

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

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Item	1997		1992	1987
	Farms	Expenses (\$1,000)		
Petroleum products farms..	16 807	(X)	16 045	16 325
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	16 457	15 877	12 787
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	979	990	783
Gasoline and gasohol farms..	12 386	(X)	12 896	13 086
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	6 162	7 226	6 499
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	497	560	497
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	8 842	1 523	8 977	9 363
\$500 to \$999	1 922	1 247	1 857	1 937
\$1,000 to \$1,999	1 039	1 306	1 286	1 192
\$2,000 to \$4,999	504	1 311	639	514
\$5,000 to \$9,999	59	383	110	60
\$10,000 to \$24,999	17	243	25	18
\$25,000 or more	3	149	2	2
Diesel fuel farms..	12 231	(X)	10 181	9 477
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	5 828	5 042	3 830
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	476	495	404
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$499	9 378	1 644	7 775	7 688
\$500 to \$999	1 691	1 108	1 208	991
\$1,000 to \$1,999	676	834	702	469
\$2,000 to \$4,999	382	1 097	395	254
\$5,000 to \$9,999	67	445	70	57
\$10,000 to \$24,999	31	456	27	15
\$25,000 or more	6	245	4	3
Natural gas farms..	241	(X)	372	428
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	427	470	558
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	1 772	1 264	1 304
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	28	1	42	61
\$100 to \$499	73	13	174	226
\$500 to \$999	39	22	60	68
\$1,000 to \$1,999	77	96	49	33
\$2,000 to \$4,999	12	37	29	15
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6	48	7	15
\$10,000 or more	6	210	11	10
LP gas, fuel oil, kerosene, motor oil, grease, etc. farms..	9 844	(X)	9 813	8 726
Average per farm \$1,000..	(X)	4 040	3 137	1 901
Average per farm dollars..	(X)	410	320	218
Farms with expenses of—				
\$1 to \$99	5 567	241	6 036	5 568
\$100 to \$499	3 513	636	3 032	2 592
\$500 to \$999	372	239	332	319
\$1,000 to \$1,999	145	166	180	113
\$2,000 to \$4,999	100	331	105	77
\$5,000 to \$9,999	56	384	69	36
\$10,000 or more	91	2 044	59	21

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..	9 785	12 254	10 838
Commercial fertilizer farms..	9 074	9 717	9 631
acres on which used..	322 827	321 705	335 575
Average per farm \$1,000..	11 710	11 670	10 779
Agricultural chemicals farms..	3 756	7 996	5 728
Average per farm \$1,000..	4 950	6 428	5 346
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—			
Insects on hay and other crops farms..	1 112	4 025	1 707
acres on which used..	41 830	73 878	64 005
Nematodes in crops farms..	162	128	169
acres on which used..	3 849	6 008	11 940
Diseases in crops and orchards farms..	570	615	580
acres on which used..	11 142	14 388	16 111
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture farms..	2 151	2 462	3 289
acres on which used..	93 500	98 351	128 734
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate farms..	255	252	294
acres on which used..	5 645	7 201	10 843

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