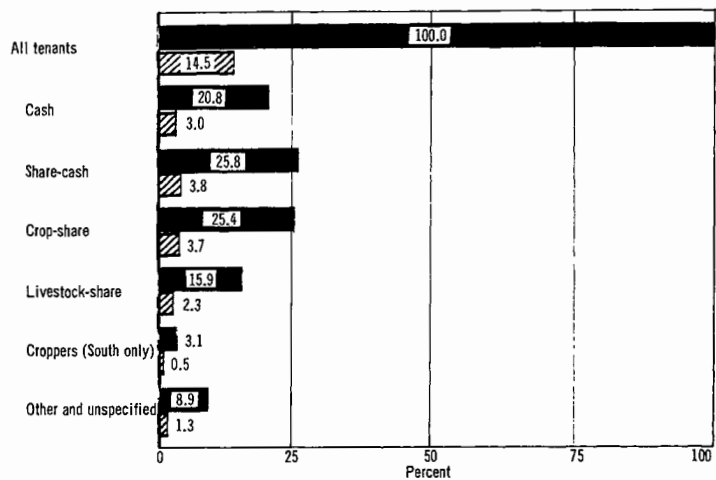
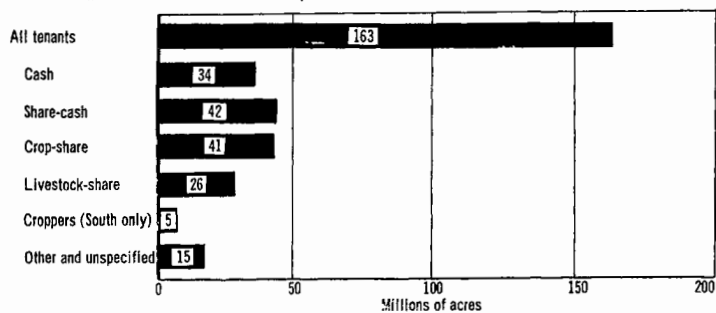


PERCENT OF ALL LAND OPERATED BY TENANTS, BY TYPE OF RENTAL AGREEMENT, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1959



class. These tenants rented 42.1 million acres of farmland, or 25.8 percent of all tenant-operated land. Share-cash tenants were located primarily in the cash-grain areas of north-central Illinois, northwestern Iowa, and eastern Nebraska, where farm size averaged somewhat larger than in the United States as a whole.

Crop-share tenants rented nearly the same amount of land as the share-cash tenants. About 41.5 million acres were rented under crop-share leases, or 25.4 percent of all land operated by tenants. This type of lease is widely used throughout the United States, but it has been used particularly in the Coastal Plain areas of North Carolina and South Carolina, and along the Mississippi River.

Livestock-share tenants operated 25.9 million acres of farmland, or 15.9 percent of the tenant-operated land. The livestock-share leasing is found almost exclusively in the North Central region.

Sharecroppers in the South farmed 5.1 million acres in 1959. This represents a drop of 9.1 million acres in sharecropper farms since 1950 and is the lowest acreage ever reported by the census for this type of rental arrangement. Land in sharecropper farms declined from 6.7 percent of all tenant-operated land in 1950 to 3.1 percent in 1959. Sharecropper land accounted for less than one-half of one percent of all farmland in the United States in 1959.

Cash tenants rented 34.0 million acres of farmland in 1959, or about one-fifth of all tenant-operated land. Cash tenants were widely distributed across the United States and accounted for about one-seventh of the tenant operators.

Other and unspecified types of leases were not insignificant. They accounted for 8.9 percent of the land operated by tenants, or 14.6 million acres. Tenants in this category include those who paid a fixed quantity of product, those who maintained the land rent-free, and those whose rental payments were unspecified.

VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS, BY TENURE OF OPERATOR, FOR THE UNITED STATES AND REGIONS: 1900 TO 1959

