

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	6 135	4	18	92	326
number..	100.0	.1	.3	1.5	5.3
Land in farms	26 866 722	12 175	213 923	537 067	5 741 633
acres..	4 379	3 044	11 885	5 838	17 612
Average size of farm					
acres..					
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	6 133	4	18	92	326
farms..	10 360 218	(D)	386 044	1 255 626	3 088 125
\$1,000..	1 689 258	(D)	21 446 864	13 648 109	9 472 775
Average per farm	388	(D)	1 805	2 338	538
dollars..					
Average per acre					
dollars..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	\$1,000..	434 252	9 729	33 810	67 375
percent..	100.0	2.2	7.8	15.5	34.1
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	acres..	1 277 169	(D)	58 898	245 042
Harvested cropland	acres..	969 602	(D)	57 815	230 448
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	acres..	23 797 729	(D)	(D)	280 766
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$1,000..	1 903 408	210 413	487 798	954 506
Average per farm	dollars..	310 254	52 603 254	27 099 873	10 375 061
Grains	farms..	597	1	7	36
\$1,000..	84 653	(D)	4 388	21 260	45 635
Cotton and cottonseed	farms..	643	1	2	20
\$1,000..	298 090	(D)	(D)	47 355	126
Tobacco	farms..	—	—	—	151 793
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Hay, silage, and field seeds	farms..	927	1	6	26
\$1,000..	174 405	(D)	(D)	45 017	125
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	farms..	301	1	9	34
\$1,000..	398 469	(D)	159 964	305 479	370 631
Fruits, nuts, and berries	farms..	570	—	2	13
\$1,000..	118 542	—	(D)	52 513	86 653
Nursery and greenhouse crops	farms..	291	—	2	12
\$1,000..	131 519	—	(D)	61 067	37
Other crops	farms..	62	—	3	17
\$1,000..	17 212	—	(D)	5 481	104 658
Poultry and poultry products	farms..	194	—	—	1
\$1,000..	4 747	—	—	(D)	(D)
Dairy products	farms..	123	—	2	24
\$1,000..	282 185	—	(D)	144 774	78
Cattle and calves	farms..	2 639	3	7	34
\$1,000..	356 617	180 526	235 442	250 288	264 097
Hogs and pigs	farms..	125	—	1	2
\$1,000..	20 571	—	(D)	(D)	102
Sheep, lambs, and wool	farms..	232	—	—	—
\$1,000..	5 207	—	—	—	5
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	farms..	1 021	1	1	3
\$1,000..	11 191	(D)	(D)	(D)	8
Total farm production expenses ¹	farms..	6 133	4	18	92
\$1,000..	1 479 713	201 803	394 516	741 191	326
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	farms..	1 852	3	7	25
\$1,000..	149 969	94 333	107 421	117 033	83
Feed for livestock and poultry	farms..	3 260	3	8	35
\$1,000..	263 765	56 385	100 546	173 738	103
Commercial fertilizer	farms..	2 394	2	12	64
\$1,000..	76 286	(D)	10 761	28 660	249
Agricultural chemicals	farms..	1 997	2	11	63
\$1,000..	69 184	(D)	9 307	26 708	236
Petroleum products	farms..	5 393	4	18	90
\$1,000..	53 250	1 776	4 855	14 545	321
Electricity	farms..	3 707	4	18	83
\$1,000..	31 686	1 443	3 952	10 864	290
Hired farm labor	farms..	2 726	4	18	91
\$1,000..	255 124	20 328	59 961	131 632	325
Interest	farms..	2 191	4	14	83
\$1,000..	63 768	1 586	8 919	23 456	298
Payments from government programs	farms..	992	1	5	36
\$1,000..	23 308	(D)	370	3 434	156
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	farms..	2 881	3	7	34
number..	822 273	159 180	209 452	292 286	102
Milk cows	farms..	247	—	2	24
number..	123 371	—	(D)	59 909	78
Hogs and pigs	farms..	206	—	1	2
number..	141 112	—	(D)	(D)	4

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.