

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997

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

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.....number..	76 818	27 680	235	1 145	2 771	4 284	6 123	13 122
.....percent..	100.0	36.0	.3	1.5	3.6	5.6	8.0	17.1
Land in farms.....acres..	11 122 363	6 403 207	52 850	328 538	956 038	1 375 959	1 505 769	2 184 053
Average size of farm.....acres..	145	231	225	287	345	321	246	166
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text).....farms..	76 818	27 680	235	1 145	2 771	4 284	6 123	13 122
.....\$1,000..	2 178 389	1 660 746	15 072	106 626	365 881	442 377	408 886	321 905
Average per farm.....dollars..	28 358	59 998	64 137	93 123	132 039	103 263	66 779	24 532
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text).....	13 298	2 386	8	77	201	285	489	1 326
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....	13 903	3 311	10	89	207	381	685	1 939
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	14 578	4 344	23	116	265	477	923	2 540
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	13 751	5 050	29	139	322	575	1 127	2 858
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	9 265	4 225	47	148	307	557	939	2 227
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	1 952	1 052	13	52	94	169	239	485
\$25,000 to \$39,999.....	2 950	1 702	27	91	229	330	390	635
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....	1 037	649	7	31	100	150	161	200
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	2 176	1 569	27	134	253	368	364	423
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	2 070	1 747	29	157	376	506	399	280
\$250,000 to \$499,999.....	1 068	950	10	69	252	282	227	110
\$500,000 to \$999,999.....	555	508	5	32	124	149	131	67
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999.....	186	164	—	8	39	48	43	26
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999.....	18	14	—	2	1	5	3	3
\$5,000,000 or more.....	11	9	—	—	1	2	3	3
Grains.....farms..	6 755	4 274	73	305	710	963	888	1 335
.....\$1,000..	436 207	394 889	4 697	26 275	90 793	117 942	99 737	55 444
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 847	1 664	31	137	374	487	383	252
.....\$1,000..	380 667	360 137	4 117	23 626	85 598	109 798	93 207	43 790
Corn for grain.....farms..	4 209	2 805	43	208	492	677	590	795
.....\$1,000..	145 227	130 500	1 660	9 137	30 960	40 082	32 000	16 660
Wheat.....farms..	2 313	1 786	28	139	365	421	389	444
.....\$1,000..	43 022	39 658	625	2 475	9 984	11 901	9 661	5 012
Soybeans.....farms..	4 913	3 288	62	263	593	779	689	902
.....\$1,000..	245 375	222 448	2 387	14 563	49 387	65 246	57 614	33 251
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	102	77	1	7	18	19	11	21
.....\$1,000..	1 351	1 235	(D)	(D)	318	252	240	317
Barley.....farms..	14	12	—	—	5	2	3	1
.....\$1,000..	70	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oats.....farms..	33	25	1	2	9	2	5	6
.....\$1,000..	57	(D)	(D)	(D)	26	(D)	(D)	13
Other grains.....farms..	42	30	—	—	4	9	7	10
.....\$1,000..	1 104	928	—	—	(D)	451	196	(D)
Cotton and cottonseed.....farms..	1 156	905	25	109	212	222	175	162
.....\$1,000..	207 709	196 824	2 978	22 591	52 536	50 934	38 577	29 208
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	678	643	16	87	173	173	124	70
.....\$1,000..	199 096	191 295	2 760	22 186	51 366	49 770	37 477	27 736
Tobacco.....farms..	14 944	6 779	78	391	835	1 179	1 606	2 690
.....\$1,000..	188 584	126 659	1 419	11 053	28 044	29 459	28 872	27 811
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	610	525	6	61	146	135	108	69
.....\$1,000..	68 877	61 466	556	6 405	18 637	16 137	13 375	6 355
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....farms..	13 699	4 729	43	193	499	722	1 006	2 266
.....\$1,000..	39 508	17 901	159	883	2 650	3 648	3 533	7 028
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	23	17	—	—	6	8	2	1
.....\$1,000..	1 733	1 214	—	—	429	566	(D)	(D)
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons.....farms..	1 149	688	10	31	114	153	169	211
.....\$1,000..	49 478	44 657	107	4 385	3 745	9 823	13 651	12 946
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	118	103	—	6	19	33	27	18
.....\$1,000..	43 086	40 190	—	4 171	2 988	8 815	12 462	11 754
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....farms..	496	230	1	11	24	42	59	93
.....\$1,000..	5 792	4 968	(D)	(D)	335	944	1 504	1 914
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	18	16	—	1	2	2	6	5
.....\$1,000..	3 675	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	1 041	1 509
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....farms..	1 846	846	11	64	189	210	203	169
.....\$1,000..	213 365	179 286	872	6 398	66 416	36 601	42 211	26 787
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	419	341	3	27	93	94	87	37
.....\$1,000..	198 330	172 180	775	5 976	64 733	34 815	40 477	25 406
Other crops.....farms..	309	191	2	13	19	38	41	78
.....\$1,000..	3 032	2 550	(D)	(D)	1 209	341	171	731
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	10	8	—	—	3	1	1	3
.....\$1,000..	1 952	(D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	417
Poultry and poultry products.....farms..	1 552	740	4	49	133	196	184	174
.....\$1,000..	293 222	178 353	(D)	(D)	33 363	52 556	57 704	21 504
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	573	377	2	27	74	108	107	59
.....\$1,000..	290 979	176 908	(D)	(D)	33 107	52 110	57 273	21 293
Dairy products.....farms..	1 377	1 188	11	65	247	328	287	250
.....\$1,000..	209 378	197 969	1 891	8 624	47 485	58 847	47 641	33 480
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	965	902	10	50	207	260	219	156
.....\$1,000..	201 956	192 007	(D)	(D)	46 536	57 389	46 064	31 937
Cattle and calves.....farms..	49 234	19 159	124	604	1 582	2 637	4 288	9 924
.....\$1,000..	426 261	242 783	1 688	9 725	25 972	50 068	61 108	94 222
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	924	657	3	34	91	164	154	211
.....\$1,000..	126 194	93 849	413	4 977	12 546	26 280	26 588	23 045

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms	49 138	429	3 832	10 028	14 597	11 657	8 595
number ..							
percent ..	64.0	.6	5.0	13.1	19.0	15.2	11.2
Land in farms	4 719 156	31 805	282 795	858 806	1 390 416	1 215 083	940 251
acres ..							
Average size of farm	96	74	74	86	95	104	109
acres ..							
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text)	49 138	429	3 832	10 028	14 597	11 657	8 595
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	517 643	4 904	36 893	93 948	137 696	169 935	74 265
Average per farm	10 534	11 431	9 628	9 369	9 433	14 578	8 641
dollars ..							
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text)	10 912	85	855	2 349	3 085	2 331	2 207
\$1,000 to \$2,499	10 592	99	841	2 271	3 167	2 412	1 802
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10 234	67	794	2 025	3 084	2 549	1 715
\$5,000 to \$9,999	8 701	91	638	1 641	2 644	2 166	1 521
\$10,000 to \$19,999	5 040	47	372	1 011	1 547	1 266	797
\$20,000 to \$24,999	900	16	84	188	260	231	121
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1 248	11	112	255	375	312	183
\$40,000 to \$49,999	388	2	38	83	113	93	59
\$50,000 to \$99,999	607	5	56	100	172	161	113
\$100,000 to \$249,999	323	3	29	62	92	86	51
\$250,000 to \$499,999	118	1	6	27	39	28	17
\$500,000 to \$999,999	47	2	5	10	14	11	5
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999	22	—	2	6	3	8	3
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999	4	—	—	—	2	1	1
\$5,000,000 or more	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
Grains	2 481	36	240	529	682	584	410
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	41 318	499	3 948	9 336	12 012	8 342	7 181
Sales of \$50,000 or more	183	1	19	37	58	39	29
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	20 530	(D)	(D)	4 682	6 666	3 436	3 835
Corn for grain	1 404	18	147	317	391	317	214
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	14 727	166	1 392	3 263	4 604	2 830	2 472
Wheat	527	4	56	130	124	115	98
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	3 365	27	342	745	896	671	684
Soybeans	1 625	26	164	343	436	385	271
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	22 927	307	2 206	5 308	6 471	4 763	3 872
Sorghum for grain	25	—	3	3	6	9	4
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	116	—	(D)	(D)	37	52	(D)
Barley	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	—
Oats	8	—	2	1	2	2	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other grains	12	—	—	3	2	3	4
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	176	—	—	(D)	(D)	22	143
Cotton and cottonseed	251	5	22	58	62	69	35
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	10 885	123	1 043	3 319	2 331	2 048	2 021
Sales of \$50,000 or more	35	1	4	8	8	6	8
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	7 801	(D)	(D)	2 717	1 433	1 160	1 676
Tobacco	8 165	148	811	1 676	2 356	1 850	1 324
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	61 926	1 585	6 708	13 432	17 634	13 575	8 992
Sales of \$50,000 or more	85	1	12	20	18	24	10
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	7 411	(D)	1 005	1 680	1 239	2 017	(D)
Hay, silage, and field seeds	8 970	65	716	1 915	2 789	2 034	1 451
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	21 607	226	1 697	4 379	6 563	5 133	3 609
Sales of \$50,000 or more	6	—	—	—	3	2	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	519	—	—	—	151	(D)	(D)
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	461	6	32	109	173	99	42
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	4 821	11	173	565	1 541	702	1 830
Sales of \$50,000 or more	15	—	1	2	8	1	3
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	2 896	—	(D)	(D)	737	(D)	(D)
Fruits, nuts, and berries	266	—	8	47	75	88	48
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	824	—	7	54	237	348	179
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	(D)
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1 000	5	91	265	324	221	94
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	34 079	20	1 240	6 194	14 138	10 889	1 599
Sales of \$50,000 or more	78	—	3	15	30	21	9
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	26 150	—	233	4 367	11 804	8 916	829
Other crops	118	1	12	20	50	27	8
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	482	(D)	(D)	82	212	66	10
Sales of \$50,000 or more	2	—	1	—	1	—	—
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
Poultry and poultry products	812	7	70	237	256	158	84
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	114 870	1 018	8 049	14 359	16 543	65 332	9 568
Sales of \$50,000 or more	196	3	19	35	52	54	33
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	114 072	1 017	7 975	14 169	16 284	65 138	9 488
Dairy products	189	3	14	42	42	56	32
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	11 409	(D)	(D)	2 581	2 656	4 557	1 159
Sales of \$50,000 or more	63	1	1	17	16	19	9
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	9 948	(D)	(D)	2 270	2 315	4 175	(D)
Cattle and calves	30 075	231	2 216	5 998	9 072	7 450	5 108
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	183 478	1 052	11 634	33 293	54 068	51 111	32 319
Sales of \$50,000 or more	267	1	22	50	60	74	60
farms ..							
\$1,000 ..	32 345	(D)	(D)	5 694	7 937	11 013	5 619

