

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

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS								
Farms.....number..	1 911 859	961 560	10 765	57 744	159 587	186 115	209 886	337 463
.....percent..	100.0	50.3	.6	3.0	8.3	9.7	11.0	17.7
Land in farms.....acres..	931 795 255	735 145 947	4 593 957	37 791 330	139 095 047	185 476 015	169 366 543	198 823 055
Average size of farm.....acres..	487	765	427	654	872	997	807	589
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD								
Total sales (see text).....farms..	1 911 859	961 560	10 765	57 744	159 587	186 115	209 886	337 463
.....\$1,000..	196 864 649	167 949 911	1 280 930	11 240 065	40 843 173	47 804 448	38 373 337	28 407 958
Average per farm.....dollars..	102 970	174 664	118 990	194 653	255 930	256 854	182 829	84 181
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$1,000 (see text).....	277 248	65 339	346	2 044	6 128	8 884	12 803	35 134
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....	219 266	56 338	390	1 732	4 709	7 118	11 725	30 664
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	228 477	72 861	623	2 107	5 814	8 849	15 399	40 069
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	237 975	92 064	885	3 131	7 842	11 474	19 844	48 888
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	212 120	101 530	1 390	4 410	10 150	14 068	21 840	49 672
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	61 920	34 080	521	1 856	4 088	5 275	7 260	15 080
\$25,000 to \$39,999.....	117 196	71 420	1 082	4 440	9 947	12 324	15 618	28 009
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....	53 509	36 318	615	2 601	5 796	6 747	8 256	12 303
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	158 160	121 503	1 877	9 984	24 128	26 538	27 623	31 353
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	189 417	167 198	1 902	15 065	42 779	43 084	37 482	26 886
\$250,000 to \$499,999.....	87 777	80 713	667	6 066	22 162	23 248	18 000	10 570
\$500,000 to \$999,999.....	42 860	38 967	322	2 820	10 408	11 656	8 576	5 185
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999.....	19 069	17 256	118	1 167	4 285	5 058	4 042	2 586
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999.....	4 066	3 612	21	214	814	1 095	841	627
\$5,000,000 or more.....	2 799	2 361	6	107	537	697	577	437
Grains.....farms..	589 379	417 090	6 163	31 104	86 725	90 817	90 784	111 497
.....\$1,000..	46 617 111	41 896 094	430 283	2 993 736	10 969 482	11 606 133	9 459 568	6 436 892
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	223 138	198 561	2 288	15 766	50 597	51 945	45 743	32 222
.....\$1,000..	40 973 371	38 060 068	358 915	2 703 749	10 280 609	10 875 849	8 652 864	5 188 081
Corn for grain.....farms..	359 666	259 171	3 775	20 069	56 663	57 619	57 550	63 495
.....\$1,000..	18 884 767	16 910 652	179 047	1 233 775	4 510 358	4 656 781	3 847 201	2 483 490
Wheat.....farms..	241 334	187 420	2 395	12 909	39 116	41 914	40 522	50 564
.....\$1,000..	7 173 922	6 566 813	58 198	410 935	1 604 025	1 791 416	1 454 305	1 247 933
Soybeans.....farms..	353 566	253 949	3 915	19 724	55 356	56 510	56 549	61 895
.....\$1,000..	15 622 419	13 818 264	143 557	977 751	3 631 304	3 843 470	3 202 775	2 019 408
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	44 955	35 932	477	2 672	7 593	7 866	7 699	9 625
.....\$1,000..	1 140 048	1 036 917	9 806	73 548	249 080	277 699	234 890	191 894
Barley.....farms..	30 598	26 012	369	2 139	6 188	6 672	5 506	5 138
.....\$1,000..	709 602	668 242	5 991	49 505	181 771	195 106	140 751	95 119
Oats.....farms..	38 940	29 851	298	1 816	6 209	6 561	6 339	8 628
.....\$1,000..	121 278	105 048	897	6 085	24 113	26 211	23 241	24 501
Other grains.....farms..	43 901	38 140	635	3 523	9 858	10 074	7 826	6 224
.....\$1,000..	2 965 074	2 790 158	32 786	242 137	768 831	815 451	556 405	374 548
Cotton and cottonseed.....farms..	31 456	26 498	468	2 454	5 961	6 463	5 857	5 295
.....\$1,000..	5 975 478	5 633 615	56 147	429 183	1 381 887	1 581 958	1 247 169	937 270
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	20 044	18 648	264	1 774	4 592	4 977	4 176	2 865
.....\$1,000..	5 743 856	5 459 907	51 707	413 245	1 349 267	1 546 830	1 209 044	889 814
Tobacco.....farms..	89 544	46 576	662	3 125	7 318	9 093	10 983	15 395
.....\$1,000..	2 924 710	2 386 336	24 349	172 939	557 950	661 318	569 646	400 134
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	11 712	10 229	116	879	2 470	2 836	2 451	1 477
.....\$1,000..	2 060 224	1 883 697	15 743	135 641	475 841	561 540	450 278	244 654
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....farms..	354 523	183 268	1 722	10 755	31 320	35 789	39 401	64 281
.....\$1,000..	4 670 487	3 838 426	31 730	247 826	850 429	1 045 883	842 652	819 906
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	14 722	13 255	136	940	3 402	3 727	2 797	2 253
.....\$1,000..	2 781 853	2 597 909	18 523	160 123	600 260	771 722	580 412	466 869
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons.....farms..	53 641	35 943	367	2 474	7 778	8 839	7 495	8 990
.....\$1,000..	8 401 697	7 762 948	34 686	367 044	1 747 107	2 390 647	1 694 929	1 528 536
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	11 830	10 809	103	745	2 583	3 208	2 311	1 859
.....\$1,000..	7 966 830	7 449 431	31 402	343 575	1 676 314	2 315 145	1 628 169	1 454 825
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....farms..	85 973	46 825	176	1 657	6 860	9 524	10 510	18 098
.....\$1,000..	12 660 262	10 511 851	51 278	338 458	2 043 963	3 011 530	2 556 558	2 510 064
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	25 207	19 160	70	780	3 563	4 943	4 462	5 342
.....\$1,000..	12 072 325	10 193 369	50 122	327 117	2 000 913	2 953 999	2 485 386	2 375 832
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....farms..	67 816	31 751	166	1 608	6 804	8 553	7 076	7 544
.....\$1,000..	10 942 816	8 825 308	25 411	344 704	2 036 749	2 927 652	2 268 981	1 221 811
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	18 013	12 986	58	712	3 274	4 137	2 859	1 946
.....\$1,000..	10 411 959	8 575 899	24 053	332 053	1 982 213	2 863 665	2 212 758	1 161 158
Other crops.....farms..	38 095	29 168	448	2 467	6 941	7 260	6 158	5 894
.....\$1,000..	5 863 096	5 563 758	50 535	357 336	1 344 190	1 622 146	1 382 541	807 011
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	15 358	14 434	168	1 257	4 012	4 080	3 030	1 887
.....\$1,000..	5 586 597	5 349 848	44 873	335 256	1 297 458	1 573 129	1 336 235	762 897
Poultry and poultry products.....farms..	63 246	36 905	339	3 025	8 338	9 413	8 556	7 234
.....\$1,000..	22 262 596	17 305 574	118 189	1 307 948	4 249 488	4 926 492	4 486 162	2 217 295
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	28 475	21 846	206	1 961	5 178	6 059	5 392	3 050
.....\$1,000..	22 171 699	17 249 788	117 709	1 302 733	4 236 772	4 913 112	4 472 906	2 206 555
Dairy products.....farms..	99 238	91 185	1 250	9 329	24 279	23 739	18 902	13 686
.....\$1,000..	18 997 334	17 973 788	146 856	1 620 008	4 741 785	4 963 734	3 860 885	2 640 520
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	73 355	70 237	841	7 281	20 031	18 927	14 337	8 820
.....\$1,000..	18 344 271	17 414 461	137 088	1 567 987	4 622 598	4 830 317	3 736 688	2 519 783
Cattle and calves.....farms..	1 011 809	544 078	5 257	31 020	84 957	101 329	121 087	201 428
.....\$1,000..	40 524 836	32 056 392	154 875	1 716 659	6 779 783	9 003 795	7 119 237	7 282 042
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	83 682	71 816	522	4 302	14 812	17 901	16 868	17 411
.....\$1,000..	32 358 594	26 734 918	106 132	1 403 589	5 885 380	7 967 484	5 902 752	5 469 580

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	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS							
Farms.....number..	950 299	10 085	70 711	211 855	280 614	217 468	159 566
.....percent..	49.7	.5	3.7	11.1	14.7	11.4	8.3
Land in farms.....acres..	196 649 308	1 403 193	10 491 298	35 795 212	54 586 703	47 168 761	47 204 141
Average size of farm.....acres..	207	139	148	169	195	217	296
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD							
Total sales (see text).....farms..	950 299	10 085	70 711	211 855	280 614	217 468	159 566
.....\$1,000..	28 914 739	187 902	1 836 675	6 598 031	8 813 989	6 587 240	4 890 902
Average per farm.....dollars..	30 427	18 632	25 974	31 144	31 410	30 291	30 651
Farms by value of sales:							
Less than \$1,000 (see text).....	211 909	1 352	12 543	43 045	60 651	48 846	45 472
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....	162 928	1 843	12 268	37 588	48 538	36 415	26 276
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	155 616	1 730	11 901	33 997	46 427	36 359	25 202
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	145 911	1 800	10 887	32 254	43 231	34 251	23 488
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	110 590	1 425	8 898	24 654	33 051	26 038	16 524
\$20,000 to \$24,999.....	27 840	425	2 344	6 462	8 269	6 351	3 989
\$25,000 to \$39,999.....	45 776	624	4 040	10 963	13 691	10 232	6 226
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....	17 191	208	1 506	4 358	5 213	3 682	2 224
\$50,000 to \$99,999.....	36 657	380	3 462	9 570	10 947	7 514	4 784
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	22 219	212	1 897	5 734	6 542	4 635	3 199
\$250,000 to \$499,999.....	7 064	50	520	1 691	2 058	1 619	1 126
\$500,000 to \$999,999.....	3 893	27	315	921	1 196	874	560
\$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999.....	1 813	8	89	440	553	431	292
\$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999.....	454	1	23	83	120	124	103
\$5,000,000 or more.....	438	—	18	95	127	97	101
Grains.....farms..	172 289	3 086	16 361	42 916	49 391	36 741	23 794
.....\$1,000..	4 721 016	63 451	440 031	1 276 984	1 400 714	935 609	604 228
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	24 577	280	2 469	7 108	7 420	4 580	2 720
.....\$1,000..	2 913 303	27 040	256 160	815 609	883 432	558 137	372 924
Corn for grain.....farms..	100 495	1 836	10 200	26 247	29 087	20 598	12 527
.....\$1,000..	1 974 115	26 965	189 270	541 932	585 516	385 892	244 538
Wheat.....farms..	53 914	833	4 688	13 594	15 460	11 531	7 808
.....\$1,000..	607 109	6 914	46 100	151 922	172 988	129 269	99 916
Soybeans.....farms..	99 617	1 909	10 201	25 682	28 477	20 785	12 563
.....\$1,000..	1 804 155	26 004	176 810	500 628	541 467	352 261	206 984
Sorghum for grain.....farms..	9 023	148	866	2 263	2 573	1 909	1 264
.....\$1,000..	103 131	1 262	8 744	23 883	31 524	21 855	15 863
Barley.....farms..	4 586	66	406	1 233	1 351	955	575
.....\$1,000..	41 360	432	3 474	12 153	11 306	8 370	5 625
Oats.....farms..	9 089	111	830	2 420	2 772	1 908	1 048
.....\$1,000..	16 231	165	1 417	4 427	4 659	3 612	1 951
Other grains.....farms..	5 761	96	586	1 455	1 698	1 131	795
.....\$1,000..	174 916	1 708	14 216	42 039	53 253	34 349	29 351
Cotton and cottonseed.....farms..	4 958	75	409	1 022	1 367	1 184	901
.....\$1,000..	341 863	1 727	23 984	62 111	103 162	79 086	71 794
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 396	9	114	287	406	318	262
.....\$1,000..	283 949	725	19 376	49 873	86 661	64 422	62 892
Tobacco.....farms..	42 968	698	4 112	9 622	12 329	9 482	6 725
.....\$1,000..	538 373	7 537	48 619	119 007	159 194	122 515	81 500
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 483	14	116	330	440	326	257
.....\$1,000..	176 527	1 596	12 479	34 929	54 658	44 239	28 626
Hay, silage, and field seeds.....farms..	171 255	1 298	12 669	40 327	52 888	37 913	26 160
.....\$1,000..	832 061	7 253	58 982	190 993	255 881	180 982	137 969
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 467	13	123	335	441	313	242
.....\$1,000..	183 944	1 704	11 369	37 306	56 144	38 533	38 888
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons.....farms..	17 698	163	1 421	4 479	5 573	3 734	2 328
.....\$1,000..	638 749	2 656	26 294	107 536	154 690	224 526	123 047
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	1 021	11	80	224	308	249	149
.....\$1,000..	517 399	1 198	15 514	78 195	116 715	198 505	107 272
Fruits, nuts, and berries.....farms..	39 148	95	1 335	6 744	11 846	10 188	8 940
.....\$1,000..	2 148 411	1 703	49 042	349 902	590 711	552 762	604 290
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	6 047	10	182	912	1 743	1 613	1 587
.....\$1,000..	1 878 957	1 079	39 425	303 851	508 050	482 156	544 396
Nursery and greenhouse crops.....farms..	36 065	132	1 823	8 620	11 771	8 262	5 457
.....\$1,000..	2 117 508	3 183	95 904	467 355	685 004	522 935	343 128
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	5 027	11	283	1 249	1 538	1 200	746
.....\$1,000..	1 836 060	2 203	80 941	397 329	594 595	458 664	302 327
Other crops.....farms..	8 927	84	743	2 113	2 785	1 876	1 326
.....\$1,000..	299 338	2 137	22 654	58 568	82 554	82 323	51 103
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	924	12	80	210	256	215	151
.....\$1,000..	236 749	1 477	16 992	43 116	63 169	69 776	42 219
Poultry and poultry products.....farms..	26 341	198	2 274	7 983	8 433	5 157	2 296
.....\$1,000..	4 957 022	30 038	338 231	1 098 231	1 743 851	1 072 822	673 850
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	6 629	67	617	1 699	2 074	1 483	689
.....\$1,000..	4 921 911	29 664	335 284	1 088 954	1 732 831	1 065 192	669 986
Dairy products.....farms..	8 053	120	846	1 968	2 206	1 677	1 236
.....\$1,000..	1 023 546	6 220	82 377	219 822	264 383	217 923	232 820
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	3 118	34	270	727	893	700	494
.....\$1,000..	929 809	5 060	73 304	196 071	238 757	198 834	217 783
Cattle and calves.....farms..	467 731	5 164	37 278	106 732	138 532	108 360	71 665
.....\$1,000..	8 468 444	38 641	389 677	1 770 399	2 612 713	2 011 048	1 645 967
Sales of \$50,000 or more.....farms..	11 866	91	788	2 552	3 335	2 874	2 226
.....\$1,000..	5 623 676	10 595	173 296	1 148 348	1 763 822	1 327 331	1 200 283

