

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)
FARM OPERATORS								
By color:								
White.....number..	153,311	166,306	175,594	184,169	200,411	181,095	(NA)	204,554
Negro.....number..	270	310	376	373	424	461	(NA)	570
Other nonwhite.....number..	12	11		7		14	(NA)	2
By residence:								
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	144,037	155,411	165,681	171,238	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	7,118	6,916	8,712	7,291	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting residence.....number..	2,438	4,300	1,577	6,020	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
By off-farm work:								
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting..	74,917	70,356	56,644	57,524	61,734	56,089	(NA)	(NA)
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting..	17,392	17,449	10,042	14,185	22,441	22,032	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting..	6,179	6,972	4,919	7,114	10,185	8,512	(NA)	(NA)
100 days or more.....operators reporting..	51,346	45,935	41,683	36,225	29,108	25,545	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting..	9,952	10,219	7,805	13,254	14,541	11,182	(NA)	(NA)
200 days and over.....operators reporting..	41,394	35,716	33,878	22,971	14,567	14,363	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not working off their farms.....number..	72,689	89,709		115,784	132,383		(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting.....number..	6,091	6,573	119,326	11,241	6,718	125,481	(NA)	(NA)
By age:								
Under 25 years.....operators reporting..	2,456	3,760	3,784	4,825	(NA)	3,920	(NA)	8,335
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting..	20,202	23,321	22,521	22,787	(NA)	22,990	(NA)	39,082
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting..	33,587	34,067	35,836	35,982	(NA)	40,834	(NA)	47,704
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting..	34,715	35,766	43,694	45,133	(NA)	42,572	(NA)	47,925
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting..	32,618	34,473	38,696	38,536	(NA)	37,281	(NA)	36,926
65 years and over.....operators reporting..	28,170	26,086	29,862	31,398	(NA)	27,326	(NA)	22,167
Average age.....years..	50.5	49.6	50.3	50.2	(NA)	50.2	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting age.....number..	1,949	9,165	1,577	5,888	(NA)	6,647	(NA)	2,987
Operation of present farm began—								
1954:								
September or later.....operators reporting..	788	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	397	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	841	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	2,909	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	1,563	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1953:								
November and December.....operators reporting..	1,202	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
September and October.....operators reporting..	1,049	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	604	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	792	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	2,331	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	1,025	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1952.....operators reporting..	7,822	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1951.....operators reporting..	8,431	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1946 to 1950.....operators reporting..	37,581	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1941 to 1945.....operators reporting..	23,704	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1940 and earlier.....operators reporting..	59,583	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Operators not reporting.....number..	3,275	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Average number of years on present farm.....years..	15	14	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)
Farms by class of work power:								
No tractor, horses, or mules.....farms reporting..	31,328	37,954	45,692	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and only 1 horse or mule.....farms reporting..	2,525	5,158	8,355	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and 2 or more horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	5,166	17,489	32,832	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	18,884	32,597	57,962	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and no horses or mules.....farms reporting..	95,794	73,440	31,197	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Specified facilities and equipment:								
Telephones.....farms reporting..	110,761	102,963	97,236	83,675	(NA)	110,333	(NA)	136,140
Electricity.....farms reporting..	148,397	152,834	122,742	95,575	(NA)	130,335	(NA)	120,584
Television set.....farms reporting..	91,292	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Piped running water.....farms reporting..	110,818	(NA)	59,652	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Home freezer.....farms reporting..	77,352	37,116	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Electric pig brooder.....farms reporting..	7,730	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Power feed grinder.....farms reporting..	26,962	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Milking machine.....farms reporting..	30,198	28,105	13,826	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Grain combines.....farms reporting..	49,831	37,006	16,914	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	50,933	37,865	17,720	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn pickers.....farms reporting..	62,308	44,627	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	63,541	45,289	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Pick-up hay balers.....farms reporting..	18,723	9,577	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	18,812	9,674	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting..	5,451	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	5,526	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Motortrucks.....farms reporting..	69,635	53,583	35,260	27,409	(NA)	28,468	(NA)	3,501
number.....	78,086	59,811	38,411	29,732	(NA)	30,037	(NA)	3,671
Tractors, including garden tractors.....farms reporting..	119,858	106,037	89,458	68,447	(NA)	40,402	22,817	8,871
number.....	206,340	153,980	105,263	73,221	(NA)	41,979	23,567	9,230
1 tractor.....farms reporting..	267,903	272,187	76,231	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 tractors.....farms reporting..	236,165	224,073	11,370	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 tractors.....farms reporting..	8,227	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 tractors.....farms reporting..	21,722	25,088	1,857	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting..	261	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheel tractors other than garden.....number..	173,700	135,558	103,504	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Garden tractors.....number..	30,324	16,306	2,464	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crawler tractors.....number..	2,316	2,116	729	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Automobiles.....farms reporting..	131,204	133,235	146,130	149,026	(NA)	141,374	(NA)	95,238
number.....	162,494	159,223	165,796	172,981	(NA)	154,556	(NA)	102,122
Farms reporting automobiles and/or motortrucks.....number..	140,738	144,945	152,216	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹The 1930 inquiry referred to electricity in "farmer's dwelling," and the 1920 inquiry referred to gas or electricity in "operator's dwelling."

²Figures for 1954 and 1950 are for tractors other than garden tractors.