

STATISTICS FOR THE STATE

State Table 5.—FARM OPERATORS BY COLOR, RESIDENCE, OFF-FARM WORK, AGE, AND YEARS ON PRESENT FARM: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1954

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—							
	1954 (November)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
<b>FARM OPERATORS</b>								
<b>By color:</b>								
White.....number..	174,844	194,438	203,325	212,654	230,176	213,603	(NA)	236,288
Negro.....number..	683	822	914	783	1,136	893	(NA)	892
Other nonwhite.....number..	16	8		2		1	(NA)	1
<b>By residence:</b>								
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	162,455	181,944	191,632	194,452	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	9,704	9,407	11,475	8,500	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting residence.....number..	3,384	3,917	1,132	10,487	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>By off-farm work:</b>								
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting..	65,171	64,725	48,740	55,181	54,041	51,581	(NA)	(NA)
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting..	25,439	23,600	15,958	20,829	26,069	27,089	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting..	6,977	7,261	5,182	7,238	8,975	7,218	(NA)	(NA)
100 days or more.....operators reporting..	32,755	33,864	27,600	27,114	18,997	17,274	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting..	8,510	8,843	6,313	11,590	8,841	8,129	(NA)	(NA)
200 days and over.....operators reporting..	24,245	25,021	21,287	15,524	10,156	9,145	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not working off their farms.....number..	102,646	123,828	155,499	136,041	175,461	162,916	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting.....number..	7,888	6,659		22,217	1,810		(NA)	(NA)
<b>By age:</b>								
Under 25 years.....operators reporting..	3,007	5,088	3,928	4,983	(NA)	4,874	(NA)	9,202
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting..	25,562	30,452	28,105	29,579	(NA)	32,973	(NA)	51,356
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting..	40,091	42,500	43,991	44,246	(NA)	53,982	(NA)	60,176
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting..	40,932	43,337	52,091	53,807	(NA)	50,982	(NA)	56,173
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting..	35,889	38,775	44,152	42,597	(NA)	39,504	(NA)	37,920
65 years and over.....operators reporting..	27,192	25,918	29,617	29,455	(NA)	24,657	(NA)	18,928
Average age.....years..	49.3	48.3	49.4	49.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting age.....number..	3,032	9,142	2,355	8,772	(NA)	7,525	(NA)	3,426
<b>Operation of present farm began—</b>								
1954:								
September or later.....operators reporting..	553	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	305	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	584	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	4,475	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	1,542	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1953:								
November and December.....operators reporting..	1,089	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
September and October.....operators reporting..	753	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	446	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	339	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	3,780	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	1,647	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1952.....operators reporting..	9,167	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1951.....operators reporting..	9,049	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1946 to 1950.....operators reporting..	43,469	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1941 to 1945.....operators reporting..	25,666	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1940 and earlier.....operators reporting..	67,880	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Operators not reporting.....number..	4,961	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Average number of years on present farm.....years..	15	13	14	14	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

State Table 6.—FARMS BY CLASS OF WORK POWER AND SPECIFIED FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1954

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—							
	1954 (November)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
<b>Farms by class of work power:</b>								
No tractor, horses, or mules.....farms reporting..	23,843	30,471	35,478	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and only 1 horse or mule.....farms reporting..	1,831	3,516	4,699	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and 2 or more horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	4,971	19,237	32,576	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	31,102	62,447	105,413	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and no horses or mules.....farms reporting..	113,958	79,541	26,079	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Specified facilities and equipment:</b>								
Telephone.....farms reporting..	129,890	127,528	124,039	105,683	(NA)	147,672	(NA)	173,572
Electricity.....farms reporting..	169,141	169,625	120,177	87,611	(NA)	134,231	(NA)	123,273
Television set.....farms reporting..	91,533	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Piped running water.....farms reporting..	116,046	(NA)	54,172	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Home freezer.....farms reporting..	89,657	47,806	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Electric pig brooder.....farms reporting..	12,338	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Power feed grinder.....farms reporting..	57,929	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Milking machine.....farms reporting..	32,252	31,970	19,479	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Grain combines.....farms reporting..	88,140	69,520	37,272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	90,736	71,978	38,470	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn pickers.....farms reporting..	96,787	73,307	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	99,588	75,532	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Pick-up hay balers.....farms reporting..	29,749	15,433	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	29,916	15,727	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting..	12,108	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	12,263	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Motortrucks.....farms reporting..	91,381	79,058	52,600	39,970	(NA)	38,877	(NA)	5,907
number.....	100,356	86,776	56,629	42,515	(NA)	40,371	(NA)	6,154
Tractors, including garden tractors.....farms reporting..	147,860	141,988	131,949	110,489	(NA)	66,172	41,435	21,932
number.....	289,985	234,789	174,270	126,069	(NA)	69,628	43,325	23,102
1 tractor.....farms reporting..	258,557	277,018	97,245	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 tractors.....farms reporting..	61,850	248,220	29,183	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 tractors.....farms reporting..	218,642			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 tractors.....farms reporting..	24,234	213,592	5,521	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting..	21,777			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheel tractors other than garden.....number..	262,213	216,595	168,963	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Garden tractors.....number..	24,263	15,524	2,400	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crawler tractors.....number..	3,509	2,670	2,121	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Automobiles.....farms reporting..	152,189	159,653	171,242	176,138	(NA)	170,606	(NA)	125,586
number.....	190,062	195,887	200,914	210,555	(NA)	192,873	(NA)	139,090
Farms reporting automobiles and/or motortrucks.....number..	161,266	175,986	179,801	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available. <sup>1</sup>The 1930 inquiry referred to electricity in "farmer's dwelling," and the 1920 inquiry referred to gas or electricity in "operator's dwelling."  
<sup>2</sup>Figures for 1954 and 1950 are for tractors other than garden tractors.