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 1 579	878	13	44	127	186	202	306
	\$1,000.. 72 005	57 746	732	2 294	11 047	24 696	10 931	8 047
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 233	200	4	12	52	61	48	23
	\$1,000.. 62 390	51 816	607	1 961	10 260	23 398	9 436	6 153
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 602	199	2	10	32	47	46	62
	\$1,000.. 1 128	462	(D)	(D)	228	102	49	80
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
	\$1,000.. (D)	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 5 103	1 502	11	86	242	363	327	473
	\$1,000.. 32 721	15 701	28	1 300	2 057	6 415	3 197	2 703
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 103	57	—	3	13	20	13	8
	\$1,000.. 16 240	9 755	—	(D)	(D)	4 394	1 984	1 298
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 2 294	935	11	42	122	198	193	369
	\$1,000.. 7 643	5 695	24	424	482	1 752	895	2 118
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses	farms.. 76 821	27 259	289	1 174	2 623	4 150	5 859	13 164
	\$1,000.. 1 641 727	1 193 285	11 044	79 762	251 641	316 437	294 049	240 352
Average per farm	dollars.. 21 371	43 776	38 213	67 941	95 936	76 250	50 188	18 258
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 20 054	7 408	101	374	825	1 332	1 663	3 113
	\$1,000.. 148 848	94 379	592	4 231	14 391	24 070	31 136	19 958
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	16 022	5 356	71	265	504	877	1 205	2 434
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 033	1 345	26	62	174	259	293	531
\$25,000 to \$99,999	817	565	4	38	113	149	138	123
\$100,000 to \$249,999	137	109	—	8	29	34	17	21
\$250,000 or more	45	33	—	1	5	13	10	4
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 42 712	15 538	151	595	1 384	2 551	3 658	7 199
	\$1,000.. 312 849	224 666	1 064	12 645	43 107	67 678	59 962	40 210
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	38 574	12 735	135	426	935	1 801	2 963	6 475
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 594	1 557	2	107	184	394	365	505
\$25,000 to \$99,999	816	684	12	31	155	182	167	137
\$100,000 to \$249,999	458	356	2	19	69	104	106	56
\$250,000 or more	270	206	—	12	41	70	57	26
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 22 790	8 325	82	333	806	1 500	2 099	3 505
	\$1,000.. 237 186	175 388	839	10 544	34 555	54 694	46 814	27 941
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	20 383	6 536	68	232	473	960	1 669	3 134
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 209	824	2	58	131	238	176	219
\$25,000 to \$99,999	607	525	10	19	119	164	124	89
\$100,000 or more	591	440	2	24	83	138	130	63
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 27 448	13 157	186	845	1 721	2 494	2 995	4 916
	\$1,000.. 72 719	63 012	667	4 867	15 506	17 032	13 748	11 193
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	20 194	7 953	93	409	663	1 150	1 898	3 740
\$1,000 to \$4,999	4 766	3 001	65	245	543	670	602	876
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 920	1 661	23	154	366	520	373	225
\$25,000 to \$49,999	380	361	4	22	102	112	74	47
\$50,000 or more	188	181	1	15	47	42	48	28
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 51 727	21 109	236	1 010	2 105	3 329	4 698	9 731
	\$1,000.. 160 025	120 903	1 698	8 888	24 408	30 677	28 520	26 712
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	46 621	17 153	162	714	1 306	2 301	3 831	8 839
\$5,000 to \$24,999	3 868	2 774	57	194	507	681	593	742
\$25,000 to \$49,999	700	666	13	57	172	197	148	79
\$50,000 or more	538	516	4	45	120	150	126	71
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 26 800	12 338	163	819	1 591	2 354	2 563	4 848
	\$1,000.. 94 026	84 420	892	8 070	22 254	23 144	17 706	12 355
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	24 428	10 251	118	657	1 090	1 737	2 142	4 507
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 506	1 246	35	86	284	365	227	249
\$25,000 to \$49,999	412	396	5	30	90	125	101	45
\$50,000 or more	454	445	5	46	127	127	93	47
Petroleum products	farms.. 71 483	26 302	269	1 135	2 536	4 059	5 700	12 603
	\$1,000.. 85 428	58 413	623	4 150	11 396	14 197	13 575	14 471
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	68 534	23 751	238	950	1 943	3 311	5 109	12 200
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 664	2 282	28	160	527	680	520	367
\$25,000 to \$49,999	226	212	3	18	53	53	59	26
\$50,000 or more	59	57	—	7	13	15	12	10
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 46 760	18 241	169	859	1 875	2 859	4 049	8 430
	\$1,000.. 28 915	18 673	173	1 220	3 193	4 456	4 160	5 471
Diesel fuel	farms.. 55 802	21 835	256	979	2 182	3 507	4 816	10 095
	\$1,000.. 41 284	29 138	355	2 166	5 849	7 121	6 857	6 790
Natural gas	farms.. 1 198	707	8	37	110	164	129	259
	\$1,000.. 2 529	1 868	10	104	650	323	531	249
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 41 981	18 472	190	919	2 079	3 245	4 020	8 019
	\$1,000.. 12 700	8 734	85	660	1 704	2 297	2 027	1 961

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.							
Total sales (see text)—Con.							
Hogs and pigs .. farms..	701	11	71	168	182	153	116
\$1,000..	14 259	147	570	1 834	3 531	3 414	4 763
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	33	2	2	6	11	6	6
\$1,000..	10 574	(D)	(D)	1 040	2 568	2 645	(D)
Sheep, lambs, and wool .. farms..	403	1	36	112	144	80	30
\$1,000..	666	(D)	(D)	100	347	105	63
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
\$1,000..	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	—	—
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .. farms..	3 601	27	354	1 027	1 227	703	263
\$1,000..	17 020	98	1 329	4 421	5 884	4 315	973
Sales of \$50,000 or more .. farms..	46	—	2	12	17	11	4
\$1,000..	6 485	—	(D)	1 823	2 051	1 823	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text) .. farms..	1 359	10	118	356	461	270	144
\$1,000..	1 948	15	122	412	711	447	241
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses .. farms..	49 562	515	3 792	9 890	14 994	11 397	8 974
\$1,000..	448 442	4 238	34 370	93 744	139 209	113 898	62 982
Average per farm .. dollars..	9 048	8 230	9 064	9 479	9 284	9 994	7 018
Livestock and poultry purchased .. farms..	12 646	149	1 061	2 979	4 049	2 775	1 633
\$1,000..	54 469	450	3 805	11 383	16 904	16 078	5 848
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	10 666	127	870	2 525	3 431	2 342	1 371
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 688	19	170	395	513	357	234
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	252	3	20	46	97	61	25
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	28	—	1	11	4	9	3
\$250,000 or more ..	12	—	—	2	4	6	—
Feed for livestock and poultry .. farms..	27 174	288	2 237	6 074	8 852	6 223	3 500
\$1,000..	88 183	1 090	8 381	18 393	24 913	22 665	12 742
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	25 839	277	2 126	5 803	8 481	5 901	3 251
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 037	8	92	220	279	244	194
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	132	—	5	18	42	35	32
\$100,000 to \$249,999 ..	102	2	4	21	33	26	16
\$250,000 or more ..	64	1	10	12	17	17	7
Commercially mixed formula feeds .. farms..	14 465	145	1 232	3 097	5 246	3 286	1 459
\$1,000..	61 798	862	6 782	13 055	16 881	15 714	8 505
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	13 847	136	1 166	2 968	5 052	3 163	1 362
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	385	6	47	84	127	61	60
\$25,000 to \$99,999 ..	82	—	5	14	22	25	16
\$100,000 or more ..	151	3	14	31	45	37	21
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees .. farms..	14 291	208	1 424	3 022	4 244	3 386	2 007
\$1,000..	9 707	123	836	2 094	2 999	2 088	1 567
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999 ..	12 241	186	1 219	2 604	3 640	2 889	1 703
\$1,000 to \$4,999 ..	1 765	19	184	356	510	427	269
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	259	2	19	54	86	67	31
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	19	1	2	6	6	2	2
\$50,000 or more ..	7	—	—	2	2	1	2
Commercial fertilizer .. farms..	30 618	321	2 354	6 188	9 513	7 125	5 117
\$1,000..	39 122	333	2 756	7 437	12 592	9 876	6 129
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	29 468	318	2 261	5 990	9 120	6 827	4 952
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	1 094	3	90	188	374	285	154
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	34	—	1	5	13	9	6
\$50,000 or more ..	22	—	2	5	6	4	5
Agricultural chemicals .. farms..	14 462	151	1 426	3 220	4 341	3 238	2 086
\$1,000..	9 606	96	842	2 158	2 821	2 217	1 471
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	14 177	147	1 402	3 165	4 255	3 165	2 043
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	260	4	23	50	77	69	37
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	16	—	—	2	7	3	4
\$50,000 or more ..	9	—	1	3	2	1	2
Petroleum products .. farms..	45 181	468	3 482	9 058	13 794	10 546	7 833
\$1,000..	27 016	230	2 029	5 572	8 159	6 612	4 415
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999 ..	44 783	463	3 460	8 966	13 678	10 440	7 776
\$5,000 to \$24,999 ..	382	5	22	90	109	101	55
\$25,000 to \$49,999 ..	14	—	—	2	7	4	1
\$50,000 or more ..	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
Gasoline and gasohol .. farms..	28 519	347	2 308	5 979	8 653	6 552	4 680
\$1,000..	10 242	100	779	2 124	3 090	2 466	1 683
Diesel fuel .. farms..	33 967	340	2 695	6 786	10 460	8 030	5 656
\$1,000..	12 146	87	891	2 518	3 734	2 937	1 980
Natural gas .. farms..	491	—	55	88	134	127	87
\$1,000..	661	—	72	88	130	258	113
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. .. farms..	23 509	227	1 928	4 670	7 241	5 712	3 731
\$1,000..	3 966	43	288	842	1 204	952	638

