

In the Tampa and Orlando districts corn was the crop harvested as silage. In the Miami and Jacksonville districts both corn and sorghum were put up as silage. In the St. Petersburg district corn, corn and soybeans, and in the Ocala district corn, corn and velvet beans, and corn and peas were the silage crops. Half of the farms on which silage was grown were in the Jacksonville district. Silage was fed principally to cows, but only about 8 percent of all operators grew it.

The soiling crops in the Jacksonville district were corn, corn and cowpeas, cowpeas, millet and sorghum; in the Miami district corn and sorghum; in the Tampa district corn, corn and cowpeas, Napier grass, millet, sorghum and Cayana cane; in the St. Petersburg district cowpeas; in the Orlando district corn, Sudan grass, Napier grass, sorghum and millet; and in the Ocala district, mangels, corn and sorghum. Soiling crops were grown by about 30 percent of the operators in the Jacksonville district, by 24 percent in the Orlando district and by 17 percent of the total number. They were fed principally to cows (Table XX).

In Table XXXVII the average quantity and value of silage and soiling crops per animal were obtained by including the total number of each class of livestock found on these farms regardless of whether the farms produced this class of feed or not.

TABLE XXXVII.—SILAGE AND SOILING CROPS USED BY 12,259 COWS, 2,549 HEIFERS, AND 374 HERD BULLS ON 249 FLORIDA DAIRY FARMS, 1927.

	Per cow		Per heifer		Per herd bull	
	Pounds	Value	Pounds	Value	Pounds	Value
Jacksonville:						
Silage.....	576	\$ 2.73	103	\$.50	238	\$.97
Soiling crops.....	331	1.37	13	.07	90	.44
Miami:						
Silage.....	312	1.56	274	1.37	506	2.53
Soiling crops.....	527	2.63	7	.04	28	.14
Tampa:						
Silage.....	13	.06	7	.04	21	.10
Soiling crops.....	227	1.36	35	.21	119	.71
St. Petersburg:						
Silage.....	208	1.18	5	.03	71	.40
Soiling crops.....	53	.16	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orlando:						
Silage.....	163	.82	.....	.....	.....	.....
Soiling crops.....	403	2.10	25	.13	276	1.44
Ocala:						
Silage.....	635	2.18	.....	.....	.....	.....
Soiling crops.....	428	1.77	143	.54	273	1.18
All farms:						
Silage.....	284	\$ 1.36	101	\$.50	181	\$.85
Soiling crops.....	341	1.68	26	.13	109	.57