 395	2 515
number..	14 845	13 458	303	960	3 080	3 285	2 853	2 977
Cotton pickers and strippers..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners farms..	8 316	6 936	95	468	1 712	1 768	1 428	1 465
number..	9 297	7 770	111	518	1 873	1 988	1 545	1 735
Pickup balers..... farms..	15 330	12 800	214	867	2 899	3 049	2 690	3 081
number..	18 760	15 884	274	1 086	3 576	3 814	3 323	3 811
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	18 266	15 568	439	1 351	3 684	3 525	3 149	3 420
acres on which used..	8 646 036	8 190 343	140 322	643 003	2 212 484	2 148 201	1 664 887	1 381 446
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	4 578	4 041	105	378	1 002	976	788	792
acres on which used..	1 031 306	957 328	9 951	84 629	239 162	249 280	196 406	177 900
Nematodes in crops farms..	235	190	1	14	44	48	43	40
acres on which used..	64 492	55 059	(D)	(D)	10 146	14 587	13 594	12 150
Diseases in crops and orchards..... farms..	289	217	6	38	70	44	28	31
acres on which used..	93 604	77 801	480	19 813	18 826	11 265	18 549	8 868
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	16 568	13 819	410	1 220	3 370	3 148	2 709	2 962
acres on which used..	8 265 297	7 818 624	158 677	614 753	2 203 253	2 002 805	1 636 269	1 202 867
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	349	304	—	15	98	74	49	68
acres on which used..	102 704	98 840	—	2 861	20 824	24 713	20 334	30 108

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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
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	3 789	117	456	1 003	1 020	638	555
acres..	3 267 649	26 200	164 985	332 145	1 261 367	531 183	951 769
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	5 004	50	501	1 338	1 459	878	778
acres..	144 728	844	10 510	25 834	45 980	33 565	27 995
Irrigated land farms..	270	2	25	62	91	54	36
acres..	37 119	(D)	(D)	10 581	8 149	7 211	7 631
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	242	2	24	59	83	45	29
acres..	34 442	(D)	(D)	10 055	(D)	6 191	7 076
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	60	—	3	11	18	17	11
acres..	2 677	—	(D)	526	(D)	1 020	555
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	1 660	8	98	339	428	348	439
acres..	341 126	1 489	18 928	49 803	76 247	81 328	113 331
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	8 322	246	910	2 217	2 397	1 403	1 149
\$1,000..	1 843 834	16 418	152 975	392 301	632 790	328 728	320 622
Average per farm dollars..	221 561	66 739	168 105	176 951	263 992	234 304	279 044
Average per acre dollars..	375	463	508	537	342	382	280
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	1 801	98	269	466	466	236	266
\$40,000 to \$69,999	1 279	68	135	343	360	182	191
\$70,000 to \$99,999	1 166	31	174	317	298	166	180
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1 275	17	114	341	414	203	186
\$150,000 to \$199,999	768	26	69	199	238	133	103
\$200,000 to \$499,999	1 504	6	111	448	431	366	142
\$500,000 to \$999,999	336	—	26	65	117	75	53
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	129	—	8	17	58	31	15
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	50	—	2	20	11	8	9
\$5,000,000 or more	14	—	2	1	4	3	4
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	8 322	246	910	2 217	2 397	1 403	1 149
\$1,000..	317 160	7 579	35 407	81 603	91 861	55 514	45 195
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	850	13	88	250	259	99	141
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1 212	54	95	324	372	206	161
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1 799	40	158	555	476	300	270
\$20,000 to \$49,999	2 706	84	342	647	825	465	343
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1 078	54	163	261	275	212	113
\$100,000 to \$199,999	452	—	51	114	117	92	78
\$200,000 to \$499,999	192	1	11	45	69	26	40
\$500,000 or more	33	—	2	21	4	3	3
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	7 559	231	843	2 002	2 144	1 273	1 066
number..	13 418	374	1 436	3 492	3 873	2 369	1 874
Wheel tractors farms..	7 278	200	724	1 932	2 156	1 249	1 017
number..	15 477	453	1 399	3 837	4 651	2 985	2 152
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	3 354	52	289	897	987	634	495
number..	5 150	79	444	1 310	1 437	1 056	824
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	5 963	181	592	1 528	1 832	1 036	794
number..	10 327	374	955	2 527	3 214	1 929	1 328
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	4 930	158	423	1 262	1 592	882	613
number..	7 328	275	630	1 827	2 278	1 393	925
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	2 329	82	283	558	681	410	315
number..	2 999	99	325	700	936	536	403
Grain and bean combines..... farms..	1 238	35	120	382	382	164	155
number..	1 387	41	126	419	436	191	174
Cotton pickers and strippers..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mower conditioners farms..	1 380	38	102	404	436	242	158
number..	1 527	38	114	486	464	261	164
Pickup balers..... farms..	2 530	44	226	729	811	463	257
number..	2 876	53	250	850	927	527	269
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	2 698	58	311	837	793	427	272
acres on which used..	455 693	5 043	50 578	122 791	131 432	79 597	66 252
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	537	1	43	133	179	90	91
acres on which used..	73 978	(D)	(D)	15 047	28 176	18 081	9 874
