

**Table 3. Farm Production Expenses: 2012 and 2007**

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

Item	Delaware	Kent	New Castle	Sussex
Total farm production expenses .....farms, 2012	2,451	863	374	1,214
2007	2,546	825	347	1,374
\$1,000, 2012	981,803	208,805	61,081	711,918
2007	823,103	153,200	46,955	622,949
Average per farm .....dollars, 2012	400,572	241,952	163,318	586,423
2007	323,293	185,697	135,316	453,383
Fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners purchased .....farms, 2012	1,210	428	205	577
2007	1,414	479	219	716
\$1,000, 2012	52,806	15,824	7,507	29,475
2007	35,665	11,891	3,742	20,033
Chemicals purchased .....farms, 2012	1,313	431	197	685
2007	1,309	390	170	749
\$1,000, 2012	32,280	8,937	3,727	19,617
2007	23,147	7,043	2,417	13,687
Seeds, plants, vines, and trees purchased .....farms, 2012	1,116	371	182	563
2007	1,282	398	188	696
\$1,000, 2012	35,275	9,902	4,384	20,989
2007	25,271	6,694	2,572	16,005
Livestock and poultry purchased or leased .....farms, 2012	947	246	64	637
2007	981	249	57	675
\$1,000, 2012	94,265	17,005	3,187	74,073
2007	102,328	(D)	(D)	79,500
Breeding livestock purchased or leased .....farms, 2012	151	61	26	64
2007	131	69	26	36
\$1,000, 2012	1,871	(D)	(D)	1,065
2007	1,043	365	239	440
Other livestock and poultry purchased or leased .....farms, 2012	842	210	43	589
2007	899	208	42	649
\$1,000, 2012	92,394	(D)	(D)	73,008
2007	101,284	(D)	(D)	79,059
Feed purchased .....farms, 2012	1,602	546	222	834
2007	1,426	435	137	854
\$1,000, 2012	503,159	96,037	13,564	393,558
2007	416,368	61,765	10,800	343,803
Gasoline, fuels, and oils purchased .....farms, 2012	2,358	809	368	1,181
2007	2,473	797	338	1,338
\$1,000, 2012	30,861	7,483	3,114	20,264
2007	20,685	5,830	1,611	13,245
Utilities .....farms, 2012	1,850	579	254	1,017
2007	1,539	419	146	974
\$1,000, 2012	16,595	3,814	1,097	11,685
2007	13,032	2,634	789	9,609
Repairs, supplies, and maintenance costs .....farms, 2012	2,085	687	311	1,087
2007	2,331	738	314	1,279
\$1,000, 2012	40,061	10,025	4,154	25,882
2007	27,954	7,947	2,967	17,039
Hired farm labor .....farms, 2012	898	261	131	506
2007	647	169	81	397
\$1,000, 2012	50,307	11,872	9,207	29,228
2007	36,460	9,407	4,892	22,160
Contract labor .....farms, 2012	247	93	24	130
2007	178	49	16	113
\$1,000, 2012	6,147	2,124	905	3,118
2007	3,569	1,094	218	2,257
Customwork and custom hauling .....farms, 2012	1,021	283	58	680
2007	376	90	54	232
\$1,000, 2012	10,348	2,199	595	7,554
2007	2,409	689	253	1,467
Cash rent for land, buildings, and grazing fees .....farms, 2012	642	201	78	363
2007	780	283	122	375
\$1,000, 2012	25,825	6,379	3,684	15,762
2007	19,612	7,052	3,028	9,533
Rent and lease expenses for machinery, equipment, and farm share of vehicles .....farms, 2012	173	50	29	94
2007	155	39	13	103
\$1,000, 2012	2,839	791	163	1,885
2007	2,139	1,022	54	1,063
Interest expense .....farms, 2012	1,033	343	90	600
2007	801	230	91	480
\$1,000, 2012	18,464	5,762	992	11,709
2007	14,590	(D)	(D)	9,554
Secured by real estate .....farms, 2012	754	237	53	464
2007	638	176	50	412
\$1,000, 2012	14,186	4,377	571	9,238
2007	11,126	2,724	839	7,563
Not secured by real estate .....farms, 2012	644	241	63	340
2007	478	149	68	261
\$1,000, 2012	4,277	1,385	421	2,471
2007	3,465	(D)	(D)	1,991
Property taxes paid .....farms, 2012	2,261	790	345	1,126
2007	2,252	713	282	1,257
\$1,000, 2012	6,223	1,867	854	3,502
2007	4,524	1,364	582	2,578
All other production expenses (see text) .....farms, 2012	1,685	522	231	932
2007	1,577	456	181	940
\$1,000, 2012	56,347	8,784	3,946	43,617
2007	75,351	12,572	1,363	61,417
Depreciation expenses claimed (see text) .....farms, 2012	1,434	439	152	843
2007	1,217	325	162	730
\$1,000, 2012	71,884	15,978	4,209	51,697
2007	33,409	9,944	4,176	19,288