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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 ..	35 211	15 504	173	647	1 716	2 714	3 479	6 775
	\$1,000 ..	22 489	15 688	120	877	3 560	3 695	4 033	3 405
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		30 927	12 336	150	424	1 059	1 813	2 691	6 199
\$1,000 to \$4,999		3 613	2 581	20	179	532	744	617	489
\$5,000 to \$24,999		641	561	3	43	117	150	163	85
\$25,000 to \$49,999		21	19	—	—	7	6	5	1
\$50,000 or more		9	7	—	1	1	1	3	1
Hired farm labor	farms ..	22 550	10 263	129	583	1 424	2 040	2 213	3 874
	\$1,000 ..	159 187	134 844	892	7 781	36 711	31 083	33 797	24 580
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		18 911	7 229	96	316	765	1 191	1 540	3 321
\$5,000 to \$24,999		2 377	1 906	22	185	403	533	375	388
\$25,000 to \$99,999		1 051	941	11	70	214	266	247	133
\$100,000 to \$249,999		151	132	—	11	30	38	35	18
\$250,000 or more		60	55	—	1	12	12	16	14
Workers by days worked:									
150 days or more	farms ..	6 096	3 571	28	232	621	883	805	1 002
	workers ..	12 036	8 815	52	468	2 077	2 058	2 174	1 986
Less than 150 days	farms ..	21 552	9 468	125	541	1 274	1 799	1 996	3 733
	workers ..	65 697	33 890	391	2 408	5 221	6 859	7 390	11 621
Contract labor	farms ..	6 548	3 109	42	270	466	722	622	987
	\$1,000 ..	26 308	20 880	224	1 564	4 439	6 886	4 133	3 633
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		3 274	1 188	21	68	113	223	222	541
\$1,000 to \$4,999		2 367	1 176	7	133	180	294	225	337
\$5,000 to \$24,999		727	580	12	62	130	149	138	89
\$25,000 to \$49,999		94	86	1	2	25	29	21	8
\$50,000 or more		86	79	1	5	18	27	16	12
Repair and maintenance	farms ..	56 816	22 463	245	992	2 280	3 613	4 991	10 342
	\$1,000 ..	128 384	85 863	933	5 609	16 198	20 484	19 715	22 924
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		51 662	18 648	193	698	1 586	2 587	4 167	9 417
\$5,000 to \$24,999		4 499	3 196	50	247	556	857	650	836
\$25,000 to \$49,999		489	461	2	40	98	128	136	57
\$50,000 or more		166	158	—	7	40	41	38	32
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment	farms ..	17 082	7 412	74	330	850	1 161	1 613	3 384
	\$1,000 ..	29 042	19 704	256	1 794	4 424	4 459	4 088	4 683
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		11 513	4 300	40	169	341	551	922	2 277
\$1,000 to \$4,999		4 622	2 353	23	97	311	412	533	977
\$5,000 to \$24,999		802	632	9	47	164	165	134	113
\$25,000 to \$49,999		102	89	2	8	23	27	17	12
\$50,000 or more		43	38	—	9	11	6	7	5
Interest	farms ..	22 345	8 465	125	616	1 547	2 087	1 931	2 159
	\$1,000 ..	113 698	68 734	898	4 848	15 051	20 828	16 181	10 927
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		16 392	5 116	76	332	741	1 105	1 188	1 674
\$5,000 to \$24,999		5 243	2 713	44	241	664	791	573	400
\$25,000 to \$99,999		675	604	5	41	134	179	166	79
\$100,000 or more		35	32	—	2	8	12	4	6
Secured by real estate	farms ..	16 791	6 129	84	392	1 141	1 563	1 463	1 486
	\$1,000 ..	83 523	46 703	513	2 414	9 846	13 878	11 740	8 312
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		2 978	914	4	55	120	162	221	352
\$1,000 to \$4,999		8 933	2 636	50	164	431	617	649	725
\$5,000 to \$24,999		4 455	2 191	30	156	508	670	478	349
\$25,000 to \$49,999		319	287	—	14	56	86	88	43
\$50,000 or more		106	101	—	3	26	28	27	17
Not secured by real estate	farms ..	9 659	4 317	88	375	870	1 064	901	1 019
	\$1,000 ..	30 175	22 031	385	2 434	5 206	6 950	4 441	2 615
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$999		4 181	1 423	22	85	216	248	320	532
\$1,000 to \$4,999		4 200	1 825	44	167	379	514	349	372
\$5,000 to \$24,999		1 100	906	20	105	226	260	195	100
\$25,000 to \$49,999		137	126	2	12	40	32	29	11
\$50,000 or more		41	37	—	6	9	10	8	4
Cash rent	farms ..	10 868	5 432	108	464	1 024	1 313	1 204	1 319
	\$1,000 ..	58 982	50 981	808	6 284	12 832	14 016	10 555	6 487
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		9 055	3 843	81	302	605	840	875	1 140
\$5,000 to \$9,999		707	563	14	49	139	167	124	70
\$10,000 to \$24,999		601	544	7	70	142	161	104	60
\$25,000 or more		505	482	6	43	138	145	101	49
Property taxes	farms ..	73 297	25 989	215	1 023	2 433	3 929	5 678	12 711
	\$1,000 ..	64 228	29 196	206	1 146	3 140	5 657	6 807	12 240
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		72 184	25 299	212	977	2 330	3 764	5 496	12 520
\$5,000 to \$9,999		819	496	3	35	71	100	141	146
\$10,000 to \$24,999		277	180	—	10	28	61	37	44
\$25,000 or more		17	14	—	1	4	4	4	1
All other farm production expenses	farms ..	63 154	24 136	256	1 100	2 432	3 868	5 209	11 271
	\$1,000 ..	165 514	121 602	1 171	7 009	24 223	32 531	30 093	26 576
Farms with expenses of—									
\$1 to \$4,999		58 165	20 264	186	829	1 650	2 826	4 320	10 453
\$5,000 to \$24,999		3 914	2 887	66	198	550	735	647	691
\$25,000 to \$49,999		620	563	1	52	134	170	132	74
\$50,000 to \$99,999		300	280	1	13	67	95	74	30
\$100,000 or more		155	142	2	8	31	42	36	23

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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	19 707	166	1 381	3 860	6 247	4 884	3 169
\$1,000	6 800	46	435	1 347	1 988	1 978	1 006
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	18 591	153	1 301	3 583	5 912	4 614	3 028
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 032	13	75	255	313	242	134
\$5,000 to \$24,999	80	—	5	22	22	25	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
\$50,000 or more	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
Hired farm labor farms	12 287	117	976	2 785	4 008	2 557	1 844
\$1,000	24 343	298	1 277	4 538	7 347	7 240	3 643
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	11 682	113	936	2 654	3 813	2 408	1 758
\$5,000 to \$24,999	471	3	26	106	164	111	61
\$25,000 to \$99,999	110	—	14	22	23	29	22
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	1	—	2	6	8	2
\$250,000 or more	5	—	—	1	2	1	1
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	2 525	21	131	488	824	667	394
Less than 150 days workers	3 221	22	169	624	1 015	910	481
Less than 150 days farms	12 084	116	962	2 760	3 930	2 502	1 814
Less than 150 days workers	31 807	543	3 189	7 981	9 839	5 950	4 305
Contract labor farms	3 439	44	293	714	1 178	798	412
\$1,000	5 428	120	350	934	2 020	1 287	718
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 086	17	170	477	752	464	206
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 191	16	116	203	371	288	187
\$5,000 to \$24,999	147	10	7	32	45	45	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	8	1	—	2	5	—	—
\$50,000 or more	7	—	—	—	5	1	1
Repair and maintenance farms	34 353	333	2 692	7 073	10 902	8 098	5 255
\$1,000	42 521	291	3 082	8 568	13 177	11 196	6 208
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	33 014	330	2 617	6 798	10 501	7 706	5 062
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 303	3	73	265	395	381	186
\$25,000 to \$49,999	28	—	1	9	4	8	6
\$50,000 or more	8	—	1	1	2	3	1
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	9 670	88	815	1 959	3 029	2 256	1 523
\$1,000	9 338	51	687	1 835	2 623	2 563	1 579
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	7 213	70	639	1 484	2 306	1 555	1 159
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 269	18	152	427	683	638	351
\$5,000 to \$24,999	170	—	23	45	34	60	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13	—	1	2	3	3	4
\$50,000 or more	5	—	—	1	3	—	1
Interest farms	13 880	194	1 339	3 684	4 835	2 561	1 267
\$1,000	44 964	456	3 908	12 432	16 367	7 926	3 876
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	11 276	169	1 113	2 849	3 874	2 150	1 121
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 530	24	218	825	937	395	131
\$25,000 to \$99,999	71	1	8	9	24	15	14
\$100,000 or more	3	—	—	1	—	1	1
Secured by real estate farms	10 662	120	995	2 928	3 795	1 920	904
\$1,000	36 821	367	3 034	10 444	13 737	6 302	2 936
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 064	25	215	513	656	422	233
\$1,000 to \$4,999	6 297	73	616	1 689	2 244	1 132	543
\$5,000 to \$24,999	2 264	22	162	719	880	359	122
\$25,000 to \$49,999	32	—	2	5	13	6	6
\$50,000 or more	5	—	—	2	2	1	—
Not secured by real estate farms	5 342	94	589	1 396	1 771	951	541
\$1,000	8 144	89	873	1 988	2 630	1 624	940
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	2 758	58	270	759	864	512	295
\$1,000 to \$4,999	2 375	34	296	568	853	397	227
\$5,000 to \$24,999	194	2	23	67	49	36	17
\$25,000 to \$49,999	11	—	—	2	4	5	—
\$50,000 or more	4	—	—	—	1	1	2
Cash rent farms	5 436	65	648	1 163	2 016	1 147	397
\$1,000	8 000	96	910	1 824	2 929	1 747	495
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	5 212	63	633	1 117	1 930	1 089	380
\$5,000 to \$9,999	144	—	9	28	57	35	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	57	1	4	17	21	17	1
\$25,000 or more	23	1	2	5	8	6	1
Property taxes farms	47 308	423	3 344	9 326	14 509	11 176	8 530
\$1,000	35 032	209	2 010	6 222	10 660	9 237	6 694
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	46 885	422	3 315	9 259	14 401	11 038	8 450
\$5,000 to \$9,999	323	1	20	57	83	102	60
\$10,000 to \$24,999	97	—	9	10	23	36	19
\$25,000 or more	3	—	—	—	2	—	1
All other farm production expenses farms	39 018	366	2 940	7 776	12 278	9 055	6 603
\$1,000	43 912	350	3 063	9 009	13 712	11 187	6 591
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	37 901	359	2 861	7 530	11 922	8 775	6 454
\$5,000 to \$24,999	1 027	6	76	225	332	252	136
\$25,000 to \$49,999	57	—	—	16	16	17	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20	1	2	2	7	6	2
\$100,000 or more	13	—	1	3	1	5	3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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..	76 821	27 259	289	1 174	2 623	4 150	5 859	13 164
..... \$1,000..	508 404	446 229	4 671	25 481	105 058	118 180	103 987	88 852
Average per farm..... dollars..	6 618	16 370	16 162	21 704	40 053	28 477	17 748	6 750
Farms with net gains ² number..	36 480	16 526	194	733	1 709	2 553	3 432	7 905
Average net gain..... dollars..	19 073	31 274	27 779	42 344	66 510	52 617	35 570	13 957
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	7 217	2 107	11	41	122	176	405	1 352
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	20 298	7 994	79	230	533	859	1 625	4 668
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	6 480	4 222	73	300	523	895	880	1 551
\$50,000 or more.....	2 485	2 203	31	162	531	623	522	334
Farms with net losses..... number..	40 341	10 733	95	441	914	1 597	2 427	5 259
Average net loss..... dollars..	4 645	6 578	7 561	12 601	9 418	10 113	7 454	4 084
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	9 840	2 377	16	70	57	175	524	1 535
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	26 611	6 801	55	292	607	1 014	1 536	3 297
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	3 701	1 413	23	67	229	362	338	394
\$50,000 or more.....	189	142	1	12	21	46	29	33
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	12 878	6 048	46	275	748	1 110	1 315	2 554
..... \$1,000..	46 345	31 315	211	2 009	5 852	7 919	7 568	7 756
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	20 654	9 053	76	340	930	1 430	1 955	4 322
..... \$1,000..	54 541	31 184	477	1 730	4 358	6 314	6 414	11 890
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	4 358	2 158	45	137	346	391	462	777
..... \$1,000..	19 024	12 785	409	906	2 553	3 134	2 619	3 162
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	6 481	2 267	12	62	110	229	508	1 346
..... \$1,000..	17 617	7 455	38	178	363	1 227	1 825	3 824
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	1 933	874	6	61	117	140	146	404
..... \$1,000..	11 963	6 120	19	444	564	822	1 065	3 206
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	12 063	6 042	44	163	625	1 071	1 257	2 882
..... \$1,000..	5 937	4 824	12	201	879	1 130	905	1 698
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	1 112	849	24	99	163	190	161	212
..... \$1,000..	45 063	42 672	265	5 964	12 280	13 450	6 875	3 838
Corn..... farms..	456	368	9	47	71	99	72	70
..... \$1,000..	5 354	4 975	45	316	994	2 237	928	455
Wheat..... farms..	161	130	2	27	32	22	24	23
..... \$1,000..	736	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	249	(D)	113
Soybeans..... farms..	219	168	6	23	39	43	31	26
..... \$1,000..	4 907	4 531	(D)	266	939	1 902	1 122	(D)
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	6	3	—	—	1	—	1	1
..... \$1,000..	1	(D)	—	—	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	436	352	15	55	81	84	58	59
..... \$1,000..	32 507	31 132	172	4 561	9 999	9 012	4 617	2 771
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
..... \$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	154	99	—	3	8	10	18	60
..... \$1,000..	1 557	1 355	—	(D)	223	51	(D)	243
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	69 393	25 933	222	1 066	2 589	3 998	5 725	12 333
..... acres..	7 069 470	4 477 662	42 849	263 898	756 099	1 031 665	1 047 774	1 335 377
Harvested cropland..... farms..	56 016	22 667	206	965	2 331	3 593	5 074	10 498
..... acres..	4 064 058	3 022 600	31 976	209 115	602 329	779 650	713 411	686 119
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	42 038	14 266	103	502	1 108	1 834	3 133	7 586
50 to 99 acres.....	7 139	3 440	28	120	300	533	790	1 669
100 to 199 acres.....	3 412	2 064	31	105	295	408	515	710
200 to 499 acres.....	1 907	1 453	29	119	278	381	312	334
500 to 999 acres.....	804	754	8	67	165	234	159	121
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	497	477	6	40	137	144	103	47
2,000 acres or more.....	219	213	1	12	48	59	62	31
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	45 860	17 361	106	555	1 476	2 490	3 813	8 921
..... acres..	2 445 224	1 199 016	9 308	42 265	122 139	201 129	278 195	545 980
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	5 898	2 339	14	107	237	386	508	1 087
..... acres..	200 343	88 776	126	2 971	11 142	17 049	19 957	37 531
On which all crops failed..... farms..	1 406	731	10	51	123	129	153	265
..... acres..	31 271	20 257	361	1 363	3 605	4 438	3 901	6 589
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	1 290	674	5	26	70	91	179	303
..... acres..	11 984	7 437	57	271	983	1 379	1 712	3 035
Idle..... farms..	8 518	3 076	25	136	332	527	644	1 412
..... acres..	316 590	139 576	1 021	7 913	15 901	28 020	30 598	56 123
Total woodland..... farms..	46 229	17 579	96	548	1 556	2 535	3 976	8 868
..... acres..	2 613 402	1 205 251	7 157	35 693	118 645	196 508	285 937	561 311
Woodland pastured..... farms..	26 667	10 714	58	310	883	1 454	2 439	5 570
..... acres..	964 029	476 465	3 059	13 862	49 871	69 398	111 580	228 695
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	29 713	11 220	56	353	1 037	1 723	2 570	5 481
..... acres..	1 649 373	728 786	4 098	21 831	68 774	127 110	174 357	332 616