Nematodes in crops farms..	45	—	—	12	5	8	20
acres on which used..	9 433	—	—	4 896	475	2 080	1 982
Diseases in crops and orchards..... farms..	72	—	13	17	11	20	11
acres on which used..	15 803	—	2 118	3 385	67	10 054	179
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	2 749	75	278	862	838	424	272
acres on which used..	446 673	6 832	55 238	122 136	121 915	79 820	60 732
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	45	—	—	15	21	9	—
acres on which used..	3 864	—	—	288	2 995	581	—

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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
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR								
All operators	31 284	22 704	449	1 922	5 159	4 901	4 404	5 869
Full owners	12 598	7 368	85	376	994	1 166	1 502	3 245
Part owners	14 322	12 397	105	903	3 263	3 272	2 613	2 241
Tenants	4 364	2 939	259	643	902	463	289	383
White	30 771	22 387	444	1 887	5 096	4 831	4 325	5 804
Full owners	12 366	7 233	84	365	968	1 136	1 469	3 211
Part owners	14 137	12 263	105	890	3 237	3 243	2 575	2 213
Tenants	4 268	2 891	255	632	891	452	281	380
Black and other races	513	317	5	35	63	70	79	65
Full owners	232	135	1	11	26	30	33	34
Part owners	185	134	—	13	26	29	38	28
Tenants	96	48	4	11	11	11	8	3
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	27 219	19 965	192	1 283	4 286	4 457	4 138	5 609
acres..	30 540 812	26 008 406	64 798	890 003	3 998 420	5 750 522	8 009 088	7 295 575
Owned land in farms	26 920	19 765	190	1 279	4 257	4 438	4 115	5 486
acres..	27 424 087	23 732 643	60 993	833 279	3 765 422	5 503 418	7 189 598	6 379 933
Land rented or leased from others	18 882	15 472	364	1 549	4 178	3 755	2 932	2 694
farms..	17 247 444	15 803 037	186 095	1 690 991	4 806 200	4 202 505	2 615 145	2 302 101
landlords..	48 922	43 042	734	4 228	13 224	11 100	8 052	5 704
Rented or leased land in farms	18 686	15 336	364	1 546	4 165	3 735	2 902	2 624
farms..	16 930 793	15 561 180	185 012	1 677 680	4 747 373	4 150 202	2 568 281	2 232 632
acres..	16 930 793	15 561 180	185 012	1 677 680	4 747 373	4 150 202	2 568 281	2 232 632
Land rented or leased to others	6 532	4 272	18	172	576	684	861	1 961
farms..	3 433 376	2 517 620	4 888	70 035	291 825	299 407	866 354	985 111
acres..	3 433 376	2 517 620	4 888	70 035	291 825	299 407	866 354	985 111
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	23 062	17 940	294	1 403	4 150	4 056	3 614	4 423
Not on farm operated	5 961	3 002	139	400	668	493	486	816
Not reported	2 261	1 762	16	119	341	352	304	630
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	22 704	22 704	449	1 922	5 159	4 901	4 404	5 869
Other	8 580	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	16 003	14 915	185	1 044	3 069	3 123	3 057	4 437
Any	13 049	5 557	241	761	1 711	1 384	935	525
1 to 99 days	3 588	3 084	128	414	930	717	521	374
100 to 199 days	2 172	1 219	51	158	373	344	228	65
200 days or more	7 289	1 254	62	189	408	323	186	86
Not reported	2 232	2 232	23	117	379	394	412	907
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	1 233	635	136	192	169	61	51	26
3 or 4 years	1 519	751	103	207	223	110	56	52
5 to 9 years	3 486	1 897	73	611	665	301	144	103
10 years or more	20 223	15 901	—	648	3 453	3 763	3 527	4 510
Average years on present farm	22.7	25.3	3.2	8.3	15.3	22.3	30.8	40.9
Not reported	4 823	3 520	137	264	649	666	626	1 178
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	668	449	449	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	2 916	1 922	—	1 922	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	7 461	5 159	—	—	5 159	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	4 001	2 689	—	—	—	2 689	—	—
50 to 54 years	3 231	2 212	—	—	—	2 212	—	—
55 to 59 years	2 935	2 154	—	—	—	—	2 154	—
60 to 64 years	2 887	2 250	—	—	—	—	2 250	—
65 to 69 years	2 804	2 240	—	—	—	—	—	2 240
70 years and over	4 381	3 629	—	—	—	—	—	3 629
Average age	51.8	52.9	21.7	30.6	39.7	49.1	59.5	72.3
Operators by sex:								
Male	29 810	21 895	439	1 884	5 048	4 768	4 206	5 550
Female	1 474	809	10	38	111	133	198	319
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)								
	168	123	1	13	21	36	31	21
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	27 133	19 404	394	1 688	4 457	4 220	3 733	4 912
farms..	29 438 846	26 761 876	212 671	1 790 281	6 473 414	7 030 541	5 667 990	5 586 979
acres..	2 605	2 047	47	151	438	377	411	623
Partnership	5 376 360	4 964 588	26 507	264 666	1 105 367	944 638	1 037 622	1 585 788
acres..	5 376 360	4 964 588	26 507	264 666	1 105 367	944 638	1 037 622	1 585 788
Corporation:								
Family held	1 211	1 036	5	65	226	264	214	262
farms..	4 036 762	3 825 407	6 070	157 025	694 689	1 056 731	808 516	1 102 376
acres..	26	21	—	1	6	4	5	5
More than 10 stockholders	1 185	1 015	5	64	220	260	209	257
farms..	1 185	1 015	5	64	220	260	209	257
acres..	1 185	1 015	5	64	220	260	209	257
Other than family held	87	55	1	6	14	11	5	18
farms..	189 864	180 439	(D)	(D)	61 216	29 480	8 217	59 395
acres..	189 864	180 439	(D)	(D)	61 216	29 480	8 217	59 395
More than 10 stockholders	12	7	—	—	4	2	—	1
farms..	12	7	—	—	4	2	—	1
acres..	12	7	—	—	4	2	—	1
10 or less stockholders	75	48	1	6	10	9	5	17
farms..	75	48	1	6	10	9	5	17
acres..	75	48	1	6	10	9	5	17
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.								
