

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

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	5 489	(X)	5 046	5 470
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	13 005	12 369	10 935
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 369	2 451	1 999
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	4 353	(X)	4 189	4 755
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	4 151	4 073	4 765
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	954	972	1 002
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	2 373	386	2 062	2 165
\$500 to \$999	732	476	811	947
\$1,000 to \$1,999	634	832	769	938
\$2,000 to \$4,999	502	1 371	448	600
\$5,000 to \$9,999	91	579	74	83
\$10,000 to \$24,999	17	229	21	22
\$25,000 or more	4	279	4	—
Diesel fuel farms..	4 128	(X)	3 773	3 513
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	6 333	5 984	4 392
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 534	1 586	1 250
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	2 032	358	1 551	1 461
\$500 to \$999	687	455	581	683
\$1,000 to \$1,999	534	689	704	676
\$2,000 to \$4,999	579	1 670	678	549
\$5,000 to \$9,999	188	1 241	192	118
\$10,000 to \$24,999	91	1 262	61	25
\$25,000 or more	17	656	6	1
Natural gas farms..	83	(X)	119	163
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	83	86	184
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	998	726	1 131
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	16	(D)	2	11
\$100 to \$499	29	9	63	59
\$500 to \$999	18	12	26	34
\$1,000 to \$1,999	13	17	20	17
\$2,000 to \$4,999	3	10	7	41
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3	18	—	—
\$10,000 or more	1	(D)	1	1
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	4 048	(X)	4 034	4 208
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	2 438	2 226	1 593
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	602	552	379
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	1 394	61	1 224	1 590
\$100 to \$499	1 516	344	1 628	1 736
\$500 to \$999	537	359	610	491
\$1,000 to \$1,999	350	453	314	245
\$2,000 to \$4,999	180	490	208	127
\$5,000 to \$9,999	55	359	38	17
\$10,000 or more	16	373	12	2

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..	2 902	3 369	3 755
Commercial fertilizer farms..	2 708	3 127	3 425
acres on which used	253 144	287 522	284 133
Average per farm \$1,000..	9 800	10 887	9 015
Agricultural chemicals farms..	1 761	1 979	2 109
Average per farm \$1,000..	4 131	3 402	2 816
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	553	626	560
acres on which used	20 860	21 402	22 170
Nematodes in crops farms..	35	58	68
acres on which used	2 625	2 029	5 063
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	292	338	238
acres on which used	8 043	8 418	7 366
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	1 210	1 377	1 534
acres on which used	89 764	80 223	74 766
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	67	108	67
acres on which used	2 088	3 918	3 912

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