

Appendix B. American Indian Farm Operators

During the 1992 and previous censuses, American Indian farm operations on reservations were enumerated at the reservation level, generally as a single unit. In the 1997 census, the historic methodology was used in conjunction with an additional procedure to count American Indian farm operators on reservations who were not counted individually.

Table A, American Indian Farm Operators: 1997, reflects the results of the methodological changes to enumerate American Indian farm and ranch operators. The table provides the total number of American Indian farm operators both on and off reservations. The "other" column provides counts of operators on reservations. The "individually reported" column provides counts of operators on or off reservations. This is the only table in the Volume 1, Geographic Area Series publication where

information for total number of American Indian farm operators is available. Other than the count of operators, information for American Indian farm operators who did not report individually was collected at or aggregated to the reservation level. Consequently, other published data treat each reservation as a single farm operation. U.S. level data are provided in Table B, U.S. Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997. American Indian agricultural resources and production not reported by individuals are included in their respective reservation reports.

The term American Indian was used on the report form that collected the counts of on-reservation operators as well as the 1997 Census of Agriculture report form. The term American Indian represents persons who also would identify themselves as Native American or Alaskan Native.

Table A. American Indian Farm Operators: 1997

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

Geographic area	American Indian farm operators			Geographic area	American Indian farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported	Other ¹		Total	Individually reported	Other ¹
UNITED STATES TOTAL				STATES, 1997—Con.			
United States.....	18 495	10 477	8 018	Massachusetts	5	5	—
STATES, 1997				Michigan.....	98	98	—
Alabama.....	229	228	1	Minnesota.....	109	109	—
Alaska.....	47	18	29	Mississippi.....	46	45	1
Arizona.....	3 980	234	3 746	Missouri.....	297	297	—
Arkansas.....	186	186	—	Montana.....	983	618	365
California.....	531	503	28	Nebraska.....	65	63	2
Colorado.....	165	134	31	Nevada.....	267	98	169
Connecticut.....	8	8	—	New Hampshire.....	2	2	—
Delaware.....	10	10	—	New Jersey.....	18	18	—
Florida.....	208	133	75	New Mexico.....	2 730	385	2 345
Georgia.....	73	73	—	New York.....	39	39	—
Hawaii.....	18	18	—	North Carolina.....	513	513	—
Idaho.....	238	118	120	North Dakota.....	276	188	88
Illinois.....	56	56	—	Ohio.....	116	116	—
Indiana.....	77	77	—	Oklahoma.....	3 630	3 630	—
Iowa.....	50	50	—	Oregon.....	406	180	226
Kansas.....	158	158	—	Pennsylvania.....	41	41	—
Kentucky.....	123	123	—	South Carolina.....	45	45	—
Louisiana.....	89	74	15	South Dakota.....	770	482	288
Maine.....	10	9	1	Tennessee.....	127	127	—
Maryland.....	20	20	—	Texas.....	657	657	—
				Utah.....	211	32	179
				Vermont.....	8	8	—
				Virginia.....	47	47	—
				Washington.....	496	190	306
				West Virginia.....	31	31	—
				Wisconsin.....	82	82	—
				Wyoming.....	104	101	3

¹Data represent American Indian farm and ranch operators on reservations that did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

Table B. U.S. Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997

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

Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators ¹	18 495	(X)	(X)
Land in farms	52 002 745	931 795 255	5.6
Estimated market value of land and buildings ²	\$1,000.. 11 626 338	859 839 242	1.4
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ²	\$1,000.. 384 960	110 256 802	.3
Total cropland	1 870 963	431 144 896	.4
Harvested cropland	1 100 350	309 395 475	.4
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	457 170	64 466 542	.7
Other cropland	313 443	57 282 879	.5
Total woodland	3 699 542	71 465 431	5.2
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	43 515 208	396 884 553	11.0
Irrigated land	345 293	55 058 128	.6
Harvested cropland	301 409	50 013 473	.6
Pastureland and other land	43 884	5 044 655	.9
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000.. 662 374	196 864 649	.3
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	\$1,000.. 281 356	98 055 656	.3
Livestock, poultry, and their products	\$1,000.. 381 018	98 808 993	.4
Total farm production expenses ²	\$1,000.. 480 707	150 590 993	.3
Cattle and calves inventory	number.. 659 061	98 989 244	.7
Beef cows	number.. 360 487	34 066 615	1.1
Milk cows	number.. 12 525	9 095 439	.1
Heifers and heifer calves	number.. 135 972	26 988 697	.5
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	number.. 150 077	28 838 493	.5
Cattle and calves sold	number.. 452 916	74 089 046	.6
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more	number.. 315 836	57 608 753	.5
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter	number.. 127 655	27 328 190	.5
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds	number.. 137 080	16 480 293	.8
Sheep and lambs inventory	number.. 146 207	7 821 885	1.9
Ewes 1 year old or older	number.. 93 028	4 408 683	2.1
Sheep and lambs shorn	number.. 100 750	6 139 140	1.6
Sheep and lambs sold	number.. 67 600	7 331 545	.9
Horses and ponies inventory	number.. 61 191	2 427 277	2.5
Horses and ponies sold	number.. 6 170	325 306	1.9
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed	acres.. 88 854	69 796 716	.1
Wheat for grain	acres.. 233 741	58 836 344	.4
Oats for grain	acres.. 9 582	2 680 958	.4
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	acres.. 531 466	60 799 788	.9

¹ Includes operators on and off reservations.
² Data are based on a sample of farms.