Section I – Ten Questions

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- 1. The sizes of the components of the 2018 USDA Budget are:
 - a. Commodity Outlays \$ 60 billion, Nutritional Outlays \$ 60 billion
 - b. Commodity Outlays \$ 104 billion, Nutritional Outlays \$ 7 billion
 - c. Commodity outlays \$ 7 billion, Nutritional Outlays \$ 104 billion
 - d. None of the above

Tables for Question 2, 3 and 4

| | Farms | Value of Production | Farm Assets |
|--------------------------|-------|------------------------|----------------|
| Small Family Farms: | | | |
| Limited-Resource | 9.4 | 1.0 | 5.5 |
| Retirement | 16.1 | 2.0 | 11.3 |
| Residential/Lifestyle | Q2 | ? | Q4 |
| Farming-Occupation | | | |
| Low Sales | ? | 5.5 | 16.9 |
| Medium Sales | 6.3 | 10.8 | 10.3 |
| Large Scale Family Farms | | | |
| Large Family Farms | 3.4 | 14.8 | 9.1 |
| Very Large Family Farms | 3.4 | Q3 | ? |
| Nonfamily Farms | 2.2 | 15.2 | 7.1 |

Questions 2, 3, and 4

- 2. The percentage of farms that are Residential/Lifestyle farms is (Q2 in Table)
 - a. 18.8 percent
 - b. 39.7 percent
 - c. 20.3 percent
 - d. None of the above
- 3. The percentage of output from very large family farms is (Q3 in Table)
 - a. 25.3 percent
 - b. 5.3 percent
 - c. 45.4 percent
 - d. None of the above
- 4. The percentage of farm assets held by Residential/Lifestyle farms is (Q4 in Table)
 - a. 23.7 percent
 - b. 16.1 percent
 - c. 19.0 percent
 - d. None of the above

5. Farmer wealth is important because

- a. Farm wealth affect the farmer's access to credit increased wealth typically reduces the interest rate paid by farmers.
- b. There is a tendency of farmers to "monetize equity" so negative shocks to equity may have adverse consequences because of additional debt.
- c. Both of the above.
- d. Neither of the above.

Question 6, 7 and 8

- 6. What are the two types of contracts we discussed in class that effect the farm sector. Which may have greater implications for agricultural policy?
- What are the two focuses of lobbying efforts in agricultural policy? One of these is typically productive while the other is not productive – discuss the difference.
- 8. In our discussions of the distribution of farm types we have been interested in the ? and ? dimensions of agricultural policy. These dimensions may be especially important when considering the **targeting of benefits from Ag Policy**.
 - a. Scope and Dimension
 - b. Efficiency and Equity
 - c. Both a and b
 - d. Neither a or b

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Question 9 and 10

- 9. Agricultural policy affects environmental policy through
 - a. Water use/allocation
 - b. Climate change/carbon sequestration
 - c. Urban sprawl/land use
 - d. All of the above

10. Match spending (in millions of dollars) with each department

| Department | Spending |
|---|--------------|
| Department of Health and Human Services | a. 70,008 |
| Department of Labor | b. 656,945 |
| Department of Agriculture | c. 1,209,620 |
| Department of Defence | d. 120,901 |

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11. The table below gives the NIFA funding for each state – how are these funds allocated?

| - | Formula | Multi-State | Smith-Lever | |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| State | Funding | Research | Funds | Total |
| Alabama | 2,790,824 | 768,592 | 6,516,377 | 10,075,793 |
| Arkansas | 2,407,608 | 673,596 | 5,604,239 | 8,685,443 |
| California | 3,174,687 | 1,438,230 | 6,765,414 | 11,378,331 |
| Florida | 2,011,508 | 610,987 | 4,419,428 | 7,041,923 |
| Georgia | 3,138,892 | 1,097,220 | 7,680,562 | 11,916,674 |
| Illinois | 4,000,969 | 921,449 | 8,895,023 | 13,817,441 |
| Indiana | 3,664,064 | 776,599 | 8,018,332 | 12,458,995 |
| lowa | 3,839,624 | 1,606,964 | 8,835,182 | 14,281,770 |
| South Carolina | 2,425,094 | 634,735 | 5,453,077 | 8,512,906 |

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