

Appendix B. American Indian Farm Operators

During the 1992 and previous censuses, American Indian farm operations on reservations were enumerated at the reservation level, generally as a single unit. In the 1997 census, the historic methodology was used in conjunction with an additional procedure to count American Indian farm operators on reservations who were not counted individually.

Table A, American Indian Farm Operators: 1997, reflects the results of the methodological changes to enumerate American Indian farm and ranch operators. The table provides the total number of American Indian farm operators both on and off reservations. The "other" column provides counts of operators on reservations. The "individually reported" column provides counts of operators on or off reservations. This is the only table in the Volume 1, Geographic Area Series publication where

information for total number of American Indian farm operators is available. Other than the count of operators, information for American Indian farm operators who did not report individually was collected at or aggregated to the reservation level. Consequently, other published data treat each reservation as a single farm operation. State level data are provided in Table B, State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997. American Indian agricultural resources and production not reported by individuals are included in their respective reservation reports.

The term American Indian was used on the report form that collected the counts of on-reservation operators as well as the 1997 Census of Agriculture report form. The term American Indian represents persons who also would identify themselves as Native American or Alaskan Native.

Table A. American Indian Farm Operators: 1997

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

Geographic area	American Indian farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported	Other ¹
STATE TOTAL			
Vermont	8	8	—
COUNTIES, 1997			
Addison	4	4	—
All other counties	4	4	—

¹Data represent American Indian farm and ranch operators on reservations that did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

Table B. State Highlights of Farms Operated by American Indians: 1997

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Item	Farms operated by American Indians	State total of all farms	Percent of State total of all farms
American Indian farm operators ¹	number.. 8	(X)	(X)
Land in farms	acres.. 1 199	1 262 155	.1
Estimated market value of land and buildings ²	\$.1,000.. 3 698	1 875 957	.2
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ²	\$.1,000.. 1 045	284 761	.4
Total cropland	acres.. 741	617 263	.1
Harvested cropland	acres.. 517	465 489	.1
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	acres.. (D)	131 686	(D)
Other cropland	acres.. (D)	20 088	(D)
Total woodland	acres.. (D)	487 346	(D)
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	acres.. (D)	83 780	(Z)
Irrigated land	acres.. -	2 570	-
Harvested cropland	acres.. -	2 468	-
Pastureland and other land	acres.. -	102	-
Market value of agricultural products sold	\$.1,000.. 591	476 343	.1
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops	\$.1,000.. 38	59 592	.1
Livestock, poultry, and their products	\$.1,000.. 553	416 752	.1
Total farm production expenses ²	\$.1,000.. 897	371 207	.2
Cattle and calves inventory	number.. (D)	308 267	(D)
Beef cows	number.. (D)	12 340	(Z)
Milk cows	number.. (D)	162 868	(D)
Heifers and heifer calves	number.. (D)	117 586	(D)
Steers, steer calves, bulls, and bull calves	number.. (D)	15 473	(Z)
Cattle and calves sold	number.. 58	142 041	(Z)
Cattle, including calves weighing 500 pounds or more	number.. (D)	53 499	(Z)
Cattle fattened on grain and concentrates for slaughter	number.. -	3 513	-
Cattle weighing less than 500 pounds	number.. (D)	88 542	(Z)
Sheep and lambs inventory	number.. (D)	14 511	(Z)
Ewes 1 year old or older	number.. (D)	9 723	(Z)
Sheep and lambs shorn	number.. (D)	12 401	(Z)
Sheep and lambs sold	number.. (D)	12 194	(Z)
Horses and ponies inventory	number.. (D)	8 870	(D)
Horses and ponies sold	number.. -	1 622	-
Crops harvested:			
Corn for grain or seed	acres.. (D)	8 233	(D)
Wheat for grain	acres.. (D)	448	(D)
Oats for grain	acres.. -	351	-
Hay - alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text)	acres.. 192	385 562	(Z)

¹ Includes operators on and off reservations.
² Data are based on a sample of farms.