

Table 23.—FARM OPERATORS, BY YEARS ON PRESENT

(Years-on-farm groups not strictly comparable for the several Censuses because of variation in Census dates. See Table 3 for

Region, division, and State	All farm operators				Operators reporting years on present farm											
	1954	1950	1945	1940	Less than 5 years								5 to 9 years			
					Total				1 year or less				1954	1950	1945	1940
					1954	1950	1945	1940	1954	1950	1945	1940				
1 U.S.....	4,783,021	5,379,250	5,859,169	6,096,799	1,010,935	1,855,558	2,427,101	2,147,143	309,075	471,320	901,705	1,171,866	1,011,185	955,527	943,401	
2 The North	2,043,275	2,267,083	2,483,578	2,579,959	373,802	681,391	889,762	742,952	97,517	139,764	278,778	499,423	450,552	413,640	384,243	
3 The South	2,317,296	2,650,803	2,881,135	3,007,170	542,513	1,016,427	1,332,315	1,244,333	184,476	296,131	553,894	560,887	663,626	456,212	478,223	
4 The West	422,450	461,364	494,456	509,670	94,620	157,740	205,024	159,858	27,082	35,425	69,033	111,556	97,007	85,675	80,935	
5 Geo. Divisions:																
6 New England...	81,816	103,191	150,311	135,190	11,853	23,114	42,383	24,364	2,880	4,620	10,720	17,899	19,390	25,526	18,213	
7 Middle Atlantic	257,199	296,310	347,477	348,100	41,626	75,512	108,618	73,991	9,871	14,881	29,562	58,188	56,427	56,386	50,108	
8 E.N. Central...	799,065	885,171	953,797	1,006,095	145,275	254,679	330,189	284,378	37,660	49,584	99,932	190,674	172,403	162,032	150,013	
9 W.N. Central...	905,195	982,411	1,031,993	1,090,574	175,048	328,086	408,572	360,219	47,106	70,679	138,564	232,662	202,332	169,696	165,909	
10 South Atlantic	858,675	958,403	1,043,475	1,019,451	197,580	347,658	457,194	375,731	70,020	99,502	189,919	201,508	161,571	165,977	160,691	
11 E.S. Central...	789,667	912,408	959,829	1,023,349	193,842	372,780	453,570	435,277	68,081	115,183	193,057	190,418	158,740	151,140	161,948	
12 W.S. Central...	668,954	779,992	877,831	964,370	151,091	295,989	421,551	433,325	46,375	81,446	170,918	168,961	143,315	139,095	155,584	
13 Mountain.....	179,871	194,766	212,527	233,497	35,958	64,997	81,963	73,256	10,342	15,165	28,591	45,789	37,388	37,381	35,180	
14 Pacific.....	242,579	266,598	281,929	276,173	58,662	92,743	123,061	86,602	16,740	20,260	40,442	65,767	59,619	48,294	45,755	
15 New England:																
16 Maine.....	23,371	30,368	42,184	38,980	3,044	6,545	12,285	7,141	687	1,192	3,575	4,941	6,176	6,510	5,060	
17 New Hampshire	10,423	13,382	18,786	16,554	1,603	3,250	5,459	2,822	457	697	1,347	2,361	2,416	3,248	2,166	
18 Vermont.....	15,999	19,043	26,490	23,582	2,669	5,261	9,002	5,316	645	1,221	2,529	4,115	4,064	4,394	3,514	
19 Massachusetts	17,316	22,205	37,007	31,897	2,398	4,361	8,794	5,224	562	752	1,786	3,446	3,873	6,998	4,137	
20 Rhode Island...	1,953	2,606	3,603	3,014	226	506	898	431	70	145	180	420	332	679	392	
21 Connecticut...	12,754	15,587	22,241	21,163	1,913	3,191	5,945	3,430	459	613	1,303	2,616	2,529	3,697	2,944	
