

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...	103,993	119,683	130,920	140,403	155,582	173,523	165,006	NA	164,048
Negro.....number...	310	435	412	789	681	941	941	NA	1,135
Other nonwhite.....number...	44	49	62		64	1,066	95	NA	103
By age:									
Under 25 years..... operators reporting...	1,776	2,606	4,143	3,167	5,431	NA	7,473	NA	8,518
25 to 34 years..... operators reporting...	12,368	17,012	20,221	20,248	24,587	NA	30,074	NA	39,035
35 to 44 years..... operators reporting...	21,923	26,901	28,176	30,938	31,767	NA	41,011	NA	42,294
45 to 54 years..... operators reporting...	26,181	28,037	28,316	34,559	36,684	NA	38,006	NA	35,987
55 to 64 years..... operators reporting...	22,467	24,741	25,632	29,602	30,404	NA	28,236	NA	24,650
65 or more years..... operators reporting...	17,873	19,381	18,569	20,954	21,076	NA	17,384	NA	12,825
Average age..... years...	50.6	48.6	48.4	49.1	48.2	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	1,663	1,713	6,266	1,724	6,378	NA	3,858	NA	1,977
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated..... operators reporting...	84,853	105,417	117,502	130,265	134,492	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated..... operators reporting...	13,169	12,607	10,832	9,538	14,126	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	6,325	2,143	3,060	1,389	7,709	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total..... operators reporting...	45,169	62,066	46,464	29,126	48,173	62,018	51,071	NA	NA
1 to 40 days..... operators reporting...	15,327	20,637	20,369	11,094	25,808	36,801	30,433	NA	NA
50 to 90 days..... operators reporting...	6,691	6,698	6,460	3,145	6,500	9,305	6,836	NA	NA
100 or more days..... operators reporting...	24,191	24,831	20,036	14,887	15,865	15,912	13,802	NA	NA
100 to 190 days..... operators reporting...	6,310	6,843	6,182	3,655	6,004	6,839	5,604	NA	NA
200 or more days..... operators reporting...	17,881	17,988	14,853	11,232	9,861	9,073	8,198	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	68,966	68,226	84,908	112,066	108,154	112,571	114,971	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold..... operators reporting...	24,132	22,669	21,820	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	64,885	68,470	61,311	74,832	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	75,115	75,591	68,884	48,067	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	21,455	19,349	11,940	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	21,922	19,564	12,193	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	24,242	17,216	8,046	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	24,595	17,964	8,175	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	16,812	12,782	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	17,606	13,090	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	83,326	84,494	71,780	54,099	39,623	NA	32,009	NA	3,782
.....number...	122,300	112,422	88,835	60,908	42,617	NA	33,648	NA	3,928
Tractors.....farms reporting...	92,496	102,731	98,970	93,638	83,775	NA	59,075	28,587	16,128
.....number...	123,912	176,333	146,266	116,651	95,139	NA	66,275	31,171	17,177
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	91,366	101,448	97,538	92,638	83,638	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	173,661	168,606	141,464	118,351	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	36,890	52,822	63,822	74,473	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	36,419	35,564	26,537	116,269	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	15,633	9,513	7,179	12,896	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	3,681	2,360	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	1,843	1,095	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	91,018	101,330	97,160	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	170,144	165,401	138,515	116,729	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	3,068	2,752	2,635	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	3,507	3,106	2,939	2,622	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	9,890	7,644	4,618	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	10,261	7,827	4,812	622	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	94,922	105,034	108,507	119,840	130,231	NA	145,224	NA	102,517
.....number...	118,649	129,597	133,606	133,593	150,403	NA	171,018	NA	111,055
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	100,863	114,674	119,956	128,972	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	87,358	89,927	89,766	91,299	79,666	NA	120,890	NA	128,753
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	54,120	36,481	11,274	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	16,422	17,445	13,268	5,338	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	8,311	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, storage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	1,740	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	47,270	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	21,655	NA	21,027	NA	14,302	NA	25,124	33,447	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	57,855	NA	60,205	NA	53,653	NA	416,063	53,767	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	23,031	NA	42,309	NA	80,441	NA	139,636	151,857	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	5,322	NA	NA	684,337	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	17,669	NA	NA	650,059	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	4,939	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	6,783	NA	NA	642,063	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	1,635	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	4,312	NA	NA	67,996	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.