farms..	248	162	2	12	24	29	41	54
acres..	5 313 048	3 561 513	(D)	(D)	178 109	592 230	2 235 534	278 027

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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	8 580	219	994	2 302	2 331	1 418	1 316
Full owners	5 230	90	435	1 256	1 412	989	1 048
Part owners	1 925	20	222	574	631	307	171
Tenants	1 425	109	337	472	288	122	97
White	8 384	215	972	2 251	2 266	1 392	1 288
Full owners	5 133	90	425	1 236	1 378	974	1 030
Part owners	1 874	20	219	564	606	302	163
Tenants	1 377	105	328	451	282	116	95
Black and other races	196	4	22	51	65	26	28
Full owners	97	—	10	20	34	15	18
Part owners	51	—	3	10	25	5	8
Tenants	48	4	9	21	6	6	2
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	7 254	111	664	1 863	2 071	1 308	1 237
acres..	4 532 406	17 022	181 365	477 464	1 721 243	696 415	1 438 897
Owned land in farms	7 155	110	657	1 830	2 043	1 296	1 219
acres..	3 691 444	10 242	151 827	358 395	1 456 211	545 527	1 169 242
Land rented or leased from others	3 410	129	562	1 072	931	439	277
farms..	1 444 407	34 781	191 192	422 152	320 236	365 257	110 789
acres..	5 880	172	924	1 827	1 628	782	547
landlords..	3 350	129	559	1 046	919	429	268
Rented or leased land in farms	1 369 613	34 661	188 831	402 276	303 216	340 367	100 262
acres..	2 260	15	119	451	648	445	582
Land rented or leased to others	915 756	6 900	31 899	138 945	282 052	175 778	280 182
acres..							
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	5 122	102	581	1 494	1 484	822	639
Not on farm operated	2 959	103	365	710	712	507	562
Not reported	499	14	48	98	135	89	115
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	8 580	219	994	2 302	2 331	1 418	1 316
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	1 088	22	37	86	115	167	661
Any	7 492	197	957	2 216	2 216	1 251	655
1 to 99 days	504	27	28	86	92	104	167
100 to 199 days	953	30	93	240	275	181	134
200 days or more	6 035	140	836	1 890	1 849	966	354
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	598	57	162	213	116	27	23
3 or 4 years	768	48	203	272	160	52	33
5 to 9 years	1 589	40	338	589	402	143	77
10 years or more	4 322	—	144	951	1 366	972	889
Average years on present farm	15.9	3.4	5.9	10.2	15.3	21.3	32.1
Not reported	1 303	74	147	277	287	224	294
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	219	219	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	994	—	994	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	2 302	—	—	2 302	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	1 312	—	—	—	1 312	—	—
50 to 54 years	1 019	—	—	—	1 019	—	—
55 to 59 years	781	—	—	—	—	781	—
60 to 64 years	637	—	—	—	—	637	—
65 to 69 years	564	—	—	—	—	—	564
70 years and over	752	—	—	—	—	—	752
Average age	48.9	21.4	30.6	39.8	49.0	59.1	72.0
Operators by sex:							
Male	7 915	185	941	2 175	2 188	1 298	1 128
Female	665	34	53	127	143	120	188
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	45	—	7	16	9	7	6
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	7 729	205	908	2 130	2 111	1 255	1 120
acres..	2 676 970	42 594	293 177	650 471	706 337	470 121	514 270
Partnership	558	11	69	110	144	100	124
acres..	411 772	(D)	(D)	65 629	106 267	140 194	71 494
Corporation:							
Family held	175	3	10	35	43	44	40
acres..	211 355	(D)	(D)	22 936	50 586	92 858	26 177
More than 10 stockholders	5	—	—	—	2	1	2
farms..	170	3	10	35	41	43	38
10 or less stockholders	170	3	10	35	41	43	38
farms..	32	—	4	10	5	9	4
Other than family held	9 425	—	(D)	1 520	(D)	(D)	(D)
acres..	5	—	2	1	1	—	1
More than 10 stockholders	5	—	2	1	1	—	1
farms..	27	—	2	9	4	9	3
10 or less stockholders	27	—	2	9	4	9	3
farms..	86	—	3	17	28	10	28
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms..	1 751 535	—	(D)	20 115	(D)	(D)	(D)
acres..							

