

PERCENT OF FARM OPERATORS REPORTING INCOME FROM OFF-THE-FARM SOURCES, BY TENURE OF OPERATOR, FOR THE CONTERMINOUS UNITED STATES: 1959 AND 1954

Tenure of operator	Percent of operators reporting income from off-the-farm sources	
	1959	1954
Total.....	39.3	27.9
Full owners.....	47.1	33.1
Part owners.....	33.4	25.6
Managers.....	27.0	18.8
All tenants.....	23.9	17.3
Cash.....	34.2	27.5
Share-cash.....	24.0	17.3
Crop-share.....	22.6	15.4
Livestock-share.....	21.6	15.3
Croppers (South only).....	13.7	10.1
Other and unspecified.....	30.4	26.6

**Relationship of Income From Off-Farm Sources to Value of Agricultural Products Sold.**—The proportion of farm operators reporting family income from off-farm sources exceeding the value of agricultural products sold has increased from 29.8 percent in 1954, to 35.8 percent in 1959. If there had been no change in definition of a farm the proportion would have been 38.8 percent in 1959. Although the proportions for all geographic areas increased, the increase for the South was more than for any other area since 1954, as the increase in the proportion of farm operators reporting 100 or more days of work off the farm and reporting off-farm work by other members of the operator's family, in the South, was more than that for any other area.

The proportion of farm operators with income from off-the-farm sources exceeding the value of farm products sold was greater in 1959 than in 1954 for each tenure group.

PERCENT OF FARM OPERATORS REPORTING INCOME FROM OFF-THE-FARM SOURCES EXCEEDING THE VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS SOLD, BY TENURE OF OPERATOR, FOR THE CONTERMINOUS UNITED STATES: 1959 AND 1954

Tenure of operator	Percent of farms reporting—	
	1959	1954
Total.....	35.8	29.8
Full owners.....	47.2	39.0
Part owners.....	20.9	18.0
Managers.....	16.0	11.2
All tenants.....	20.5	16.9
Cash.....	39.4	37.8
Share-cash.....	8.0	6.1
Crop-share.....	17.3	12.9
Livestock-share.....	8.0	4.9
Croppers (South only).....	16.1	11.2
Other and unspecified.....	42.1	38.9

In 1959, three-fifths of the farm operators of farms, with the farm operator reporting work off the farm, reported the income of the farm operator and members of his family from sources off the farm exceeded the value of farm products sold. There were significant differences among the various tenure groups.

There was also a significant number of farm operators not working off their farms (or not reporting work off their farms) with income from off-farm sources exceeding the value of farm products sold. For this group, the proportion of farm operators reporting income from off-farm sources varied by tenure.

PERCENT OF FARM OPERATORS REPORTING INCOME FROM OFF-THE-FARM SOURCES EXCEEDING THE VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS SOLD, BY TENURE OF OPERATOR, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1959

Tenure of operator	Farms with operator reporting off-farm work (percent)	Farms with operator not reporting off-farm work (percent)
	Total.....	58.8
Full owners.....	70.4	26.0
Part owners.....	41.2	6.8
Managers.....	50.0	6.6
All tenants.....	40.0	6.7
Cash.....	62.3	15.0
Share-cash.....	19.3	1.8
Crop-share.....	24.1	5.3
Livestock-share.....	21.2	2.0
Croppers (South only).....	31.9	6.2
Other and unspecified.....	64.4	18.3

The proportion of farms with the income from off-the-farm sources exceeding the value of farm products sold increased significantly from 1950 to 1959, not only for farms with sales of farm products of \$2,500 and over but also for farms with sales of farm products of less than \$2,500.

PERCENT OF FARM OPERATORS REPORTING INCOME FROM OFF-THE-FARM SOURCES EXCEEDING VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS SOLD, BY VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS SOLD, FOR THE CONTERMINOUS UNITED STATES: 1959, 1954, AND 1950

Value of farm products sold	1959 (percent)	1954 (percent)	1950 (percent)
Farms with sales of farm products of—			
Total.....	35.8	29.8	29.1
Under \$2,500.....	62.5	46.6	43.0
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....	27.2	12.6	10.2
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....	12.6	6.4	5.3
\$10,000 and over.....	6.5	4.5	4.3

OFF-FARM WORK AND OTHER INCOME OF FARM OPERATOR AND HIS FAMILY—NUMBER AND PERCENT OF OPERATORS REPORTING, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1959 AND 1954