22 Middle Atlantic:																
23 New York.....	105,671	124,780	149,490	153,238	17,189	31,338	46,991	32,414	4,035	6,147	13,213	23,572	23,753	23,955	22,250	
24 New Jersey.....	22,695	24,779	26,226	25,835	4,066	6,146	7,991	5,168	898	1,177	1,814	5,331	4,750	4,642	4,111	
25 Pennsylvania...	128,833	146,751	171,761	169,027	20,371	38,028	53,636	36,409	4,938	7,557	14,535	29,285	27,924	27,789	23,747	
26 East North Central:																
27 Ohio.....	177,098	199,220	220,575	233,783	33,020	58,855	77,582	65,663	8,585	11,424	23,523	42,898	38,316	37,040	33,478	
28 Indiana.....	153,697	166,638	175,970	184,549	29,554	48,025	63,865	57,908	7,700	9,135	19,401	37,581	32,671	30,429	28,185	
29 Illinois.....	175,705	195,212	204,239	213,439	33,729	61,859	70,924	64,545	8,548	11,814	22,446	43,469	37,030	35,606	33,314	
30 Michigan.....	138,943	155,519	175,268	187,589	22,259	38,849	58,626	54,308	5,591	7,198	16,536	30,839	30,099	30,497	28,557	
31 Wisconsin.....	153,622	168,582	177,745	186,735	26,713	47,091	59,192	46,954	7,436	10,013	18,026	35,887	34,287	28,460	26,379	
32 West North Central:																
33 Minnesota.....	165,324	179,119	188,952	197,351	27,372	53,006	65,644	59,632	7,118	10,524	19,661	40,920	35,443	34,220	31,671	
34 Iowa.....	193,009	203,155	208,934	213,318	44,268	72,925	87,263	76,398	12,680	14,434	30,093	51,694	42,568	36,940	33,077	
35 Missouri.....	201,680	229,958	242,934	256,100	44,027	84,126	105,499	92,567	12,594	22,054	39,513	50,175	43,879	37,580	38,875	
36 North Dakota...	61,808	65,302	69,520	73,962	7,846	17,573	26,303	20,814	1,491	3,415	8,087	15,195	10,814	10,602	10,602	
37 South Dakota...	62,350	66,331	68,705	72,454	11,789	22,476	28,922	24,459	3,253	4,209	9,752	16,570	15,459	10,719	10,828	
38 Nebraska.....	100,733	107,174	111,756	121,062	19,846	37,254	43,506	40,798	5,482	7,560	15,186	27,517	21,857	17,309	18,325	
39 Kansas.....	120,291	131,372	141,192	156,327	19,900	40,726	51,435	45,551	4,488	8,483	16,272	30,591	27,143	21,959	22,531	
40 South Atlantic:																
41 Delaware.....	6,291	7,452	9,296	8,994	973	1,901	3,562	2,342	241	376	1,104	1,271	1,568	1,600	1,109	
42 Maryland.....	32,483	36,162	41,275	42,110	5,668	10,225	14,820	10,704	1,331	2,239	4,118	7,623	6,986	6,829	6,099	
43 D.C.....	(NA)	(NA)	40	65	(NA)	(NA)	10	3	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)	6	13	
44 Virginia.....	136,370	150,823	173,051	174,885	23,805	40,194	56,424	47,731	6,953	8,441	17,339	30,608	25,015	28,677	26,779	
45 West Virginia..	68,570	81,418	97,600	99,282	10,257	21,802	32,086	26,575	2,518	4,607	10,087	14,939	14,505	15,575	16,256	
46 North Carolina	267,818	288,473	287,412	278,276	69,584	108,885	127,545	100,883	27,996	32,881	55,956	44,973	45,255	42,493	42,493	
47 South Carolina	124,188	139,195	147,745	137,558	31,420	56,499	57,379	57,379	11,819	15,911	29,746	30,712	23,566	24,189	24,821	