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		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD—Con.								
Total sales (see text)—Con.								
Hogs and pigs	farms.. 102 106	67 233	1 135	6 660	17 844	16 325	13 799	11 470
	\$1,000.. 13 804 835	11 849 097	132 835	1 209 575	3 556 078	3 478 296	2 301 929	1 170 383
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 34 683	30 281	459	3 395	9 470	7 992	6 030	2 935
	\$1,000.. 13 096 653	11 332 111	123 649	1 157 287	3 427 274	3 356 048	2 191 042	1 076 812
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms.. 62 579	30 440	292	1 630	5 644	6 523	6 539	9 812
	\$1,000.. 682 916	508 412	15 140	20 687	73 616	112 175	138 936	147 858
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 1 717	1 516	8	68	300	381	335	424
	\$1,000.. 478 579	371 639	(D)	(D)	47 175	79 578	109 235	109 061
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms.. 123 695	50 624	423	3 191	9 915	12 582	11 408	13 105
	\$1,000.. 2 536 476	1 838 311	8 615	113 961	510 665	472 689	444 144	288 237
Sales of \$50,000 or more	farms.. 5 482	4 063	31	268	984	1 223	925	632
	\$1,000.. 2 026 615	1 586 822	7 182	98 917	460 244	402 899	385 318	232 262
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)	farms.. 93 140	43 918	381	2 776	8 630	9 640	9 266	13 225
	\$1,000.. 550 947	432 878	2 367	24 260	100 556	117 830	99 606	88 258
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
Total farm production expenses								
	farms.. 1 911 766	957 202	12 086	56 242	154 399	182 333	206 331	345 811
	\$1,000.. 150 590 993	126 077 082	1 052 487	8 171 768	30 194 265	35 910 521	28 929 902	21 818 140
Average per farm	dollars.. 78 771	131 714	87 083	145 297	195 560	196 950	140 211	63 093
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms.. 556 980	309 078	4 147	22 583	59 871	67 044	67 781	87 652
	\$1,000.. 21 614 559	17 030 522	113 556	1 078 888	4 037 595	5 092 118	3 717 881	2 990 483
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	348 670	157 085	1 937	9 723	25 452	30 276	34 527	55 170
\$5,000 to \$24,999	128 502	86 409	1 262	7 226	18 614	19 675	18 373	21 259
\$25,000 to \$99,999	56 343	45 270	749	3 898	10 643	11 561	10 305	8 114
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14 248	12 385	128	1 127	3 208	3 334	2 763	1 825
\$250,000 or more	9 217	7 929	71	609	1 954	2 198	1 813	1 284
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms.. 1 021 849	533 718	5 956	32 124	90 863	106 154	119 036	179 585
	\$1,000.. 32 759 966	27 084 306	207 317	2 080 385	6 848 682	7 663 771	6 265 823	4 018 329
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	733 738	303 077	2 785	13 476	36 676	48 617	68 318	133 205
\$5,000 to \$24,999	170 332	127 019	1 897	9 434	26 585	29 424	28 145	31 534
\$25,000 to \$99,999	72 075	64 704	933	5 946	17 610	17 184	13 548	9 483
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19 787	17 257	156	1 376	4 531	4 656	3 867	2 671
\$250,000 or more	25 917	21 661	185	1 892	5 461	6 273	5 158	2 692
Commercially mixed formula feeds	farms.. 616 280	335 445	3 951	22 322	63 648	72 184	75 370	97 970
	\$1,000.. 21 236 173	17 549 254	142 568	1 430 161	4 451 270	4 966 100	4 208 384	2 350 771
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	448 017	194 708	1 920	10 304	28 524	35 351	44 467	74 142
\$5,000 to \$24,999	94 513	76 892	1 299	6 340	18 530	19 081	16 521	15 121
\$25,000 to \$99,999	40 552	36 399	489	3 330	9 765	9 966	7 828	5 021
\$100,000 or more	33 198	27 446	243	2 348	6 829	7 786	6 554	3 686
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees	farms.. 896 339	580 099	8 724	40 982	112 616	124 895	127 925	164 957
	\$1,000.. 5 725 869	5 045 473	53 752	335 363	1 277 963	1 416 926	1 162 348	799 120
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	377 222	171 148	2 031	8 802	20 386	27 002	36 917	76 010
\$1,000 to \$4,999	278 736	195 021	3 657	15 042	37 288	40 510	42 068	56 456
\$5,000 to \$24,999	198 530	174 369	2 693	14 567	44 144	45 125	40 225	27 615
\$25,000 to \$49,999	28 934	27 448	254	1 872	7 541	8 480	6 099	3 202
\$50,000 or more	12 917	12 113	89	699	3 257	3 778	2 616	1 674
Commercial fertilizer	farms.. 1 190 733	695 653	9 015	43 521	121 233	138 929	154 043	228 912
	\$1,000.. 9 597 128	8 351 429	84 687	538 882	1 962 491	2 266 831	1 954 111	1 544 427
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	831 657	389 692	4 854	20 875	50 304	62 004	82 850	168 805
\$5,000 to \$24,999	269 278	221 178	3 475	16 989	49 190	51 993	51 573	47 958
\$25,000 to \$49,999	56 703	53 245	454	3 803	13 661	15 335	12 453	7 539
\$50,000 or more	33 095	31 538	232	1 854	8 078	9 597	7 167	4 610
Agricultural chemicals	farms.. 941 136	582 430	8 439	39 394	109 586	123 431	127 820	173 760
	\$1,000.. 7 581 424	6 748 826	71 208	435 898	1 659 966	1 912 394	1 523 036	1 146 324
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	676 385	352 945	5 083	21 608	53 471	63 534	75 316	133 933
\$5,000 to \$24,999	199 184	167 538	2 808	13 735	39 425	41 126	38 852	31 592
\$25,000 to \$49,999	39 871	37 455	361	2 605	10 177	11 195	8 333	4 784
\$50,000 or more	25 696	24 492	187	1 446	6 513	7 576	5 319	3 451
Petroleum products	farms.. 1 760 642	918 572	11 656	54 437	149 878	176 551	199 515	326 535
	\$1,000.. 6 371 515	5 357 407	54 412	344 941	1 234 152	1 453 684	1 222 116	1 048 102
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	1 463 788	650 935	8 602	34 792	83 088	103 839	139 044	281 570
\$5,000 to \$24,999	259 565	232 760	2 783	17 505	58 066	62 317	52 570	39 519
\$25,000 to \$49,999	26 513	24 969	206	1 620	6 406	7 409	5 584	3 744
\$50,000 or more	10 776	9 908	65	520	2 318	2 986	2 317	1 702
Gasoline and gasohol	farms.. 1 366 915	750 999	9 049	44 811	127 145	148 313	163 365	258 316
	\$1,000.. 1 886 600	1 512 461	14 519	90 356	319 802	392 195	343 902	351 687
Diesel fuel	farms.. 1 315 397	749 174	9 933	46 550	130 565	151 256	166 700	244 170
	\$1,000.. 2 845 951	2 451 342	26 272	160 370	577 207	671 359	553 663	462 469
Natural gas	farms.. 71 069	53 167	834	4 477	11 794	12 984	11 156	11 922
	\$1,000.. 432 893	374 428	3 172	24 007	92 006	109 543	88 180	57 520
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc.	farms.. 1 276 331	772 336	9 868	48 529	135 617	157 349	170 319	250 654
	\$1,000.. 1 206 070	1 019 177	10 449	70 208	245 136	280 587	236 371	176 426

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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..	34 873	717	4 153	12 085	10 222	5 227	2 469
\$1,000..	1 955 738	18 075	225 267	675 666	521 222	333 956	181 552
Sales of \$50,000 or more..... farms..	4 402	77	722	1 528	1 166	616	293
\$1,000..	1 764 542	13 570	198 551	612 324	468 201	304 564	167 331
Sheep, lambs, and wool..... farms..	32 139	399	2 194	9 156	10 688	6 362	3 340
\$1,000..	174 504	1 344	7 008	24 685	33 928	90 473	17 066
Sales of \$50,000 or more..... farms..	201	2	16	39	58	55	31
\$1,000..	106 941	(D)	(D)	7 593	11 003	76 346	9 573
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)..... farms..	73 071	504	6 005	20 346	25 199	14 648	6 369
\$1,000..	698 165	3 938	28 605	176 770	205 983	160 280	122 589
Sales of \$50,000 or more..... farms..	1 419	13	73	321	439	372	201
\$1,000..	439 793	2 389	10 716	111 267	113 465	103 389	98 568
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (see text)..... farms..	49 222	347	3 901	14 203	16 220	9 566	4 985
\$1,000..	118 069	927	8 383	30 830	37 613	26 497	13 820
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
Total farm production expenses..... farms..	954 564	11 851	71 967	210 800	280 304	217 984	161 658
\$1,000..	24 513 911	187 027	1 566 852	5 568 852	7 643 057	5 551 134	3 996 896
Average per farm..... dollars..	25 681	15 782	21 772	26 418	27 267	25 466	24 724
Livestock and poultry purchased..... farms..	247 902	3 475	24 473	67 926	76 432	49 154	26 442
\$1,000..	4 584 037	24 451	253 801	1 063 835	1 413 878	1 057 215	770 856
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999.....	191 585	2 596	18 752	52 623	59 741	38 153	19 720
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	42 093	681	4 294	11 567	12 513	8 026	5 012
\$25,000 to \$99,999.....	11 073	172	1 203	2 891	3 272	2 250	1 285
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	1 863	19	141	513	528	434	228
\$250,000 or more.....	1 288	7	83	332	378	291	197
Feed for livestock and poultry..... farms..	488 131	6 065	41 441	120 919	152 146	107 081	60 479
\$1,000..	5 675 660	37 608	382 120	1 300 487	1 851 734	1 218 554	885 157
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999.....	430 661	5 302	36 431	106 712	134 865	94 402	52 949
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	43 313	608	3 667	10 588	13 232	9 540	5 678
\$25,000 to \$99,999.....	7 371	103	758	1 856	1 922	1 621	1 111
\$100,000 to \$249,999.....	2 530	24	223	657	763	589	274
\$250,000 or more.....	4 256	28	362	1 106	1 364	929	467
Commercially mixed formula feeds..... farms..	280 835	3 038	24 039	71 892	90 589	61 057	30 220
\$1,000..	3 686 919	28 232	279 520	858 623	1 182 946	834 349	503 249
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999.....	253 309	2 722	21 609	65 042	82 208	55 062	26 666
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	17 621	200	1 533	4 274	5 421	3 793	2 400
\$25,000 to \$99,999.....	4 153	68	379	1 099	1 127	905	575
\$100,000 or more.....	5 752	48	518	1 477	1 833	1 297	579
Seeds, bulbs, plants, and trees..... farms..	316 240	4 809	27 845	77 252	94 841	69 060	42 433
\$1,000..	680 396	8 369	56 530	166 210	203 135	154 045	92 108
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999.....	206 074	2 886	16 901	48 767	61 847	46 537	29 136
\$1,000 to \$4,999.....	83 715	1 545	8 254	21 189	24 937	17 545	10 245
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	24 161	369	2 559	6 782	7 368	4 400	2 683
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	1 486	6	98	368	447	369	198
\$50,000 or more.....	804	3	33	146	242	209	171
Commercial fertilizer..... farms..	495 080	6 185	38 362	111 135	148 538	115 001	75 859
\$1,000..	1 245 699	14 363	89 626	281 534	365 038	298 511	196 628
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999.....	441 965	5 488	34 019	97 978	132 203	103 328	68 949
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	48 100	627	4 104	12 105	14 755	10 464	6 045
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	3 458	48	166	772	1 139	796	537
\$50,000 or more.....	1 557	22	73	280	441	413	328
Agricultural chemicals..... farms..	358 706	5 183	29 403	83 804	107 061	80 152	53 103
\$1,000..	832 598	9 721	62 538	188 630	237 337	189 309	145 064
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999.....	323 440	4 690	26 159	74 767	96 418	73 076	48 330
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	31 646	469	3 011	8 309	9 629	6 231	3 997
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	2 416	22	178	524	680	528	484
\$50,000 or more.....	1 204	2	55	204	334	317	292
Petroleum products..... farms..	842 070	10 829	65 282	189 111	249 695	192 918	134 235
\$1,000..	1 014 108	11 677	72 879	232 994	306 592	227 728	162 238
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999.....	812 853	10 501	63 120	181 783	240 912	186 840	129 697
\$5,000 to \$24,999.....	26 805	315	2 040	6 849	8 078	5 476	4 047
\$25,000 to \$49,999.....	1 544	13	91	310	454	375	301
\$50,000 or more.....	868	—	31	169	251	227	190
Gasoline and gasohol..... farms..	615 916	7 939	48 050	140 861	183 602	138 566	96 898
\$1,000..	374 140	4 299	26 936	84 189	112 044	83 710	62 962
Diesel fuel..... farms..	566 223	7 364	44 787	127 868	169 741	131 208	85 255
\$1,000..	394 610	4 947	28 648	91 013	118 742	90 352	60 907
Natural gas..... farms..	17 902	279	1 628	4 347	4 889	3 645	3 114
\$1,000..	58 466	289	3 134	12 394	18 807	13 807	10 035
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc..... farms..	503 995	6 495	40 593	115 842	150 345	115 212	75 508
\$1,000..	186 893	2 142	14 161	45 398	56 999	39 859	28 334