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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
INJURIES AND DEATHS								
Farm-related injuries:								
Operator and family members	farms.. 560	491	9	56	134	105	97	90
	number.. 629	556	11	63	151	120	107	104
Hired workers	farms.. 137	124	—	10	40	26	23	25
	number.. 193	173	—	17	50	33	33	40
Farm-related deaths:								
Operator and family members	farms.. 8	8	—	2	2	2	2	—
	number.. 9	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—
Hired workers	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
FARMS BY SIZE								
1 to 9 acres	1 015	396	6	33	86	58	57	156
10 to 49 acres	2 596	766	35	77	131	141	131	251
50 to 69 acres	722	260	13	19	41	44	40	103
70 to 99 acres	1 144	456	28	33	72	55	85	183
100 to 139 acres	1 010	457	35	53	61	61	68	179
140 to 179 acres	1 968	1 022	45	96	160	145	141	435
180 to 219 acres	856	492	22	60	72	71	88	179
220 to 259 acres	893	536	19	40	91	79	92	215
260 to 499 acres	4 751	3 470	113	355	722	587	613	1 080
500 to 999 acres	5 866	5 078	73	508	1 282	1 089	1 040	1 086
1,000 to 1,999 acres	5 185	4 788	36	367	1 279	1 234	991	881
2,000 acres or more	5 278	4 983	24	281	1 162	1 337	1 058	1 121
FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM								
Oilseed and grain farming (1111)	13 049	10 243	220	951	2 475	2 218	1 990	2 389
Vegetable and melon farming (1112)	54	25	—	3	6	5	1	10
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113)	13	4	—	—	2	1	—	1
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114)	102	36	—	1	10	9	7	9
Other crop farming (1119)	2 357	1 446	33	121	300	283	267	442
Tobacco farming (11191)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton farming (11192)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199)	2 357	1 446	33	121	300	283	267	442
Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111)	10 957	7 767	114	519	1 466	1 692	1 540	2 436
Cattle feedlots (112112)	977	791	17	61	180	167	163	203
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)	932	866	24	95	279	209	164	95
Hog and pig farming (1122)	868	653	27	103	218	129	100	76
Poultry and egg production (1123)	89	41	—	1	11	9	2	18
Sheep and goat farming (1124)	751	324	10	22	77	68	54	93
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129)	1 135	508	4	45	135	111	116	97
LIVESTOCK								
Cattle and calves inventory	farms.. 20 502	16 281	297	1 383	3 762	3 700	3 199	3 940
	number.. 3 723 271	3 413 089	26 435	239 442	791 943	886 954	732 301	736 014
Farms with—								
1 to 9	1 080	428	14	40	82	81	68	143
10 to 49	5 194	3 147	131	288	574	571	542	1 041
50 to 99	4 150	3 338	71	345	743	679	640	860
100 to 199	4 493	4 050	48	319	1 035	948	840	860
200 to 499	4 090	3 878	28	317	1 019	1 033	779	702
500 or more	1 495	1 440	5	74	309	388	330	334
Cows and heifers that had calved	farms.. 18 338	14 864	250	1 277	3 454	3 413	2 939	3 531
	number.. 1 770 882	1 628 421	10 932	112 735	375 615	408 319	351 973	368 847
Beef cows	farms.. 17 428	14 027	235	1 183	3 181	3 191	2 804	3 433
	number.. 1 675 000	1 535 239	9 949	104 163	348 465	383 171	334 790	354 701
Farms with—								
1 to 9	1 444	702	36	52	125	155	129	205
10 to 49	6 478	4 638	135	489	943	870	853	1 348
50 to 99	3 997	3 477	41	283	839	812	699	803
100 to 199	3 294	3 084	17	233	822	777	649	586
200 to 499	1 907	1 830	6	111	401	505	389	418
500 or more	308	296	—	15	51	72	85	73
Milk cows	farms.. 1 802	1 643	29	164	463	431	312	244
	number.. 95 882	93 182	983	8 572	27 150	25 148	17 183	14 146
Farms with—								
1 to 4	324	243	—	24	63	65	39	52
5 to 9	50	38	1	4	8	8	8	9
10 to 49	713	657	21	70	173	149	128	116
50 to 99	490	486	6	51	160	149	94	26
100 to 199	172	167	1	10	46	50	33	27
200 to 499	46	45	—	4	11	9	10	11
500 or more	7	7	—	1	2	1	—	3
Heifers and heifer calves	farms.. 16 326	13 309	242	1 145	3 145	3 073	2 673	3 031
	number.. 931 558	851 552	6 588	56 934	204 652	223 225	187 728	172 425
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	farms.. 17 937	14 540	266	1 228	3 371	3 350	2 888	3 437
	number.. 1 020 831	933 116	8 915	69 773	211 676	255 410	192 600	194 742

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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	
INJURIES AND DEATHS								
Farm-related injuries:								
Operator and family members	farms..	69	3	12	18	19	13	4
	number..	73	5	12	18	21	13	4
Hired workers	farms..	13	2	—	1	2	7	1
	number..	20	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	12	(D)
