

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			
West Virginia	31	31	—
COUNTIES, 1997			
Mason	4	4	—
Wood	4	4	—
All other counties.....	23	23	—

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

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Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators ¹	31	(X)	(X)
Land in farms	4 776	3 455 532	.1
Estimated market value of land and buildings ²	7 558	3 789 905	.2
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ²	526	432 904	.1
Total cropland	2 166	1 336 723	.2
Harvested cropland	586	621 632	.1
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	(D)	657 775	(D)
Other cropland	(D)	57 316	(Z)
Total woodland	1 724	1 421 984	.1
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	601	529 069	.1
Irrigated land	—	3 285	—
Harvested cropland	—	2 845	—
Pastureland and other land	—	440	—
Market value of agricultural products sold	173	447 428	(Z)
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	17	64 907	(Z)
Livestock, poultry, and their products	156	382 521	(Z)
Total farm production expenses ²	101	380 631	(Z)
Cattle and calves inventory	449	439 462	.1
Beef cows	236	202 844	.1
Milk cows	—	18 497	—
Heifers and heifer calves	80	101 466	.1
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	133	116 655	.1
Cattle and calves sold	370	270 361	.1
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more	288	173 150	.2
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter	42	11 678	.4
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds	82	97 211	.1
Sheep and lambs inventory	—	40 709	—
Ewes 1 year old or older	—	26 451	—
Sheep and lambs shorn	—	29 843	—
Sheep and lambs sold	—	29 803	—
Horses and ponies inventory	30	16 787	.2
Horses and ponies sold	—	1 766	—
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed	(D)	35 499	(Z)
Wheat for grain	—	7 620	—
Oats for grain	—	2 720	—
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	565	525 257	.1

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