

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...	154,194	174,844	194,438	203,325	212,654	230,176	213,603	NA	236,288
Negro.....number...	439	683	822	914	783	1,136	893	NA	892
Other nonwhite.....number...	11	16	8		2		1	NA	1
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	3,077	3,007	5,088	3,928	4,983	NA	4,874	NA	9,202
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	10,641	25,562	30,452	28,105	29,579	NA	32,973	NA	51,356
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	35,329	40,091	42,500	43,991	44,246	NA	53,982	NA	60,176
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	39,341	40,932	43,337	52,091	53,807	NA	50,982	NA	56,173
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	32,856	35,889	38,775	44,152	42,597	NA	39,504	NA	37,920
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	22,250	27,192	35,918	29,617	29,455	NA	24,657	NA	18,928
Average age.....years.....	49.4	49.3	48.3	49.0	49.4	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	1,618	1,032	9,142	2,355	8,772	NA	7,525	NA	3,426
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	135,443	162,455	181,944	191,632	194,452	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	10,237	9,704	9,407	11,475	8,500	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	8,964	3,384	3,917	1,132	10,487	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	50,683	65,171	64,725	48,740	55,181	54,041	51,581	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	19,249	26,439	25,600	15,958	20,829	26,069	27,089	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	6,891	6,077	7,261	5,182	7,238	8,975	7,218	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	33,603	32,655	33,863	27,600	27,114	18,997	17,274	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	7,537	8,510	8,449	6,313	11,590	8,841	8,129	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	26,066	24,245	25,021	21,287	15,524	10,156	9,145	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	94,999	110,534	130,487	155,499	158,258	177,271	162,916	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	36,219	30,969	35,947	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	89,866	88,140	69,620	37,272	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	93,366	90,736	71,978	38,470	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	100,183	96,787	73,307	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	106,542	90,588	76,532	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	38,466	29,749	16,433	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	38,792	29,016	15,727	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	14,864	12,108	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	15,568	12,263	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	99,549	91,381	79,658	52,600	39,970	NA	38,877	NA	5,907
.....number...	113,675	100,356	86,776	56,629	42,515	NA	40,371	NA	6,154
Tractors.....farms reporting...	138,392	147,860	141,988	131,949	110,489	NA	66,172	41,435	21,932
.....number...	320,769	289,985	234,789	174,270	126,069	NA	69,628	43,325	23,102
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	135,941	145,060	138,828	131,949	110,489	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	290,008	265,722	219,265	171,084	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	39,118	58,557	77,016	197,245	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	56,879	61,850	48,220	129,183	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	28,911	18,642	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	7,596	4,234	13,592	13,521	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	3,437	1,777	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	135,519	144,842	138,438	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	285,156	292,213	216,695	168,963	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	4,364	3,161	2,487	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	4,846	3,509	2,670	2,121	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	29,253	23,733	15,022	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	30,767	24,265	15,524	2,400	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	141,898	152,189	169,663	171,242	176,138	NA	170,606	NA	125,586
.....number...	172,546	190,062	196,887	200,914	210,555	NA	192,873	NA	139,090
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	149,018	161,265	175,988	179,801	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	128,248	129,800	127,628	124,039	105,663	NA	147,672	NA	173,572
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	108,144	89,657	47,805	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	26,357	32,252	31,970	19,479	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	18,959	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	3,297	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	90,870	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	54,068	NA	52,089	NA	34,466	NA	223,595	316,469	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	88,289	NA	111,435	NA	111,950	NA	445,095	532,473	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	10,625	NA	23,018	NA	60,225	NA	136,324	171,629	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	3,720	NA	NA	6,175,966	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	6,905	NA	NA	6,21,462	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	2,560	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	3,362	NA	NA	6,20,181	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	563	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	630	NA	NA	1,281	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.