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

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹								
—Con.								
Total farm production expenses—Con.								
Electricity farms	1 224 374	722 732	8 318	42 877	127 916	150 513	160 428	232 680
Electricity \$1,000	2 751 085	2 327 282	19 621	139 474	525 288	654 968	537 815	450 118
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	803 544	377 124	4 181	18 190	47 790	61 318	82 328	163 317
\$1,000 to \$4,999	326 790	260 606	3 367	18 779	59 033	65 052	58 763	55 612
\$5,000 to \$24,999	80 768	73 053	704	5 229	18 286	20 653	16 552	11 629
\$25,000 to \$49,999	7 606	6 886	44	419	1 595	2 003	1 642	1 183
\$50,000 or more	5 666	5 063	22	260	1 212	1 487	1 143	939
Hired farm labor farms	650 623	422 575	4 618	26 539	85 673	98 839	92 032	114 874
Hired farm labor \$1,000	14 841 036	12 969 617	70 116	612 583	2 858 918	3 870 457	3 139 761	2 417 782
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	423 330	227 342	2 822	14 130	39 963	44 604	48 505	77 318
\$5,000 to \$24,999	134 151	111 763	1 180	7 599	26 127	29 776	24 338	22 743
\$25,000 to \$99,999	69 009	61 803	518	3 692	14 616	17 974	14 110	10 893
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15 310	13 842	66	766	3 191	4 045	3 239	2 535
\$250,000 or more	8 823	7 825	32	352	1 776	2 440	1 840	1 385
Workers by days worked:								
150 days or more farms	259 631	200 999	1 831	12 141	43 910	52 544	44 584	45 989
150 days or more workers	890 467	757 603	4 888	38 063	170 694	221 680	173 810	148 468
Less than 150 days farms	581 658	363 589	4 003	23 244	73 166	83 189	77 868	102 119
Less than 150 days workers	2 461 561	1 810 801	16 271	102 193	399 062	477 794	396 979	418 502
Contract labor farms	226 909	136 172	1 390	8 013	26 075	31 168	30 040	39 486
Contract labor \$1,000	2 959 005	2 470 648	15 757	108 677	538 190	700 156	598 171	509 697
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	88 019	40 261	490	2 067	5 955	7 253	8 935	15 561
\$1,000 to \$4,999	84 490	53 058	497	3 233	10 300	12 420	11 725	14 883
\$5,000 to \$24,999	39 719	30 663	310	2 038	7 074	8 120	6 673	6 448
\$25,000 to \$49,999	6 826	5 524	50	325	1 253	1 476	1 251	1 169
\$50,000 or more	7 855	6 666	43	350	1 493	1 899	1 456	1 425
Repair and maintenance farms	1 538 058	841 701	9 983	50 017	141 909	166 744	185 447	287 601
Repair and maintenance \$1,000	8 637 742	7 138 654	62 656	420 331	1 593 954	1 953 496	1 668 809	1 439 407
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	1 145 834	511 822	6 262	27 751	64 607	81 144	109 529	222 529
\$5,000 to \$24,999	331 667	273 427	3 276	19 040	63 365	68 693	62 995	56 058
\$25,000 to \$49,999	41 158	38 488	338	2 343	9 679	11 480	8 747	5 901
\$50,000 or more	19 399	17 964	107	883	4 258	5 427	4 176	3 113
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	597 624	374 331	5 127	24 789	71 833	79 754	81 357	111 471
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment \$1,000	3 210 309	2 706 593	29 315	175 158	611 794	764 692	578 407	547 226
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	254 953	122 320	1 468	7 096	18 273	20 710	26 655	48 118
\$1,000 to \$4,999	225 018	152 381	2 257	10 323	30 041	32 557	33 049	44 154
\$5,000 to \$24,999	96 685	80 694	1 235	6 050	18 889	20 898	17 583	16 039
\$25,000 to \$49,999	12 526	11 259	114	809	2 742	3 296	2 420	1 878
\$50,000 or more	8 442	7 677	53	511	1 888	2 293	1 650	1 282
Interest farms	810 476	488 069	6 927	37 484	108 537	122 229	110 161	102 731
Interest \$1,000	8 928 107	7 297 750	63 178	460 974	1 769 752	2 138 604	1 689 472	1 175 770
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	448 598	213 683	3 786	16 510	38 255	45 444	48 772	60 916
\$5,000 to \$24,999	284 143	203 000	2 625	16 650	52 337	55 210	44 363	31 815
\$25,000 to \$99,999	69 451	63 861	480	3 951	16 290	19 279	15 164	8 697
\$100,000 or more	8 284	7 525	36	373	1 655	2 296	1 862	1 303
Secured by real estate farms	569 775	332 276	3 281	21 206	72 556	86 855	78 108	70 270
Secured by real estate \$1,000	5 449 597	4 275 044	32 141	231 201	976 407	1 248 757	1 042 986	743 552
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	75 699	32 674	310	1 662	4 775	6 377	7 690	11 860
\$1,000 to \$4,999	238 470	111 813	1 151	7 319	22 091	27 023	26 164	28 065
\$5,000 to \$24,999	213 795	149 855	1 568	10 308	37 007	42 154	34 548	24 270
\$25,000 to \$49,999	28 476	25 804	200	1 361	6 022	7 605	6 643	3 973
\$50,000 or more	13 335	12 130	52	556	2 661	3 696	3 063	2 102
Not secured by real estate farms	461 326	310 019	5 150	26 749	74 761	79 300	66 991	57 068
Not secured by real estate \$1,000	3 478 510	3 022 706	31 037	229 773	793 344	889 848	646 486	432 218
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$999	130 392	62 590	1 207	4 474	11 379	12 540	14 132	18 858
\$1,000 to \$4,999	182 342	115 538	2 201	10 942	26 484	29 083	25 215	21 613
\$5,000 to \$24,999	122 273	107 334	1 529	9 532	30 219	30 184	22 463	13 407
\$25,000 to \$49,999	17 247	16 178	152	1 214	4 490	4 977	3 363	1 982
\$50,000 or more	9 072	8 379	61	587	2 189	2 516	1 818	1 208
Cash rent farms	485 512	333 116	6 388	29 450	80 379	81 077	71 441	64 381
Cash rent \$1,000	6 915 677	6 252 117	93 147	567 551	1 861 806	1 761 817	1 228 727	739 070
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	275 874	152 123	2 779	11 283	29 166	32 501	34 844	41 550
\$5,000 to \$9,999	62 265	48 907	1 108	4 632	11 993	12 359	10 715	8 100
\$10,000 to \$24,999	76 281	65 603	1 471	6 846	18 510	17 254	13 350	8 172
\$25,000 or more	71 092	66 483	1 030	6 689	20 710	18 963	12 532	6 559
Property taxes farms	1 771 787	885 029	8 138	44 044	136 308	169 290	197 856	329 393
Property taxes \$1,000	3 920 133	2 782 407	18 201	118 335	473 658	662 292	698 270	811 652
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	1 604 401	746 966	7 228	38 465	111 786	134 406	161 726	293 355
\$5,000 to \$9,999	112 175	90 471	652	3 839	16 182	22 233	23 602	23 963
\$10,000 to \$24,999	44 899	38 639	232	1 411	6 766	10 192	10 211	9 827
\$25,000 or more	10 312	8 953	26	329	1 574	2 459	2 317	2 248
All other farm production expenses farms	1 689 391	903 323	11 461	54 488	150 148	176 443	195 949	314 834
All other farm production expenses \$1,000	14 777 437	12 514 053	95 565	754 329	2 940 058	3 598 313	2 945 155	2 180 633
Farms with expenses of—								
\$1 to \$4,999	1 289 440	561 224	7 399	28 598	67 676	85 339	119 030	253 182
\$5,000 to \$24,999	296 945	247 904	3 326	19 580	57 752	63 081	56 007	48 158
\$25,000 to \$49,999	55 894	51 280	429	3 538	13 829	15 034	11 342	7 108
\$50,000 to \$99,999	27 830	25 521	213	1 721	6 701	7 672	5 567	3 647
\$100,000 or more	19 282	17 394	94	1 051	4 190	5 317	4 003	2 739

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES¹							
—Con.							
Total farm production expenses—Con.							
Electricity farms	501 642	5 453	35 822	114 188	153 951	115 947	76 281
\$1,000	423 803	3 177	25 297	90 113	130 133	99 446	75 637
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	426 420	4 718	30 585	96 905	130 572	98 946	64 694
\$1,000 to \$4,999	66 184	661	4 715	15 411	20 808	14 847	9 742
\$5,000 to \$24,999	7 715	72	473	1 612	2 191	1 829	1 538
\$25,000 to \$49,999	720	—	28	143	203	175	171
\$50,000 or more	603	2	21	117	177	150	136
Hired farm labor farms	228 048	2 459	15 702	54 323	72 268	49 606	33 690
\$1,000	1 871 420	6 735	72 263	368 087	578 638	456 850	388 847
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	195 988	2 228	13 903	47 676	62 444	41 859	27 878
\$5,000 to \$24,999	22 388	195	1 326	4 871	7 011	5 224	3 761
\$25,000 to \$99,999	7 206	33	375	1 270	2 129	1 897	1 502
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1 468	2	63	303	329	385	323
\$250,000 or more	998	1	35	203	292	241	226
Workers by days worked:							
150 days or more farms	58 632	544	3 573	12 357	17 319	13 972	10 867
workers	132 864	718	6 142	27 439	38 535	33 215	26 815
Less than 150 days farms	218 069	2 396	15 247	52 401	69 124	47 053	31 848
workers	650 760	6 843	47 014	154 850	201 490	142 941	97 622
Contract labor farms	90 737	761	5 822	19 751	27 977	21 726	14 700
\$1,000	488 357	953	19 167	89 610	130 897	129 023	118 707
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	47 758	531	3 295	10 823	14 934	11 088	7 087
\$1,000 to \$4,999	31 432	177	1 949	6 699	9 761	7 793	5 053
\$5,000 to \$24,999	9 056	51	477	1 815	2 621	2 151	1 941
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 302	2	56	195	350	365	334
\$50,000 or more	1 189	—	45	219	311	329	285
Repair and maintenance farms	696 357	7 906	52 756	159 538	212 230	159 799	104 128
\$1,000	1 499 088	13 941	99 451	335 508	461 446	351 735	237 010
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	634 012	7 220	48 423	144 751	192 721	145 300	95 597
\$5,000 to \$24,999	58 240	673	4 138	13 994	18 265	13 476	7 694
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 670	11	138	503	841	676	501
\$50,000 or more	1 435	2	57	290	403	347	336
Customwork, machine hire, and rental of machinery and equipment farms	223 293	2 997	18 295	52 012	68 142	49 738	32 109
\$1,000	503 716	5 333	32 911	100 087	153 555	122 034	89 797
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	132 633	1 789	11 290	31 641	40 196	28 797	18 920
\$1,000 to \$4,999	72 637	976	5 658	16 506	22 508	16 738	10 251
\$5,000 to \$24,999	15 991	220	1 249	3 534	4 881	3 639	2 468
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 267	11	69	215	335	358	279
\$50,000 or more	765	1	29	116	222	206	191
Interest farms	322 407	4 377	30 506	87 120	106 903	64 246	29 255
\$1,000	1 630 357	12 663	126 547	426 874	543 537	334 948	185 788
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	234 915	3 645	22 835	62 000	76 208	47 341	22 886
\$5,000 to \$24,999	81 143	685	7 290	23 729	28 662	15 341	5 436
\$25,000 to \$99,999	5 590	46	354	1 261	1 804	1 366	759
\$100,000 or more	759	1	27	130	229	198	174
Secured by real estate farms	237 499	1 968	20 417	64 314	81 365	48 571	20 864
\$1,000	1 174 553	7 610	88 968	306 080	401 735	244 517	125 644
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	43 025	401	3 522	10 297	13 880	9 517	5 408
\$1,000 to \$4,999	126 657	1 100	11 375	34 584	43 412	25 568	10 618
\$5,000 to \$24,999	63 940	445	5 313	18 621	22 835	12 462	4 264
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2 672	21	160	624	854	664	349
\$50,000 or more	1 205	1	47	188	384	360	225
Not secured by real estate farms	151 307	2 916	16 143	41 946	48 920	28 235	13 147
\$1,000	455 804	5 053	37 579	120 795	141 802	90 431	60 144
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$999	67 802	1 476	7 338	17 796	21 280	13 509	6 403
\$1,000 to \$4,999	66 804	1 212	7 177	19 457	22 346	11 532	5 080
\$5,000 to \$24,999	14 939	221	1 517	4 296	4 783	2 803	1 319
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1 069	5	71	255	319	230	189
\$50,000 or more	693	2	40	142	192	161	156
Cash rent farms	152 396	3 812	18 117	43 338	46 684	28 277	12 168
\$1,000	663 560	14 908	82 342	201 674	201 863	109 490	53 282
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	123 751	3 081	14 261	33 851	38 162	24 115	10 281
\$5,000 to \$9,999	13 358	339	1 658	4 257	4 079	2 114	911
\$10,000 to \$24,999	10 678	296	1 619	3 769	3 030	1 354	610
\$25,000 or more	4 609	96	579	1 461	1 413	694	366
Property taxes farms	886 758	7 946	59 943	192 298	265 320	210 395	150 856
\$1,000	1 137 726	6 929	56 887	221 362	343 273	286 699	222 575
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	857 435	7 817	58 829	187 837	256 587	202 337	144 028
\$5,000 to \$9,999	21 704	92	873	3 381	6 502	6 094	4 762
\$10,000 to \$24,999	6 260	29	181	909	1 831	1 625	1 685
\$25,000 or more	1 359	8	60	171	400	339	381
All other farm production expenses farms	786 068	9 502	59 979	178 123	233 873	178 866	125 725
\$1,000	2 263 385	16 199	134 493	501 943	722 001	515 546	373 202
Farms with expenses of—							
\$1 to \$4,999	728 216	8 864	55 696	164 262	215 536	166 374	117 484
\$5,000 to \$24,999	49 041	587	3 778	12 065	15 740	10 312	6 559
\$25,000 to \$49,999	4 614	33	287	922	1 401	1 124	847
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2 309	14	134	486	674	574	427
\$100,000 or more	1 888	4	84	388	522	482	408

