

TABLE B-98.—Farm input use, selected inputs, 1948-99

Year	Farm population, April <sup>1</sup>		Farm employment (thousands) <sup>3</sup>			Crops harvested (millions of acres) <sup>5</sup>	Selected indexes of input use (1992=100)							
	Number (thousands)	As percent of total population <sup>2</sup>	Total	Self-employed and unpaid workers <sup>4</sup>	Hired workers		Total	Farm labor	Farm real estate	Durable equipment	Energy	Agri-cultural chemicals <sup>6</sup>	Feed, seed, and purchased live-stock <sup>7</sup>	Other purchased inputs
1948	24,383	16.6	10,363	8,026	2,337	356	104	335	101	62	71	31	58	46
1949	24,194	16.2	9,964	7,712	2,252	360	111	328	102	74	78	33	60	78
1950	23,048	15.2	9,926	7,597	2,329	345	110	315	104	85	80	39	60	78
1951	21,890	14.2	9,546	7,310	2,236	344	112	302	106	95	83	38	62	83
1952	21,748	13.9	9,149	7,005	2,144	349	112	293	107	103	86	40	62	85
1953	19,874	12.5	8,864	6,775	2,089	348	110	277	108	107	89	39	63	81
1954	19,019	11.7	8,651	6,570	2,081	346	107	270	109	112	88	40	58	78
1955	19,078	11.5	8,381	6,345	2,036	340	112	274	110	114	91	42	66	80
1956	18,712	11.1	7,852	5,900	1,952	324	112	259	110	115	91	46	68	80
1957	17,656	10.3	7,600	5,660	1,940	324	111	242	110	113	89	45	71	83
1958	17,128	9.8	7,503	5,521	1,982	324	111	231	110	111	87	45	75	86
1959	16,592	9.3	7,342	5,390	1,952	324	114	230	110	111	88	52	76	100
1960	15,635	8.7	7,057	5,172	1,885	324	113	224	110	112	89	54	76	99
1961	14,803	8.1	6,919	5,029	1,890	302	111	218	107	110	91	59	72	97
1962	14,313	7.7	6,700	4,873	1,827	295	111	216	106	108	93	53	75	99
1963	13,367	7.1	6,518	4,738	1,780	298	111	210	107	108	94	57	77	98
1964	12,954	6.7	6,110	4,506	1,604	298	109	198	106	110	96	63	75	97
1965	12,363	6.4	5,610	4,128	1,482	298	108	193	106	112	97	66	74	97
1966	11,595	5.9	5,214	3,854	1,360	294	109	180	105	115	99	74	80	98
1967	10,875	5.5	4,903	3,650	1,253	306	109	171	107	119	98	79	80	99
1968	10,454	5.2	4,749	3,535	1,213	300	107	165	106	124	98	63	81	97
1969	10,307	5.1	4,596	3,419	1,176	290	108	162	105	126	100	68	86	93
1970	9,712	4.7	4,523	3,348	1,175	293	108	160	105	127	100	71	89	90
1971	9,425	4.5	4,436	3,275	1,161	305	107	157	107	129	98	73	86	89
1972	9,610	4.6	4,373	3,228	1,146	294	108	155	105	129	97	79	88	90
1973	9,472	4.5	4,337	3,169	1,168	321	110	156	108	131	99	85	88	95
1974	9,264	4.3	4,389	3,075	1,314	328	110	144	110	139	94	90	88	100
1975	8,864	4.1	4,331	3,021	1,310	336	108	145	109	144	110	81	83	99
1976	8,253	3.8	4,363	2,992	1,371	337	111	143	110	148	124	90	88	102
1977	*6,194	*2.8	4,143	2,852	1,291	345	109	138	110	152	130	88	83	103
1978	*6,501	*2.9	3,937	2,680	1,256	338	115	132	109	156	136	96	96	122
1979	*6,241	*2.8	3,765	2,495	1,270	348	118	128	110	161	124	105	103	129
1980	*6,051	*2.7	3,699	2,401	1,298	352	119	123	112	166	121	119	109	117
1981	*5,850	*2.5	*3,582	*2,324	*1,258	366	116	124	112	166	116	110	103	111
1982	*5,628	*2.4	*3,466	*2,248	*1,218	362	113	120	110	163	109	90	106	104
1983	*5,787	*2.5	*3,349	*2,171	*1,178	306	110	118	102	155	106	86	108	106
1984	5,754	2.4	*3,233	*2,095	*1,138	348	110	116	108	147	110	99	97	108
1985	5,355	2.2	3,116	2,018	1,098	342	106	108	107	139	98	97	99	99
1986	5,226	2.2	2,912	1,873	1,039	325	102	101	104	130	91	105	99	88
1987	4,986	2.1	2,897	1,846	1,051	302	101	101	100	120	102	100	97	95
1988	4,951	2.1	2,954	1,967	1,037	297	100	103	100	113	102	91	96	99
1989	4,801	2.0	2,863	1,935	928	318	100	104	102	108	101	95	91	103
1990	4,591	1.9	2,891	2,000	892	322	101	102	101	105	100	95	99	103
1991	4,632	1.9	2,877	1,968	910	318	102	106	100	103	101	100	99	104
1992	.....	.....	2,810	1,944	866	319	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1993	.....	.....	2,800	1,942	857	308	101	96	98	97	100	105	101	110
1994	.....	.....	2,767	1,925	842	321	102	96	99	94	103	106	102	117
1995	.....	.....	2,836	1,967	869	314	101	92	98	92	109	90	109	121
1996	.....	.....	2,842	2,010	832	326	100	100	99	89	104	97	95	117
1997	.....	.....	2,867	1,990	877	333	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1998	.....	.....	2,827	1,947	880	327	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1999 <sup>p</sup>	.....	.....	2,977	2,048	929	328	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup>Farm population as defined by Department of Agriculture and Department of Commerce, i.e., civilian population living on farms in rural areas, regardless of occupation. See also footnote 8. Series discontinued in 1992.

<sup>2</sup>Total population of United States including Armed Forces overseas, as of July 1.

<sup>3</sup>Includes persons doing farmwork on all farms. These data, published by the Department of Agriculture, differ from those on agricultural employment by the Department of Labor (see Table B-33) because of differences in the method of approach, in concepts of employment, and in time of month for which the data are collected.

<sup>4</sup>Prior to 1982 this category was termed "family workers" and did not include nonfamily unpaid workers.

<sup>5</sup>Acres harvested plus acreages in fruits, tree nuts, and farm gardens.

<sup>6</sup>Fertilizer, lime, and pesticides.

<sup>7</sup>Includes purchases of broiler- and egg-type chicks and turkey poults and livestock imports for purposes other than immediate slaughter.

<sup>8</sup>Based on new definition of a farm. Under old definition of a farm, farm population (in thousands and as percent of total population) for 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, and 1983 is 7,806 and 3.6; 8,005 and 3.6; 7,553 and 3.4; 7,241 and 3.2; 7,014 and 3.1; 6,880 and 3.0; 7,029 and 3.0, respectively.

<sup>9</sup>Basis for farm employment series was discontinued for 1981 through 1984. Employment is estimated for these years.

Note.—Population includes Alaska and Hawaii beginning 1960.

Sources: Department of Agriculture (Economic Research Service) and Department of Commerce (Bureau of the Census).