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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	49 562	515	3 792	9 890	14 994	11 397	8 974
number							
\$1,000	62 175	606	1 169	-5 163	1 460	52 390	11 713
Average per farm	1 254	1 177	308	-522	97	4 597	1 305
dollars							
Farms with net gains ²	19 954	211	1 592	3 464	5 541	5 005	4 141
number							
Average net gain	8 969	7 075	6 216	6 968	7 468	15 272	6 187
dollars							
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000	5 110	48	395	1 035	1 337	1 289	1 006
\$1,000 to \$9,999	12 304	118	963	2 021	3 442	3 091	2 669
\$10,000 to \$49,999	2 258	44	218	333	675	558	430
\$50,000 or more	282	1	16	75	87	67	36
Farms with net losses	29 608	304	2 200	6 426	9 453	6 392	4 833
number							
Average net loss	3 945	2 917	3 967	4 560	4 223	3 762	2 878
dollars							
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000	7 463	90	543	1 399	2 038	1 609	1 784
\$1,000 to \$9,999	19 810	210	1 481	4 371	6 574	4 316	2 858
\$10,000 to \$49,999	2 288	4	175	634	829	457	189
\$50,000 or more	47	-	1	22	12	10	2
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments	6 830	48	447	1 190	1 761	1 698	1 686
farms							
\$1,000	15 030	83	807	2 139	3 258	4 143	4 600
Other farm-related income ¹	11 601	51	676	2 190	3 642	2 957	2 085
farms							
\$1,000	23 357	141	1 388	4 051	5 948	7 247	4 583
dollars							
Customwork and other agricultural services	2 200	5	264	457	698	470	306
farms							
\$1,000	6 239	39	466	1 297	2 019	1 474	944
dollars							
Gross cash rent or share payments	4 214	23	194	643	1 169	1 021	1 164
farms							
\$1,000	10 162	36	598	1 200	1 979	3 503	2 846
dollars							
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products	1 059	6	83	234	328	280	128
farms							
\$1,000	5 843	64	282	1 332	1 589	1 922	655
dollars							
Other farm-related income sources	6 021	27	313	1 164	2 066	1 603	848
farms							
\$1,000	1 113	3	43	222	360	348	137
dollars							
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total	263	3	34	52	72	63	39
farms							
\$1,000	2 391	4	188	275	1 077	519	327
dollars							
Corn	88	1	13	23	29	14	8
farms							
\$1,000	379	(D)	10	38	276	47	(D)
dollars							
Wheat	31	-	5	7	7	5	7
farms							
\$1,000	(D)	-	4	(D)	(D)	2	8
dollars							
Soybeans	51	1	11	14	11	10	4
farms							
\$1,000	377	(D)	22	19	312	9	(D)
dollars							
Sorghum, barley, and oats	3	-	1	2	-	-	-
farms							
\$1,000	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	-	-	-
dollars							
Cotton	84	2	9	21	23	21	8
farms							
\$1,000	1 376	(D)	(D)	212	398	376	262
dollars							
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
farms							
\$1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
dollars							
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco	55	-	4	3	13	17	18
farms							
\$1,000	202	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	85	36
dollars							
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland	43 460	373	3 311	8 727	12 956	10 491	7 602
farms							
acres	2 591 808	17 352	170 762	491 937	766 987	664 044	480 726
Harvested cropland	33 349	317	2 635	6 796	10 062	8 064	5 475
farms							
acres	1 041 458	8 781	77 477	216 253	317 984	250 695	170 268
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres	27 772	263	2 238	5 641	8 317	6 676	4 637
50 to 99 acres	3 699	39	248	733	1 176	941	562
100 to 199 acres	1 348	11	98	310	414	326	189
200 to 499 acres	454	3	44	96	133	105	73
500 to 999 acres	50	1	6	12	13	13	5
1,000 to 1,999 acres	20	-	1	2	7	3	7
2,000 acres or more	6	-	-	2	2	-	2
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only	28 499	201	1 987	5 779	8 846	7 006	4 680
farms							
acres	1 246 208	7 136	80 893	232 211	375 739	329 260	220 969
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured	3 559	24	243	628	1 028	904	732
farms							
acres	111 567	551	3 710	14 468	26 731	35 489	30 618
On which all crops failed	675	7	58	154	208	141	107
farms							
acres	11 014	227	583	1 468	3 249	1 502	3 985
In cultivated summer fallow	616	3	36	107	184	163	123
farms							
acres	4 547	15	171	749	1 262	1 306	1 044
Idle	5 442	35	319	984	1 512	1 322	1 270
farms							
acres	177 014	642	7 928	26 788	42 022	45 792	53 842
Total woodland	28 650	176	1 862	5 478	8 802	7 196	5 136
farms							
acres	1 408 151	8 310	68 640	238 356	421 163	376 132	295 550
Woodland pastured	15 953	103	1 060	3 122	4 899	4 047	2 722
farms							
acres	487 564	3 508	28 201	88 124	144 785	127 600	95 346
Woodland not pastured	18 493	109	1 156	3 450	5 720	4 648	3 410
farms							
acres	920 587	4 802	40 439	150 232	276 378	248 532	200 204

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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..	15 432	5 629	32	220	599	964	1 292	2 522
acres..	984 097	508 043	1 785	21 094	58 968	105 437	126 538	194 221
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	45 790	16 873	100	605	1 597	2 628	3 702	8 241
acres..	455 394	212 251	1 059	7 853	22 326	42 349	45 520	93 144
Irrigated land farms..	1 768	978	12	64	217	248	240	197
acres..	45 581	38 899	(D)	(D)	8 701	10 877	6 743	7 370
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	1 666	941	12	63	208	241	232	185
acres..	43 800	38 229	(D)	(D)	8 631	(D)	6 575	7 025
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	145	54	—	2	12	11	12	17
acres..	1 781	670	—	(D)	70	(D)	168	345
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	5 357	1 839	5	60	157	290	388	939
acres..	335 299	130 758	155	3 980	12 231	21 401	33 255	59 736
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	76 821	27 259	289	1 174	2 623	4 150	5 859	13 164
\$1,000..	20 066 329	10 207 916	98 218	497 608	1 420 248	2 239 285	2 332 382	3 620 176
Average per farm dollars..	261 209	374 479	339 855	423 857	541 459	539 587	398 085	275 006
Average per acre dollars..	1 808	1 611	1 511	1 484	1 536	1 625	1 624	1 649
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	8 099	2 120	29	167	209	258	442	1 015
\$40,000 to \$69,999	9 474	2 594	33	134	189	264	613	1 361
\$70,000 to \$99,999	8 917	2 792	20	94	190	354	514	1 620
\$100,000 to \$149,999	12 395	3 662	46	136	267	475	730	2 008
\$150,000 to \$199,999	9 491	3 032	27	117	228	332	652	1 676
\$200,000 to \$499,999	19 501	7 839	81	297	783	1 225	1 659	3 794
\$500,000 to \$999,999	5 791	2 978	16	97	364	601	736	1 164
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	2 322	1 542	33	84	255	424	344	402
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	710	602	4	40	123	187	146	102
\$5,000,000 or more	121	98	—	8	15	30	23	22
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	76 820	27 258	289	1 174	2 623	4 149	5 859	13 164
\$1,000..	2 547 208	1 364 032	17 983	80 257	216 536	304 563	305 225	439 467
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	8 035	2 206	21	84	106	265	353	1 377
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12 684	3 341	12	116	294	319	689	1 911
\$10,000 to \$19,999	18 984	5 793	43	182	347	697	1 317	3 207
\$20,000 to \$49,999	23 889	8 454	75	332	764	1 262	1 803	4 218
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8 674	4 238	80	247	501	752	947	1 711
\$100,000 to \$199,999	3 008	1 950	41	119	331	474	494	491
\$200,000 to \$499,999	1 280	1 022	16	76	216	314	184	216
\$500,000 or more	266	254	1	18	64	66	72	33
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	65 473	24 569	261	1 067	2 437	3 846	5 400	11 558
number..	109 871	48 117	557	2 386	5 807	9 346	10 763	19 258
Wheel tractors farms..	71 036	25 795	265	1 041	2 363	3 930	5 608	12 588
number..	125 664	53 958	540	2 431	5 593	9 302	12 192	23 900
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	37 142	13 205	86	494	1 138	1 912	2 881	6 694
number..	47 718	18 265	117	700	1 628	2 681	4 090	9 049
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	52 060	20 373	228	886	1 952	3 296	4 540	9 471
number..	77 946	35 693	423	1 731	3 965	6 621	8 102	14 851
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	49 043	18 478	196	758	1 584	2 929	4 155	8 856
number..	64 932	27 539	265	1 155	2 475	4 704	6 304	12 636
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	8 841	4 747	98	321	757	1 012	1 020	1 539
number..	13 014	8 154	158	576	1 490	1 917	1 798	2 215
Grain and bean combines farms..	4 959	3 454	56	206	589	838	713	1 052
number..	5 732	4 080	74	256	680	1 002	840	1 228
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	808	743	14	90	214	188	142	95
number..	1 042	967	15	116	259	257	196	124
Mower conditioners farms..	21 802	9 396	90	327	828	1 635	2 151	4 365
number..	24 833	10 917	100	382	990	1 893	2 442	5 110
Pickup balers farms..	25 140	11 344	84	344	957	1 836	2 652	5 471
number..	31 570	14 725	129	479	1 275	2 467	3 391	6 984
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	51 460	21 058	236	1 015	2 098	3 325	4 679	9 705
acres on which used..	3 815 706	2 719 397	31 213	191 363	533 773	687 650	620 202	655 196
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	10 916	5 672	57	450	902	1 191	1 160	1 912
acres on which used..	670 716	610 042	6 988	66 201	148 260	171 522	124 282	92 789
Nematodes in crops farms..	1 013	543	6	48	89	113	103	184
acres on which used..	56 054	48 776	851	7 977	7 688	12 064	9 858	10 338
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	4 558	2 262	39	221	414	496	440	652
acres on which used..	140 411	125 586	2 863	9 574	33 313	46 140	21 999	11 697
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	14 921	7 513	128	517	1 201	1 498	1 561	2 608
acres on which used..	2 015 227	1 747 386	20 260	126 557	421 056	501 876	395 542	282 095
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	1 860	1 084	33	88	253	232	182	296
acres on which used..	349 364	329 831	5 314	37 423	89 374	90 659	67 042	40 019

