

Appendix B.

American Indian Farm Operators

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

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

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

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

Table A. American Indian Farm Operators: 1997

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

Geographic area	American Indian farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported	Other ¹
STATE TOTAL			
Virginia	47	47	—
COUNTIES, 1997			
Culpeper	4	4	—
Lee	4	4	—
Tazewell	4	4	—
Washington	4	4	—
All other counties.....	31	31	—

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

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

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

Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators ¹	47	(X)	(X)
Land in farms	8 547	8 228 226	.1
Estimated market value of land and buildings ²	\$1,000.. 14 216	15 813 008	.1
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ²	\$1,000.. 1 757	1 718 392	.1
Total cropland	3 651	4 322 425	.1
Harvested cropland	1 830	2 520 961	.1
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	1 695	1 519 882	.1
Other cropland	126	281 582	(Z)
Total woodland	2 953	2 514 073	.1
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	1 790	1 074 183	.2
Irrigated land	(D)	84 926	(Z)
Harvested cropland	(D)	81 922	(Z)
Pastureland and other land	-	3 004	-
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000.. 1 513	2 343 518	.1
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	\$1,000.. 595	780 099	.1
Livestock, poultry, and their products	\$1,000.. 917	1 563 418	.1
Total farm production expenses ²	\$1,000.. 1 307	1 924 690	.1
Cattle and calves inventory	2 039	1 639 058	.1
Beef cows	854	688 541	.1
Milk cows	(D)	121 823	(D)
Heifers and heifer calves	561	401 950	.1
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	(D)	426 744	(D)
Cattle and calves sold	977	906 897	.1
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more	423	609 414	.1
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter	50	44 476	.1
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds	554	297 483	.2
Sheep and lambs inventory	(D)	73 932	(Z)
Ewes 1 year old or older	(D)	43 679	(Z)
Sheep and lambs shorn	-	50 842	-
Sheep and lambs sold	-	56 036	-
Horses and ponies inventory	118	50 283	.2
Horses and ponies sold	23	5 348	.4
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed	113	318 208	(Z)
Wheat for grain	(D)	257 063	(Z)
Oats for grain	(D)	5 216	(D)
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	1 171	1 189 425	.1

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