

PRODUCTION CONDITIONS ON PEANUT FARMS BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM IN SELECTED PEANUT AREAS

Data are presented on a per-farm basis for some of the important characteristics of farms producing peanuts. It should be kept in mind that these data are subject to the same limitations as enumerated for the tobacco subregions on page 22. In these peanut subregions, there probably was more overlapping of crops included in the other field-crop classifications than was true for the tobacco subregions. As a result, the proportion of other field-crop farms that are specialized peanut farms may be lower for the peanut subregions than the proportion of such farms that were specialized tobacco farms in the tobacco subregions.

TABLE 41.—COLOR AND TENURE OF FARM OPERATORS ON OTHER FIELD-CROP FARMS IN SPECIFIED PEANUT SUBREGIONS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM: 1954

Item	All farms	Economic class of farm					
		I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Virginia-North Carolina (subregion 21)							
Total number of operators.....	15,178	52	1,011	4,296	6,003	2,855	961
Percent of operators:							
White.....	44	81	85	50	40	32	25
Nonwhite.....	56	19	15	50	60	68	75
Owners, part owners, or managers.....	37	75	53	29	33	47	56
Croppers.....	38	12	17	44	44	29	26
Other tenants.....	25	13	30	27	23	24	18
Georgia-Alabama-Florida (subregion 41)							
Total number of operators.....	8,138	57	359	1,339	2,758	2,497	1,128
Percent of operators:							
White.....	62	100	93	82	64	50	47
Nonwhite.....	38		7	18	36	50	53
Owners, part owners, or managers.....	43	100	76	48	36	39	44
Croppers.....	31		8	27	36	32	29
Other tenants.....	26		16	25	28	28	27
Oklahoma-Texas (subregion 96)							
Total number of operators.....	1,394	6	22	126	325	565	350
Percent of operators:							
White.....	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Nonwhite.....							
Owners, part owners, or managers.....	62	17	77	72	74	54	59
Croppers.....	1					3	1
Other tenants.....	37	83	23	28	26	43	40

Size of farm.—The average size of other field-crop farms was 83 acres in the Virginia-North Carolina peanut area (see Table 42). This was about half the size of similar farms in the Georgia-Alabama-Florida area and only 40 percent of the average size in the Oklahoma-Texas area. In each area approximately half of the total acres was in cropland. Both total acres and crop acres increased as the amount of gross farm income increased. The difference between number of crop acres on Classes I and VI farms was greater in the Virginia-North Carolina area than either of the other two areas.

TABLE 42.—NUMBER AND SIZE OF OTHER FIELD-CROP FARMS IN SPECIFIED PEANUT SUBREGIONS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM: 1954

Item	All farms	Economic class of farm					
		I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Virginia-North Carolina (subregion 21)							
Number of farms.....	15,178	52	1,011	4,296	6,003	2,855	961
Total acres per farm.....	83	646	222	98	67	51	38
Total crop acres per farm.....	39	255	107	49	31	23	14
Percent of total acres in cropland.....	47	39	48	50	46	45	37
Georgia-Alabama-Florida (subregion 41)							
Number of farms.....	8,138	57	359	1,339	2,758	2,497	1,128
Total acres per farm.....	164	1,661	603	221	139	97	92
Total crop acres per farm.....	84	658	294	121	75	53	40
Percent of total acres in cropland.....	51	40	49	55	54	55	43
Oklahoma-Texas (subregion 96)							
Number of farms.....	1,394	6	22	126	325	565	350
Total acres per farm.....	213	386	582	351	252	193	132
Total crop acres per farm.....	104	180	218	191	139	88	59
Percent of total acres in cropland.....	49	47	37	54	55	46	45

TABLE 43.—PERCENT DISTRIBUTION, BY SIZE OF FARM, OF OTHER FIELD-CROP FARMS IN SPECIFIED PEANUT SUBREGIONS, BY ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM: 1954

Total acres per farm	Percent distribution for each economic class of farm						
	All farms	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Virginia-North Carolina (subregion 21)							
Under 10 acres.....	3				2	6	20
10 to 29 acres.....	25	10	1	11	29	37	40
30 to 69 acres.....	36	10	12	43	37	34	29
70 to 139 acres.....	21		26	27	21	17	6
140 to 259 acres.....	10	10	31	13	8	5	3
260 to 499 acres.....	4		24	5	2	1	2
500 acres and over.....	1	70	6	1	1		(Z)
Total.....	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Georgia-Alabama-Florida (subregion 41)							
Under 10 acres.....	2			(Z)	(Z)	2	7
10 to 29 acres.....	10		1		5	16	26
30 to 69 acres.....	31		1	18	35	40	30
70 to 139 acres.....	26		6	31	31	24	19
140 to 259 acres.....	17		25	28	16	12	12
260 to 499 acres.....	9	9	29	17	9	5	3
500 acres and over.....	5	91	38	6	4	1	3
Total.....	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Oklahoma-Texas (subregion 96)							
Under 10 acres.....	1						3
10 to 29 acres.....	1					1	3
30 to 69 acres.....	6					9	10
70 to 139 acres.....	24			4	9	27	44
140 to 259 acres.....	40	83		24	46	45	31
260 to 499 acres.....	25		68	63	41	15	9
500 acres and over.....	3	17	32	9	2	3	
Total.....	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Z 0.5 percent or less.