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

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹								
All farms..... number..	1 911 824	957 235	12 086	56 244	154 403	182 347	206 332	345 823
..... \$1,000..	42 557 871	38 557 765	354 552	2 644 713	9 487 049	10 851 998	8 664 810	6 554 643
Average per farm..... dollars..	22 260	40 280	29 336	47 022	61 443	59 513	41 995	18 954
Farms with net gains ² number..	985 718	614 888	8 740	40 334	111 176	123 724	131 176	199 738
Average net gain..... dollars..	51 296	70 528	45 437	72 735	93 945	97 242	74 664	38 882
Gain of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	120 163	41 354	533	1 503	3 540	4 900	8 118	22 760
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	370 611	177 030	2 633	8 320	19 690	24 569	35 752	86 066
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	292 484	215 536	3 390	16 391	41 608	45 589	46 644	62 094
\$50,000 or more.....	202 460	180 968	2 184	14 120	46 338	48 666	40 842	28 818
Farms with net losses..... number..	926 106	342 347	3 346	15 910	43 227	58 623	75 156	146 085
Average net loss..... dollars..	8 645	14 047	12 721	18 165	22 148	20 115	15 027	8 293
Loss of—								
Less than \$1,000.....	165 390	48 325	396	1 611	3 685	5 555	9 353	27 725
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	591 517	198 012	1 849	8 108	21 315	30 056	43 538	93 146
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	152 649	82 116	982	5 181	15 044	18 936	19 128	22 845
\$50,000 or more.....	16 550	13 894	119	1 010	3 183	4 076	3 137	2 369
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME								
Government payments..... farms..	685 029	445 601	4 986	28 784	86 537	94 632	98 046	132 616
..... \$1,000..	5 054 473	4 110 061	34 196	244 423	925 413	1 054 746	945 548	905 735
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	545 480	340 982	4 623	21 268	61 962	69 418	75 513	108 198
..... \$1,000..	3 272 268	2 471 963	24 764	142 808	494 126	581 155	555 317	673 793
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	142 854	99 420	2 207	9 324	24 215	23 797	21 160	18 717
..... \$1,000..	1 235 117	1 033 775	16 626	89 858	270 989	275 116	220 747	160 439
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	175 901	85 068	635	2 735	9 335	13 037	17 006	41 320
..... \$1,000..	1 207 934	786 492	3 241	20 711	91 734	140 904	177 726	352 177
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	46 426	24 916	151	998	3 328	4 644	5 826	9 969
..... \$1,000..	344 337	224 611	1 127	7 819	28 276	50 489	58 333	78 567
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	303 908	222 952	2 657	13 930	42 937	48 479	50 871	64 078
..... \$1,000..	484 881	427 084	3 769	24 421	103 128	114 646	98 510	82 610
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS								
Total..... farms..	83 328	68 995	1 228	6 715	18 837	17 634	13 782	10 799
..... \$1,000..	3 034 713	2 821 979	32 905	221 826	826 872	836 070	593 558	310 748
Corn..... farms..	50 489	41 876	717	4 120	12 127	10 860	8 445	5 607
..... \$1,000..	1 333 884	1 239 484	14 427	91 986	371 985	374 185	267 542	119 359
Wheat..... farms..	22 961	19 369	345	1 747	4 947	4 793	3 748	3 789
..... \$1,000..	415 427	392 794	3 824	28 337	110 335	115 398	81 138	53 763
Soybeans..... farms..	25 487	21 091	397	2 006	5 882	5 781	4 354	2 671
..... \$1,000..	774 032	708 289	7 811	53 927	204 363	217 607	152 100	72 481
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	6 375	5 544	117	560	1 528	1 408	1 007	924
..... \$1,000..	54 841	52 243	724	4 383	14 101	16 300	10 934	5 801
Cotton..... farms..	4 422	3 828	119	517	967	826	766	633
..... \$1,000..	191 362	183 871	2 855	17 489	54 209	47 290	38 679	23 347
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	686	643	13	90	214	182	93	51
..... \$1,000..	17 259	16 631	180	2 021	6 367	5 109	1 936	1 019
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	4 103	3 454	86	367	855	859	624	663
..... \$1,000..	247 908	228 668	3 084	23 684	65 511	60 182	41 229	34 978
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE								
Total cropland..... farms..	1 661 395	873 875	9 468	52 107	146 557	170 369	192 280	303 094
..... acres..	431 144 896	353 086 055	3 174 557	22 539 291	80 165 274	90 728 941	79 879 776	76 598 216
Harvested cropland..... farms..	1 410 606	795 474	8 932	49 115	138 525	158 874	176 207	263 821
..... acres..	309 395 475	268 818 879	2 582 613	18 433 577	65 458 825	72 002 995	60 800 081	49 540 788
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	674 025	249 066	2 077	10 103	27 076	36 937	53 773	119 100
50 to 99 acres.....	196 580	106 965	1 449	6 265	14 092	17 351	23 098	44 710
100 to 199 acres.....	175 196	118 791	1 865	8 322	20 382	22 912	26 067	39 243
200 to 499 acres.....	189 243	155 479	2 105	12 669	33 105	35 122	35 883	36 595
500 to 999 acres.....	105 079	97 440	908	7 446	25 646	26 059	22 287	15 094
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	52 768	50 658	409	3 333	13 715	15 211	11 300	6 690
2,000 acres or more.....	17 715	17 075	119	977	4 509	5 282	3 799	2 389
Cropland:								
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	754 170	376 647	2 911	19 352	55 596	69 164	85 045	144 579
..... acres..	64 466 542	41 092 677	294 122	2 029 235	6 267 168	8 314 815	9 465 911	14 721 426
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	153 177	81 569	579	3 917	13 479	16 682	18 243	28 669
..... acres..	13 531 246	8 531 684	47 799	337 995	1 366 657	1 810 398	1 890 849	3 077 986
On which all crops failed..... farms..	51 673	33 492	373	2 215	6 573	7 551	7 472	9 308
..... acres..	3 449 446	2 795 681	28 573	174 518	602 525	681 935	621 683	686 447
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	81 702	62 350	608	3 628	11 875	13 544	13 479	19 216
..... acres..	20 905 910	18 810 250	144 068	955 747	4 062 001	4 839 789	4 176 604	4 632 041
Idle..... farms..	232 961	122 346	981	6 231	20 290	24 663	27 123	43 058
..... acres..	19 396 277	13 036 884	77 382	608 219	2 408 098	3 079 009	2 924 648	3 939 528
Total woodland..... farms..	743 011	361 607	2 243	15 790	50 703	66 579	84 643	141 649
..... acres..	71 465 431	42 494 162	170 705	1 514 370	5 700 079	10 379 627	9 796 014	14 933 367
Woodland pastured..... farms..	352 217	175 981	1 072	7 200	22 494	29 945	41 089	74 181
..... acres..	29 693 909	19 322 004	75 105	625 393	2 256 701	5 454 181	3 997 115	6 913 509
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	531 846	266 266	1 597	11 801	38 681	50 261	61 179	96 747
..... acres..	41 771 522	23 172 158	95 600	888 977	3 443 378	4 925 446	5 798 899	8 019 858

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
NET CASH RETURN FROM AGRICULTURAL SALES FOR THE FARM UNIT (SEE TEXT)¹							
All farms..... number..	954 589	11 851	71 975	210 803	280 308	217 987	161 665
..... \$1,000..	4 000 107	33 793	227 767	861 265	1 053 942	952 581	870 758
Average per farm..... dollars..	4 190	2 851	3 165	4 086	3 760	4 370	5 386
Farms with net gains ² number..	370 830	6 071	29 648	78 686	102 568	85 722	68 135
Average net gain..... dollars..	19 408	10 021	15 316	20 499	20 477	19 475	19 071
Gain of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	78 809	1 225	5 748	16 088	22 124	18 551	15 073
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	193 581	3 367	15 683	39 774	52 190	45 550	37 017
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	76 948	1 274	6 556	17 826	21 943	16 998	12 351
\$50,000 or more.....	21 492	205	1 661	4 998	6 311	4 623	3 694
Farms with net losses..... number..	583 759	5 780	42 327	132 117	177 740	132 265	93 530
Average net loss..... dollars..	5 476	4 679	5 347	5 690	5 887	5 420	4 583
Loss of—							
Less than \$1,000.....	117 065	1 356	7 572	23 235	31 300	27 422	26 180
\$1,000 to \$9,999.....	393 505	3 859	29 250	90 452	121 430	89 230	59 284
\$10,000 to \$49,999.....	70 533	539	5 382	17 805	24 216	14 963	7 628
\$50,000 or more.....	2 656	26	123	625	794	650	438
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS AND OTHER FARM-RELATED INCOME							
Government payments..... farms..	239 428	2 312	16 440	50 310	66 788	55 016	48 562
..... \$1,000..	944 412	6 482	49 756	172 873	249 531	225 558	240 213
Other farm-related income ¹ farms..	204 498	1 997	14 698	43 812	60 312	48 218	35 461
..... \$1,000..	800 305	5 456	42 942	157 897	220 215	196 327	177 469
Customwork and other agricultural services..... farms..	43 434	702	4 685	11 486	13 107	8 818	4 636
..... \$1,000..	201 341	2 982	19 468	57 137	55 162	42 283	24 310
Gross cash rent or share payments..... farms..	90 833	506	4 850	16 388	25 019	22 600	21 470
..... \$1,000..	421 442	1 628	15 880	64 912	111 874	108 357	118 792
Forest products, excluding Christmas trees and maple products..... farms..	21 510	152	1 263	4 527	6 737	5 252	3 579
..... \$1,000..	119 725	461	4 429	23 234	35 445	31 328	24 827
Other farm-related income sources..... farms..	80 956	903	6 252	18 005	25 229	19 177	11 390
..... \$1,000..	57 796	385	3 165	12 614	17 734	14 359	9 540
COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS							
Total..... farms..	14 333	272	1 589	4 280	4 110	2 569	1 513
..... \$1,000..	212 733	2 665	19 450	65 706	70 058	37 940	16 915
Corn..... farms..	8 613	167	1 050	2 732	2 484	1 396	784
..... \$1,000..	94 400	691	9 663	31 103	30 691	15 557	6 152
Wheat..... farms..	3 592	68	336	1 023	989	730	446
..... \$1,000..	22 633	403	1 512	6 174	6 622	5 247	2 675
Soybeans..... farms..	4 396	102	558	1 428	1 310	685	313
..... \$1,000..	65 742	756	6 171	21 438	22 665	10 832	3 880
Sorghum, barley, and oats..... farms..	831	10	99	270	250	127	75
..... \$1,000..	2 599	(D)	239	795	834	(D)	(D)
Cotton..... farms..	594	6	70	146	173	122	77
..... \$1,000..	7 491	154	660	1 761	1 962	1 769	1 186
Sunflower seed, flaxseed, safflower, canola, other rapeseed, and mustard seed..... farms..	43	1	11	8	16	6	1
..... \$1,000..	628	(D)	146	165	227	(D)	(D)
Peanuts, rice, and tobacco..... farms..	649	9	54	127	171	151	137
..... \$1,000..	19 240	92	1 059	4 269	7 057	3 858	2 905
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE							
Total cropland..... farms..	787 520	7 467	56 713	173 990	234 022	183 249	132 079
..... acres..	78 058 841	707 681	5 382 634	16 950 807	22 722 035	18 309 697	13 985 987
Harvested cropland..... farms..	615 132	6 165	45 789	139 624	185 528	142 062	95 964
..... acres..	40 576 596	424 437	3 214 849	9 896 996	12 146 330	8 914 260	5 979 724
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 49 acres.....	424 959	3 806	29 685	93 575	128 266	99 699	69 928
50 to 99 acres.....	89 615	1 097	7 110	20 363	27 022	21 021	13 002
100 to 199 acres.....	56 405	819	5 115	13 922	16 897	12 350	7 302
200 to 499 acres.....	33 764	360	3 137	9 167	10 252	6 796	4 052
500 to 999 acres.....	7 639	66	598	1 998	2 245	1 577	1 155
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	2 110	16	114	470	672	448	390
2,000 acres or more.....	640	1	30	129	174	171	135
Cropland:							
Pasture or grazing only..... farms..	377 523	2 837	26 629	84 540	116 557	89 595	57 365
..... acres..	23 373 865	175 074	1 533 455	4 729 939	6 945 223	5 892 569	4 097 605
In cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms..	71 608	398	3 828	13 725	21 046	17 462	15 149
..... acres..	4 999 562	32 593	200 266	754 283	1 253 512	1 273 855	1 485 053
On which all crops failed..... farms..	18 181	155	1 433	4 325	5 710	3 979	2 579
..... acres..	653 765	5 451	42 965	127 943	198 674	147 900	130 832
In cultivated summer fallow..... farms..	19 352	173	1 270	4 055	5 452	4 575	3 827
..... acres..	2 095 660	16 709	122 108	418 006	565 109	446 919	526 809
Idle..... farms..	110 615	672	6 122	21 496	31 837	27 157	23 331
..... acres..	6 359 393	53 417	268 991	1 023 640	1 613 187	1 634 194	1 765 964
Total woodland..... farms..	2 181 404	2 187	22 846	79 235	116 925	94 251	65 960
..... acres..	28 971 269	132 951	1 231 321	4 766 888	8 698 600	7 536 004	6 605 505
Woodland pastured..... farms..	176 236	1 177	11 513	36 943	53 801	43 785	29 017
..... acres..	10 371 905	67 045	493 989	1 828 091	3 107 366	2 569 733	2 305 681
Woodland not pastured..... farms..	271 580	1 367	15 350	56 104	83 804	67 156	47 799
..... acres..	18 599 364	65 906	737 332	2 938 797	5 591 234	4 966 271	4 299 824

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.								
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	550 619	295 869	2 716	15 807	46 861	58 100	66 240	106 145
..... acres..	396 884 553	316 366 817	1 152 260	12 741 149	49 237 465	79 297 720	73 578 318	100 359 905
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	1 142 618	591 482	4 163	29 470	93 876	116 025	134 819	213 129
..... acres..	32 300 375	23 198 913	96 435	996 520	3 992 229	5 069 727	6 112 435	6 931 567
Irrigated land farms..	279 442	175 008	1 731	11 082	34 863	41 447	38 340	47 545
..... acres..	55 058 128	49 638 311	430 360	3 287 983	11 731 692	13 822 285	11 026 511	9 339 480
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	252 679	164 461	1 672	10 660	33 454	39 429	35 976	43 270
..... acres..	50 013 473	45 733 197	415 970	3 110 601	11 086 269	12 777 271	10 130 491	8 212 595
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	58 258	29 581	161	1 276	4 526	6 382	6 894	10 342
..... acres..	5 044 655	3 905 114	14 390	177 382	645 423	1 045 014	896 020	1 126 885
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	225 410	117 161	694	4 853	18 544	22 639	25 391	45 040
..... acres..	29 489 059	18 182 778	81 220	637 136	2 767 998	3 731 704	4 015 581	6 949 139
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹								
Estimated market value of land and buildings..... farms..	1 911 823	957 234	12 086	56 244	154 403	182 347	206 332	345 822
..... \$1,000..	859 839 242	626 198 396	5 475 429	34 275 939	126 255 757	156 753 704	144 485 455	158 952 112
Average per farm dollars..	449 748	654 175	453 039	609 415	817 703	859 645	700 257	459 636
Average per acre dollars..	933	864	1 006	929	939	867	872	790
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$39,999	180 177	56 400	1 325	3 636	6 966	8 351	9 633	26 489
\$40,000 to \$69,999	176 532	58 140	942	3 541	6 639	8 010	10 764	28 244
\$70,000 to \$99,999	171 042	61 125	802	3 038	7 082	8 305	11 259	30 639
\$100,000 to \$149,999	247 468	94 651	1 270	5 232	11 435	13 721	19 256	43 737
\$150,000 to \$199,999	199 232	84 371	890	4 418	10 847	12 996	17 824	37 396
\$200,000 to \$499,999	524 066	282 824	3 725	17 143	43 658	51 538	63 564	103 196
\$500,000 to \$999,999	227 047	162 988	1 778	10 259	32 439	36 935	37 814	43 763
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	117 896	96 888	976	5 957	21 475	25 437	22 529	20 514
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	55 664	48 796	324	2 546	11 603	13 799	11 163	9 361
\$5,000,000 or more	12 699	11 051	54	474	2 259	3 255	2 526	2 483
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	1 911 601	957 136	12 086	56 240	154 385	182 326	206 318	345 781
..... \$1,000..	110 256 802	83 097 552	931 011	5 286 266	18 401 982	21 133 305	18 881 163	18 463 825
Farms by value group:								
\$1 to \$4,999	189 701	56 724	573	2 349	5 151	6 856	10 105	31 690
\$5,000 to \$9,999	255 541	85 596	1 015	3 685	8 623	11 044	16 952	44 277
\$10,000 to \$19,999	374 433	142 955	1 885	6 699	15 356	20 247	28 807	69 961
\$20,000 to \$49,999	529 288	247 588	3 232	14 327	32 889	41 858	54 583	100 699
\$50,000 to \$99,999	260 390	168 768	2 522	11 439	31 130	35 170	38 044	50 463
\$100,000 to \$199,999	172 086	138 307	1 645	10 068	32 216	34 257	30 842	29 279
\$200,000 to \$499,999	108 858	97 240	1 048	6 606	24 052	26 926	22 281	16 327
\$500,000 or more	21 304	19 958	166	1 067	4 968	5 968	4 704	3 085
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹								
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	1 688 303	892 145	10 947	52 160	146 742	173 665	195 271	313 360
..... number..	3 497 735	2 211 446	23 480	123 460	407 148	503 631	501 368	652 359
Wheel tractors farms..	1 707 384	870 625	9 887	48 091	138 790	165 859	190 902	317 096
..... number..	3 936 014	2 425 767	24 959	126 183	425 126	517 617	557 695	774 187
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	877 119	426 100	3 940	19 403	60 427	77 960	96 130	168 240
..... number..	1 262 688	659 971	6 027	29 330	94 369	123 480	151 433	255 332
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	1 321 084	731 621	8 812	42 556	123 527	144 306	161 569	250 851
..... number..	2 673 326	1 765 796	18 932	96 853	330 757	394 137	406 262	518 855
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	1 145 466	620 192	6 282	31 703	98 845	121 836	140 140	221 386
..... number..	1 808 105	1 089 711	10 324	52 382	180 142	228 096	251 914	366 853
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	513 773	364 704	5 418	26 030	77 101	81 420	80 831	93 904
..... number..	865 221	676 085	8 608	44 471	150 615	166 041	154 348	152 002
Grain and bean combines farms..	395 934	303 944	3 807	18 955	62 729	68 912	70 600	78 941
..... number..	460 606	357 554	4 445	21 993	73 603	82 686	83 385	91 442
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	25 874	23 000	421	2 113	5 261	5 724	5 064	4 417
..... number..	38 294	34 571	574	2 938	7 957	8 722	7 756	6 624
Mower conditioners farms..	543 565	320 216	3 103	16 902	53 157	64 271	73 528	109 255
..... number..	608 443	360 692	3 484	18 870	60 006	72 903	82 896	122 533
Pickup balers farms..	579 440	357 087	3 574	18 728	58 734	71 092	82 631	122 328
..... number..	717 245	451 384	4 429	23 455	74 810	91 814	105 604	151 272
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹								
Commercial fertilizer farms..	1 184 975	693 760	9 002	43 450	120 903	138 490	153 666	228 249
..... acres on which used..	233 447 100	201 805 356	2 351 803	13 969 026	48 530 998	53 794 259	45 603 675	37 555 595
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—								
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	366 127	254 458	3 760	19 730	54 261	58 979	55 148	62 580
..... acres on which used..	61 520 355	55 608 508	641 285	3 912 598	13 683 746	15 414 969	12 350 099	9 605 811
Nematodes in crops farms..	42 964	30 728	544	2 279	6 857	7 189	6 506	7 353
..... acres on which used..	6 464 826	5 801 736	67 401	449 038	1 507 287	1 613 269	1 235 064	929 677
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	112 513	70 859	852	5 026	14 917	16 497	15 136	18 431
..... acres on which used..	13 315 058	11 972 911	114 535	770 992	3 002 353	3 439 181	2 695 294	1 950 556
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	685 056	447 174	6 940	32 243	89 569	97 867	97 834	122 721
..... acres on which used..	184 195 515	163 492 662	2 103 062	11 721 761	41 619 166	45 239 434	36 454 184	26 355 055
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	51 480	36 935	623	3 016	8 326	8 777	8 263	7 930
..... acres on which used..	11 472 739	10 643 359	128 772	846 922	2 730 516	2 973 680	2 360 526	1 602 943