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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..	9 803	94	829	2 095	2 914	2 251	1 620
acres..	476 054	4 413	31 459	89 016	134 552	107 980	108 634
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	28 917	185	1 983	5 748	8 808	6 931	5 262
acres..	243 143	1 730	11 934	39 497	67 714	66 927	55 341
Irrigated land farms..	790	9	78	203	254	143	103
acres..	6 682	(D)	(D)	1 298	2 348	1 573	993
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	725	9	73	194	226	129	94
acres..	5 571	(D)	(D)	1 146	1 992	1 311	680
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	91	—	6	18	37	16	14
acres..	1 111	—	28	152	356	262	313
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	3 518	15	157	485	813	902	1 146
acres..	204 541	593	7 189	23 781	41 204	59 080	72 694
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	49 562	515	3 792	9 890	14 994	11 397	8 974
\$1,000..	9 858 413	72 039	555 724	1 834 787	3 167 422	2 531 760	1 696 681
Average per farm dollars..	198 911	139 882	146 552	185 519	211 246	222 143	189 066
Average per acre dollars..	2 069	1 862	2 004	2 189	2 192	2 148	1 718
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	5 979	109	609	1 347	1 482	1 208	1 224
\$40,000 to \$69,999	6 880	87	715	1 422	1 758	1 473	1 425
\$70,000 to \$99,999	6 125	85	546	1 147	1 777	1 317	1 253
\$100,000 to \$149,999	8 733	88	679	1 714	2 895	1 879	1 478
\$150,000 to \$199,999	6 459	61	398	1 408	2 027	1 551	1 014
\$200,000 to \$499,999	11 662	73	664	2 243	3 785	2 968	1 929
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2 813	2	163	433	978	732	505
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	780	9	15	157	252	230	117
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	108	—	3	17	33	28	27
\$5,000,000 or more	23	1	—	2	7	11	2
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	49 562	515	3 792	9 890	14 994	11 397	8 974
\$1,000..	1 183 176	11 800	92 172	228 303	369 627	277 617	203 658
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	5 829	75	409	1 168	1 541	1 254	1 382
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9 343	101	732	1 982	2 643	2 164	1 721
\$10,000 to \$19,999	13 191	117	964	2 559	4 054	3 185	2 312
\$20,000 to \$49,999	15 435	146	1 188	3 043	4 977	3 487	2 594
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4 436	61	420	910	1 372	952	721
\$100,000 to \$199,999	1 058	12	74	196	326	242	208
\$200,000 to \$499,999	258	3	3	30	77	110	35
\$500,000 or more	12	—	2	2	4	3	1
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	40 904	435	3 244	8 318	12 597	9 405	6 905
number..	61 754	714	4 879	12 864	19 288	13 690	10 319
Wheel tractors farms..	45 241	399	3 304	8 853	13 823	10 604	8 258
number..	71 706	636	5 057	13 565	22 204	17 244	13 000
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	23 937	279	1 698	4 546	7 167	5 794	4 453
number..	29 453	330	2 092	5 474	8 813	7 242	5 502
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	31 687	253	2 325	6 171	9 918	7 435	5 585
number..	42 253	306	2 965	8 091	13 391	10 002	7 498
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	29 565	229	2 084	5 728	9 298	7 040	5 186
number..	37 393	275	2 532	7 165	11 892	8 959	6 570
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	4 094	27	386	812	1 259	872	736
number..	4 860	31	433	926	1 499	1 043	928
Grain and bean combines farms..	1 505	31	129	326	482	305	232
number..	1 652	31	144	352	548	321	256
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	65	—	3	16	11	20	15
number..	75	—	3	20	12	21	19
Mower conditioners farms..	12 406	75	915	2 582	4 097	3 022	1 715
number..	13 916	76	1 046	2 884	4 579	3 419	1 912
Pickup balers farms..	13 796	98	911	2 622	4 633	3 373	2 159
number..	16 845	131	1 137	3 195	5 692	4 190	2 500
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	30 402	321	2 326	6 155	9 450	7 080	5 070
acres on which used..	1 096 309	7 768	74 109	214 115	359 930	266 619	173 768
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	5 244	77	570	1 295	1 530	1 088	684
acres on which used..	60 674	697	4 233	15 485	18 798	8 673	12 788
Nematodes in crops farms..	470	7	66	141	111	68	77
acres on which used..	7 278	38	443	3 644	1 124	314	1 715
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	2 296	32	313	592	646	443	270
acres on which used..	14 825	205	2 047	3 382	4 050	2 892	2 249
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	7 408	79	836	1 857	2 235	1 472	929
acres on which used..	267 841	2 012	24 398	57 182	82 094	59 477	42 678
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	776	12	113	218	204	142	87
acres on which used..	19 533	161	1 291	6 798	3 913	3 549	3 821

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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	76 818	27 680	235	1 145	2 771	4 284	6 123	13 122
Full owners	54 072	18 083	66	415	1 161	2 137	3 839	10 465
Part owners	18 600	8 160	77	500	1 306	1 852	2 041	2 384
Tenants	4 146	1 437	92	230	304	295	243	273
White	75 735	27 266	234	1 131	2 734	4 235	6 026	12 906
Full owners	53 289	17 810	65	413	1 141	2 111	3 779	10 301
Part owners	18 379	8 053	77	494	1 292	1 832	2 015	2 343
Tenants	4 067	1 403	92	224	301	292	232	262
Black and other races	1 083	414	1	14	37	49	97	216
Full owners	783	273	1	2	20	26	60	164
Part owners	221	107	—	6	14	20	26	41
Tenants	79	34	—	6	3	3	11	11
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	72 775	26 273	143	918	2 470	3 993	5 884	12 865
acres..	8 249 396	4 221 022	18 825	128 858	377 612	727 403	1 030 730	1 937 594
Owned land in farms	72 672	26 243	143	915	2 467	3 989	5 880	12 849
acres..	7 660 877	3 964 640	14 741	122 368	357 926	693 098	972 875	1 803 632
Land rented or leased from others	22 952	9 677	169	730	1 615	2 161	2 307	2 695
acres..	3 520 747	2 470 504	38 289	208 656	605 807	691 350	536 307	390 095
landlords..	51 195	28 365	551	2 347	6 114	7 245	6 357	5 751
Rented or leased land in farms	22 746	9 597	169	730	1 610	2 147	2 284	2 657
acres..	3 461 486	2 438 567	38 109	206 170	598 112	682 861	532 894	380 421
Land rented or leased to others	8 003	3 114	14	91	218	364	585	1 842
acres..	647 780	288 319	4 264	8 976	27 381	42 794	61 268	143 636
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	56 710	21 532	132	761	2 051	3 322	4 917	10 349
Not on farm operated	14 293	3 684	92	315	502	640	759	1 376
Not reported	5 815	2 464	11	69	218	322	447	1 397
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	27 680	27 680	235	1 145	2 771	4 284	6 123	13 122
Other	49 138	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	25 230	17 639	104	515	1 380	2 252	3 815	9 573
Any	47 484	5 937	117	532	1 089	1 555	1 536	1 108
1 to 99 days	5 196	2 702	46	173	399	606	768	710
100 to 199 days	6 610	1 520	32	159	292	428	390	219
200 days or more	35 678	1 715	39	200	398	521	378	179
Not reported	4 104	4 104	14	98	302	477	772	2 441
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	3 817	865	59	143	167	195	175	126
3 or 4 years	5 484	1 185	45	183	255	259	262	181
5 to 9 years	11 088	2 665	31	344	523	591	598	578
10 years or more	40 600	17 004	—	239	1 309	2 440	3 935	9 081
Average years on present farm	19.2	25.2	3.3	6.9	12.2	17.1	22.7	34.3
Not reported	15 829	5 961	100	236	517	799	1 153	3 156
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	664	235	235	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	4 977	1 145	—	1 145	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	12 799	2 771	—	—	2 771	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	9 040	1 919	—	—	—	1 919	—	—
50 to 54 years	9 841	2 365	—	—	—	2 365	—	—
55 to 59 years	9 351	2 747	—	—	—	—	2 747	—
60 to 64 years	8 429	3 376	—	—	—	—	3 376	—
65 to 69 years	7 648	4 187	—	—	—	—	—	4 187
70 years and over	14 069	8 935	—	—	—	—	—	8 935
Average age	55.4	61.1	21.6	30.5	40.0	49.8	59.8	73.3
Operators by sex:								
Male	69 920	25 123	225	1 068	2 503	3 894	5 677	11 756
Female	6 898	2 557	10	77	268	390	446	1 366
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)								
	375	163	3	3	28	28	37	64
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	69 585	24 423	195	962	2 314	3 722	5 399	11 831
acres..	8 980 138	4 902 317	40 771	236 011	691 288	1 030 538	1 143 994	1 759 715
Partnership	6 275	2 798	36	161	372	443	623	1 163
acres..	1 752 792	1 222 758	(D)	(D)	215 871	271 700	286 252	370 956
Corporation:								
Family held	553	306	4	14	63	84	70	71
acres..	261 909	196 498	(D)	(D)	39 950	56 618	45 996	43 156
More than 10 stockholders	11	9	—	—	3	2	2	2
10 or less stockholders	542	297	4	14	60	82	68	69
Other than family held	128	41	—	4	7	10	7	13
acres..	40 894	21 607	—	8 825	1 642	4 214	5 859	1 067
More than 10 stockholders	8	5	—	1	—	1	3	—
10 or less stockholders	120	36	—	3	7	9	4	13
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.								
farms..	277	112	—	4	15	25	24	44
acres..	86 630	60 027	—	7 024	7 287	12 889	23 668	9 159

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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	49 138	429	3 832	10 028	14 597	11 657	8 595
Full owners	35 989	200	2 145	6 625	10 374	9 140	7 505
Part owners	10 440	94	1 112	2 668	3 584	2 119	863
Tenants	2 709	135	575	735	639	398	227
White	48 469	428	3 806	9 875	14 431	11 515	8 414
Full owners	35 479	199	2 127	6 515	10 258	9 028	7 352
Part owners	10 326	94	1 107	2 644	3 537	2 100	844
Tenants	2 664	135	572	716	636	387	218
Black and other races	669	1	26	153	166	142	181
Full owners	510	1	18	110	116	112	153
Part owners	114	—	5	24	47	19	19
Tenants	45	—	3	19	3	11	9
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	46 502	295	3 260	9 310	13 981	11 278	8 378
acres..	4 028 374	18 654	171 172	624 589	1 131 043	1 098 943	983 973
Owned land in farms	46 429	294	3 257	9 293	13 958	11 259	8 368
acres..	3 696 237	18 033	159 038	587 087	1 060 781	1 014 474	856 824
Land rented or leased from others	13 275	230	1 705	3 427	4 265	2 539	1 109
acres..	1 050 243	13 878	126 667	278 970	334 899	207 454	88 375
landlords..	22 830	369	2 825	6 133	7 316	4 366	1 821
Rented or leased land in farms	13 149	229	1 687	3 403	4 223	2 517	1 090
acres..	1 022 919	13 772	123 757	271 719	329 635	200 609	83 427
Land rented or leased to others	4 889	21	242	754	1 256	1 211	1 405
acres..	359 461	727	15 044	44 753	75 526	91 314	132 097
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	35 178	246	2 656	7 531	11 046	8 271	5 428
Not on farm operated	10 609	156	976	1 892	2 739	2 570	2 176
Not reported	3 351	27	200	505	812	816	991
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	49 138	429	3 832	10 028	14 597	11 657	8 595
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	7 591	32	123	406	683	1 562	4 785
Any	41 547	397	3 709	9 622	13 914	10 095	3 810
1 to 99 days	2 494	17	167	320	599	648	743
100 to 199 days	5 090	42	387	1 029	1 523	1 320	789
200 days or more	33 963	338	3 155	8 273	11 792	8 127	2 278
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	2 952	93	635	932	792	355	145
3 or 4 years	4 299	78	779	1 382	1 290	591	179
5 to 9 years	8 423	63	1 198	2 574	2 666	1 444	478
10 years or more	23 596	—	538	3 582	7 382	6 927	5 167
Average years on present farm	15.9	3.3	5.9	9.5	14.0	19.4	29.4
Not reported	9 868	195	682	1 558	2 467	2 340	2 626
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	429	429	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	3 832	—	3 832	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	10 028	—	—	10 028	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	7 121	—	—	—	7 121	—	—
50 to 54 years	7 476	—	—	—	7 476	—	—
55 to 59 years	6 604	—	—	—	—	6 604	—
60 to 64 years	5 053	—	—	—	—	5 053	—
65 to 69 years	3 461	—	—	—	—	—	3 461
70 years and over	5 134	—	—	—	—	—	5 134
Average age	52.1	21.8	30.8	40.0	49.5	59.0	72.5
Operators by sex:							
Male	44 797	410	3 644	9 404	13 647	10 746	6 946
Female	4 341	19	188	624	950	911	1 649
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	212	3	19	46	65	51	28
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	45 162	388	3 504	9 312	13 533	10 684	7 741
acres..	4 077 821	28 596	243 612	749 952	1 224 881	1 050 505	780 275
Partnership	3 477	40	305	631	909	837	755
acres..	530 034	(D)	(D)	94 557	131 123	140 460	124 399
Corporation:							
Family held	247	1	10	36	91	65	44
acres..	65 411	(D)	(D)	6 902	20 777	13 167	(D)
More than 10 stockholders	2	—	—	1	1	—	—
10 or less stockholders	245	1	10	35	90	65	44
Other than family held	87	—	2	16	27	28	14
acres..	19 287	—	(D)	2 801	7 541	6 143	(D)
More than 10 stockholders	3	—	—	—	—	2	1
10 or less stockholders	84	—	2	16	27	26	13
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms..	165	—	11	33	37	43	41
acres..	26 603	—	1 219	4 594	6 094	4 808	9 888

