

Table 45. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1997

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

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms	65 602	128	964	4 815	13 177
number ..	100.0	.2	1.5	7.3	20.1
Land in farms	14 900 205	309 446	1 375 588	3 873 404	6 956 473
acres ..	227	2 418	1 427	804	528
Average size of farm					
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	65 585	128	964	4 612	12 876
farms ..	\$1,000 ..	18 503 801	520 393	2 162 108	5 286 472
Average per farm	dollars ..	282 135	4 065 570	2 242 850	1 146 243
Average per acre	dollars ..	1 244	1 682	1 572	1 403
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	\$1,000 ..	4 375 650	99 821	409 170	1 211 082
percent ..	100.0	2.3	9.4	27.7	2 274 865
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	10 353 300	242 604	1 117 310	3 179 649	5 553 913
Harvested cropland	8 625 011	227 128	1 054 221	2 964 139	5 097 841
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	1 666 450	10 463	56 966	236 145	544 585
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000 ..	5 579 861	559 600	1 394 993	2 790 080
Average per farm	dollars ..	85 056	4 371 872	1 447 088	579 456
Grains	farms ..	27 313	68	545	3 181
\$1,000 ..	879 967	28 725	166 242	425 044	618 929
Cotton and cottonseed	farms ..	—	—	—	—
\$1,000 ..	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	farms ..	836	—	9	58
\$1,000 ..	7 692	—	703	1 975	3 222
Hay, silage, and field seeds	farms ..	15 505	18	138	780
\$1,000 ..	106 572	(D)	5 619	20 950	2 165
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	farms ..	3 281	43	185	619
\$1,000 ..	149 443	44 160	78 589	106 852	1 103
Fruits, nuts, and berries	farms ..	1 005	11	81	151
\$1,000 ..	140 140	29 922	96 391	119 645	121 588
Nursery and greenhouse crops	farms ..	1 977	10	46	153
\$1,000 ..	157 348	38 339	71 453	106 403	239
Other crops	farms ..	1 633	33	107	228
\$1,000 ..	199 119	77 092	138 723	164 585	130 193
Poultry and poultry products	farms ..	1 805	16	89	178
\$1,000 ..	241 523	147 672	211 122	234 856	296
Dairy products	farms ..	22 592	38	462	3 232
\$1,000 ..	2 746 950	81 460	387 122	1 129 585	238 442
Cattle and calves	farms ..	38 832	55	595	3 793
\$1,000 ..	670 518	30 892	121 966	291 508	10 145
Hogs and pigs	farms ..	3 591	6	71	451
\$1,000 ..	151 164	8 489	37 535	90 454	11 337
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms ..	1 934	1	11	59
\$1,000 ..	4 847	(D)	40	506	173
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms ..	2 968	10	28	122
\$1,000 ..	124 576	71 547	79 485	97 719	711
Total farm production expenses ¹	farms ..	65 584	128	964	4 612
\$1,000 ..	4 202 802	372 052	999 667	1 972 257	12 876
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms ..	22 888	65	559	2 592
\$1,000 ..	306 830	40 215	94 849	167 240	6 375
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms ..	39 355	74	678	3 811
\$1,000 ..	847 206	100 999	246 611	451 566	11 227
Commercial fertilizer	farms ..	44 200	106	848	4 234
\$1,000 ..	258 450	14 778	48 706	112 155	12 024
Agricultural chemicals	farms ..	40 404	102	786	3 816
\$1,000 ..	169 356	16 639	42 754	82 511	177 769
Petroleum products	farms ..	60 160	127	959	4 587
\$1,000 ..	187 629	11 732	32 168	72 998	12 760
Electricity	farms ..	52 272	127	958	4 579
\$1,000 ..	107 204	6 715	17 279	38 059	12 765
Hired farm labor	farms ..	25 179	125	920	4 145
\$1,000 ..	409 009	66 786	162 618	277 502	66 070
Interest	farms ..	34 539	117	917	4 068
\$1,000 ..	356 573	20 921	69 537	144 872	10 257
Payments from government programs	farms ..	36 946	63	632	3 594
\$1,000 ..	137 274	1 777	12 376	41 244	9 862
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	farms ..	39 593	54	589	3 759
number ..	3 440 300	68 567	340 229	1 099 144	11 217
Milk cows	farms ..	22 576	39	460	3 194
number ..	1 336 626	30 535	150 418	462 786	9 977
Hogs and pigs	farms ..	3 686	6	72	440
number ..	738 339	28 445	139 401	388 522	893 878
					996
					1 292

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.