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

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE—Con.							
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms..	254 750	3 028	19 799	58 294	76 030	57 321	40 278
acres..	80 517 736	518 761	3 460 929	12 522 561	20 589 259	19 111 142	24 315 084
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms..	551 136	3 393	35 622	121 487	166 968	130 419	93 247
acres..	9 101 462	43 800	416 414	1 554 956	2 576 809	2 211 918	2 297 565
Irrigated land farms..	104 434	590	5 707	23 160	32 822	24 570	17 585
acres..	5 419 817	26 924	272 081	1 075 370	1 614 092	1 333 482	1 097 868
Harvested cropland irrigated farms..	88 218	490	4 750	19 391	27 596	20 756	15 235
acres..	4 280 276	20 669	214 418	870 079	1 261 986	1 023 525	889 599
Pasture and other land irrigated farms..	28 677	136	1 605	6 798	9 510	6 729	3 899
acres..	1 139 541	6 255	57 663	205 291	352 106	309 957	208 269
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs farms..	108 249	471	4 582	17 818	28 278	26 946	30 154
acres..	11 306 281	53 555	398 480	1 592 126	2 692 878	2 817 207	3 752 035
VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS¹							
Estimated market value of land and buildings farms..	954 589	11 851	71 975	210 803	280 308	217 987	161 665
\$1,000..	233 640 846	1 973 945	13 514 342	47 204 955	70 382 149	56 611 077	43 954 378
Average per farm dollars..	244 755	166 564	187 764	223 929	251 089	259 699	271 886
Average per acre dollars..	1 188	1 119	1 266	1 327	1 291	1 205	933
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$39,999	123 777	3 090	12 500	28 227	32 079	24 758	23 123
\$40,000 to \$69,999	118 392	1 938	10 745	26 636	31 301	25 817	21 955
\$70,000 to \$99,999	109 917	1 382	9 811	24 866	30 708	24 346	18 804
\$100,000 to \$149,999	152 817	1 635	11 747	35 038	46 091	34 131	24 175
\$150,000 to \$199,999	114 861	943	7 471	26 340	35 289	27 084	17 734
\$200,000 to \$499,999	241 242	2 152	14 804	51 603	76 065	58 369	38 249
\$500,000 to \$999,999	64 059	505	3 523	12 641	20 023	15 864	11 503
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	21 008	152	1 035	4 004	6 326	5 437	4 054
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	6 868	46	288	1 191	1 991	1 750	1 602
\$5,000,000 or more	1 648	8	51	257	435	431	466
VALUE OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment farms..	954 465	11 850	71 970	210 760	280 279	217 962	161 644
\$1,000..	27 159 250	337 627	2 038 053	6 033 806	8 046 589	6 178 537	4 524 637
Farms by value group:							
\$1 to \$4,999	132 977	1 540	9 774	28 169	37 032	30 240	26 222
\$5,000 to \$9,999	169 945	1 978	12 676	37 270	47 908	39 709	30 404
\$10,000 to \$19,999	231 478	2 710	17 455	51 477	67 896	52 874	39 066
\$20,000 to \$49,999	281 700	3 810	21 672	62 813	85 629	64 286	43 490
\$50,000 to \$99,999	91 622	1 190	6 768	20 948	28 301	20 158	14 257
\$100,000 to \$199,999	33 779	441	2 659	7 228	9 892	7 714	5 845
\$200,000 to \$499,999	11 618	179	891	2 539	3 267	2 655	2 087
\$500,000 or more	1 346	2	75	316	354	326	273
SELECTED MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT¹							
Motortrucks, including pickups farms..	796 158	10 212	61 624	178 337	234 724	180 786	130 475
number..	1 286 289	16 586	97 494	289 879	382 317	290 939	209 074
Wheel tractors farms..	836 759	9 357	58 672	181 256	248 211	196 626	142 637
number..	1 510 247	17 844	102 959	322 831	450 127	360 551	255 935
Less than 40 horsepower (PTO) farms..	451 019	4 383	28 602	93 284	133 937	110 607	80 206
number..	602 717	6 136	37 422	121 874	177 865	150 327	109 093
40 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	589 463	7 355	43 962	131 148	175 845	135 822	95 331
number..	907 530	11 708	65 537	200 957	272 262	210 224	146 842
40 to 99 horsepower (PTO) farms..	525 274	6 166	37 247	115 265	158 256	123 004	85 336
number..	718 394	8 563	49 156	155 407	216 821	170 555	117 892
100 horsepower (PTO) or more farms..	149 069	2 493	13 285	35 879	43 341	31 307	22 764
number..	189 136	3 145	16 381	45 550	55 441	39 669	28 950
Grain and bean combines farms..	91 990	1 735	8 259	22 835	27 613	20 201	11 347
number..	103 052	1 989	9 218	25 715	30 838	22 591	12 701
Cotton pickers and strippers farms..	2 874	26	178	589	826	691	564
number..	3 723	26	228	732	1 036	933	768
Mower conditioners farms..	223 349	2 163	14 938	50 737	70 278	54 550	30 683
number..	247 751	2 393	16 553	56 314	77 685	60 702	34 104
Pickup balers farms..	222 353	2 272	15 702	51 290	70 393	53 952	28 744
number..	265 861	2 823	18 825	61 184	84 729	64 497	33 803
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS¹							
Commercial fertilizer farms..	491 215	6 157	38 043	110 257	147 359	114 210	75 189
acres on which used..	31 641 744	405 896	2 475 297	7 439 351	9 461 296	7 229 884	4 630 020
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—							
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	111 669	1 519	9 760	26 728	32 398	24 259	17 005
acres on which used..	5 911 847	69 220	420 199	1 326 970	1 672 449	1 282 162	1 140 847
Nematodes in crops farms..	12 236	175	1 035	2 867	3 465	2 768	1 926
acres on which used..	663 090	4 136	46 324	134 532	192 926	155 308	129 864
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	41 654	461	3 267	9 620	11 889	9 347	7 070
acres on which used..	1 342 147	16 789	71 131	245 540	375 369	352 790	280 528
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	237 882	3 758	21 283	59 043	72 426	51 069	30 303
acres on which used..	20 702 853	307 891	1 852 568	5 334 820	6 218 372	4 306 047	2 683 155
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	14 545	171	1 313	3 543	4 273	2 935	2 310
acres on which used..	829 380	5 250	54 808	167 952	249 186	196 320	155 864

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR								
All operators	1 911 859	961 560	10 765	57 744	159 587	186 115	209 886	337 463
Full owners	1 146 891	481 274	2 577	15 773	50 260	73 246	105 268	234 150
Part owners	573 839	374 284	2 781	23 127	79 762	91 401	90 263	86 950
Tenants	191 129	106 002	5 407	18 844	29 565	21 468	14 355	16 363
White	1 864 201	939 976	10 592	56 686	156 385	181 585	205 203	329 525
Full owners	1 117 494	469 139	2 512	15 377	48 872	70 962	102 663	228 753
Part owners	562 367	385 399	2 757	22 840	78 847	90 059	88 800	85 096
Tenants	184 340	102 438	5 323	18 469	28 666	20 564	13 740	15 676
Black and other races	47 658	21 584	173	1 058	3 202	4 530	4 683	7 938
Full owners	29 397	12 135	65	396	1 388	2 284	2 605	5 397
Part owners	11 472	5 885	24	287	915	1 342	1 463	1 854
Tenants	6 789	3 564	84	375	899	904	615	687
OWNED AND RENTED LAND								
Land owned..... farms..	1 729 486	861 062	5 415	39 236	130 784	165 471	196 484	323 672
acres..	611 960 421	450 813 812	1 468 359	13 983 941	60 745 038	105 784 991	110 946 505	157 884 978
Owned land in farms	1 720 730	855 558	5 358	38 900	130 022	164 647	195 531	321 100
acres..	553 705 270	415 840 540	1 359 503	13 053 849	57 163 165	99 949 066	103 275 732	141 039 225
Land rented or leased from others	farms.. 771 190	483 654	8 213	42 106	109 734	113 424	105 364	104 813
acres..	384 287 662	323 872 780	3 270 860	24 997 424	82 794 924	86 624 666	67 079 319	59 105 587
landlords..	2 079 344	1 532 773	21 817	129 114	396 337	398 836	327 149	259 520
Rented or leased land in farms	farms.. 764 968	480 286	8 188	41 971	109 327	112 869	104 618	103 313
acres..	378 089 985	319 305 407	3 234 454	24 737 481	81 931 882	85 526 949	66 090 811	57 783 830
Land rented or leased to others	farms.. 258 167	127 686	689	4 282	13 913	19 029	26 358	63 415
acres..	64 452 828	39 540 645	145 262	1 190 035	4 444 915	6 933 642	8 659 281	18 167 510
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	1 361 766	729 203	6 148	39 068	118 799	142 324	165 076	257 788
Not on farm operated	412 554	155 275	3 910	14 627	28 872	28 864	29 887	49 115
Not reported	137 539	77 082	707	4 049	11 916	14 927	14 923	30 560
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	961 560	961 560	10 765	57 744	159 587	186 115	209 886	337 463
Other	950 299	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	755 254	618 430	4 971	29 541	88 688	107 300	137 175	250 755
Any	1 042 158	228 683	4 938	23 634	56 437	59 835	50 357	33 482
1 to 99 days	164 957	115 121	2 511	11 162	26 956	27 537	25 939	21 016
100 to 199 days	167 922	55 026	1 102	5 378	13 638	15 453	12 692	6 763
200 days or more	709 279	58 536	1 325	7 094	15 843	16 845	11 726	5 703
Not reported	114 447	114 447	856	4 569	14 462	18 980	22 354	53 226
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	92 574	31 713	2 988	6 692	7 943	5 988	4 738	3 364
3 or 4 years	126 791	41 259	2 341	8 322	10 924	8 173	6 785	4 714
5 to 9 years	263 642	95 094	1 576	18 399	26 297	19 113	16 201	13 508
10 years or more	1 113 839	630 147	—	14 997	91 048	124 403	150 000	249 699
Average years on present farm	20.1	24.4	3.2	7.4	13.6	19.2	25.6	35.6
Not reported	315 013	163 347	3 860	9 334	23 375	28 438	32 162	66 178
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	20 850	10 765	10 765	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	128 455	57 744	—	57 744	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	371 442	159 587	—	—	159 587	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	232 845	93 599	—	—	—	93 599	—	—
50 to 54 years	233 884	92 516	—	—	—	92 516	—	—
55 to 59 years	222 736	98 860	—	—	—	—	98 860	—
60 to 64 years	204 618	111 026	—	—	—	—	111 026	—
65 to 69 years	179 858	115 409	—	—	—	—	—	115 409
70 years and over	317 171	222 054	—	—	—	—	—	222 054
Average age	54.3	56.9	21.6	30.6	39.9	49.4	59.6	73.0
Operators by sex:								
Male	1 746 757	886 394	10 355	54 881	149 101	172 057	194 899	305 101
Female	165 102	75 166	410	2 863	10 486	14 058	14 987	32 362
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)								
	27 717	13 561	135	844	2 454	2 859	2 915	4 354
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms.. 1 643 424	793 524	9 119	47 133	126 469	148 328	174 019	288 456
acres..	585 464 911	450 083 465	3 375 850	25 560 405	88 506 886	107 997 005	103 632 671	121 010 648
Partnership	farms.. 169 462	100 257	1 246	6 953	18 400	20 044	21 091	32 523
acres..	149 321 484	122 267 433	842 004	6 186 313	24 824 212	28 740 198	26 099 653	35 575 053
Corporation:								
Family held	farms.. 76 103	56 426	321	3 053	12 522	15 217	12 522	12 791
acres..	119 559 203	107 048 211	345 748	4 412 588	20 200 582	30 693 955	23 034 461	28 360 877
More than 10 stockholders	farms.. 1 795	1 244	3	58	268	340	261	314
10 or less stockholders	farms.. 74 308	55 182	318	2 995	12 254	14 877	12 261	12 477
Other than family held	farms.. 7 899	4 394	37	325	1 186	1 265	844	737
acres..	11 904 053	9 265 625	14 142	365 006	1 617 534	3 073 355	2 047 279	2 148 309
More than 10 stockholders	farms.. 1 029	572	2	34	181	181	115	59
10 or less stockholders	farms.. 6 870	3 822	35	291	1 005	1 084	729	678
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.								
farms..	14 971	6 959	42	280	1 010	1 261	1 410	2 956
acres..	65 545 604	46 481 213	16 213	1 267 018	3 945 833	14 971 502	14 552 479	11 728 168