48 Georgia.....	165,465	198,037	225,897	216,033	44,440	89,670	125,591	109,059	16,812	30,278	62,345	42,618	34,337	33,017	33,833	
49 Florida.....	57,490	56,843	61,159	62,248	11,433	18,482	25,063	21,055	2,980	4,769	9,223	14,204	10,531	10,829	9,288	
50 East South Central:																
51 Kentucky.....	193,446	218,237	238,501	252,894	43,269	77,893	102,948	89,807	14,177	21,068	41,910	45,895	38,088	35,978	39,464	
52 Tennessee.....	203,385	231,524	234,431	247,617	48,860	89,186	106,107	99,078	16,827	26,834	43,667	48,021	40,754	36,864	38,649	
53 Alabama.....	176,949	211,361	223,369	231,746	43,065	91,110	110,572	103,533	16,118	29,406	51,605	42,989	37,190	33,744	36,866	
54 Mississippi....	215,887	251,286	263,528	291,092	58,648	114,591	133,943	142,859	20,959	37,875	55,875	53,913	42,708	44,554	46,969	
55 West South Central:																
56 Arkansas.....	145,292	182,386	198,769	216,674	39,849	82,899	105,511	109,212	13,637	26,956	45,516	37,499	30,825	31,305	33,517	
57 Louisiana.....	111,240	124,022	129,295	150,007	23,131	44,909	57,829	66,711	7,393	12,523	21,525	26,479	21,131	21,793	25,764	
58 Oklahoma.....	119,270	142,168	164,790	179,687	26,668	51,865	83,767	82,231	7,824	14,421	35,862	31,554	28,189	25,443	28,044	
59 Texas.....	293,152	331,416	384,977	418,002	61,443	116,316	174,444	175,171	17,521	27,546	68,015	73,429	63,170	60,554	68,259	
60 Mountain:																
61 Montana.....	32,956	35,074	37,747	41,823	5,505	10,223	12,507	11,853	1,310	2,131	3,908	8,339	6,964	6,595	6,172	
62 Idaho.....	38,810	40,311	41,498	43,663	8,739	14,137	17,601	15,469	2,644	3,575	6,421	10,339	8,847	7,918	6,690	
63 Wyoming.....	11,355	12,615	13,076	15,018	2,083	4,236	4,575	4,564	611	1,000	1,521	3,119	2,176	2,376	2,343	
64 Colorado.....	40,672	45,536	47,618	51,436	9,238	18,118	21,666	19,431	2,719	4,425	8,396	11,345	9,368	8,041	7,559	
65 New Mexico....	20,977	23,503	29,695	34,105	3,911	7,130	11,060	9,361	1,305	1						

AGE, RESIDENCE, YEARS ON FARM, WORK OFF FARM

FARM, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1940 TO 1954

Explanation of the time intervals represented. All 1954 and 1950 data are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text]

Operators reporting years on present farm—Continued				Percent distribution of farm operators reporting, by years on present farm																			
10 or more years				Not reporting years on present farm				Less than 5 years								5 to 9 years				10 or more years			
								Total				1 year or less											
1954	1950	1945	1940	1954	1950	1945	1940	1954	1950	1945	1940	1954	1950	1945	1940	1954	1950	1945	1940	1954	1950	1945	1940
2,487,488	2,191,287	2,337,423	2,514,503	112,732	321,220	139,118	491,752	21.6	36.7	42.4	38.3	6.6	9.3	15.8	25.1	20.0	16.7	16.8	53.3	43.3	40.9	44.9	1
