

Table 45. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1997

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

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms	14 181	14	65	357	1 246
number..	100.0	.1	.5	2.5	8.8
Land in farms	12 024 661	20 542	360 183	4 282 406	7 554 400
acres..	848	1 467	5 541	11 996	6 063
Average size of farm					
acres..					
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	14 178	14	65	357	1 175
farms..	6 893 843	72 583	204 330	1 213 780	2 639 780
\$1,000..	486 235	5 184 470	3 143 543	3 399 944	2 246 621
Average per farm	575	3 533	567	283	352
dollars..					
Average per acre					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	\$1,000..	725 177	12 543	32 668	102 238
percent..	100.0	1.7	4.5	14.1	237 207
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	acres..	2 069 751	9 851	69 081	260 766
Harvested cropland	acres..	1 107 928	(D)	45 665	182 710
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	acres..	9 805 332	764	292 480	3 831 389
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000..	877 295	91 504	219 742	438 930
Average per farm	dollars..	61 864	6 536 034	3 380 647	1 229 495
Grains	farms..	2 337	1	11	99
\$1,000..	45 649	(D)	1 698	9 217	25 315
Cotton and cottonseed	farms..	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	farms..	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	farms..	4 836	3	17	114
\$1,000..	103 420	(D)	12 808	32 210	59 316
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	farms..	294	—	—	12
\$1,000..	12 068	—	—	3 442	8 336
Fruits, nuts, and berries	farms..	407	—	1	7
\$1,000..	10 859	—	(D)	2 451	7 034
Nursery and greenhouse crops	farms..	324	4	10	31
\$1,000..	70 160	22 564	37 626	54 698	64 333
Other crops	farms..	116	1	2	9
\$1,000..	5 286	(D)	(D)	4 390	4 691
Poultry and poultry products	farms..	326	2	13	53
\$1,000..	68 093	(D)	33 625	58 376	67 048
Dairy products	farms..	679	—	14	139
\$1,000..	195 545	—	31 353	114 328	182 085
Cattle and calves	farms..	7 598	6	35	253
\$1,000..	259 998	33 615	63 268	105 528	157 896
Hogs and pigs	farms..	379	2	9	22
\$1,000..	40 496	(D)	34 045	37 316	38 374
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms..	1 380	—	5	38
\$1,000..	30 144	—	(D)	7 875	20 384
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms..	1 895	—	4	44
\$1,000..	35 577	—	(D)	9 101	23 291
Total farm production expenses ¹	farms..	14 177	14	65	356
\$1,000..	699 532	80 877	172 984	344 704	500 298
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms..	5 266	9	43	233
\$1,000..	82 463	11 802	26 976	46 050	60 453
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms..	7 655	10	52	299
\$1,000..	198 854	32 599	75 998	136 271	175 007
Commercial fertilizer	farms..	7 097	9	34	233
\$1,000..	22 174	301	1 355	5 570	12 211
Agricultural chemicals	farms..	5 883	7	29	217
\$1,000..	9 374	320	729	2 537	5 311
Petroleum products	farms..	13 082	14	64	355
\$1,000..	37 590	2 121	4 062	9 896	18 590
Electricity	farms..	7 182	12	58	337
\$1,000..	16 687	1 928	4 154	8 127	12 145
Hired farm labor	farms..	6 059	13	60	342
\$1,000..	79 611	10 570	20 088	44 922	65 358
Interest	farms..	5 163	12	55	327
\$1,000..	50 664	4 988	8 322	18 851	31 082
Payments from government programs	farms..	2 284	2	19	127
\$1,000..	15 205	(D)	305	1 368	4 924
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	farms..	7 986	6	35	249
number..	916 090	17 254	76 156	228 432	452 052
Milk cows	farms..	891	—	14	138
number..	92 953	—	12 217	48 806	82 086
Hogs and pigs	farms..	511	2	9	23
number..	292 472	(D)	252 120	272 141	276 079

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

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