

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	13 082	(X)	12 670	13 189
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	37 590	34 722	29 726
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 873	2 741	2 254
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	10 758	(X)	10 854	11 359
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	14 663	14 725	13 833
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 363	1 357	1 218
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	5 093	984	4 861	5 229
\$500 to \$999	1 794	1 168	1 887	2 273
\$1,000 to \$1,999	1 591	2 081	1 887	1 762
\$2,000 to \$4,999	1 651	4 797	1 593	1 617
\$5,000 to \$9,999	483	3 059	459	337
\$10,000 to \$24,999	121	1 608	149	129
\$25,000 or more	25	965	18	12
Diesel fuel farms..	9 592	(X)	9 037	8 446
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	16 104	14 762	11 290
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 679	1 633	1 337
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	4 587	904	4 447	4 209
\$500 to \$999	1 748	1 098	1 328	1 511
\$1,000 to \$1,999	1 277	1 638	1 355	1 122
\$2,000 to \$4,999	1 125	3 308	1 169	1 105
\$5,000 to \$9,999	561	3 680	488	339
\$10,000 to \$24,999	244	3 353	197	139
\$25,000 or more	50	2 122	53	21
Natural gas farms..	672	(X)	756	707
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	2 390	1 877	1 272
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	3 557	2 483	1 799
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	31	1	75	85
\$100 to \$499	172	44	195	212
\$500 to \$999	122	83	160	211
\$1,000 to \$1,999	121	147	139	106
\$2,000 to \$4,999	124	393	116	66
\$5,000 to \$9,999	70	465	38	13
\$10,000 or more	32	1 256	33	14
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	9 393	(X)	9 009	8 963
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	4 434	3 359	3 331
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	472	373	372
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	3 745	173	3 594	3 895
\$100 to \$499	3 935	825	3 677	3 622
\$500 to \$999	842	536	956	779
\$1,000 to \$1,999	565	714	472	383
\$2,000 to \$4,999	216	588	244	213
\$5,000 to \$9,999	66	439	52	41
\$10,000 or more	24	1 158	14	30

Table 15. Agricultural Chemicals Used, Including Fertilizer: 1997, 1992, and 1987

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Chemicals used	1997	1992	1987
Any chemicals or fertilizer used ¹ farms..	8 786	8 086	9 056
Commercial fertilizer farms..	7 097	6 272	6 324
acres on which used	687 970	596 697	552 903
Average per farm \$1,000..	22 174	17 412	13 229
Agricultural chemicals farms..	5 883	5 917	7 760
Average per farm \$1,000..	9 374	8 569	8 604
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	2 512	3 194	4 075
acres on which used	224 632	257 165	284 299
Nematodes in crops farms..	82	78	85
acres on which used	4 713	2 949	4 901
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	353	414	558
acres on which used	10 333	13 269	21 048
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	3 636	3 332	4 655
acres on which used	331 033	284 490	360 811
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	193	236	265
acres on which used	6 140	12 930	9 314

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