Farm-related deaths:								
Operator and family members	farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hired workers	farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	number..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
FARMS BY SIZE								
1 to 9 acres		619	13	88	182	154	86	96
10 to 49 acres	1	830	64	238	553	497	260	218
50 to 69 acres		462	17	56	122	133	74	60
70 to 99 acres		688	21	68	187	195	94	123
100 to 139 acres		553	17	66	135	163	84	88
140 to 179 acres		946	26	100	259	256	174	131
180 to 219 acres		364	14	56	80	101	66	47
220 to 259 acres		357	8	36	100	93	56	64
260 to 499 acres	1	281	21	151	339	336	218	216
500 to 999 acres		788	9	63	204	207	160	145
1,000 to 1,999 acres		397	5	39	86	123	73	71
2,000 acres or more		295	4	33	55	73	73	57
FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM								
Oilseed and grain farming (1111)		2 806	64	294	694	759	473	522
Vegetable and melon farming (1112)		29	—	2	6	10	6	5
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113)		9	—	1	2	5	—	1
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114)		66	1	2	14	24	16	9
Other crop farming (1119)		911	11	94	231	248	162	165
Tobacco farming (11191)		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton farming (11192)		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199)		911	11	94	231	248	162	165
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211)		3 190	118	392	891	813	522	454
Cattle feedlots (11212)		186	7	29	50	53	26	21
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)		66	—	9	21	17	8	11
Hog and pig farming (1122)		215	4	50	80	50	25	6
Poultry and egg production (1123)		48	1	9	20	6	5	7
Sheep and goat farming (1124)		427	9	50	112	146	64	46
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129)		627	4	62	181	200	111	69
LIVESTOCK								
Cattle and calves inventory	farms..	4 221	147	556	1 243	1 095	659	521
	number..	310 182	4 799	30 427	67 131	77 468	84 499	45 858
Farms with—								
1 to 9		652	34	95	213	170	88	52
10 to 49	2	047	82	277	626	519	302	241
50 to 99		812	20	110	235	216	125	106
100 to 199		443	10	55	125	120	72	61
200 to 499		212	1	17	35	56	52	51
500 or more		55	—	2	9	14	20	10
Cows and heifers that had calved	farms..	3 474	127	439	1 010	926	540	432
	number..	142 461	2 517	13 663	35 073	37 354	28 768	25 086
Beef cows	farms..	3 401	127	429	984	907	531	423
	number..	139 761	2 513	13 510	33 876	36 792	28 372	24 698
Farms with—								
1 to 9		742	49	107	227	190	95	74
10 to 49	1	840	65	236	553	500	277	209
50 to 99		520	12	59	153	139	82	75
100 to 199		210	1	24	37	59	51	38
200 to 499		77	—	3	14	16	21	23
500 or more		12	—	—	—	3	5	4
Milk cows	farms..	159	3	24	49	44	21	18
	number..	2 700	4	153	1 197	562	396	388
Farms with—								
1 to 4		81	3	15	25	25	5	8
5 to 9		12	—	1	3	—	8	—
10 to 49		56	—	8	17	18	5	8
50 to 99		4	—	—	—	1	2	1
100 to 199		5	—	—	3	—	1	1
200 to 499		1	—	—	1	—	—	—
500 or more		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Heifers and heifer calves	farms..	3 017	107	404	901	791	453	361
	number..	80 006	1 091	8 076	16 046	19 094	25 745	9 954
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	farms..	3 397	109	448	1 012	891	519	418
	number..	87 715	1 191	8 688	16 012	21 020	29 986	10 818

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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.. 4 288	145	568	1 224	1 127	678	546
	number.. 272 288	2 652	18 472	44 872	62 196	112 745	31 351
	\$1,000.. 152 132	1 291	8 654	20 798	34 645	71 853	14 891
Calves	farms.. 1 943	65	250	547	517	317	247
	number.. 56 850	1 017	5 785	12 995	13 763	13 409	9 881
	\$1,000.. 18 539	365	1 935	4 262	4 683	3 788	3 507
Cattle	farms.. 3 343	113	442	981	878	523	406
	number.. 215 438	1 635	12 687	31 877	48 433	99 336	21 470
	\$1,000.. 133 593	926	6 720	16 537	29 961	68 065	11 384
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 381	21	62	115	102	49	32
	number.. 70 241	(D)	1 314	2 146	3 552	(D)	1 984
	\$1,000.. 53 678	(D)	988	1 481	2 716	(D)	1 347
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 363	4	73	129	90	43	24
	number.. 105 403	39	17 351	35 204	38 705	11 179	2 925
Farms with—							
1 to 24	151	4	23	51	44	18	11
25 to 49	43	—	14	15	8	3	3
50 to 99	43	—	11	14	13	5	—
100 to 199	52	—	10	19	12	6	5
200 to 499	41	—	7	17	6	7	4
500 or more	33	—	8	13	7	4	1
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 200	2	39	67	45	28	19
