

**Table 10. Agricultural Chemicals Used, Including Fertilizer: 1997 and 1992**

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

Chemicals used	Delaware	Kent	New Castle	Sussex
Commercial fertilizer .....				
farms, 1997..	1 400	481	201	718
1992..	1 644	565	251	828
acres on which used, 1997..	370 567	135 287	58 462	176 818
1992..	392 152	139 066	62 174	190 912
Cropland fertilized, except pastureland .....				
farms, 1997..	1 358	469	199	690
1992..	1 623	563	246	814
acres on which used, 1997..	368 953	134 370	58 182	176 401
1992..	389 771	137 646	61 851	190 274
Pastureland and rangeland fertilized.....				
farms, 1997..	125	55	21	49
1992..	120	70	14	36
acres on which used, 1997..	1 614	917	280	417
1992..	2 381	1 420	323	638
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc., to control—				
Insects on hay and other crops .....				
farms, 1997..	581	178	96	307
1992..	628	193	125	310
acres on which used, 1997..	139 456	50 017	20 756	68 683
1992..	135 593	49 979	19 757	65 857
Nematodes in crops .....				
farms, 1997..	80	10	20	50
1992..	74	19	7	48
acres on which used, 1997..	18 647	10 838	2 541	5 268
1992..	19 484	10 171	701	8 612
Diseases in crops and orchards.....				
farms, 1997..	203	66	45	92
1992..	146	31	30	85
acres on which used, 1997..	29 287	16 077	3 906	9 304
1992..	21 540	11 938	3 689	5 913
Weeds, grass, or brush in crops and pasture .....				
farms, 1997..	1 078	419	100	559
1992..	1 438	459	158	821
acres on which used, 1997..	347 678	138 246	39 928	169 504
1992..	376 286	130 489	45 417	200 380
Chemicals used on crops to control growth, thin fruit, or defoliate .....				
farms, 1997..	42	24	6	12
1992..	96	36	25	35
acres on which used, 1997..	9 216	4 187	3 017	2 012
1992..	12 487	6 746	842	4 899