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
TENURE AND RACE OF OPERATOR							
All operators	950 299	10 085	70 711	211 855	280 614	217 468	159 566
Full owners	665 617	3 679	36 356	130 963	193 530	165 510	135 579
Part owners	199 555	1 416	17 804	55 354	66 542	41 450	16 989
Tenants	85 127	4 990	16 551	25 538	20 542	10 508	6 998
White	924 225	9 873	69 022	206 118	272 739	211 709	154 764
Full owners	648 355	3 601	35 508	127 567	188 443	161 415	131 821
Part owners	193 968	1 385	17 421	53 944	64 631	40 282	16 305
Tenants	81 902	4 887	16 093	24 607	19 665	10 012	6 638
Black and other races	26 074	212	1 689	5 737	7 875	5 759	4 802
Full owners	17 262	78	848	3 396	5 087	4 095	3 758
Part owners	5 587	31	383	1 410	1 911	1 168	684
Tenants	3 225	103	458	931	877	496	360
OWNED AND RENTED LAND							
Land owned..... farms..	868 424	5 130	54 429	187 078	260 908	207 642	153 237
acres..	161 146 609	573 066	5 266 282	22 616 750	42 238 812	42 581 334	47 870 365
Owned land in farms	865 172	5 095	54 160	186 317	260 072	206 960	152 568
acres..	137 864 730	478 639	4 653 537	19 794 482	36 737 459	36 066 833	40 133 780
Land rented or leased from others	287 536	6 425	34 522	81 492	87 841	52 653	24 603
farms..	60 414 882	934 360	5 957 726	16 343 759	18 366 768	11 448 401	7 363 868
acres..	546 571	10 821	62 940	157 502	169 133	101 749	44 426
landlords..	284 682	6 406	34 355	80 892	87 084	51 958	23 987
Rented or leased land in farms	58 784 578	924 554	5 837 761	16 000 730	17 849 244	11 101 928	7 070 361
acres..	130 481	534	5 960	22 596	34 951	32 521	33 919
Land rented or leased to others	24 912 183	104 233	732 710	3 165 297	6 018 877	6 860 974	8 030 092
acres..							
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated	632 563	4 598	44 760	150 219	198 690	144 974	89 322
Not on farm operated	257 279	4 690	21 864	50 521	66 685	58 360	55 159
Not reported	60 457	797	4 087	11 115	15 239	14 134	15 085
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	950 299	10 085	70 711	211 855	280 614	217 468	159 566
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None	136 824	828	2 711	8 653	13 799	26 898	83 935
Any	813 475	9 257	68 000	203 202	266 815	190 570	75 631
1 to 99 days	49 836	852	2 736	7 510	10 712	13 073	14 953
100 to 199 days	112 896	1 482	7 463	23 551	34 483	29 317	16 600
200 days or more	650 743	6 923	57 801	172 141	221 620	148 180	44 078
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less	60 861	2 754	12 419	19 539	15 657	7 577	2 915
3 or 4 years	85 532	2 161	15 398	29 125	23 914	11 165	3 769
5 to 9 years	168 548	1 259	22 760	56 845	51 198	26 327	10 159
10 years or more	483 692	—	9 670	79 454	153 245	137 461	103 862
Average years on present farm	15.8	3.1	5.7	9.6	14.2	19.5	28.4
Not reported	151 666	3 911	10 464	26 892	36 600	34 938	38 861
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	10 085	10 085	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	70 711	—	70 711	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	211 855	—	—	211 855	—	—	—
45 to 49 years	139 246	—	—	—	139 246	—	—
50 to 54 years	141 368	—	—	—	141 368	—	—
55 to 59 years	123 876	—	—	—	—	123 876	—
60 to 64 years	93 592	—	—	—	—	93 592	—
65 to 69 years	64 449	—	—	—	—	—	64 449
70 years and over	95 117	—	—	—	—	—	95 117
Average age	51.7	21.4	30.7	40.0	49.5	59.0	72.4
Operators by sex:							
Male	860 363	9 214	66 299	195 544	258 221	198 728	132 357
Female	89 936	871	4 412	16 311	22 393	18 740	27 209
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	14 156	100	1 028	3 398	4 320	3 052	2 258
FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)..... farms..	849 900	9 097	63 595	191 550	253 376	194 842	137 440
acres..	135 381 446	1 183 847	8 653 131	27 801 649	39 674 722	32 517 534	25 550 563
Partnership	69 205	814	5 614	14 163	18 452	15 366	14 796
acres..	27 054 051	160 101	1 311 539	4 682 279	7 291 376	6 286 696	7 322 060
Corporation:							
Family held	19 677	91	925	4 077	5 618	4 658	4 308
acres..	12 510 992	32 752	330 495	1 726 429	3 118 647	3 586 594	3 716 075
More than 10 stockholders	551	1	18	94	140	126	172
10 or less stockholders	19 126	90	907	3 983	5 478	4 532	4 136
Other than family held	3 505	9	179	801	1 152	784	580
acres..	2 638 428	837	72 596	481 284	1 200 144	498 679	384 888
More than 10 stockholders	457	2	13	101	165	101	75
10 or less stockholders	3 048	7	166	700	987	683	505
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms..	8 012	74	398	1 264	2 016	1 818	2 442
acres..	19 064 391	25 656	123 537	1 103 571	3 301 814	4 279 258	10 230 555

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.								
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 1 011 809	544 078	5 257	31 020	84 957	100 329	121 087	201 428
	number.. 74 089 046	57 776 917	314 204	3 175 915	11 741 749	15 696 253	12 912 281	13 936 515
	\$1,000.. 40 524 836	32 056 392	154 875	1 716 659	6 779 783	9 003 795	7 119 237	7 282 042
Calves	farms.. 615 177	315 070	2 858	17 606	46 325	56 036	69 883	122 362
	number.. 16 480 293	11 796 578	88 028	762 658	2 150 238	2 685 370	2 642 609	3 467 675
	\$1,000.. 4 453 738	3 116 496	22 351	189 541	543 967	687 034	706 547	967 056
Cattle	farms.. 738 696	414 258	3 972	24 022	67 137	78 467	93 276	147 384
	number.. 57 608 753	45 980 339	226 176	2 413 257	9 591 511	13 010 883	10 269 672	10 468 840
	\$1,000.. 36 071 098	28 939 896	132 524	1 527 118	6 235 817	8 316 761	6 412 690	6 314 986
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 110 620	68 151	762	4 568	13 566	14 283	15 427	19 545
	number.. 27 328 190	21 738 091	50 905	1 049 333	5 107 597	6 949 544	4 520 198	4 060 514
	\$1,000.. 20 365 894	16 252 657	37 937	804 526	3 896 552	5 126 912	3 380 327	3 006 403
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 109 754	68 870	1 115	6 825	18 222	16 545	14 115	12 048
	number.. 61 206 236	52 844 881	643 099	5 456 808	15 411 802	15 343 103	10 285 100	5 704 969
Farms with—								
1 to 24	43 274	16 562	226	1 268	3 644	3 533	3 332	4 559
25 to 49	8 126	4 594	94	328	928	972	1 014	1 258
50 to 99	8 491	5 656	92	506	1 192	1 294	1 273	1 299
100 to 199	9 837	7 518	156	795	1 850	1 743	1 654	1 320
200 to 499	16 508	13 733	233	1 468	3 909	3 533	2 833	1 757
500 or more	23 518	20 807	314	2 460	6 699	5 470	4 009	1 855
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 64 029	44 639	625	4 262	11 776	10 758	9 285	7 933
	number.. 6 831 564	5 936 724	57 539	678 740	1 724 885	1 696 456	1 159 693	619 411
Other	farms.. 102 977	65 552	1 051	6 554	17 443	15 780	13 470	11 254
	number.. 54 374 672	46 908 157	585 560	4 778 068	13 686 917	13 646 647	9 125 407	5 085 558
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 102 106	67 233	1 135	6 660	17 844	16 325	13 799	11 470
	number.. 142 611 882	121 940 851	1 340 272	13 687 364	35 118 523	35 649 353	24 676 461	11 468 878
	\$1,000.. 13 804 835	11 849 097	132 835	1 209 575	3 556 078	3 478 296	2 301 929	1 170 383
Feeder pigs	farms.. 17 170	11 052	192	1 311	3 077	2 688	2 120	1 664
	number.. 34 988 718	29 713 943	242 170	4 584 964	7 059 266	8 143 593	7 242 834	2 441 116
	\$1,000.. 1 232 614	1 047 368	8 584	150 027	257 782	288 253	248 831	93 891
Litters of pigs farrowed between—								
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 67 514	46 769	657	4 436	12 238	11 267	9 769	8 402
	number.. 11 497 523	10 136 724	91 837	1 102 363	2 968 960	2 863 778	2 075 303	1 034 483
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 62 622	44 233	616	4 165	11 632	10 731	9 240	7 849
	number.. 5 697 371	5 023 655	44 680	533 490	1 480 440	1 424 707	1 036 590	503 748
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 58 204	42 073	596	4 131	11 284	10 244	8 766	7 052
	number.. 5 800 152	5 113 069	47 157	568 873	1 488 520	1 439 071	1 038 713	530 735
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 65 790	31 651	299	1 767	5 879	6 791	6 826	10 089
	number.. 7 821 885	6 225 111	43 153	269 802	980 626	1 487 793	1 563 708	1 880 029
	\$1,000.. 56 414	27 685	270	1 507	5 038	5 914	6 036	8 920
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 4 408 683	3 522 663	20 900	153 949	607 293	852 407	837 892	1 050 222
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 59 575	29 348	279	1 560	5 416	6 270	6 313	9 510
	number.. 7 331 545	5 512 725	123 777	217 620	789 770	1 273 537	1 495 057	1 612 964
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 51 869	26 117	254	1 388	4 694	5 563	5 665	8 553
	number.. 6 139 140	4 923 622	48 011	201 565	790 524	1 166 614	1 190 249	1 526 659
	pounds of wool.. 47 182 067	38 560 307	263 651	1 574 737	6 269 704	8 980 806	9 362 606	12 108 803
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 375 218	156 233	1 374	9 991	29 082	36 069	34 434	45 283
	number.. 2 427 277	1 196 238	7 343	65 719	220 519	312 792	279 633	310 232
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 79 516	31 615	289	2 172	6 449	8 252	6 907	7 546
	number.. 325 306	163 734	868	9 770	34 578	44 956	38 719	34 843
Goats inventory	farms.. 57 925	21 218	154	1 226	3 861	4 667	4 905	6 405
	number.. 1 989 799	1 298 287	7 156	50 296	205 957	289 179	309 219	436 480
Goats sold	farms.. 23 520	8 933	57	448	1 519	1 978	2 134	2 797
	number.. 740 597	459 244	14 880	18 422	65 770	87 091	126 845	146 236
POULTRY								
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 72 616	33 319	266	2 326	6 555	7 012	6 887	10 273
	number.. 366 989 851	300 148 852	1 859 419	14 413 542	86 065 170	67 969 979	79 949 110	49 891 632
Farms with—								
1 to 399	66 059	28 090	217	1 800	5 227	5 645	5 655	9 546
400 to 3,199	673	500	6	36	102	96	113	147
3,200 to 9,999	1 090	852	8	92	216	208	222	106
10,000 to 19,999	1 995	1 568	17	172	412	453	353	161
20,000 to 49,999	1 620	1 316	8	163	325	361	309	150
50,000 to 99,999	573	471	3	39	122	136	96	75
100,000 or more	606	522	7	24	151	113	139	88
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 69 761	31 819	257	2 189	6 232	6 727	6 564	9 850
	number.. 313 851 480	258 062 936	1 552 941	11 665 977	75 754 236	59 298 507	67 876 294	41 914 981
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 13 180	6 086	46	404	1 120	1 281	1 282	1 953
	number.. 53 138 371	42 085 916	306 478	2 747 565	10 310 934	8 671 472	12 072 816	7 976 651
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 13 458	8 308	63	769	1 957	2 081	1 875	1 563
	number.. 331 563 736	265 289 909	1 581 768	17 057 885	73 604 752	65 738 814	68 045 708	39 260 982
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 23 937	16 299	160	1 418	3 808	4 423	4 011	2 479
	number.. 6 741 927 110	5 337 527 529	42 726 515	490 181 211	1 267 349 694	1 530 101 117	1 398 837 536	608 331 456
Farms with—								
1 to 1,999	4 951	2 018	23	200	632	501	340	322
2,000 to 59,999	1 138	768	9	59	154	170	170	206
60,000 to 99,999	1 536	1 002	6	60	165	216	266	289
100,000 or more	16 312	12 511	122	1 099	2 857	3 536	3 235	1 662
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 5 686	2 199	15	106	473	543	521	541
	number.. 5 504 808	4 291 600	49	107 833	1 240 492	1 671 549	956 362	315 315
Turkeys sold	farms.. 6 031	3 779	39	331	1 072	1 022	815	500
	number.. 307 586 680	251 045 266	1 934 907	21 599 858	61 255 153	76 083 126	64 803 713	25 368 509

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
LIVESTOCK—Con.							
Cattle and calves sold	farms.. 467 731	5 164	37 278	106 732	138 532	108 360	71 665
	number.. 16 312 129	91 270	861 688	3 444 793	4 948 221	3 872 588	3 093 569
	\$1,000.. 8 468 444	38 641	389 677	1 770 399	2 612 713	2 011 048	1 645 967
Calves	farms.. 300 107	2 968	23 402	66 366	88 477	71 286	47 608
	number.. 4 683 715	39 811	331 403	997 379	1 356 285	1 152 197	806 640
	\$1,000.. 1 337 242	11 647	92 826	280 632	386 464	333 111	232 562
Cattle	farms.. 324 438	3 567	25 542	74 775	97 122	75 040	48 392
	number.. 11 628 414	51 459	530 285	2 447 414	3 591 936	2 720 391	2 286 929
	\$1,000.. 7 131 202	26 994	296 851	1 489 767	2 226 249	1 677 937	1 413 404
Fattened on grain and concentrates	farms.. 42 469	580	3 733	11 755	12 878	8 718	4 805
	number.. 5 590 099	6 769	163 537	1 176 156	1 866 474	1 164 822	1 212 341
	\$1,000.. 4 113 238	4 785	118 762	862 083	1 365 251	889 325	873 031
Hogs and pigs inventory	farms.. 40 884	693	4 790	14 114	11 950	6 324	3 013
	number.. 8 361 355	97 686	1 079 522	2 810 828	2 264 828	1 353 817	754 674
Farms with—							
1 to 24	26 712	360	2 766	9 577	8 006	4 047	1 956
25 to 49	3 532	90	419	1 028	1 030	673	292
50 to 99	2 835	71	348	883	830	475	228
100 to 199	2 319	58	334	735	638	383	171
200 to 499	2 775	70	495	968	743	337	162
500 or more	2 711	44	428	923	703	409	204
Used or to be used for breeding	farms.. 19 390	342	2 168	6 292	5 646	3 284	1 658
	number.. 894 840	7 138	90 386	333 955	222 086	145 021	96 254
Other	farms.. 37 425	626	4 382	12 970	10 954	5 769	2 724
	number.. 7 466 515	90 548	989 136	2 476 873	2 042 742	1 208 796	658 420
Hogs and pigs sold	farms.. 34 873	717	4 153	12 085	10 222	5 227	2 469
	number.. 20 671 031	198 777	2 437 699	7 463 519	5 321 514	3 464 299	1 785 223
	\$1,000.. 1 955 738	18 075	225 267	675 666	521 222	333 956	181 552
Feeder pigs	farms.. 6 118	124	754	2 087	1 798	973	382
	number.. 5 274 775	20 472	668 249	2 107 334	1 141 918	964 331	372 471
	\$1,000.. 185 245	806	23 286	71 524	41 479	34 119	14 030
Litters of pigs farrowed between—							
Dec. 1 of preceding year and Nov. 30	farms.. 20 745	362	2 313	6 748	6 021	3 518	1 783
	number.. 1 360 799	10 783	144 536	472 295	324 161	250 203	158 821
Dec. 1 and May 31	farms.. 18 389	313	1 999	5 986	5 341	3 147	1 603
	number.. 673 716	5 241	71 454	232 551	158 023	126 721	79 726
June 1 and Nov. 30	farms.. 16 131	303	1 873	5 233	4 692	2 721	1 309
	number.. 687 083	5 542	73 082	239 744	166 138	123 482	79 095
Sheep and lambs of all ages inventory	farms.. 34 139	376	2 363	9 712	11 328	6 790	3 570
	number.. 1 596 774	14 631	110 725	343 250	471 856	419 271	237 041
	\$1,000.. 28 729	304	1 972	7 956	9 679	5 860	2 958
Ewes 1 year old or older	farms.. 886 020	8 615	53 030	199 789	290 903	196 910	136 773
Sheep and lambs sold	farms.. 30 227	385	2 087	8 587	10 040	6 003	3 125
	number.. 1 818 820	12 834	104 300	303 667	406 262	797 280	194 477
Sheep and lambs shorn	farms.. 25 752	304	1 724	7 058	8 673	5 256	2 737
	number.. 1 215 518	13 178	74 161	257 447	362 131	338 764	169 837
	pounds of wool.. 8 621 760	87 802	478 966	1 955 781	2 652 738	2 192 421	1 254 052
Horses and ponies inventory	farms.. 218 985	1 552	17 351	59 008	74 398	44 528	22 148
	number.. 1 231 039	6 511	82 137	302 258	420 293	271 312	148 528
Horses and ponies sold	farms.. 47 901	319	4 206	13 529	16 969	9 232	3 646
	number.. 161 572	1 045	12 549	38 570	56 412	36 457	16 539
Goats inventory	farms.. 36 707	232	3 019	10 724	11 941	7 359	3 432
	number.. 691 512	3 216	39 643	165 306	215 031	167 203	101 113
Goats sold	farms.. 14 587	99	1 175	4 288	4 737	3 005	1 283
	number.. 281 353	1 575	17 644	66 770	89 547	71 317	34 500
POULTRY							
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text)	farms.. 39 297	251	3 247	11 883	12 376	7 450	4 090
	number.. 66 840 999	428 431	4 172 880	11 035 634	25 885 528	14 382 336	10 936 190
Farms with—							
1 to 399	37 969	236	3 122	11 523	11 987	7 166	3 935
400 to 3,199	173	—	15	43	50	32	33
3,200 to 9,999	238	5	16	68	70	55	24
10,000 to 19,999	427	6	52	137	115	91	26
20,000 to 49,999	304	2	29	79	96	60	38
50,000 to 99,999	102	1	9	22	26	29	15
100,000 or more	84	1	4	11	32	17	19
Layers 20 weeks old and older	farms.. 37 942	238	3 095	11 501	11 977	7 219	3 912
	number.. 55 788 544	314 493	3 232 674	8 662 298	21 502 781	12 723 249	9 353 049
Pullets 13 weeks old and older but less than 20 weeks old	farms.. 7 094	51	645	2 100	2 235	1 345	718
	number.. 11 052 455	113 938	940 206	2 373 336	4 382 747	1 659 087	1 583 141
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold (see text)	farms.. 5 150	49	476	1 585	1 580	980	480
	number.. 66 273 827	364 278	6 581 758	15 679 911	21 925 545	12 739 066	8 983 269
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	farms.. 7 638	80	719	2 363	2 364	1 473	639
	number.. 1 404 399 581	12 715 004	115 349 630	334 909 354	473 980 699	311 080 608	156 364 286
Farms with—							
1 to 1,999	2 933	30	286	1 208	880	389	140
2,000 to 59,999	370	5	31	97	87	77	73
60,000 to 99,999	534	6	40	122	139	141	86
100,000 or more	3 801	39	362	936	1 258	866	340
Turkey hens kept for breeding	farms.. 3 487	24	286	1 104	1 114	680	279
	number.. 1 213 208	(D)	(D)	438 785	93 272	286 930	352 651
Turkeys sold	farms.. 2 252	19	172	790	752	380	139
	number.. 56 541 414	189 011	2 978 726	11 001 021	19 196 752	14 130 426	9 045 478