	number.. 15 208	(D)	2 019	3 799	8 068	933	(D)
Other	farms.. 328	3	68	117	81	39	20
	number.. 90 195	(D)	15 332	31 405	30 637	10 246	(D)
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 383	6	75	143	93	45	21
	number.. 250 061	234	43 919	81 296	98 176	22 429	4 007
	\$1,000.. 24 653	25	3 344	8 445	9 542	2 892	405
Feeder pigs	farms.. 76	—	13	27	21	9	6
	number.. 87 395	—	(D)	23 495	41 040	1 134	(D)
	\$1,000.. 3 292	—	(D)	1 142	1 387	43	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 218	2	41	75	51	30	19
	number.. 20 860	(D)	2 928	6 724	9 132	1 528	(D)
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 187	2	37	62	43	26	17
	number.. 10 501	(D)	1 471	3 329	4 544	849	(D)
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 186	2	39	63	44	26	12
	number.. 10 359	(D)	1 457	3 395	4 588	679	(D)
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 723	22	84	205	249	99	64
	number.. 57 451	721	4 434	12 449	23 412	10 547	5 888
	\$1,000.. 665	19	74	195	227	94	56
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 38 533	525	3 320	8 431	16 265	6 380	3 612
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 795	24	99	227	266	105	74
	number.. 84 252	735	5 851	12 075	45 430	13 382	6 779
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 676	22	72	197	227	97	61
	number.. 48 909	676	3 670	10 571	18 466	10 422	5 104
	pounds of wool.. 360 409	4 777	30 148	89 910	123 620	70 856	41 098
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 2 117	43	240	655	658	326	195
	number.. 14 233	138	1 468	3 850	4 510	2 972	1 295
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 522	6	65	156	173	89	33
	number.. 3 000	8	351	468	1 461	508	204
Goats inventory	farms.. 138	4	19	47	40	15	13
	number.. 1 402	(D)	232	422	443	(D)	150
Goats sold	farms.. 46	1	5	19	7	7	7
	number.. 848	(D)	(D)	424	164	108	86
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 260	3	36	73	92	32	24
	number.. 10 619	49	1 252	5 240	2 110	906	1 062
Farms with—							
1 to 399	258	3	36	72	92	32	23
400 to 3,199	2	—	—	1	—	—	1
3,200 to 9,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10,000 to 19,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20,000 to 49,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
50,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 249	3	32	73	88	32	21
	number.. 9 390	49	972	4 813	1 838	802	916
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 44	—	9	13	11	5	6
	number.. 1 229	—	280	427	272	104	146
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 25	—	2	11	9	3	—
	number.. (D)	—	(D)	(D)	456	105	—
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 37	1	17	17	4	3	2
	number.. 5 394	(D)	1 149	1 931	579	735	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	37	1	10	17	4	3	2
2,000 to 59,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
60,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 39	1	5	11	15	5	2
	number.. 174	(D)	(D)	58	52	21	(D)
Turkeys sold	farms.. 9	—	1	4	2	1	1
	number.. (D)	—	(D)	27	(D)	(D)	(D)

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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.. 14 342	12 540	246	1 140	3 287	2 901	2 464	2 502
	acres.. 3 175 113	2 992 672	34 358	237 621	875 895	780 213	612 749	451 836
	bushels.. 295 056 391	278 080 540	3 233 492	22 198 268	82 617 129	72 324 780	57 118 163	40 588 708
Irrigated	farms.. 704	651	9	43	170	188	133	108
	acres.. 148 001	134 540	777	7 553	37 321	36 122	23 875	28 892
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	856	542	18	47	113	83	105	176
25 to 99 acres	3 996	3 088	99	262	614	585	581	947
100 to 249 acres	5 225	4 767	96	488	1 234	1 121	945	883
250 to 499 acres	2 897	2 810	26	264	907	727	556	330
500 acres or more	1 368	1 333	7	79	419	385	277	166
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 4 785	4 548	49	389	1 199	1 165	953	793
	acres.. 308 116	298 926	2 248	19 792	70 234	80 450	69 450	56 752
	tons, green.. 3 061 677	2 961 235	23 105	217 528	704 949	791 729	688 444	535 480
Irrigated	farms.. 119	115	—	11	23	28	24	29
	acres.. 8 775	(D)	—	(D)	1 892	2 399	1 534	1 722
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	1 314	1 184	21	127	341	250	223	222
25 to 99 acres	2 592	2 500	20	208	676	692	517	387
100 to 249 acres	736	726	7	49	155	181	179	155
250 to 499 acres	100	96	1	5	21	30	20	19
500 acres or more	43	42	—	—	6	12	14	10
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 753	692	7	58	164	183	128	152