1,126,620	1,012,566	1,129,643	1,232,075	43,430	122,574	50,533	220,689	18.7	31.8	36.6	31.5	4.9	6.5	11.5	25.0	21.0	17.0	16.3	56.3	47.2	46.4	52.2	2
1,152,352	997,241	1,013,997	1,058,307	61,544	173,509	78,611	226,307	24.0	41.0	47.5	44.7	8.2	12.0	19.8	24.9	17.7	16.3	17.2	51.1	40.3	36.2	38.1	3
208,516	181,480	193,783	224,121	7,758	25,137	9,974	44,756	22.8	36.2	42.3	34.4	6.5	8.1	14.2	26.9	22.2	17.7	17.4	50.3	41.6	40.0	48.2	4
50,671	55,840	78,463	73,983	1,393	4,847	3,939	18,630	14.7	23.5	29.0	20.9	3.6	4.7	7.3	22.3	19.7	17.4	15.6	63.0	56.8	53.6	63.5	5
152,326	148,499	177,068	190,956	5,059	15,872	5,405	33,045	16.5	26.9	31.8	23.5	3.9	5.3	8.6	23.1	20.1	16.5	15.9	60.4	53.0	51.8	60.6	6
443,887	405,138	441,029	484,145	19,229	52,951	20,547	87,559	18.6	30.6	35.4	31.0	4.8	6.0	10.7	24.2	20.7	17.4	16.3	56.9	48.7	47.3	52.7	7
479,736	403,089	439,083	482,991	17,749	48,904	20,642	81,455	19.7	35.1	40.4	35.7	5.3	7.6	13.7	26.2	21.7	16.8	16.4	54.1	43.2	42.8	47.9	8
436,696	391,636	432,897	398,256	22,891	57,538	27,407	84,773	23.6	38.6	45.0	40.2	8.4	11.0	18.7	24.1	17.9	16.3	17.2	52.2	43.5	38.7	42.6	9
381,412	326,619	326,897	343,511	23,995	54,269	29,097	82,613	25.3	43.4	48.7	46.3	8.9	13.4	20.7	24.9	18.5	16.2	17.2	49.8	38.1	35.0	36.5	10
334,244	278,986	295,078	316,540	14,658	61,702	22,107	58,921	23.1	41.2	49.3	47.9	7.1	11.3	20.0	25.8	20.0	16.3	17.2	51.1	38.8	34.5	35.0	11
94,288	82,193	88,955	102,314	3,836	10,188	4,228	22,747	24.0	35.2	39.3	34.8	5.9	8.2	13.7	26.0	20.3	17.9	16.7	53.6	46.5	42.7	48.5	12
114,228	99,287	104,828	121,807	3,922	14,949	5,746	22,009	24.6	36.9	44.6	34.1	7.0	8.1	14.6	27.6	23.7	17.5	18.0	47.9	39.5	38.0	47.9	13
14,926	16,177	22,307	21,943	460	1,470	1,082	4,836	13.3	22.6	29.9	20.9	3.0	4.1	8.7	21.6	21.4	15.8	14.8	65.1	56.0	54.3	64.3	14
6,322	7,267	9,596	7,934	137	449	483	3,632	15.6	25.1	29.8	21.8	4.4	5.4	7.4	23.0	18.7	17.7	16.8	61.5	56.2	52.4	61.4	15
9,039	9,056	12,318	13,065	176	662	776	1,687	16.9	28.6	35.0	24.3	4.1	6.6	9.8	26.0	22.1	17.1	16.0	57.1	49.3	47.9	59.7	16
11,078	12,789	20,022	17,040	394	1,182	1,193	5,496	14.2	20.7	24.6	19.8	3.3	3.6	5.0	20.4	18.4	19.5	15.7	65.5	60.8	55.9	64.5	17
1,272	1,502	2,017	1,566	35	265	9	625	11.8	21.6	25.0	18.0	3.6	6.2	5.0	21.9	14.2	18.9	16.4	66.3	64.2	56.1	65.6	18
8,034	9,049	12,203	12,435	191	818	396	2,354	15.2	21.6	27.2	18.2	3.7	4.2	6.0	20.8	17.1	16.9	15.7	63.9	61.3	55.9	66.1	19
62,398	61,767	75,963	83,353	2,512	7,922	2,581	15,221	16.7	26.8	32.0	23.5	3.9	5.3	9.0	22.8	20.3	16.3	16.1	60.5	52.9	51.7	60.4	20
12,929	12,622	13,001	13,382	369	1,261	592	3,174	18.2	26.1	31.2	22.8	4.0	5.0	7.1	23.9	20.2	18.1	18.1	57.9	53.7	50.7	59.1	21
76,999	74,110	88,104	94,221	2,178	6,689	2,232	14,650	16.1	27.2	31.6	23.6	3.9	5.4	8.6	23.1	19.9	16.4	15.4	60.8	52.9	52.0	61.0	22
96,677	90,852	101,398	109,451	4,503	11,197	4,555	25,191	19.1	31.3	35.9	31.5	5.0	6.1	10.9	24.9	20.4	17.1	16.0	56.0	48.3	46.9	52.5	23
83,287	77,848	77,372	84,923	3,275	14,094	4,304	13,533	19.6	31.5	37.2	33.9	5.1	6.0	11.3	25.0	21.4	17.7	16.5	55.4	47.1	45.1	49.7	24
