

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...	174,627	192,817	203,069	208,790	213,191	221,851	214,774	NA	213,330
Negro.....number...	66	67	79	144	88	135	118	NA	109
Other nonwhite.....number...	14	49	11		39		36	NA	...
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	3,856	3,991	7,194	4,965	6,520	NA	7,284	NA	9,865
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	27,898	30,222	39,191	36,799	36,140	NA	43,035	NA	55,121
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	49,113	48,290	47,893	49,530	49,049	NA	56,801	NA	56,282
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	49,931	44,967	46,008	53,177	52,669	NA	49,142	NA	48,592
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	36,010	36,199	36,082	39,248	38,155	NA	34,061	NA	28,609
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	19,640	22,083	20,486	23,418	23,575	NA	18,140	NA	12,236
Average age.....years	47.7	47.0	46.0	47.2	47.0	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	1,141	2,267	8,360	1,797	7,210	NA	6,465	NA	2,734
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	160,426	182,785	191,759	200,070	197,601	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	8,482	7,725	7,096	7,094	6,500	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	5,799	2,423	4,304	1,770	9,217	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	63,793	61,223	61,095	29,039	38,118	40,707	38,430	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	23,996	33,687	26,827	14,164	19,668	21,908	21,910	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	6,332	6,778	6,317	3,011	4,930	6,068	4,650	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	23,465	20,858	18,961	11,864	13,520	12,731	11,870	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	6,162	6,332	4,863	3,099	4,801	5,511	4,684	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	17,313	16,686	14,088	8,765	8,719	7,220	7,186	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	120,892	131,786	162,060	179,895	175,200	181,279	176,498	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	22,708	17,790	17,069	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	97,987	87,214	61,424	23,110	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	99,709	88,318	62,276	23,678	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	121,694	119,347	91,176	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	126,394	121,047	92,510	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	58,189	38,274	13,042	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	68,658	38,396	13,211	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	18,429	13,824	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	19,011	13,961	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	92,431	80,048	68,690	35,482	24,947	NA	31,874	NA	8,669
.....number...	99,769	84,648	62,376	37,386	26,352	NA	32,669	NA	8,910
Tractors.....farms reporting...	168,603	169,719	161,306	151,137	117,932	NA	63,166	35,692	19,427
.....number...	343,487	311,677	240,941	181,049	128,516	NA	66,258	37,230	20,270
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	168,368	168,174	169,391	151,137	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	327,863	297,016	232,304	179,616	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	40,298	66,989	98,970	124,822	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	76,873	79,322	60,305	23,389	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	30,866	17,793	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	6,917	2,960	9,680	2,926	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	2,404	1,060	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	156,946	168,037	159,006	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	322,889	294,781	230,622	178,668	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	4,427	2,018	1,610	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	4,974	2,234	1,682	967	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	14,943	14,341	8,418	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	16,624	14,662	8,637	1,210	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	166,666	178,217	180,974	189,749	192,456	NA	193,810	NA	156,081
.....number...	206,276	226,461	228,097	224,216	236,601	NA	240,512	NA	177,558
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	169,808	184,988	190,597	194,689	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	160,207	168,389	168,343	165,760	142,091	NA	180,876	NA	183,852
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	116,130	78,603	30,394	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	46,967	48,432	42,305	21,236	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	23,256	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	3,818	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	109,436	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	29,887	NA	26,993	NA	19,259	NA	28,935	2,752	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	136,721	NA	128,218	NA	102,604	NA	48,423	21,157	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	6,537	NA	47,418	NA	84,850	NA	150,922	185,042	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	3,672	NA	NA	NA	163,609	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	2,975	NA	NA	NA	36,719	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	1,329	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	1,046	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	192	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	408	NA	NA	1,507	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.