	acres.. 106 218	99 085	1 259	6 248	23 249	30 555	17 307	20 467
	bushels.. 6 475 034	6 052 988	64 104	383 303	1 350 351	1 956 849	1 069 265	1 229 116
Irrigated	farms.. 13	12	—	—	7	2	2	1
	acres.. 628	(D)	—	—	396	(D)	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	1 314	1 184	21	127	341	250	223	222
25 to 99 acres	2 592	2 500	20	208	676	692	517	387
100 to 249 acres	736	726	7	49	155	181	179	155
250 to 499 acres	100	96	1	5	21	30	20	19
500 acres or more	43	42	—	—	6	12	14	10
Barley for grain	farms.. 966	918	9	57	214	248	207	183
	acres.. 104 892	101 200	623	5 977	22 181	26 254	28 149	18 016
	bushels.. 4 233 108	4 101 470	20 860	261 289	949 971	1 122 468	1 073 213	673 669
Irrigated	farms.. 15	15	—	—	8	4	2	1
	acres.. 1 259	1 259	—	—	914	258	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	122	107	1	5	25	34	17	25
25 to 99 acres	475	451	7	31	96	123	96	98
100 to 249 acres	288	282	—	16	79	73	69	45
250 to 499 acres	61	59	1	5	10	13	18	12
500 acres or more	20	19	—	—	4	5	7	3
Oats for grain	farms.. 3 729	3 472	23	186	809	874	761	819
	acres.. 253 972	242 007	1 415	12 814	52 634	63 806	55 936	55 402
	bushels.. 13 726 509	13 152 754	84 421	645 064	2 996 003	3 590 180	2 966 033	2 871 053
Irrigated	farms.. 51	43	—	4	10	10	9	10
	acres.. 1 840	1 540	—	261	335	364	337	243
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	910	793	2	43	194	194	162	198
25 to 99 acres	2 027	1 913	16	99	452	474	421	451
100 to 249 acres	684	662	5	38	149	180	148	142
250 to 499 acres	94	91	—	6	11	22	26	26
500 acres or more	14	13	—	—	3	4	4	2
Flaxseed	farms.. 85	82	—	4	17	26	20	15
	acres.. 9 504	(D)	—	(D)	1 678	3 662	2 211	1 357
	bushels.. 152 429	(D)	—	(D)	24 720	59 346	33 998	23 109
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed	farms.. 2 858	2 605	28	236	688	675	507	471
	acres.. 740 707	698 539	5 604	61 447	206 125	187 318	129 678	108 367
	pounds.. 1 041 102 232	983 337 538	7 292 651	89 644 033	294 744 043	264 739 971	182 859 081	144 057 759
Irrigated	farms.. 14	11	—	1	—	2	6	2
	acres.. 1 640	1 356	—	(D)	—	(D)	661	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	95	71	1	8	13	17	21	11
25 to 99 acres	776	682	13	72	142	170	129	156
100 to 249 acres	1 067	977	9	74	284	240	202	168
250 to 499 acres	549	515	1	45	152	136	92	89
500 acres or more	371	360	4	37	97	112	63	47
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 11 700	9 987	224	971	2 681	2 298	1 945	1 868
	acres.. 2 939 146	2 751 066	36 533	239 612	866 728	729 624	518 802	359 767
	bushels.. 100 762 163	94 450 180	1 241 070	8 210 591	29 882 724	25 291 750	17 677 503	12 146 542
Irrigated	farms.. 391	350	6	24	103	100	75	42
	acres.. 66 394	58 209	283	3 705	14 973	17 662	11 002	10 584
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	522	294	14	24	65	49	43	99
25 to 99 acres	3 121	2 266	80	191	452	402	441	700
100 to 249 acres	4 053	3 574	88	411	888	797	709	681
250 to 499 acres	2 575	2 465	32	244	795	625	508	261
500 acres or more	1 429	1 388	10	101	481	425	244	127

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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.. 1 802	40	229	552	507	274	200
	acres.. 182 441	2 582	24 626	55 998	48 262	27 325	23 648
	bushels.. 16 975 851	216 679	2 220 344	5 471 476	4 334 075	2 447 744	2 285 533
Irrigated	farms.. 53	—	7	13	18	12	3
	acres.. 13 461	—	(D)	4 716	1 905	1 783	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	314	4	33	104	87	46	40
25 to 99 acres	908	32	126	263	256	135	96
100 to 249 acres	458	4	55	152	130	70	47
250 to 499 acres	87	—	8	26	26	16	11
500 acres or more	35	—	7	7	8	7	6
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 237	1	29	72	62	40	33
	acres.. 9 190	(D)	(D)	1 438	3 376	2 379	1 107
	tons, green.. 100 442	(D)	(D)	16 059	36 797	31 471	8 342
Irrigated	farms.. 4	—	1	1	—	1	1
	acres.. (D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	130	1	15	57	27	16	14
25 to 99 acres	92	—	13	13	28	20	18
100 to 249 acres	10	—	1	2	4	2	1
250 to 499 acres	4	—	—	—	3	1	—
500 acres or more	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 61	—	6	11	21	15	8
	acres.. 7 133	—	361	785	2 550	1 587	1 850
	bushels.. 422 046	—	18 041	40 390	154 163	105 558	103 894
Irrigated	farms.. 1	—	—	1	—	—	—
	acres.. (D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
Wheat for grain	farms.. 973	19	110	274	263	155	152
	acres.. 170 105	1 704	15 481	41 698	53 056	31 480	26 686
	bushels.. 4 560 799	40 656	429 369	1 118 580	1 419 597	829 847	722 750
Irrigated	farms.. 27	—	4	8	5	7	3