93,546	85,266	92,227	95,798	4,961	11,057	5,482	19,782	19.8	33.6	35.7	33.3	5.0	6.4	11.3	25.5	20.1	17.9	17.2	54.8	46.3	46.4	49.5	25
82,121	75,932	82,670	90,998	3,724	10,639	3,475	18,626	16.5	26.8	34.1	29.2	4.0	5.0	9.6	22.8	20.8	17.8	17.0	60.7	52.4	48.1	53.9	26
88,256	81,240	87,362	102,975	2,766	5,964	2,731	10,427	17.7	29.0	33.8	26.6	4.9	6.2	10.3	23.8	21.1	16.3	15.0	58.5	50.0	40.9	58.4	27
93,739	82,712	84,072	93,908	3,293	7,958	5,016	12,140	16.9	31.0	35.7	32.2	4.4	6.1	10.7	25.3	20.7	18.6	17.1	57.9	48.3	45.7	50.7	28
93,206	77,224	81,511	87,934	3,841	10,438	3,220	15,909	23.4	37.8	42.4	38.7	6.7	7.5	14.6	27.3	22.1	18.0	16.8	49.3	40.1	39.6	44.5	29
103,325	88,461	95,524	101,644	4,153	13,492	4,331	23,014	22.3	38.9	44.2	39.7	6.4	10.2	16.6	25.4	20.3	15.8	16.7	52.3	40.9	40.0	43.6	30
37,657	29,385	30,707	38,282	1,110	2,361	1,541	4,264	12.9	27.9	38.7	29.9	2.5	5.4	11.9	25.0	25.4	16.1	15.2	62.0	46.7	45.2	54.9	31
32,870	25,607	27,831	32,070	1,121	2,789	1,233	5,097	19.3	35.4	42.9	36.3	5.3	6.6	14.5	27.1	24.3	15.9	16.1	53.7	40.3	41.2	47.6	32
51,518	42,012	49,435	57,292	1,852	6,051	1,506	4,647	20.1	36.8	39.5	35.0	5.5	7.5	13.8	27.8	21.6	15.7	15.7	52.1	41.5	44.8	49.2	33
67,421	57,688	64,003	71,861	2,379	5,815	3,795	16,384	16.9	32.4	37.4	32.5	3.8	6.8	11.8	25.9	21.6	16.0	16.1	57.2	45.9	46.6	51.4	34
3,859	3,315	3,944	3,715	188	668	190	1,828	15.9	28.0	39.1	32.7	3.9	5.5	12.1	20.8	23.1	17.6	15.5	63.2	48.9	43.3	51.8	35
18,396	17,166	18,734	20,256	796	1,785	892	5,051	17.9	29.7	36.7	28.9	4.2	6.5	10.2	24.1	20.3	16.9	16.5	58.1	49.9	46.4	54.7	36
(NA)	(NA)	22	26	(NA)	(NA)	2	23	(NA)	(NA)	26.3	7.1	(NA)	(NA)	2.6	24.1	20.3	15.8	31.0	(NA)	(NA)	57.9	61.9	37
78,861	76,602	84,494	88,420	3,096	9,012	3,456	11,955	17.9	28.3	33.3	29.3	5.2	6.0	10.2	23.0	17.6	16.9	16.4	59.2	54.0	49.8	54.3	38
41,776	47,914	50,729	50,729	1,598	3,592	2,025	5,722	15.3	28.0	33.6	28.4	3.8	5.9	10.6	22.3	18.6	16.3	17.4	62.4	53.3	50.1	54.2	39
130,868	115,993	105,920	101,712	7,833	18,622	8,780	33,188	26.8	40.4	45.7	41.2	10.8	12.2	20.1	22.9	16.7	16.2	17.3	50.3	43.0	38.0	41.5	40
58,764	51,629	47,725	48,123	3,292	7,411	3,240	7,235	26.0	42.9	50.2	44.0	9.3	12.1	20.6	25.4	18.0	16.7	19.0	48.6	39.2	33.0	36.9	41
74,775	62,732	60,470	62,197	3,632	11,298	7,229	10,944	27.5	48.0	57.2	53.2	10.4	16.2	28.5	26.3	18.4	15.1	16.5	46.2	33.6	27.7	30.3	42
29,397	22,680	23,674	23,078	2,456	5,150	1,593	8,827	20.8	35.8	42.1	39.4	5.4	9.2	15.5	25.8	20.4	18.2	17.4	53.4	43.9	39.7	43.2	43
98,304	84,633	94,698	106,772	5,978	17,623	4,877	16,851	23.1	38.8	44.1	38.0	7.6	10.5	17.9	24.5	19.0	15.4	16.7	52.4	42.2	40.5	45.2	44
100,491	85,732	86,520	91,202	6,013	15,852	4,940	18,688	24.8	41.4	46.2	43.3	8.5	12.4	19.0	24.3	18.9	16.1	16.9	50.9	39.8	37.7	39.8	45
85,267	72,585	70,739	71,831	5,628	10,476	8,314	19,516	25.1	45.4	51.4	48.8	9.4	14.6	24.0	25.1	18.5							