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED								
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 430 711	313 822	4 447	25 042	69 625	70 182	69 193	75 333
	acres.. 69 796 716	62 283 491	657 267	4 567 848	16 466 978	16 963 012	14 123 057	9 505 329
	bushels.. 8 578 634 770	7 711 700 592	81 881 968	573 150 412	2 069 236 167	2 110 448 777	1 741 387 303	1 135 595 965
Irrigated	farms.. 40 574	35 670	552	3 282	9 103	9 016	7 581	6 136
	acres.. 10 638 932	10 014 453	124 114	808 181	2 796 437	2 767 330	2 115 118	1 403 273
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	98 907	49 641	830	3 795	7 661	8 020	10 013	19 322
25 to 99 acres	141 885	95 596	1 653	7 699	18 460	18 611	19 960	29 213
100 to 249 acres	103 096	86 536	1 248	7 552	20 314	20 058	20 411	16 953
250 to 499 acres	55 293	51 763	472	4 087	14 461	14 205	12 072	6 466
500 acres or more	31 530	30 286	244	1 909	8 729	9 288	6 737	3 379
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 119 308	103 482	1 237	9 727	26 287	25 910	22 140	18 181
	acres.. 5 727 594	5 330 973	48 285	415 059	1 281 538	1 457 157	1 211 821	917 113
	tons, green.. 88 380 934	82 621 206	702 931	6 443 505	19 851 009	22 949 931	18 580 488	14 093 342
Irrigated	farms.. 10 815	9 583	94	636	2 145	2 493	2 164	2 051
	acres.. 1 033 322	956 973	5 445	59 749	200 952	276 045	211 798	202 984
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	55 145	43 456	591	4 578	10 893	9 915	8 900	8 579
25 to 99 acres	50 441	46 903	549	4 290	12 410	12 316	10 122	7 216
100 to 249 acres	11 078	10 594	81	717	2 453	2 892	2 528	1 923
250 to 499 acres	1 977	1 896	13	96	415	588	443	341
500 acres or more	667	633	3	46	116	199	147	122
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 49 397	39 449	506	2 896	8 254	8 638	8 469	10 686
	acres.. 8 470 353	7 664 826	70 388	510 050	1 780 350	2 048 950	1 735 906	1 519 182
	bushels.. 559 070 136	508 019 389	4 876 149	34 799 350	122 219 906	136 303 795	114 207 908	95 612 281
Irrigated	farms.. 5 793	5 206	68	432	1 295	1 289	1 139	983
	acres.. 875 607	824 958	9 420	62 791	207 734	208 139	188 833	148 041
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	7 222	4 330	61	288	650	732	865	1 734
25 to 99 acres	18 844	14 080	236	1 069	2 579	2 652	2 893	4 651
100 to 249 acres	13 794	12 076	130	944	2 837	2 758	2 638	2 769
250 to 499 acres	6 120	5 710	56	398	1 389	1 533	1 327	1 007
500 acres or more	3 417	3 253	23	197	799	963	746	525
Wheat for grain	farms.. 243 568	188 736	2 397	12 980	39 324	42 155	40 787	51 093
	acres.. 58 836 344	53 436 465	496 115	3 447 157	12 788 783	14 236 016	11 800 303	10 668 091
	bushels.. 2 204 026 684	2 009 973 488	18 014 752	126 007 047	488 614 253	541 051 987	443 828 311	392 457 138
Irrigated	farms.. 20 385	17 647	213	1 320	4 111	4 531	3 810	3 662
	acres.. 3 990 924	3 767 480	31 919	246 542	896 564	1 032 815	843 053	716 587
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	53 630	33 176	477	2 266	5 683	5 766	6 730	12 254
25 to 99 acres	77 031	56 275	792	3 806	10 953	11 765	12 198	16 761
100 to 249 acres	49 304	40 884	563	3 018	8 695	9 344	8 873	10 391
250 to 499 acres	29 308	26 018	298	1 789	5 881	6 256	5 798	5 996
500 acres or more	34 295	32 383	267	2 101	8 112	9 024	7 188	5 691
Barley for grain	farms.. 41 930	36 027	469	2 958	8 708	9 185	7 610	7 097
	acres.. 5 944 951	5 578 170	55 490	426 366	1 462 147	1 618 317	1 189 555	826 295
	bushels.. 336 435 009	316 747 694	3 103 699	23 706 811	84 120 806	92 761 912	66 834 505	46 219 961
Irrigated	farms.. 8 847	7 197	72	472	1 591	1 794	1 546	1 722
	acres.. 1 060 663	977 254	5 333	55 758	249 874	288 005	200 567	177 717
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	12 554	9 496	131	820	2 087	2 138	1 918	2 402
25 to 99 acres	13 352	11 510	168	895	2 665	2 804	2 467	2 511
100 to 249 acres	9 013	8 280	107	730	2 105	2 230	1 744	1 364
250 to 499 acres	4 431	4 250	47	347	1 161	1 241	943	511
500 acres or more	2 580	2 491	16	166	690	772	538	309
Oats for grain	farms.. 89 606	70 820	632	4 650	14 795	16 246	15 766	18 731
	acres.. 2 680 958	2 349 066	16 913	141 435	519 072	590 774	536 611	544 261
	bushels.. 151 327 329	134 094 636	983 107	7 890 309	30 359 748	34 381 855	30 764 081	29 715 536
Irrigated	farms.. 2 788	2 215	19	98	407	496	522	673
	acres.. 121 040	105 579	1 133	4 282	20 305	26 314	27 896	25 649
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	58 939	43 474	432	3 064	8 729	9 397	9 429	12 423
25 to 99 acres	25 781	22 829	174	1 316	5 035	5 612	5 321	5 371
100 to 249 acres	4 158	3 832	22	231	868	1 048	847	816
250 to 499 acres	568	540	4	31	126	157	129	93
500 acres or more	160	145	-	8	37	32	40	28
Rice	farms.. 9 291	8 182	165	845	2 017	2 312	1 677	1 166
	acres.. 3 122 120	2 930 791	37 308	266 281	748 920	869 609	611 061	397 612
	cwt.. 182 231 457	170 825 465	2 168 232	15 476 170	43 716 204	50 983 687	34 685 604	23 795 568
Irrigated	farms.. 9 291	8 182	165	845	2 017	2 312	1 677	1 166
	acres.. 3 122 120	2 930 791	37 308	266 281	748 920	869 609	611 061	397 612
Cotton	farms.. 31 493	26 514	468	2 454	5 962	6 468	5 862	5 300
	acres.. 13 235 236	12 437 678	141 312	1 030 192	3 108 816	3 393 851	2 812 892	1 950 615
	bales.. 17 878 743	16 875 209	178 481	1 338 509	4 172 291	4 701 889	3 751 534	2 732 505
Irrigated	farms.. 12 434	11 168	172	1 116	2 688	2 774	2 423	1 995
	acres.. 4 888 029	4 651 189	48 744	389 555	1 167 891	1 225 220	1 013 226	806 553
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 24 acres	2 161	1 076	24	86	159	174	198	435
25 to 99 acres	6 322	4 352	128	373	721	815	943	1 372
100 to 249 acres	7 376	6 276	126	631	1 303	1 494	1 431	1 291
250 to 499 acres	6 570	6 105	107	614	1 522	1 537	1 325	1 000
500 acres or more	9 064	8 705	83	750	2 257	2 448	1 965	1 202

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

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED							
Corn for grain or seed	farms.. 116 889	2 021	11 578	30 325	34 184	24 321	14 460
	acres.. 7 513 225	104 606	725 226	2 043 378	2 237 614	1 475 844	926 557
	bushels.. 866 934 178	12 040 622	84 525 187	237 371 678	257 180 604	168 483 970	107 332 117
Irrigated	farms.. 4 904	67	438	1 203	1 454	1 021	721
	acres.. 624 479	5 935	41 754	136 946	189 118	136 996	113 730
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	49 266	811	4 487	11 974	14 471	10 852	6 671
25 to 99 acres	46 289	940	4 910	12 138	13 321	9 537	5 443
100 to 249 acres	16 560	238	1 781	4 921	4 945	2 998	1 677
250 to 499 acres	3 530	21	323	1 015	1 045	667	459
500 acres or more	1 244	11	77	277	402	267	210
Corn for silage or green chop	farms.. 15 826	184	1 596	4 175	4 675	3 355	1 841
	acres.. 396 621	3 104	29 371	90 095	116 122	92 228	65 701
	tons, green.. 5 759 728	50 352	396 998	1 322 055	1 646 568	1 358 643	985 112
Irrigated	farms.. 1 232	10	89	329	362	250	192
	acres.. 76 349	345	2 488	17 605	22 200	16 741	16 970
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	11 689	145	1 256	3 230	3 458	2 394	1 206
25 to 99 acres	3 538	35	308	823	1 049	804	519
100 to 249 acres	484	4	29	101	135	124	91
250 to 499 acres	81	—	2	15	26	24	14
500 acres or more	34	—	1	6	7	9	11
Sorghum for grain or seed	farms.. 9 948	155	918	2 500	2 832	2 137	1 406
	acres.. 805 527	9 652	69 803	184 222	239 758	177 595	124 497
	bushels.. 51 050 747	620 340	4 498 291	11 734 363	15 512 642	10 836 347	7 848 764
Irrigated	farms.. 587	7	39	152	156	139	94
	acres.. 50 649	168	2 783	11 683	16 471	10 688	8 856
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	2 892	49	246	780	763	618	436
25 to 99 acres	4 764	82	459	1 181	1 360	1 013	669
100 to 249 acres	1 718	17	176	416	533	379	197
250 to 499 acres	410	5	22	94	128	88	73
500 acres or more	164	2	15	29	48	39	31
Wheat for grain	farms.. 54 832	842	4 756	13 807	15 731	11 736	7 960
	acres.. 5 399 879	66 523	397 560	1 335 934	1 536 797	1 152 985	910 080
	bushels.. 194 053 196	2 208 230	14 610 900	48 161 295	55 901 636	40 887 341	32 283 794
Irrigated	farms.. 2 738	31	183	706	803	574	441
	acres.. 223 444	1 576	15 472	54 715	63 140	47 321	41 220
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	20 454	338	1 796	5 145	5 868	4 413	2 894
25 to 99 acres	20 756	341	1 837	5 306	5 978	4 416	2 878
100 to 249 acres	8 420	117	776	2 089	2 369	1 756	1 313
250 to 499 acres	3 290	27	238	818	954	733	520
500 acres or more	1 912	19	109	449	562	418	355
Barley for grain	farms.. 5 903	75	501	1 563	1 796	1 235	733
	acres.. 366 781	3 879	32 010	102 865	106 017	74 131	47 879
	bushels.. 19 687 315	217 772	1 619 990	5 660 067	5 513 022	3 879 963	2 796 501
Irrigated	farms.. 1 650	12	98	409	518	396	217
	acres.. 83 409	400	5 195	21 395	24 494	19 557	12 368
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	3 058	34	239	823	949	641	372
25 to 99 acres	1 842	30	167	452	567	393	233
100 to 249 acres	733	9	80	203	198	152	91
250 to 499 acres	181	1	9	61	58	29	23
500 acres or more	89	1	6	24	24	20	14
Oats for grain	farms.. 18 786	206	1 609	4 918	5 797	4 162	2 094
	acres.. 331 892	3 210	26 355	87 843	99 592	73 111	41 781
	bushels.. 17 232 693	173 217	1 411 005	4 572 751	5 189 873	3 775 140	2 110 707
Irrigated	farms.. 573	2	29	137	173	157	75
	acres.. 15 461	(D)	(D)	4 392	4 065	4 374	2 124
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	15 465	172	1 340	4 032	4 839	3 420	1 662
25 to 99 acres	2 952	31	241	780	849	662	389
100 to 249 acres	326	3	27	98	97	70	31
250 to 499 acres	28	—	—	3	8	8	9
500 acres or more	15	—	1	5	4	2	3
Rice	farms.. 1 109	13	108	238	333	224	193
	acres.. 191 329	888	14 224	42 733	57 185	37 153	39 146
	cwt.. 11 405 992	47 395	816 639	2 522 318	3 723 819	2 132 605	2 163 216
Irrigated	farms.. 1 109	13	108	238	333	224	193
	acres.. 191 329	888	14 224	42 733	57 185	37 153	39 146
Cotton	farms.. 4 979	75	410	1 026	1 376	1 188	904
	acres.. 797 558	5 048	59 843	152 439	242 919	187 149	150 160
	bales.. 1 003 534	5 546	71 448	185 391	304 465	232 059	204 625
Irrigated	farms.. 1 266	21	80	268	394	282	221
	acres.. 236 840	1 605	12 252	40 501	71 669	53 399	57 414
Farms by acres harvested:							
1 to 24 acres	1 085	22	91	210	270	245	247
25 to 99 acres	1 970	37	158	404	536	489	346
100 to 249 acres	1 100	13	99	252	321	262	153
250 to 499 acres	465	3	33	104	131	105	89
500 acres or more	359	—	29	56	118	87	69

