

**Table 39. Fertilizers and Chemicals Applied: 2002 and 1997**

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Delaware	Kent	New Castle	Sussex
Commercial fertilizer, lime, and soil conditioners <sup>1</sup> . . . . . farms, 2002	1,240	422	206	612
1997	1,457	508	194	755
acres treated, 2002	406,936	143,299	61,275	202,362
1997	372,622	135,676	59,028	177,918
Cropland fertilized, except cropland pastured . . . . . farms, 2002	1,202	415	197	590
1997	1,406	494	192	720
acres treated, 2002	403,595	140,974	60,998	201,623
1997	370,952	134,765	58,723	177,464
Pastureland and rangeland fertilized . . . . . farms, 2002	179	89	29	61
1997	134	57	20	57
acres treated, 2002	3,341	2,325	277	739
1997	1,670	911	305	454
Manure . . . . . farms, 2002	695	237	63	395
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres treated, 2002	84,903	18,649	2,282	63,972
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Chemicals used to control-				
Insects <sup>2</sup> . . . . . farms, 2002	530	163	76	291
1997	603	183	101	319
acres treated, 2002	149,622	49,706	24,567	75,349
1997	141,622	49,914	22,611	69,097
Weeds, grass, or brush . . . . . farms, 2002	1,076	328	141	607
1997	1,123	438	110	575
acres treated, 2002	333,103	102,472	51,454	179,177
1997	351,075	138,597	41,494	170,984
Nematodes . . . . . farms, 2002	32	3	1	28
1997	81	10	17	54
acres treated, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	711
1997	18,168	10,838	2,049	5,281
Diseases in crops and orchards . . . . . farms, 2002	188	32	32	124
1997	207	68	42	97
acres treated, 2002	20,608	3,970	4,744	11,894
1997	29,227	15,966	3,907	9,354
Chemicals used to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate . . . . . farms, 2002	34	10	2	22
1997	42	23	7	12
acres on which used, 2002	3,632	1,948	(D)	(D)
1997	10,374	4,085	4,277	2,012

<sup>1</sup> Data for 1997 exclude lime.

<sup>2</sup> Data for 1997 include treatment of crops, including hay, but not other land.