

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.....	56,735	77,654	83,525	80,164	90,423	99,901	87,675	72,937	73,404
Negro.....number.....	17,686	33,446	40,599	49,131	59,556	70,315	73,734	59,513	62,036
Other nonwhite.....number.....	17	27	57		28		36		23
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting.....	1,151	2,006	6,006	4,523	10,773	NA	17,824	NA	12,183
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting.....	6,901	13,663	18,772	21,179	31,331	NA	33,958	NA	29,473
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting.....	16,065	27,109	28,060	33,406	33,115	NA	37,205	NA	35,442
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting.....	21,626	28,521	26,050	30,953	31,595	NA	34,516	NA	29,873
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting.....	16,685	20,633	19,718	22,836	22,877	NA	21,663	NA	16,626
65 or more years.....operators reporting.....	11,236	16,601	16,277	15,106	13,948	NA	11,403	NA	10,439
Average age.....years.....	62.9	49.7	46.8	46.7	44.2	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number.....	613	2,117	9,331	1,292	6,368	NA	4,876	NA	1,427
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting.....	65,600	103,758	117,258	122,836	137,768	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting.....	3,555	4,697	3,868	4,630	6,089	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number.....	5,283	2,672	3,055	1,829	6,150	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting.....	37,384	61,962	46,682	31,727	34,890	36,612	48,097	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting.....	6,053	9,442	9,622	7,499	13,710	17,876	23,536	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting.....	3,665	6,719	6,537	6,886	6,893	7,095	12,226	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting.....	27,666	45,801	30,523	17,342	14,287	11,641	12,335	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting.....	5,169	7,726	6,582	6,000	6,472	5,716	6,260	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting.....	22,497	38,075	23,941	11,342	7,815	5,925	6,075	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number.....	36,386	60,289	77,310	97,568	115,117	133,604	113,348	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting.....	39,526	44,202	47,043	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting.....	4,096	4,031	2,300	1,378	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	5,078	4,750	3,552	1,676	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting.....	1,300	633	270	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	1,369	666	201	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting.....	3,824	3,010	1,881	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	3,987	3,122	1,987	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting.....	801	690	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	923	628	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting.....	38,803	41,526	30,918	18,637	15,663	NA	8,769	NA	793
.....number.....	47,153	48,666	36,824	20,974	17,005	NA	9,281	NA	874
Tractors.....farms reporting.....	33,267	34,013	23,486	11,433	6,937	NA	3,810	2,466	2,142
.....number.....	55,800	51,920	35,735	17,630	9,476	NA	5,016	3,482	2,812
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting.....	35,387	32,672	22,607	11,433	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	53,229	49,985	34,373	17,623	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting.....	23,128	26,053	17,129	8,386	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting.....	4,865	4,081	3,160	1,886	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting.....	2,175	1,712	1,112	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting.....	915	760	2,308	1,161	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting.....	1,304	1,076	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting.....	32,150	32,443	22,105	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	52,016	48,910	33,443	16,912	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting.....	1,043	853	795	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	1,213	1,076	930	711	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting.....	2,286	1,825	1,294	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	2,671	1,944	1,362	405	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting.....	48,179	64,674	48,489	37,327	32,039	NA	41,453	NA	9,494
.....number.....	54,721	62,802	66,183	40,651	34,891	NA	43,082	NA	10,512
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting.....	63,787	78,646	69,061	49,424	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephones.....farms reporting.....	38,459	28,464	14,380	6,434	4,991	NA	6,106	NA	8,599
Home freezer.....farms reporting.....	46,780	37,526	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting.....	2,930	3,235	2,586	686	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting.....	2,931	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting.....	253	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting.....	993	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting.....	27,583	NA	26,900	NA	14,686	NA	2,513	3,451	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting.....	32,438	NA	62,500	NA	51,301	NA	453,494	531,816	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting.....	13,034	NA	29,483	NA	78,066	NA	98,030	98,718	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting.....	4,930	NA	NA	696,389	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting.....	8,104	NA	NA	621,583	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting.....	3,070	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting.....	3,281	NA	NA	619,643	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting.....	638	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting.....	1,055	NA	NA	61,940	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.