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

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Tobacco	farms .. 89 706	46 634	662	3 127	7 327	9 102	10 991	15 425
	acres .. 838 530	668 630	7 086	49 683	154 569	181 811	161 645	113 837
	pounds .. 1 747 702 321	1 425 750 624	14 976 854	105 513 019	337 098 084	395 272 867	341 090 350	231 799 450
Irrigated	farms .. 7 090	5 048	84	385	1 101	1 189	1 192	1 097
	acres .. 138 667	123 202	1 214	7 863	32 159	36 837	29 612	15 518
Farms by acres harvested:								
	0.1 to 0.9 acres .. 9 281	3 010	28	85	268	393	672	1 564
	1.0 to 1.9 acres .. 18 002	6 383	77	248	541	913	1 476	3 128
	2.0 to 2.9 acres .. 13 614	5 623	74	278	637	824	1 309	2 501
	3.0 to 4.9 acres .. 15 388	7 522	107	513	977	1 219	1 802	2 904
	5.0 to 9.9 acres .. 15 520	9 467	167	760	1 561	1 892	2 231	2 856
	10.0 to 24.9 acres .. 10 439	7 789	139	696	1 613	1 855	1 881	1 605
	25.0 acres or more .. 7 462	6 840	70	547	1 730	2 006	1 620	867
Soybeans for beans	farms .. 354 692	254 561	3 926	19 770	55 474	56 639	56 658	62 094
	acres .. 66 147 726	58 141 795	631 488	4 212 376	15 118 191	16 057 088	13 423 993	8 698 659
	bushels .. 2 504 307 294	2 209 171 593	23 439 107	159 142 062	583 665 216	612 042 455	507 337 106	323 545 647
Irrigated	farms .. 20 619	18 337	303	1 773	4 977	4 888	3 891	2 505
	acres .. 4 152 100	3 911 724	45 862	333 014	1 090 106	1 170 545	809 629	462 568
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres .. 54 666	26 059	557	1 896	4 063	3 940	4 947	10 656
	25 to 99 acres .. 124 626	76 761	1 515	5 734	12 901	13 175	16 107	27 329
	100 to 249 acres .. 93 204	74 849	1 162	6 528	16 928	17 001	17 908	15 322
	250 to 499 acres .. 51 632	47 613	449	3 731	13 165	13 390	11 146	5 732
	500 acres or more .. 30 564	29 279	243	1 881	8 417	9 133	6 550	3 055
Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas	farms .. 10 911	9 557	170	873	2 694	2 428	1 906	1 486
	acres .. 1 691 899	1 604 440	19 514	144 335	512 796	441 920	308 375	177 500
	cwt .. 27 223 851	25 795 806	321 884	2 260 305	8 154 400	7 079 960	4 983 747	2 995 510
Irrigated	farms .. 4 882	4 365	68	370	1 192	1 173	853	709
	acres .. 577 033	549 046	6 218	39 227	157 776	156 824	107 454	81 547
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres .. 1 619	1 073	18	81	217	222	225	310
	25 to 99 acres .. 4 146	3 576	92	339	913	857	737	638
	100 to 249 acres .. 3 196	3 016	46	279	935	806	586	364
	250 to 499 acres .. 1 321	1 277	10	130	411	371	244	111
	500 acres or more .. 629	615	4	44	218	172	114	63
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms .. 10 523	8 018	83	578	1 868	1 970	1 663	1 856
	acres .. 1 355 241	1 307 925	13 365	79 183	331 779	397 452	301 612	184 534
	cwt .. 459 886 344	443 752 905	3 734 053	25 354 820	115 186 503	136 058 031	103 616 328	59 803 170
Irrigated	farms .. 4 843	4 219	46	319	1 145	1 164	844	701
	acres .. 1 070 331	1 035 572	5 568	59 713	270 953	320 612	237 163	141 563
Farms by acres harvested:								
	0.1 to 4.9 acres .. 5 180	3 151	16	177	596	635	659	1 068
	5.0 to 24.9 acres .. 971	733	15	61	144	169	141	203
	25.0 to 99.9 acres .. 1 398	1 254	27	136	352	310	235	194
	100.0 to 249.9 acres .. 1 429	1 382	14	126	375	416	276	175
	250.0 acres or more .. 1 545	1 498	11	78	401	440	352	216
Sugar beets for sugar	farms .. 7 102	6 625	151	787	2 059	1 677	1 224	727
	acres .. 1 453 824	1 413 226	13 893	142 192	457 789	372 925	283 771	142 656
	tons .. 29 775 479	28 972 359	267 234	2 750 223	9 275 374	7 784 948	5 848 757	3 045 823
Irrigated	farms .. 3 492	3 281	54	327	938	870	632	460
	acres .. 616 414	600 589	3 397	47 831	170 041	166 178	129 696	83 446
Peanuts for nuts	farms .. 12 221	9 592	163	726	1 893	2 275	2 209	2 326
	acres .. 1 352 155	1 216 862	16 424	96 392	270 922	348 128	282 666	202 330
	pounds .. 3 377 142 874	3 069 479 112	42 223 101	260 412 485	716 599 266	864 037 626	698 447 322	487 759 312
Irrigated	farms .. 3 125	2 699	43	250	618	705	609	474
	acres .. 412 310	380 061	5 043	35 378	89 553	110 299	82 692	57 096
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms .. 888 597	490 782	3 964	26 893	79 728	93 978	110 028	176 191
	acres .. 60 799 788	45 747 830	340 006	2 645 850	8 972 769	10 963 864	10 473 393	12 351 948
	tons, dry .. 139 365 313	109 391 614	848 758	6 493 612	22 381 515	27 366 865	25 056 264	27 244 600
Irrigated	farms .. 79 406	51 199	408	2 682	9 354	11 530	11 535	15 690
	acres .. 9 564 336	8 241 942	55 248	416 471	1 607 449	2 223 536	1 889 169	2 050 069
Farms by acres harvested:								
	1 to 24 acres .. 362 437	145 388	1 196	7 014	18 604	21 920	31 288	65 366
	25 to 99 acres .. 362 566	212 382	1 723	11 676	33 000	39 032	48 228	78 723
	100 to 249 acres .. 121 006	95 151	783	5 945	19 841	22 926	21 902	23 754
	250 to 499 acres .. 30 121	26 494	190	1 638	5 834	7 003	6 030	5 799
	500 acres or more .. 12 467	11 367	72	620	2 449	3 097	2 580	2 549
Alfalfa hay	farms .. 358 365	239 898	2 264	16 116	49 369	53 111	52 456	66 582
	acres .. 21 309 784	17 782 219	134 983	1 095 042	3 903 545	4 576 184	3 970 923	4 101 542
	tons, dry .. 65 863 206	56 633 356	454 179	3 458 622	12 623 628	15 060 911	12 751 701	12 284 315
Irrigated	farms .. 57 854	38 773	307	2 067	7 313	8 887	8 686	11 513
	acres .. 5 980 532	5 179 529	39 273	273 412	1 052 758	1 408 123	1 180 084	1 225 879

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Item	Other occupations						
	Total	Age of operator (years)					
		Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—							
Con.							
Tobacco	farms.. 43 072	699	4 123	9 643	12 347	9 504	6 756
	acres.. 169 900	2 445	15 695	38 082	50 398	37 413	25 868
	pounds.. 321 951 697	4 423 513	29 285 068	72 397 226	96 251 375	70 098 470	49 496 045
Irrigated	farms.. 2 042	54	238	501	566	412	271
	acres.. 15 465	429	1 420	3 516	4 319	3 453	2 328
Farms by acres harvested:							
	0.1 to 0.9 acres	6 271	89	477	1 281	1 782	1 476
	1.0 to 1.9 acres	11 619	192	1 046	2 520	3 279	2 601
	2.0 to 2.9 acres	7 991	139	826	1 753	2 345	1 778
	3.0 to 4.9 acres	7 866	124	861	1 895	2 202	1 656
	5.0 to 9.9 acres	6 053	118	623	1 443	1 807	1 273
	10.0 to 24.9 acres	2 650	32	249	626	742	564
	25.0 acres or more	622	5	41	125	190	156
Soybeans for beans	farms.. 100 131	1 917	10 246	25 773	28 662	20 895	12 638
	acres.. 8 005 931	117 028	774 989	2 203 532	2 403 735	1 586 621	920 026
	bushels.. 295 135 701	4 315 876	29 121 230	82 277 503	88 712 456	57 004 022	33 704 614
Irrigated	farms.. 2 282	35	200	580	677	459	331
	acres.. 240 376	2 070	15 500	55 327	70 348	54 468	42 663
Farms by acres harvested:							
	1 to 24 acres	28 607	624	2 754	6 653	7 751	4 401
	25 to 99 acres	47 865	987	5 057	12 172	13 646	5 954
	100 to 249 acres	18 355	261	1 990	5 400	5 603	3 419
	250 to 499 acres	4 019	34	363	1 232	1 244	739
	500 acres or more	1 285	11	82	316	418	264
Dry edible beans, excluding dry limas	farms.. 1 354	26	124	353	397	271	183
	acres.. 87 459	1 858	8 364	25 196	25 101	17 513	9 427
	cwt.. 1 428 045	33 821	124 405	378 069	399 750	333 957	158 043
Irrigated	farms.. 517	5	40	124	159	111	78
	acres.. 27 987	232	1 533	7 752	8 300	6 052	4 118
Farms by acres harvested:							
	1 to 24 acres	546	10	40	129	175	85
	25 to 99 acres	570	9	54	159	153	73
	100 to 249 acres	180	6	27	51	28	19
	250 to 499 acres	44	1	3	10	15	5
	500 acres or more	14	—	—	4	5	1
Potatoes, excluding sweetpotatoes	farms.. 2 505	22	198	572	773	560	380
	acres.. 47 316	400	3 590	11 267	11 747	12 476	7 837
	cwt.. 16 133 439	90 597	1 129 803	4 115 947	4 505 384	3 871 129	2 420 579
Irrigated	farms.. 624	5	41	163	191	129	95
	acres.. 34 759	14	2 461	8 651	8 838	8 731	6 064
Farms by acres harvested:							
	0.1 to 4.9 acres	2 029	16	162	454	642	298
	5.0 to 24.9 acres	238	4	16	56	68	46
	25.0 to 99.9 acres	144	—	12	41	44	27
	100.0 to 249.9 acres	47	1	2	10	10	8
	250.0 acres or more	47	1	6	11	9	8
Sugar beets for sugar	farms.. 477	8	60	148	135	69	57
	acres.. 40 598	631	3 576	13 963	11 441	5 604	5 383
	tons.. 803 120	11 912	68 497	263 751	232 859	115 206	110 895
Irrigated	farms.. 211	2	12	51	67	39	40
	acres.. 15 825	(D)	(D)	3 446	5 949	2 661	3 045
Peanuts for nuts	farms.. 2 629	28	205	490	810	649	447
	acres.. 135 293	1 156	13 611	20 164	42 555	34 970	22 837
	pounds.. 307 663 762	3 422 846	34 869 988	45 455 820	92 286 152	81 582 968	50 045 988
Irrigated	farms.. 426	5	43	77	134	109	58
	acres.. 32 249	133	2 828	3 885	9 257	10 408	5 738
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	farms.. 397 815	2 873	28 608	91 144	123 156	92 930	59 104
	acres.. 15 051 958	103 715	1 026 430	3 366 072	4 655 322	3 600 859	2 299 560
	tons, dry.. 29 973 699	206 250	2 011 697	6 658 464	9 334 083	7 242 056	4 521 149
Irrigated	farms.. 28 207	98	1 574	6 805	9 248	6 480	4 002
	acres.. 1 322 394	5 386	64 019	279 925	419 236	328 118	225 710
Farms by acres harvested:							
	1 to 24 acres	217 049	1 604	16 053	50 595	66 444	49 623
	25 to 99 acres	150 184	1 045	10 472	33 576	47 118	36 099
	100 to 249 acres	25 855	195	1 803	5 962	8 223	6 025
	250 to 499 acres	3 627	22	227	813	1 058	909
	500 acres or more	1 100	7	53	198	313	274
Alfalfa hay	farms.. 118 467	959	9 211	30 562	37 303	25 514	14 918
	acres.. 3 527 565	25 583	241 990	866 208	1 102 351	784 313	507 120
	tons, dry.. 9 229 850	68 158	622 897	2 222 275	2 873 139	2 074 722	1 368 659
Irrigated	farms.. 19 081	72	1 117	4 720	6 181	4 367	2 624
	acres.. 801 003	4 268	42 246	173 135	252 422	190 858	138 074

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Item	Total farming and other occupations	Farming						
		Total	Age of operator (years)					
			Under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over
SELECTED CROPS HARVESTED—								
Con.								
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) farms . .	53 727	35 995	367	2 475	7 791	8 852	7 508	9 002
acres . .	3 773 219	3 453 529	22 437	197 322	836 023	1 032 217	716 713	648 817
Irrigated farms . .	23 203	17 184	172	1 276	4 008	4 717	3 439	3 572
acres . .	2 641 773	2 476 388	14 726	128 058	597 909	762 259	506 052	467 385
Farms by acres harvested:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	22 319	11 329	113	724	2 152	2 402	2 218	3 720
5.0 to 24.9 acres	14 276	9 655	110	680	2 010	2 222	2 071	2 562
25.0 to 99.9 acres	10 172	8 483	89	632	2 066	2 256	1 831	1 609
100.0 to 249.9 acres	3 963	3 668	38	288	879	1 108	777	578
250.0 acres or more	2 997	2 860	17	151	684	864	611	533
Land in orchards farms . .	106 069	50 635	142	1 555	6 553	9 775	11 439	21 171
acres . .	5 158 064	4 021 311	16 136	130 969	737 945	1 087 537	969 242	1 079 482
Irrigated farms . .	61 606	31 354	94	1 015	4 300	6 455	6 986	12 504
acres . .	4 107 903	3 289 362	14 556	103 706	605 343	896 024	800 951	868 782
Farms by bearing and nonbearing acres:								
0.1 to 4.9 acres	40 058	13 209	38	333	1 204	1 977	2 838	6 819
5.0 to 24.9 acres	36 523	16 479	33	423	1 800	2 732	3 752	7 739
25.0 to 99.9 acres	19 822	12 969	41	506	2 009	2 889	2 954	4 570
100.0 to 249.9 acres	6 100	4 941	15	183	945	1 323	1 150	1 325
250.0 acres or more	3 566	3 037	15	110	595	854	745	718

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