

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	38 656	(X)	40 388	42 385
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	79 765	79 225	64 261
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	2 063	1 962	1 516
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	28 929	(X)	31 135	34 445
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	25 542	28 387	26 618
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	883	912	773
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	16 954	3 134	17 772	21 276
\$500 to \$999	5 206	3 444	5 837	5 908
\$1,000 to \$1,999	3 531	4 581	4 017	3 907
\$2,000 to \$4,999	2 386	6 742	2 554	2 639
\$5,000 to \$9,999	631	4 047	678	549
\$10,000 to \$24,999	196	2 770	240	144
\$25,000 or more	25	825	37	22
Diesel fuel farms..	30 435	(X)	28 947	26 891
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	29 187	28 309	22 439
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	959	978	834
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	19 502	3 743	18 550	17 854
\$500 to \$999	4 898	3 125	4 373	3 820
\$1,000 to \$1,999	2 732	3 507	2 639	2 416
\$2,000 to \$4,999	2 071	6 062	2 157	1 914
\$5,000 to \$9,999	792	5 233	826	657
\$10,000 to \$24,999	392	5 331	342	208
\$25,000 or more	48	2 186	60	22
Natural gas farms..	699	(X)	837	1 014
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	2 636	2 470	1 807
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	3 771	2 951	1 782
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	112	5	97	123
\$100 to \$499	141	33	173	261
\$500 to \$999	117	74	132	225
\$1,000 to \$1,999	88	114	173	182
\$2,000 to \$4,999	145	462	142	122
\$5,000 to \$9,999	51	376	79	81
\$10,000 or more	45	1 571	41	20
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	25 402	(X)	25 888	25 522
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	22 401	20 059	13 396
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	882	775	525
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	11 718	547	11 996	12 989
\$100 to \$499	8 917	1 725	8 787	7 803
\$500 to \$999	1 511	992	1 692	1 669
\$1,000 to \$1,999	1 103	1 468	1 096	1 370
\$2,000 to \$4,999	943	2 871	1 244	1 152
\$5,000 to \$9,999	665	4 597	659	395
\$10,000 or more	545	10 200	414	144

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..	28 902	33 663	35 105
Commercial fertilizer farms..	26 695	29 001	32 186
acres on which used	2 101 660	2 082 495	2 032 835
Average per farm \$1,000..	113 688	108 844	92 982
Agricultural chemicals farms..	16 382	24 321	23 489
Average per farm \$1,000..	69 655	64 381	51 382
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	6 902	14 112	11 662
acres on which used	575 771	628 369	678 466
Nematodes in crops farms..	1 724	2 021	3 141
acres on which used	151 573	132 937	134 215
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	3 298	3 385	3 921
acres on which used	202 424	162 992	135 909
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	9 903	10 674	13 779
acres on which used	1 119 769	1 099 109	1 153 803
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	1 177	1 349	1 658
acres on which used	118 073	60 869	55 322

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