Table 3. **Farm Production Expenses: 1987, 1982, and 1978**—Con.

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

Item	1987		1982	1978
	Farms	Expenses ($1,000)		
Total farm production expenses—Con.				
All other farm production expenses ..... farms	31 734	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
$1,000	(X)	429 559	(NA)	(NA)
percent of total	(X)	13.4	(NA)	(NA)
Farms with expenses of—				
$1 to $999	18 339	6 131	(NA)	(NA)
$1,000 to $4,999	8 347	17 722	(NA)	(NA)
$5,000 to $9,999	1 545	10 431	(NA)	(NA)
$10,000 to $24,999	1 560	23 695	(NA)	(NA)
$25,000 to $49,999	752	25 859	(NA)	(NA)
$50,000 to $99,999	477	32 560	(NA)	(NA)
$100,000 or more	714	313 161	(NA)	(NA)

[1]Data for 1978 are for $10,000 or more.
[2]Data for 1987 include cost of custom applications; data for agricultural chemicals exclude the cost of lime for 1987 and 1982.
[3]Data for 1987 exclude cost of custom applications for commercial fertilizer and agricultural chemicals.
[4]Data for 1982 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.

Table 4. **Net Cash Return From Agricultural Sales: 1987**

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

Item	All farms	Farms with sales of $10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than $10,000
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) ..... farms	36 562	14 596	21 966
$1,000	1 087 317	1 148 786	-61 468
Average per farm ..... dollars	29 739	78 706	-2 798
Farms with net gains[1] ..... number	18 323	11 623	6 700
$1,000	1 223 870	1 211 540	12 329
Average per farm ..... dollars	66 794	104 236	1 840
Gain of—			
Less than $1,000	3 245	474	2 771
$1,000 to $4,999	5 173	1 617	3 556
$5,000 to $9,999	2 389	2 016	373
$10,000 to $24,999	2 714	2 714	-
$25,000 to $49,999	1 882	1 882	-
$50,000 or more	2 920	2 920	-
Farms with net losses ..... number	18 239	2 973	15 266
$1,000	136 552	62 754	73 798
Average per farm ..... dollars	7 487	21 108	4 834
Loss of—			
Less than $1,000	3 889	270	3 619
$1,000 to $4,999	8 238	754	7 484
$5,000 to $9,999	3 419	753	2 666
$10,000 to $24,999	1 995	738	1 257
$25,000 to $49,999	423	274	149
$50,000 or more	275	184	91

[1]Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than $1,000.