

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

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| Item<br>(For definitions and explanations, see text)     | Census of—        |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|  | 1954<br>(October) | 1950<br>(April 1) | 1945<br>(January 1) | 1940<br>(April 1) | 1935<br>(January 1) | 1930<br>(April 1) | 1925<br>(January 1) | 1920<br>(January 1) |
| <b>FARM OPERATORS</b>                                    |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| <b>By color:</b>   |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| White.....number..                                       | 2,688             | 2,753             | 2,987               | 3,147             | 3,280               | 3,131             | (NA)                | 2,944               |
| Negro.....number..                                       | 2                 | 4                 | 442                 | 4                 | 416                 | 3                 | (NA)                | 5                   |
| Other nonwhite.....number..                              | 167               | 353               |                     | 422               |                     | 308               | (NA)                | 214                 |
| <b>By residence:</b>                                     |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..      | 2,477             | 2,742             | 3,011               | 2,939             | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..  | 278               | 296               | 388                 | 465               | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Operators not reporting residence.....number..           | 102               | 72                | 30                  | 169               | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| <b>By off-farm work:</b>                                 |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting.. | 1,187             | 1,503             | 1,066               | 1,137             | 1,431               | 987               | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 1 to 49 days.....operators reporting..                   | 190               | 378               | 209                 | 263               | 556                 | 331               | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 50 to 99 days.....operators reporting..                  | 94                | 246               | 146                 | 218               | 307                 | 214               | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 100 days or more.....operators reporting..               | 903               | 879               | 711                 | 656               | 568                 | 442               | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 100 to 199 days.....operators reporting..                | 167               | 197               | 177                 | 198               | 262                 | 212               | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 200 days and over.....operators reporting..              | 736               | 682               | 534                 | 458               | 306                 | 230               | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Operators not working off their farms.....number..       | 1,513             | 1,549             | 2,363               | 2,205             | 2,200               | 2,455             | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Operators not reporting.....number..                     | 108               | 65                |                     | 231               | 65                  |                   | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| <b>By age:</b>   |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| Under 25 years.....operators reporting..                 | 40                | 63                | 80                  | 89                | (NA)                | 66                | (NA)                | 81                  |
| 25 to 34 years.....operators reporting..                 | 377               | 422               | 475                 | 434               | (NA)                | 420               | (NA)                | 597                 |
| 35 to 44 years.....operators reporting..                 | 639               | 619               | 762                 | 738               | (NA)                | 857               | (NA)                | 927                 |
| 45 to 54 years.....operators reporting..                 | 735               | 789               | 953                 | 869               | (NA)                | 888               | (NA)                | 763                 |
| 55 to 64 years.....operators reporting..                 | 561               | 587               | 719                 | 716               | (NA)                | 654               | (NA)                | 448                 |
| 65 years and over.....operators reporting..              | 411               | 358               | 416                 | 475               | (NA)                | 353               | (NA)                | 257                 |
| Average age.....years..                                  | 50.3              | 48.5              | 48.4                | 49.1              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Operators not reporting age.....number..                 | 45                | 279               | 24                  | 252               | (NA)                | 204               | (NA)                | 90                  |
| <b>Operation of present farm began—</b>                  |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| 1954:  |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| September or later.....operators reporting..             | 25                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| July and August.....operators reporting..                | 14                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| May and June.....operators reporting..                   | 24                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| March and April.....operators reporting..                | 54                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| January and February.....operators reporting..           | 43                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| 1953:  |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| November and December.....operators reporting..          | 4                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| September and October.....operators reporting..          | 29                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| July and August.....operators reporting..                | 39                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| May and June.....operators reporting..                   | 25                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| March and April.....operators reporting..                | 38                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| January and February.....operators reporting..           | 32                | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| 1952.....operators reporting..                           | 206               | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| 1951.....operators reporting..                           | 233               | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| 1946 to 1950.....operators reporting..                   | 717               | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| 1941 to 1945.....operators reporting..                   | 304               | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| 1940 and earlier.....operators reporting..               | 919               | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| Operators not reporting.....number..                     | 102               | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | XXX                 |
| Average number of years on present farm.....years..      | 13                | 12                | 13                  | 13                | (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

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| <b>Farms by class of work power:</b>                               |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| No tractor, horses, or mules.....farms reporting..                 | 436               | 462               | 817                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| No tractor and only 1 horse or mule.....farms reporting..          | 115               | 81                | 72                  | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| No tractor and 2 or more horses and/or mules.....farms reporting.. | 325               | 841               | 1,447               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Tractor and horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..              | 1,418             | 1,332             | 975                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Tractor and no horses or mules.....farms reporting..               | 504               | 401               | 112                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| <b>Specified facilities and equipment:</b>                         |                   |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| Telephone.....farms reporting..                                    | 1,772             | 1,650             | 1,508               | 1,201             | (NA)                | 1,460             | (NA)                | 1,122               |
| Electricity.....farms reporting..                                  | 2,323             | 2,184             | 2,079               | 1,812             | (NA)                | 1,139             | (NA)                | 385                 |
| Television set.....farms reporting..                               | 261               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Piped running water.....farms reporting..                          | 2,286             | (NA)              | 2,058               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Home freezer.....farms reporting..                                 | 1,393             | 772               | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Electric pig brooder.....farms reporting..                         | 34                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Power feed grinder.....farms reporting..                           | 519               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Milking machine.....farms reporting..                              | 393               | 450               | 318                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Grain combines.....farms reporting..                               | 393               | 378               | 143                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| number.....  | 412               | 385               | 154                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Corn pickers.....farms reporting..                                 | 11                | 9                 | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| number.....  | 11                | 9                 | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Pick-up hay balers.....farms reporting..                           | 771               | 435               | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| number.....  | 847               | 471               | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting..                      | 214               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| number.....  | 241               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Motortrucks.....farms reporting..                                  | 2,262             | 1,967             | 1,898               | 1,408             | (NA)                | 1,118             | (NA)                | 161                 |
| number.....  | 3,908             | 3,123             | 2,603               | 1,683             | (NA)                | 1,241             | (NA)                | 174                 |
| Tractors, including garden tractors.....farms reporting..          | 2,026             | 1,733             | 1,264               | 580               | (NA)                | 318               | (NA)                | 182                 |
| number.....  | 4,588             | 3,213             | 1,827               | 681               | (NA)                | 360               | (NA)                | 210                 |
| 1 tractor.....farms reporting..                                    | 2,908             | 2,984             | 957                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 2 tractors.....farms reporting..                                   | 2,524             | 2,406             | 201                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 3 tractors.....farms reporting..                                   | 2,187             |                   |                     | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 4 tractors.....farms reporting..                                   | 2,118             | 2,283             | 106                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| 5 or more tractors.....farms reporting..                           | 2,185             |                   |                     | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Wheel tractors other than garden.....number..                      | 3,798             | 2,856             | 1,354               | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Garden tractors.....number..                                       | 232               | 128               | 19                  | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Crawler tractors.....number..                                      | 558               | 431               | 216                 | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)              | (NA)                | (NA)                |
| Automobiles.....farms reporting..                                  | 2,183             | 2,006             | 2,303               | 2,362             | (NA)                | 2,397             | (NA)                | 1,436               |
| number.....  | 3,495             | 3,006             | 3,044               | 3,158             | (NA)                | 2,921             | (NA)                | 1,717               |
| Farms reporting automobiles and/or motortrucks.....number..        | 2,681             | 2,634             | 2,898               | (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.