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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..	532	265	2	9	54	56	57	87
	number..	578	293	(D)	(D)	62	63	63	94
Hired workers	farms..	180	124	—	—	5	30	26	30
	number..	285	208	—	6	68	45	39	50
Farm-related deaths:									
Operator and family members	farms..	23	13	—	—	—	3	5	5
	number..	31	(D)	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hired workers	farms..	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
	number..	5	(D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
FARMS BY SIZE									
1 to 9 acres		5 919	1 459	25	112	178	260	315	569
10 to 49 acres		24 401	6 120	51	262	583	905	1 273	3 046
50 to 69 acres		8 337	2 509	19	76	180	301	568	1 365
70 to 99 acres		8 888	3 044	22	95	207	352	679	1 689
100 to 139 acres		8 310	3 237	15	101	246	379	713	1 783
140 to 179 acres		5 184	2 210	16	75	184	268	513	1 154
180 to 219 acres		3 560	1 639	12	47	117	273	343	847
220 to 259 acres		2 429	1 217	11	52	116	144	283	611
260 to 499 acres		5 935	3 295	35	137	392	634	749	1 348
500 to 999 acres		2 544	1 807	20	116	318	442	409	502
1,000 to 1,999 acres		945	806	7	56	180	228	189	146
2,000 acres or more		366	337	2	16	70	98	89	62
FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM									
Oilseed and grain farming (1111)		6 274	2 758	41	164	412	558	590	993
Vegetable and melon farming (1112)		592	327	3	11	43	63	80	127
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113)		459	141	—	2	12	22	39	66
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114)		1 528	695	8	52	160	174	173	128
Other crop farming (1119)		19 403	7 185	86	453	841	1 186	1 573	3 046
Tobacco farming (11191)		10 915	4 522	53	304	546	783	1 071	1 765
Cotton farming (11192)		754	568	21	82	123	127	102	113
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199)		7 734	2 095	12	67	172	276	400	1 168
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211)		39 017	13 081	70	278	706	1 409	2 866	7 752
Cattle feedlots (11212)		1 183	400	—	7	20	44	74	255
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)		1 183	1 051	11	61	225	287	261	206
Hog and pig farming (1122)		751	338	7	11	49	73	76	122
Poultry and egg production (1123)		875	460	2	35	85	129	129	80
Sheep and goat farming (1124)		560	123	—	6	15	32	24	46
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129)		4 993	1 121	7	65	203	307	238	301
LIVESTOCK									
Cattle and calves inventory	farms..	51 089	19 368	125	634	1 626	2 699	4 349	9 935
	number..	2 145 405	1 183 366	7 876	46 259	138 649	227 536	282 576	480 470
Farms with—									
1 to 9		9 298	2 039	10	82	178	273	397	1 099
10 to 49		29 819	10 370	62	305	683	1 150	2 261	5 909
50 to 99		7 513	3 886	32	105	339	564	945	1 901
100 to 199		3 142	2 023	13	88	246	429	497	750
200 to 499		1 122	889	7	45	154	242	206	235
500 or more		195	161	1	9	26	41	43	41
Cows and heifers that had calved	farms..	45 415	17 625	111	546	1 449	2 437	4 004	9 078
	number..	1 151 568	629 688	4 058	22 397	73 493	118 258	153 015	258 467
Beef cows	farms..	44 235	16 728	102	489	1 260	2 192	3 792	8 893
	number..	1 039 583	526 136	3 207	17 522	49 853	87 862	127 736	239 956
Farms with—									
1 to 9		14 503	3 736	22	120	285	426	794	2 089
10 to 49		24 865	10 050	61	258	651	1 182	2 293	5 605
50 to 99		3 657	2 091	14	70	220	396	467	924
100 to 199		953	665	5	30	73	147	189	221
200 to 499		240	175	—	11	28	39	44	53
500 or more		17	11	—	—	3	2	5	1
Milk cows	farms..	2 096	1 422	16	76	262	343	356	369
	number..	111 985	103 552	851	4 875	23 640	30 396	25 279	18 511
Farms with—									
1 to 4		639	224	5	11	22	28	61	97
5 to 9		214	87	—	1	5	7	21	53
10 to 49		415	333	5	20	50	74	83	101
50 to 99		433	399	4	23	91	122	98	61
100 to 199		300	288	1	21	75	87	69	35
200 to 499		85	81	1	—	16	22	23	19
500 or more		10	10	—	—	3	3	1	3
Heifers and heifer calves	farms..	39 304	15 325	93	505	1 303	2 136	3 508	7 780
	number..	500 946	286 642	1 876	11 378	37 789	57 336	69 370	108 893
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	farms..	44 229	17 025	110	539	1 396	2 362	3 884	8 734
	number..	492 891	267 036	1 942	12 484	27 367	51 942	60 191	113 110

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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.. 267	1	28	71	80	55	32
	number.. 285	(D)	(D)	77	83	57	37
Hired workers	farms.. 56	1	1	22	5	14	13
	number.. 77	(D)	(D)	32	(D)	23	14
Farm-related deaths:							
Operator and family members	farms.. 10	—	3	3	2	1	1
	number.. (D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hired workers	farms.. 4	—	—	1	1	1	1
	number.. (D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
FARMS BY SIZE							
1 to 9 acres	4 460	101	562	1 144	1 227	795	631
10 to 49 acres	18 281	151	1 589	3 996	5 562	4 115	2 868
50 to 69 acres	5 828	40	422	1 186	1 715	1 386	1 079
70 to 99 acres	5 844	45	396	1 058	1 710	1 461	1 174
100 to 139 acres	5 073	33	319	954	1 463	1 319	985
140 to 179 acres	2 974	15	184	499	944	786	546
180 to 219 acres	1 921	13	114	353	559	544	338
220 to 259 acres	1 212	8	63	228	358	307	248
260 to 499 acres	2 640	17	141	466	818	681	517
500 to 999 acres	737	5	34	123	201	221	153
1,000 to 1,999 acres	139	1	8	16	32	38	44
2,000 acres or more	29	—	—	5	8	4	12
FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM							
Oilseed and grain farming (1111)	3 516	30	221	553	793	837	1 082
Vegetable and melon farming (1112)	265	—	17	59	107	58	24
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113)	318	—	12	53	94	109	50
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114)	833	4	77	205	276	187	84
Other crop farming (1119)	12 218	175	1 100	2 511	3 626	2 738	2 068
Tobacco farming (11191)	6 393	128	673	1 347	1 837	1 381	1 027
Cotton farming (11192)	186	3	18	43	49	46	27
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199)	5 639	44	409	1 121	1 740	1 311	1 014
Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111)	25 936	170	1 870	5 143	7 725	6 455	4 573
Cattle feedlots (112112)	783	5	41	131	239	209	158
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)	132	1	10	31	32	36	22
Hog and pig farming (1122)	413	4	39	98	108	93	71
Poultry and egg production (1123)	415	4	31	99	130	97	54
Sheep and goat farming (1124)	437	8	46	112	135	90	46
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129)	3 872	28	368	1 033	1 332	748	363
LIVESTOCK							
Cattle and calves inventory	farms.. 31 721	246	2 410	6 502	9 588	7 731	5 244
	number.. 962 039	6 421	60 792	182 332	288 314	258 490	165 690
Farms with—							
1 to 9	7 259	66	678	1 778	2 151	1 548	1 038
10 to 49	19 449	151	1 441	3 783	5 904	4 756	3 414
50 to 99	3 627	21	211	694	1 145	1 020	536
100 to 199	1 119	6	64	203	321	326	199
200 to 499	233	2	16	37	58	74	46
500 or more	34	—	—	7	9	7	11
Cows and heifers that had calved	farms.. 27 790	211	2 033	5 625	8 382	6 932	4 607
	number.. 521 880	3 028	31 479	97 294	155 759	143 345	90 975
Beef cows	farms.. 27 507	206	2 008	5 576	8 303	6 863	4 551
	number.. 513 447	2 929	30 990	95 436	153 548	140 658	89 886
Farms with—							
1 to 9	10 767	103	966	2 447	3 212	2 396	1 643
10 to 49	14 815	94	943	2 794	4 505	3 919	2 560
50 to 99	1 566	8	78	276	495	433	276
100 to 199	288	1	18	48	79	95	47
200 to 499	65	—	3	10	10	18	24
500 or more	6	—	—	1	2	2	1
Milk cows	farms.. 674	8	62	147	177	157	123
	number.. 8 433	99	489	1 858	2 211	2 687	1 089
Farms with—							
1 to 4	415	5	49	94	105	87	75
5 to 9	127	—	4	22	42	33	26
10 to 49	82	2	7	18	19	19	17
50 to 99	34	1	1	11	6	11	4
100 to 199	12	—	1	—	4	6	1
200 to 499	4	—	—	2	1	1	—
500 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Heifers and heifer calves	farms.. 23 979	202	1 874	5 015	7 245	5 812	3 831
	number.. 214 304	1 490	14 027	42 568	64 741	55 762	35 716
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	farms.. 27 204	220	2 055	5 547	8 288	6 681	4 413
	number.. 225 855	1 903	15 286	42 470	67 814	59 383	38 999

