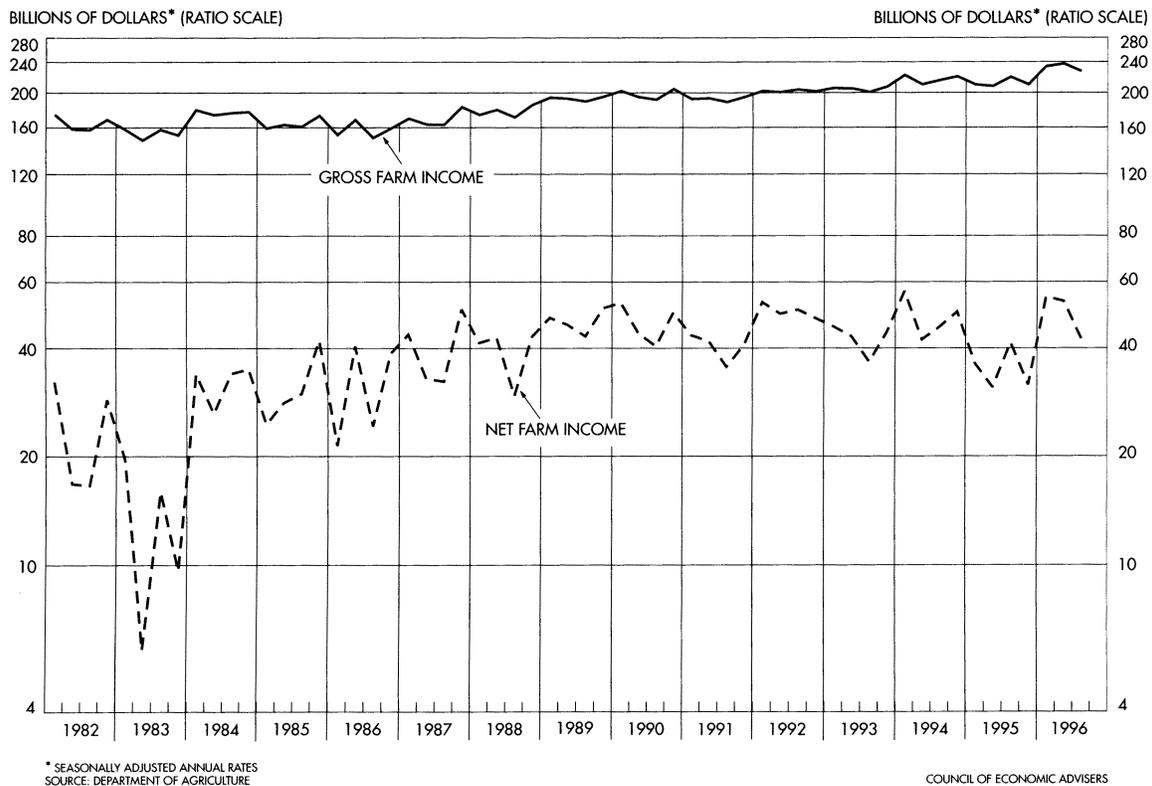


FARM INCOME

In the third quarter of 1996, according to preliminary estimates, gross farm income fell \$11.0 billion (annual rate) and net farm income fell \$11.2 billion.



[Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

| Period | Income of farm operators from farming | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|---|---------------------|-----------------|
| | Gross farm income | | | | | Production expenses | Net farm income |
| | Total ¹ | Cash marketing receipts | | | Value of inventory changes ² | | |
| | | Total | Livestock and products | Crops | | | |
| 1987 | 168.4 | 141.8 | 76.0 | 65.8 | -2.3 | 131.0 | 37.4 |
| 1988 | 177.9 | 151.2 | 79.6 | 71.6 | -4.1 | 139.9 | 38.0 |
| 1989 | 191.9 | 160.8 | 83.9 | 76.9 | 3.8 | 146.7 | 45.3 |
| 1990 | 198.2 | 169.5 | 89.2 | 80.3 | 3.3 | 153.4 | 44.8 |
| 1991 | 191.9 | 167.9 | 85.8 | 82.1 | -2 | 153.3 | 38.5 |
| 1992 | 200.6 | 171.3 | 85.6 | 85.7 | 4.2 | 152.5 | 48.0 |
| 1993 | 204.2 | 177.6 | 90.2 | 87.5 | -4.5 | 160.5 | 43.6 |
| 1994 | 215.8 | 180.8 | 88.1 | 92.6 | 8.2 | 167.4 | 48.4 |
| 1995 | 210.4 | 185.8 | 86.8 | 98.9 | -3.4 | 175.6 | 34.8 |
| 1994: I | 221.2 | 179.9 | 92.1 | 87.9 | 10.2 | 164.5 | 56.7 |
| II | 208.6 | 170.8 | 82.9 | 88.0 | 9.6 | 166.8 | 41.8 |
| III | 214.1 | 186.9 | 97.7 | 89.2 | 7.3 | 168.8 | 45.3 |
| IV | 219.4 | 185.5 | 79.9 | 105.5 | 5.8 | 169.6 | 49.8 |
| 1995: I | 208.3 | 180.6 | 83.2 | 97.4 | -4.1 | 172.4 | 35.9 |
| II | 206.4 | 181.0 | 81.6 | 99.4 | -3.9 | 175.4 | 30.9 |
| III | 218.5 | 199.8 | 96.1 | 103.7 | -3.0 | 177.5 | 41.0 |
| IV | 208.4 | 181.5 | 86.5 | 95.1 | -2.4 | 177.0 | 31.4 |
| 1996: I | 233.6 | 197.7 | 85.2 | 112.5 | 4.7 | 179.0 | 54.7 |
| II | 237.4 | 204.5 | 89.6 | 114.9 | 4.4 | 184.2 | 53.2 |
| III ^p | 226.4 | 202.0 | 92.8 | 109.2 | 3.4 | 184.4 | 42.0 |

¹ Cash marketing receipts and inventory changes plus Government payments, other farm cash income, and nonmoney income furnished by farms.

² Physical changes in end-of-year inventory of crop and livestock commodities valued at average prices during the year.

NOTE.—Data include net Commodity Credit Corporation loans and operator households. Quarterly data plotted for 1989 through 1993 in chart do not reflect previous revisions to annual data in table.

Sources: Department of Agriculture.