	acres.. 2 413	—	98	770	286	1 099	160
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	135	4	23	42	28	20	18
25 to 99 acres	412	9	46	121	106	66	64
100 to 249 acres	260	4	36	71	72	35	42
250 to 499 acres	100	2	1	27	33	19	18
500 acres or more	66	—	4	13	24	15	10
Barley for grain	farms.. 48	—	5	6	14	13	10
	acres.. 3 692	—	1 110	226	744	1 134	478
	bushels.. 131 638	—	38 983	6 600	32 182	40 037	13 836
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	15	—	1	1	3	5	5
25 to 99 acres	24	—	—	5	10	5	4
100 to 249 acres	6	—	3	—	1	1	1
250 to 499 acres	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
500 acres or more	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Oats for grain	farms.. 257	1	32	75	71	50	28
	acres.. 11 965	(D)	1 735	2 946	3 372	2 321	(D)
	bushels.. 573 755	(D)	103 341	163 309	142 269	84 624	(D)
Irrigated	farms.. 8	—	—	2	4	2	—
	acres.. 300	—	—	(D)	173	(D)	—
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	117	—	16	41	31	21	8
25 to 99 acres	114	1	13	26	35	22	17
100 to 249 acres	22	—	2	8	4	6	2
250 to 499 acres	3	—	—	—	1	1	1
500 acres or more	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Flaxseed	farms.. 3	—	1	—	1	1	—
	acres.. (D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—
	bushels.. (D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower seed	farms.. 253	8	38	75	56	39	37
	acres.. 42 168	562	6 324	10 545	9 532	8 798	6 407
	pounds.. 57 764 694	524 150	7 816 173	14 270 753	12 808 590	12 249 900	10 095 128
Irrigated	farms.. 3	—	2	—	—	—	1
	acres.. 284	—	(D)	—	—	—	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	24	—	1	8	7	2	6
25 to 99 acres	94	8	14	31	15	9	17
100 to 249 acres	90	—	18	27	19	20	6
250 to 499 acres	34	—	4	6	13	5	6
500 acres or more	11	—	1	3	2	3	2
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 1 713	46	220	514	473	276	184
	acres.. 188 080	3 332	28 338	52 364	54 328	30 783	18 935
	bushels.. 6 311 983	112 654	953 869	1 764 046	1 836 420	998 026	646 968
Irrigated	farms.. 41	—	4	8	20	8	1
	acres.. 8 185	—	(D)	2 166	2 423	1 116	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	228	9	28	58	59	45	29
25 to 99 acres	855	29	117	253	233	132	91
100 to 249 acres	479	5	50	168	132	69	55
250 to 499 acres	110	3	18	26	35	22	6
500 acres or more	41	—	7	9	14	8	3

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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.								
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes farms..	49	42	—	3	13	7	3	16
acres..	4 386	(D)	—	170	2 163	64	(D)	1 922
cwt..	932 485	(D)	—	24 600	612 950	6 595	(D)	281 960
Irrigated farms..	13	13	—	—	4	4	2	3
acres..	1 874	1 874	—	—	1 668	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) farms..	19 298	15 533	192	1 174	3 613	3 624	3 191	3 739
acres..	3 584 798	3 265 190	22 269	195 690	737 601	852 914	726 430	730 286
tons, dry..	6 590 651	6 060 829	45 595	379 702	1 437 474	1 638 932	1 307 368	1 251 758
Irrigated farms..	696	565	4	32	138	142	119	130
acres..	77 573	68 525	58	4 796	16 947	16 586	14 724	15 414
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	2 874	1 550	39	117	308	292	319	475
25 to 99 acres	6 476	4 994	80	466	1 195	1 006	1 023	1 224
100 to 249 acres	5 521	4 830	51	346	1 159	1 197	961	1 116
250 to 499 acres	2 838	2 640	16	166	614	711	552	581
500 acres or more	1 589	1 519	6	79	337	418	336	343
Alfalfa hay farms..	16 085	13 351	155	1 000	3 175	3 227	2 722	3 072
acres..	2 070 754	1 890 983	12 931	115 480	435 521	507 497	405 380	414 174
tons, dry..	4 459 532	4 113 175	32 715	264 745	989 288	1 142 592	863 723	820 112
Irrigated farms..	635	520	4	32	126	128	106	124
acres..	61 236	53 488	58	4 366	12 940	12 997	10 756	12 371
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	150	101	—	5	29	20	17	30
acres..	1 238	1 076	—	63	259	246	185	324
Irrigated farms..	58	38	—	2	6	13	7	10
acres..	294	265	—	(D)	(D)	121	80	38
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	91	52	—	1	19	9	8	15
5.0 to 24.9 acres	45	37	—	3	7	7	8	12
25.0 to 99.9 acres	14	12	—	1	3	4	1	3
100.0 to 249.9 acres	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
250.0 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Field seed and grass seed crops farms..	203	190	1	13	41	49	37	49
acres..	25 036	24 067	(D)	(D)	4 390	6 352	5 541	6 133
Irrigated farms..	5	5	—	—	1	1	1	2
acres..	(D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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