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 49 234	19 159	124	604	1 582	2 637	4 288	9 924
	number.. 1 126 232	628 403	4 620	25 222	68 418	125 506	155 855	248 782
	\$1,000.. 426 261	242 783	1 688	9 725	25 972	50 068	61 108	94 222
Calves	farms.. 36 312	13 981	96	436	1 124	1 844	3 147	7 334
	number.. 518 720	263 227	2 000	9 987	28 194	44 666	61 609	116 771
	\$1,000.. 140 486	69 897	573	2 458	7 178	11 262	16 297	32 129
Cattle	farms.. 32 428	12 874	73	395	1 046	1 809	2 957	6 594
	number.. 607 512	365 176	2 620	15 235	40 224	80 840	94 246	132 011
	\$1,000.. 285 775	172 886	1 115	7 266	18 795	38 806	44 811	62 092
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 2 067	780	1	26	59	127	145	422
	number.. 28 254	16 320	(D)	979	(D)	2 829	5 939	5 776
	\$1,000.. 18 504	10 820	(D)	678	(D)	1 808	3 910	3 925
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 2 043	998	15	55	152	199	244	333
	number.. 321 806	264 921	3 721	11 362	51 799	106 920	55 404	35 715
Farms with—								
1 to 24	1 278	487	4	25	60	80	120	198
25 to 49	209	105	1	8	6	16	22	52
50 to 99	168	103	—	4	23	17	24	35
100 to 199	110	74	5	4	15	19	16	15
200 to 499	140	109	1	9	16	31	29	23
500 or more	138	120	4	5	32	36	33	10
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 1 313	706	11	36	94	146	172	247
	number.. 41 408	33 016	322	2 206	5 619	12 906	6 373	5 590
Other	farms.. 1 841	920	14	52	143	186	231	294
	number.. 280 398	231 905	3 399	9 156	46 180	94 014	49 031	30 125
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 1 579	878	13	44	127	186	202	306
	number.. 714 999	582 507	5 842	33 241	125 139	237 515	103 182	77 588
	\$1,000.. 72 005	57 746	732	2 294	11 047	24 696	10 931	8 047
Feeder pigs	farms.. 364	203	2	18	26	40	51	66
	number.. 199 344	163 360	(D)	21 032	42 948	70 168	16 528	(D)
	\$1,000.. 8 190	6 245	(D)	830	1 627	2 727	568	(D)
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 391	738	11	36	98	153	180	260
	number.. 63 095	51 989	483	3 077	8 298	20 903	10 435	8 793
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 1 290	700	11	33	94	145	169	248
	number.. 31 931	26 114	259	1 537	4 266	10 300	5 284	4 468
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 1 093	610	7	32	87	131	151	202
	number.. 31 164	25 875	224	1 540	4 032	10 603	5 151	4 325
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 773	238	3	13	43	52	54	73
	number.. 13 773	5 484	17	122	558	1 554	1 287	1 946
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 618	200	2	11	31	47	50	59
	number.. 8 088	3 242	(D)	(D)	347	939	840	1 041
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 537	184	1	9	27	46	42	59
	number.. 18 641	6 333	(D)	(D)	2 941	1 400	752	1 197
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 431	146	2	7	22	38	35	42
	number.. 9 802	3 665	(D)	(D)	389	1 246	856	1 098
	pounds of wool.. 61 276	23 446	(D)	(D)	2 378	7 268	5 859	7 540
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 15 310	4 181	33	214	608	910	925	1 491
	number.. 89 017	29 061	145	1 664	4 645	7 286	6 672	8 649
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 3 366	927	6	59	179	248	186	249
	number.. 12 724	4 416	24	271	939	1 096	784	1 302
Goats inventory	farms.. 3 243	941	9	42	123	176	223	368
	number.. 49 755	18 155	72	833	1 894	4 001	3 636	7 719
Goats sold	farms.. 1 268	389	3	19	49	80	87	151
	number.. 18 037	7 059	(D)	(D)	655	2 621	846	2 254
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 2 657	1 029	3	49	136	209	221	411
	number.. 2 221 215	1 898 793	(D)	(D)	(D)	498 231	545 659	129 082
Farms with—								
1 to 399	2 539	929	2	40	109	183	192	403
400 to 3,199	6	4	—	—	1	1	1	1
3,200 to 9,999	28	27	1	—	7	6	11	2
10,000 to 19,999	50	41	—	4	14	12	8	3
20,000 to 49,999	29	23	—	4	4	6	7	2
50,000 to 99,999	4	4	—	—	1	1	2	—
100,000 or more	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 2 525	962	3	47	125	197	205	385
	number.. 1 654 134	1 420 658	(D)	(D)	319 186	376 542	384 084	45 386
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 614	256	—	14	30	61	66	85
	number.. 567 081	478 135	—	(D)	(D)	121 689	161 575	83 696
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 353	188	1	14	35	49	51	38
	number.. 1 936 775	1 505 442	(D)	176 403	401 553	372 954	424 546	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 548	321	1	23	54	96	89	58
	number.. 120 830 210	83 514 066	(D)	(D)	16 248 238	27 171 717	22 347 395	12 419 697
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	66	23	—	4	3	9	4	3
2,000 to 59,999	25	12	—	3	—	2	3	4
60,000 to 99,999	88	49	—	2	9	12	14	12
100,000 or more	369	237	1	14	42	73	68	39
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 273	92	—	2	17	24	16	33
	number.. 1 539	856	—	(D)	79	606	(D)	106
Turkeys sold	farms.. 41	19	—	1	3	6	1	8
	number.. 822	442	—	(D)	(D)	42	(D)	175

