Table 4. **Net Cash Return From Agricultural Sales: 1997 and 1992**

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

Item	1997			1992		
	All farms	Farms with sales of $10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than $10,000	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..	9 229	5 772	3 457	8 715	5 551	3 164
$1,000..	197 249	208 184	–10 935	140 895	149 517	–8 622
Average per farm ....dollars..	21 373	36 068	–3 163	16 167	26 935	–2 725
Farms with net gains[1] ....number..	5 115	4 175	940	5 021	4 115	906
$1,000..	242 124	240 153	1 971	176 029	174 080	1 949
Average per farm ....dollars..	47 336	57 522	2 097	35 059	42 304	2 151
Gain of—						
Less than $1,000	446	144	302	405	111	294
$1,000 to $4,999	1 102	539	563	1 052	523	529
$5,000 to $9,999	717	642	75	789	706	83
$10,000 to $24,999	1 004	1 004	–	1 062	1 062	–
$25,000 to $49,999	731	731	–	765	765	–
$50,000 or more	1 115	1 115	–	948	948	–
Farms with net losses ....number..	4 114	1 597	2 517	3 694	1 436	2 258
$1,000..	44 875	31 969	12 906	35 134	24 564	10 570
Average per farm ....dollars..	10 908	20 018	5 127	9 511	17 106	4 681
Loss of—						
Less than $1,000	738	107	631	591	77	514
$1,000 to $4,999	1 511	328	1 183	1 536	466	1 070
$5,000 to $9,999	695	344	351	709	303	406
$10,000 to $24,999	779	475	304	591	360	231
$25,000 to $49,999	253	219	34	185	157	28
$50,000 or more	138	124	14	82	73	9

[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.