

State Table 4.—FARM OPERATORS BY COLOR, AGE, RESIDENCE, AND OFF-FARM WORK; AND EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES ON FARMS: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1959

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text.]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—								
	1959 (Oct.-Nov.)	1954 (Oct.-Nov.)	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...	80,336	114,056	141,588	147,494	159,649	181,713	162,755	158,708	160,322
Negro.....number...	14,654	30,983	40,810	51,275	57,011	71,300	79,556	63,283	72,275
Other nonwhite.....number...	17	37	31		14		23		7
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	1,613	3,014	7,633	5,835	12,725	NA	27,145	NA	21,327
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	9,087	17,280	28,644	29,847	42,362	NA	49,510	NA	53,034
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	19,603	32,666	41,166	48,854	45,776	NA	53,115	NA	56,638
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	26,789	37,204	37,183	48,291	47,472	NA	53,794	NA	53,614
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	20,932	28,577	31,243	37,182	35,506	NA	33,258	NA	28,857
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	16,310	24,089	23,377	26,074	23,699	NA	18,151	NA	16,956
Average age.....years.....	51.0	49.7	47.2	47.7	45.5	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	836	2,683	13,161	2,686	9,134	NA	7,361	NA	2,178
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	83,598	133,428	171,665	186,831	195,556	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	6,270	8,063	6,616	8,803	9,248	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	5,139	3,585	4,148	3,135	11,870	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	46,680	68,103	73,033	57,510	60,941	70,222	77,266	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	9,044	18,266	22,174	14,876	22,320	40,499	39,962	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	6,863	10,340	12,633	11,146	11,622	12,986	17,475	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	30,613	39,607	38,226	31,488	26,999	16,737	19,829	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	7,608	11,860	12,228	11,112	12,843	8,641	11,197	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	23,105	27,667	25,998	20,376	14,156	8,096	8,632	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	49,460	77,189	109,353	141,259	155,733	182,791	165,068	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	40,978	49,311	60,347	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	11,482	10,908	6,834	2,840	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	19,750	18,227	7,937	3,410	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	1,680	1,609	787	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	1,660	1,606	864	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	6,086	4,228	3,175	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	6,206	6,039	3,222	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	1,409	1,169	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	1,553	1,245	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	69,337	67,228	66,510	30,304	18,441	NA	10,526	NA	973
.....number...	73,161	77,398	63,436	33,134	19,674	NA	11,000	NA	1,027
Tractors.....farms reporting...	60,117	63,142	41,369	18,599	9,415	NA	4,263	2,554	1,423
.....number...	88,900	83,160	60,908	26,537	12,564	NA	5,684	3,476	1,822
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	47,896	51,182	39,903	18,599	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	83,862	79,799	67,949	27,221	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	32,647	38,760	31,602	14,545	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	8,106	6,837	4,690	12,323	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	2,958	2,395	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	1,608	1,199	3,711	1,731	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	2,582	1,991	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	47,636	51,064	39,606	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	81,948	78,626	56,913	26,617	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	1,686	990	888	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	1,904	1,174	1,036	604	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	4,804	3,244	2,266	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	6,048	3,361	2,369	316	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	61,938	66,771	67,931	51,538	45,865	NA	63,800	NA	15,401
.....number...	68,194	66,142	66,077	53,925	48,571	NA	65,935	NA	16,408
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	81,124	102,462	101,460	74,329	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephones.....farms reporting...	30,769	24,346	19,177	13,215	11,375	NA	25,046	NA	52,869
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	40,249	27,756	10,681	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	4,907	4,367	2,884	461	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	2,994	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	1,010	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	2,864	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	19,746	NA	24,243	NA	11,993	NA	26,764	36,000	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	38,605	NA	73,193	NA	46,424	NA	437,007	521,045	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	36,868	NA	76,625	NA	147,147	NA	179,523	188,959	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	8,999	NA	NA	6,136	61,3	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	26,220	NA	NA	647,513	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	6,087	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	10,366	NA	NA	639,565	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	2,499	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	7,307	NA	NA	67,948	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.
¹Figures for 1945 are for all tractors.
²Concrete, brick, asphalt, and macadam.
³Concrete or brick and macadam. Asphalt was not included.
⁴Includes sand-clay.
⁵Gravel.
⁶Distance to all-weather road. See text.