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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.. 30 075	231	2 216	5 998	9 072	7 450	5 108
	number.. 497 829	3 036	31 403	90 635	148 523	136 084	88 148
	\$1,000.. 183 478	1 052	11 634	33 293	54 068	51 111	32 319
Calves	farms.. 22 331	164	1 629	4 447	6 756	5 541	3 794
	number.. 255 493	1 655	15 958	45 748	78 398	68 093	45 641
	\$1,000.. 70 588	461	4 463	12 665	21 679	18 836	12 486
Cattle	farms.. 19 554	142	1 390	3 880	5 925	4 922	3 295
	number.. 242 336	1 381	15 445	44 887	70 125	67 991	42 507
	\$1,000.. 112 889	591	7 172	20 628	32 389	32 275	19 833
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 1 287	7	76	239	402	328	235
	number.. 11 934	27	789	1 988	3 889	3 129	2 112
	\$1,000.. 7 684	18	512	1 284	2 421	2 094	1 355
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 1 045	11	112	286	280	207	149
	number.. 56 885	383	3 205	7 830	15 198	14 005	16 264
Farms with—							
1 to 24	791	6	90	229	205	153	108
25 to 49	104	1	12	26	28	19	18
50 to 99	65	4	1	17	18	15	10
100 to 199	36	—	5	4	13	10	4
200 to 499	31	—	2	7	11	6	5
500 or more	18	—	2	3	5	4	4
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 607	5	63	160	151	129	99
	number.. 8 392	72	606	1 326	2 144	2 618	1 626
Other	farms.. 921	11	91	248	262	185	124
	number.. 48 493	311	2 599	6 504	13 054	11 387	14 638
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 701	11	71	168	182	153	116
	number.. 132 492	1 636	5 243	14 875	32 301	41 011	37 426
	\$1,000.. 14 259	147	570	1 834	3 531	3 414	4 763
Feeder pigs	farms.. 161	3	13	41	34	40	30
	number.. 35 984	395	649	2 219	3 323	26 142	3 256
	\$1,000.. 1 945	(D)	31	90	126	(D)	139
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 653	6	69	169	165	137	107
	number.. 11 106	99	500	1 301	3 189	4 485	1 532
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 590	5	61	150	151	122	101
	number.. 5 817	48	251	683	1 667	2 295	873
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 483	5	53	132	120	98	75
	number.. 5 289	51	249	618	1 522	2 190	659
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 535	2	48	156	182	108	39
	number.. 8 289	(D)	(D)	2 055	2 698	2 039	861
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 418	2	38	121	148	84	25
	number.. 4 846	(D)	(D)	1 400	1 682	988	419
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 353	1	34	96	129	67	26
	number.. 12 308	(D)	(D)	1 220	8 092	1 642	710
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 285	1	20	79	107	55	23
	number.. 6 137	(D)	(D)	1 672	2 298	1 094	537
	pounds of wool.. 37 830	(D)	(D)	8 456	16 160	7 757	3 178
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 11 129	90	989	2 955	3 798	2 185	1 112
	number.. 59 956	386	4 696	15 549	20 918	12 125	6 282
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 2 439	19	254	717	858	456	135
	number.. 8 308	89	1 254	2 322	2 618	1 539	486
Goats inventory	farms.. 2 302	24	226	610	732	472	238
	number.. 31 600	418	2 606	8 077	9 960	6 722	3 817
Goats sold	farms.. 879	9	103	245	269	178	75
	number.. 10 978	170	1 196	2 691	3 816	2 400	705
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 1 628	8	154	491	497	288	190
	number.. 322 422	119	(D)	80 767	76 376	77 363	(D)
Farms with—							
1 to 399	1 610	8	153	486	492	284	187
400 to 3,199	2	—	—	2	—	—	—
3,200 to 9,999	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
10,000 to 19,999	9	—	1	—	5	2	1
20,000 to 49,999	6	—	—	3	—	1	2
50,000 to 99,999	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
100,000 or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 1 563	7	149	473	482	277	175
	number.. 233 476	63	2 859	79 246	64 489	71 360	15 459
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 358	4	51	104	106	53	40
	number.. 88 946	56	(D)	1 521	11 887	6 003	(D)
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 165	3	18	56	58	16	14
	number.. 431 333	(D)	(D)	107 706	100 443	125 710	66 388
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 227	3	24	47	58	58	37
	number.. 37 316 144	588 000	4 643 058	7 758 088	9 166 377	9 547 649	5 612 972
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	43	—	4	15	11	7	6
2,000 to 59,999	13	—	2	2	1	6	2
60,000 to 99,999	39	—	4	6	6	14	9
100,000 or more	132	3	14	24	40	31	20
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 181	1	18	59	52	31	20
	number.. 683	(D)	(D)	255	155	102	87
Turkeys sold	farms.. 22	1	2	9	8	2	—
	number.. 380	(D)	(D)	158	106	(D)	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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.. 5 854	3 715	52	242	589	851	799	1 182
	acres.. 575 878	505 367	6 221	35 579	112 241	157 030	120 439	73 857
	bushels.. 58 459 483	52 174 758	658 022	3 701 215	12 204 871	16 034 275	12 539 580	7 036 795
Irrigated	farms.. 53	38	1	3	8	8	6	12
	acres.. 5 826	4 784	(D)	(D)	1 192	1 207	1 073	958
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	2 721	1 314	14	54	136	197	275	638
25 to 99 acres	1 569	1 010	17	71	143	232	207	340
100 to 249 acres	882	743	15	73	146	208	167	134
250 to 499 acres	450	423	4	32	108	139	87	53
500 acres or more	232	225	2	12	56	75	63	17
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 1 253	1 039	14	61	203	286	242	233
	acres.. 68 482	62 639	495	2 625	13 432	19 461	15 355	11 271
	tons, green.. 958 535	886 310	4 663	35 147	189 566	277 260	222 286	157 388
Irrigated	farms.. 14	13	—	—	2	2	3	6
	acres.. 398	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	81	171
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	498	354	6	30	59	75	73	111
25 to 99 acres	534	479	8	24	103	145	113	86
100 to 249 acres	190	178	—	7	33	53	52	33
250 to 499 acres	30	27	—	—	8	13	4	2
500 acres or more	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Wheat for grain	farms.. 2 360	1 815	28	141	367	424	398	457
	acres.. 305 175	278 868	3 499	17 525	68 150	83 159	67 870	38 665
	bushels.. 13 482 402	12 399 659	179 515	770 518	3 148 637	3 705 107	2 969 380	1 626 502
Irrigated	farms.. 5	2	—	—	—	—	1	1
	acres.. 381	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	595	360	4	24	54	41	72	165
25 to 99 acres	848	606	13	48	110	141	116	178
100 to 249 acres	564	507	8	54	114	141	112	78
250 to 499 acres	237	226	1	10	56	68	68	23
500 acres or more	116	116	2	5	33	33	30	13
Cotton	farms.. 1 156	905	25	109	212	222	175	162
	acres.. 472 165	448 060	7 610	52 862	121 282	116 494	85 947	63 865
	bales.. 629 487	598 383	9 465	70 151	164 283	152 085	114 779	87 620
Irrigated	farms.. 18	17	1	1	2	6	4	3
	acres.. 4 445	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1 930	753	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	149	55	2	8	2	5	5	33
25 to 99 acres	253	144	7	12	21	24	33	47
100 to 249 acres	225	196	7	19	48	55	41	26
250 to 499 acres	199	191	5	27	54	55	32	18
500 acres or more	330	319	4	43	87	83	64	38
Tobacco	farms.. 14 995	6 801	78	393	838	1 181	1 611	2 700
	acres.. 59 427	38 239	458	3 294	7 928	8 565	8 961	9 033
	pounds.. 106 785 282	71 477 782	891 741	6 117 053	15 581 968	16 418 971	16 459 425	16 008 624
Irrigated	farms.. 411	242	4	20	63	55	54	46
	acres.. 2 957	2 226	17	181	769	421	503	335
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 0.9 acres	2 124	700	8	22	39	72	161	398
1.0 to 1.9 acres	4 329	1 537	18	49	96	196	373	805
2.0 to 2.9 acres	2 821	1 178	13	49	119	206	290	501
3.0 to 4.9 acres	2 565	1 246	8	75	171	207	300	485
5.0 to 9.9 acres	1 981	1 230	18	101	193	277	284	357
10.0 to 24.9 acres	875	639	9	68	140	161	135	126
25.0 acres or more	300	271	4	29	80	62	68	28
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 4 926	3 294	62	263	593	781	691	904
	acres.. 1 156 282	1 039 608	10 582	69 912	225 165	304 030	268 027	161 892
	bushels.. 37 976 452	34 370 866	364 133	2 284 014	7 572 732	10 095 258	8 873 597	5 181 132
Irrigated	farms.. 29	25	—	3	7	3	6	6
	acres.. (D)	6 105	(D)	(D)	1 000	1 600	538	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	958	399	10	23	35	44	67	220
25 to 99 acres	1 670	902	15	80	129	146	185	347
100 to 249 acres	961	737	24	70	143	204	150	146
250 to 499 acres	668	609	10	52	121	196	124	106
500 acres or more	669	647	3	38	165	191	165	85
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 376	204	—	7	22	34	51	90
	acres.. 611	430	—	18	107	88	68	149
	cwt.. 83 064	60 808	—	3 495	19 492	10 293	8 365	19 163
Irrigated	farms.. 19	11	—	—	1	7	3	—
	acres.. 35	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	4	2	—
Sweetpotatoes	farms.. 78	60	1	2	4	13	6	34
	acres.. 424	369	(D)	(D)	(D)	98	3	124
	bushels.. 115 693	106 637	(D)	(D)	(D)	26 112	671	27 824
Irrigated	farms.. 4	4	—	—	—	2	2	—
	acres.. 2	2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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.. 2 139	32	217	476	617	506	291
	acres.. 70 511	984	6 570	15 254	21 947	14 087	11 669
	bushels.. 6 284 725	75 754	595 858	1 358 696	2 015 721	1 189 314	1 049 382
Irrigated	farms.. 15	—	—	7	4	3	1
	acres.. 1 042	—	—	34	(D)	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	1 407	20	143	316	414	338	176
25 to 99 acres	559	10	56	122	148	135	88
100 to 249 acres	139	1	16	32	41	30	19
250 to 499 acres	27	1	2	4	11	3	6
500 acres or more	7	—	—	2	3	—	2
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 214	5	13	47	68	48	33
	acres.. 5 843	58	140	940	2 137	1 766	802
	tons, green.. 72 225	912	1 819	11 854	25 268	20 994	11 378
Irrigated	farms.. 1	—	—	—	—	—	1
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	—	—	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	144	4	12	31	47	27	23
25 to 99 acres	55	1	1	14	16	16	7
100 to 249 acres	12	—	—	2	3	4	3
250 to 499 acres	3	—	—	—	2	1	—
500 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wheat for grain	farms.. 545	4	56	133	128	122	102
	acres.. 26 307	267	2 821	6 020	6 878	5 335	4 986
	bushels.. 1 082 743	8 510	109 406	245 901	290 431	213 361	215 134
Irrigated	farms.. 3	—	—	—	—	2	1
	acres.. (D)	—	—	—	—	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	235	3	23	54	54	54	47
25 to 99 acres	242	—	24	63	56	55	44
100 to 249 acres	57	1	9	14	12	12	9
250 to 499 acres	11	—	—	2	6	1	2
500 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton	farms.. 251	5	22	58	62	69	35
	acres.. 24 105	434	2 388	7 093	5 363	4 432	4 395
	bales.. 31 104	332	3 259	9 287	6 253	5 719	6 254
Irrigated	farms.. 1	—	—	1	—	—	—
	acres.. (D)	—	—	(D)	—	—	—
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	94	2	6	24	18	30	14
25 to 99 acres	109	2	11	24	31	30	11
100 to 249 acres	29	—	3	6	8	6	6
250 to 499 acres	8	1	1	2	2	1	2
500 acres or more	11	—	1	3	3	2	2
Tobacco	farms.. 8 194	148	813	1 681	2 360	1 857	1 335
	acres.. 21 188	526	2 187	4 654	6 193	4 611	3 016
	pounds.. 35 307 500	871 092	3 734 883	7 653 948	10 282 188	7 607 306	5 158 083
Irrigated	farms.. 169	6	25	40	45	27	26
	acres.. 731	(D)	113	127	161	99	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
0.1 to 0.9 acres	1 424	21	124	249	365	370	295
1.0 to 1.9 acres	2 792	51	265	572	789	640	475
2.0 to 2.9 acres	1 643	33	157	342	505	360	246
3.0 to 4.9 acres	1 319	22	153	289	381	280	194
5.0 to 9.9 acres	751	16	87	157	246	156	89
10.0 to 24.9 acres	236	4	23	64	67	45	33
25.0 acres or more	29	1	4	8	7	6	3
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 1 632	26	164	344	437	389	272
	acres.. 116 674	1 697	10 560	27 478	33 644	24 067	19 228
	bushels.. 3 605 586	48 668	335 558	846 731	1 036 936	739 299	598 394
Irrigated	farms.. 4	—	—	1	1	1	1
	acres.. (D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	559	8	71	105	151	135	89
25 to 99 acres	768	15	54	166	200	189	144
100 to 249 acres	224	2	28	60	55	53	26
250 to 499 acres	59	—	10	6	24	9	10
500 acres or more	22	1	1	7	7	3	3
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 172	5	12	36	61	38	20
	acres.. 181	2	12	46	50	42	29
	cwt.. 22 256	246	1 238	5 397	7 727	6 239	1 409
Irrigated	farms.. 8	—	—	4	2	1	1
	acres.. (D)	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sweetpotatoes	farms.. 18	—	—	9	3	5	1
	acres.. 54	—	—	15	(D)	4	(D)
	bushels.. 9 056	—	—	2 057	(D)	649	(D)
Irrigated	farms.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—
	acres.. —	—	—	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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—								
Con.								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) . . . farms..	44 161	17 361	105	531	1 504	2 491	3 848	8 882
acres..	1 646 290	847 995	6 418	32 498	107 543	156 902	192 286	352 348
tons, dry..	3 326 031	1 758 439	13 920	71 764	233 038	335 413	400 497	703 807
Irrigated farms..	189	86	1	6	11	11	23	34
acres..	3 813	2 302	(D)	(D)	273	728	498	709
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	23 259	7 314	37	217	511	858	1 545	4 146
25 to 99 acres	17 364	7 771	45	208	637	1 113	1 751	4 017
100 to 249 acres	3 110	1 958	18	88	281	441	486	644
250 to 499 acres	363	265	5	15	59	66	60	60
500 acres or more	65	53	—	3	16	13	6	15
Alfalfa hay farms..	2 734	1 393	16	56	190	264	270	597
acres..	38 346	23 193	188	1 082	3 734	5 324	4 354	8 511
tons, dry..	107 949	67 696	549	3 184	11 631	16 274	12 772	23 286
Irrigated farms..	21	7	—	—	1	1	3	2
acres..	272	114	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text) farms..	38 829	15 493	95	473	1 334	2 237	3 448	7 906
acres..	1 440 534	732 582	5 495	28 318	89 295	131 668	165 518	312 288
tons, dry..	2 914 998	1 507 479	12 042	61 053	191 471	279 378	341 893	621 642
Irrigated farms..	134	60	—	4	6	8	19	23
acres..	2 864	1 792	—	29	176	629	431	527
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms..	1 162	695	10	31	116	153	172	213
acres..	34 609	30 210	(D)	(D)	2 288	4 850	5 739	5 117
Irrigated farms..	217	159	2	10	29	50	31	37
acres..	8 693	8 523	(D)	(D)	792	1 717	913	1 598
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	742	388	6	18	66	72	97	129
5.0 to 24.9 acres	267	176	3	5	28	43	37	60
25.0 to 99.9 acres	115	98	1	5	19	28	30	15
100.0 to 249.9 acres	17	14	—	1	1	5	4	3
250.0 acres or more	21	19	—	2	2	5	4	6
Land in orchards farms..	1 043	339	1	6	27	58	97	150
acres..	4 427	2 612	(D)	(D)	120	436	1 041	893
Irrigated farms..	72	23	—	1	3	3	7	9
acres..	214	107	—	(D)	5	(D)	(D)	22
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	832	234	—	4	21	38	62	109
5.0 to 24.9 acres	183	79	1	1	4	16	21	36
25.0 to 99.9 acres	23	21	—	—	2	4	12	3
100.0 to 249.9 acres	5	5	—	1	—	—	2	2
250.0 acres or more	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 48. Summary by Age and Principal Occupation of Operator: 1997—Con.

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

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—								
Con.								
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms	26 800	185	1 926	5 438	8 202	6 627	4 422
	acres	798 295	5 216	55 667	160 476	248 491	200 398	128 047
	tons, dry	1 567 592	9 468	108 759	315 123	492 818	393 845	247 579
Irrigated	farms	103	2	6	18	34	19	24
	acres	1 511	(D)	(D)	240	500	292	404
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres		15 945	120	1 214	3 296	4 745	3 858	2 712
25 to 99 acres		9 593	57	623	1 860	3 054	2 479	1 520
100 to 249 acres		1 152	7	76	265	378	256	170
250 to 499 acres		98	1	13	15	24	28	17
500 acres or more		12	—	—	2	1	6	3
Alfalfa hay	farms	1 341	13	106	299	398	283	242
	acres	15 153	199	1 172	2 996	4 405	3 396	2 985
	tons, dry	40 253	451	2 685	7 717	11 451	9 893	8 056
Irrigated	farms	14	—	—	3	3	2	6
	acres	158	—	—	48	(D)	(D)	90
Tame hay other than alfalfa, small grain, and wild hay (see text)	farms	23 336	158	1 670	4 774	7 219	5 800	3 715
	acres	707 952	4 441	48 781	142 378	222 001	178 958	111 393
	tons, dry	1 407 519	8 162	96 759	282 806	445 245	355 623	218 924
Irrigated	farms	74	—	5	13	27	13	16
	acres	1 072	—	58	138	446	168	262
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text)	farms	467	6	33	112	175	99	42
	acres	4 399	(D)	106	941	1 230	485	(D)
Irrigated	farms	58	—	5	17	27	6	3
	acres	170	—	13	19	108	(D)	(D)
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres		354	1	25	93	120	82	33
5.0 to 24.9 acres		91	5	7	16	44	12	7
25.0 to 99.9 acres		17	—	1	2	9	4	1
100.0 to 249.9 acres		3	—	—	—	2	1	—
250.0 acres or more		2	—	—	1	—	—	1
Land in orchards	farms	704	1	26	141	250	191	95
	acres	1 815	(D)	(D)	319	619	520	277
Irrigated	farms	49	—	1	13	20	7	8
	acres	107	—	(D)	(D)	31	27	29
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres		598	1	22	129	216	155	75
5.0 to 24.9 acres		104	—	3	11	34	36	20
25.0 to 99.9 acres		2	—	1	1	—	—	—
100.0 to 249.9 acres		—	—	—	—	—	—	—
250.0 acres or more		—	—	—	—	—	—	—

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

²Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than \$1,000.