

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	76 818	42	321	1 424	5 051
number..	100.0	.1	.4	1.9	6.6
Land in farms	11 122 363	93 100	622 031	1 788 245	3 516 174
acres..	145	2 217	1 938	1 256	696
Average size of farm					
acres..					
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	76 821	42	321	1 424	4 746
farms..	20 066 329	161 261	890 598	2 567 145	5 059 337
\$1,000..	261 209	3 839 557	2 774 449	1 802 770	1 066 021
Average per farm	1 808	1 732	1 432	1 436	1 473
dollars..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	2 547 208	33 051	131 760	373 938	737 382
\$1,000..	100.0	1.3	5.2	14.7	28.9
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	7 069 470	87 980	550 711	1 532 791	2 831 203
acres..	4 064 058	83 965	510 464	1 395 121	2 389 754
Harvested cropland					
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	3 429 321	1 391	39 987	186 102	595 723
Market value of agricultural products sold	2 178 389	218 765	544 948	1 089 394	1 633 815
\$1,000..	28 358	5 208 680	1 697 658	765 024	323 464
Average per farm					
Grains	6 755	12	153	771	2 412
farms..	436 207	11 177	84 186	238 438	386 744
\$1,000..	1 156	9	85	383	756
Cotton and cottonseed	207 709	18 436	72 479	162 698	200 854
farms..	14 944	2	26	189	1 068
Tobacco	188 584	(D)	4 278	24 553	75 484
farms..	13 699	4	41	176	750
Hay, silage, and field seeds	39 508	18	473	2 022	6 317
\$1,000..					
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1 149	6	20	65	218
farms..	49 478	19 862	26 277	34 234	43 695
\$1,000..	496	1	4	17	47
Fruits, nuts, and berries	5 792	(D)	(D)	2 604	3 857
farms..	1 846	16	56	135	415
Nursery and greenhouse crops	213 365	77 294	124 698	160 554	196 240
farms..	309	—	1	3	25
Other crops	3 032	—	(D)	(D)	2 108
\$1,000..					
Poultry and poultry products	1 552	7	75	283	586
farms..	293 222	70 943	143 304	240 326	290 477
\$1,000..	1 377	—	32	235	958
Dairy products	209 378	—	27 968	102 240	200 855
farms..	49 234	6	146	711	2 964
Cattle and calves	426 261	(D)	29 857	65 100	147 401
farms..	1 579	4	28	117	363
Hogs and pigs	72 005	15 836	27 806	47 405	64 156
farms..					
Sheep, lambs, and wool	602	—	2	7	24
farms..	1 128	—	(D)	(D)	443
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	5 103	—	6	33	190
farms..	32 721	—	(D)	8 074	15 184
\$1,000..					
Total farm production expenses ¹	76 821	42	321	1 424	4 746
farms..	1 641 727	118 965	350 995	730 520	1 093 172
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	20 054	14	150	686	2 011
farms..	148 848	16 383	38 894	68 662	95 959
\$1,000..	42 712	12	177	852	2 905
Feed for livestock and poultry	312 849	10 833	75 117	178 622	252 958
farms..	51 727	33	267	1 199	4 150
Commercial fertilizer	160 025	4 345	20 741	56 719	97 966
farms..	26 800	32	248	1 069	3 543
Agricultural chemicals	94 026	5 648	22 834	55 452	80 013
farms..					
Petroleum products	71 483	42	321	1 420	4 720
farms..	85 428	2 673	10 234	24 359	42 920
\$1,000..	35 211	39	306	1 336	4 175
Electricity	22 489	2 350	4 311	8 165	13 140
farms..	22 550	42	292	1 232	3 472
Hired farm labor	159 187	34 652	63 214	100 800	135 936
farms..	22 345	38	303	1 252	3 530
Interest	113 698	3 396	13 805	32 559	56 521
farms..					
Payments from government programs	12 878	15	151	712	2 333
farms..	46 345	860	4 902	15 237	25 114
\$1,000..					
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	51 089	6	148	716	2 956
farms..	2 145 405	1 275	50 505	189 988	520 331
number..	2 096	—	33	235	952
Milk cows	111 985	—	12 085	46 743	101 375
farms..	2 043	4	28	115	362
number..	321 806	58 239	105 747	191 872	273 399

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.