

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..	176,090	198,420	219,459	232,684	253,669	218,059	(NA)	255,079
Negro.....number..	965	920	1,116	1,092	1,477	1,229	(NA)	1,616
Other nonwhite.....number..	19	19		7		8	(NA)	...
By residence:								
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	166,659	186,305	206,982	212,293	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting..	7,628	8,358	11,959	9,656	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting residence.....number..	2,787	4,696	1,634	11,834	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
By off-farm work:								
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting..	91,228	89,597	74,659	75,106	75,388	63,643	(NA)	(NA)
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting..	18,105	18,155	10,684	17,009	24,217	24,197	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting..	7,381	7,950	5,483	8,193	12,452	8,665	(NA)	(NA)
100 days or more.....operators reporting..	65,742	63,492	58,492	49,904	38,719	30,781	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting..	11,168	12,516	9,513	17,966	18,202	12,218	(NA)	(NA)
200 days and over.....operators reporting..	54,574	50,976	48,979	31,938	20,517	18,563	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not working off their farms.....number..	79,658	103,167	145,916	135,277	173,092	152,653	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting.....number..	6,232	6,466		23,400	6,666		(NA)	(NA)
By age:								
Under 25 years.....operators reporting..	2,721	4,082	4,352	5,234	(NA)	4,012	(NA)	8,112
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting..	22,382	26,995	27,262	26,572	(NA)	25,260	(NA)	43,721
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting..	39,565	40,859	44,340	43,485	(NA)	48,304	(NA)	60,308
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting..	40,388	44,583	55,278	56,419	(NA)	54,074	(NA)	62,186
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting..	36,825	41,385	48,439	50,231	(NA)	46,155	(NA)	48,175
65 years and over.....operators reporting..	32,406	32,142	38,739	40,587	(NA)	33,241	(NA)	30,358
Average age.....years..	50.6	49.9	50.6	50.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators not reporting age.....number..	2,811	9,174	2,165	11,255	(NA)	8,250	(NA)	3,835
Operation of present farm began—								
1954:								
September or later.....operators reporting..	1,048	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	602	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	1,089	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	2,922	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	1,587	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1953:								
November and December.....operators reporting..	1,337	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
September and October.....operators reporting..	1,212	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
July and August.....operators reporting..	714	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
May and June.....operators reporting..	857	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
March and April.....operators reporting..	2,325	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
January and February.....operators reporting..	1,081	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1952.....operators reporting..	8,400	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1951.....operators reporting..	9,846	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1946 to 1950.....operators reporting..	42,898	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1941 to 1945.....operators reporting..	27,121	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
1940 and earlier.....operators reporting..	69,556	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Operators not reporting.....number..	4,503	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Average number of years on present farm.....years..	15	14	15	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..	33,633	39,428	56,003	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and only 1 horse or mule.....farms reporting..	4,090	7,160	10,643	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No tractor and 2 or more horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	8,973	25,242	42,673	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and horses and/or mules.....farms reporting..	22,545	34,474	65,748	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tractor and no horses or mules.....farms reporting..	107,857	92,916	45,416	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Specified facilities and equipment:								
Telephone.....farms reporting..	126,863	119,736	111,461	88,888	(NA)	121,214	(NA)	159,478
Electricity.....farms reporting..	171,764	185,691	164,949	143,436	(NA)	156,740	(NA)	137,745
Television set.....farms reporting..	115,373	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Piped running water.....farms reporting..	128,556	(NA)	83,856	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Home freezer.....farms reporting..	79,408	36,139	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Electric pig brooder.....farms reporting..	7,645	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Power feed grinder.....farms reporting..	28,037	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Milking machine.....farms reporting..	41,896	39,436	20,059	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Grain combines.....farms reporting..	52,896	39,386	18,904	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	54,211	40,315	19,545	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corn pickers.....farms reporting..	53,936	34,241	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	54,580	34,691	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Pick-up hay balers.....farms reporting..	29,215	12,241	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	29,357	12,378	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting..	7,328	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
number.....	7,447	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Motortrucks.....farms reporting..	69,016	56,861	38,670	31,872	(NA)	36,693	(NA)	6,960
number.....	77,859	64,780	42,808	35,169	(NA)	39,210	(NA)	7,319
Tractors, including garden tractors.....farms reporting..	137,687	127,390	110,803	83,265	(NA)	50,693	29,951	9,934
number.....	233,093	182,481	130,486	89,999	(NA)	52,974	30,905	10,469
1 tractor.....farms reporting..	278,422	286,527	94,287	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 tractors.....farms reporting..	240,314	227,676	14,259	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 tractors.....farms reporting..	28,914	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 tractors.....farms reporting..	21,982	25,704	2,257	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting..	2770	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Wheel tractors other than garden.....number..	194,957	158,638	124,359	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Garden tractors.....number..	34,787	20,970	7,020	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crawler tractors.....number..	3,349	2,873	1,765	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Automobiles.....farms reporting..	151,667	163,216	185,116	188,863	(NA)	172,078	(NA)	119,511
number.....	197,161	208,027	221,587	231,368	(NA)	201,552	(NA)	128,384
Farms reporting automobiles and/or motortrucks.....number..	160,596	163,216	185,116	(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.