

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...	145,575	165,128	178,954	188,745	197,057	202,972	185,010	NA	178,271
Negro.....number...	55	50	50	207	29	330	27	NA	33
Other nonwhite.....number...	32	47	97		265		218	NA	174
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	2,781	2,764	4,691	4,220	4,863	NA	4,389	NA	6,645
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	21,134	26,966	30,636	31,327	31,243	NA	32,731	NA	40,281
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	36,619	40,712	42,693	45,510	45,793	NA	48,499	NA	45,349
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	36,663	41,677	42,260	48,459	50,167	NA	43,045	NA	42,790
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	31,384	32,228	32,873	35,779	35,978	NA	32,394	NA	29,376
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	15,220	19,711	17,960	20,723	22,647	NA	18,704	NA	11,698
Average age.....years.....	48.1	47.8	46.9	47.4	47.6	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	948	1,787	8,206	2,934	6,660	NA	5,493	NA	2,339
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	134,425	156,176	169,461	178,878	181,524	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	6,565	6,616	6,925	7,601	7,154	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	4,672	2,433	2,715	2,473	8,673	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	51,630	59,704	55,317	37,500	47,459	64,709	42,315	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	30,622	28,216	27,325	15,164	21,820	45,015	24,257	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	6,264	6,817	6,289	4,369	6,070	7,828	5,988	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	23,644	24,672	21,703	17,967	19,569	11,866	12,070	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	7,518	7,747	6,606	5,186	9,259	6,000	6,060	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	17,126	16,925	15,127	12,781	10,310	5,866	6,010	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	94,109	105,620	123,772	151,452	149,892	138,593	142,940	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	20,066	22,243	24,301	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	70,600	59,656	30,161	16,233	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	73,278	61,331	31,262	16,021	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	70,794	62,079	45,249	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	73,011	62,813	45,792	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	45,380	25,010	7,700	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	45,683	25,144	7,812	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	22,122	15,258	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	22,866	15,561	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	87,376	80,425	63,077	44,170	36,101	NA	35,503	NA	3,677
.....number...	103,402	90,295	70,367	47,413	38,617	NA	36,557	NA	3,803
Tractors.....farms reporting...	134,200	147,669	142,911	128,706	95,959	NA	46,171	25,539	14,794
.....number...	286,827	256,431	204,200	152,555	105,075	NA	48,457	26,739	15,503
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	133,033	146,364	141,283	128,706	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	275,833	249,332	199,920	163,832	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	39,747	67,927	94,022	107,994	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	58,272	59,879	39,136	18,324	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	25,395	14,627			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	6,763	2,821	3,125	12,388	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	2,856	1,100			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	132,085	146,094	140,672	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	266,849	245,090	196,305	152,219	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	7,764	3,781	3,160	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	8,984	4,242	3,615	1,613	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	10,194	5,934	4,053	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	10,994	6,099	4,280	1,503	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	135,640	151,380	155,559	166,273	172,764	NA	159,372	NA	101,847
.....number...	171,006	192,877	195,663	191,691	208,693	NA	185,717	NA	107,824
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	141,681	159,518	167,340	173,232	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	114,181	112,921	107,279	103,178	87,939	NA	114,693	NA	110,568
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	95,482	63,799	29,408	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	71,707	72,989	65,049	37,913	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	27,237	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Bulk-type milk cooler.....farms reporting...	10,012	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	3,873	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	77,229	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	31,920	NA	28,682	NA	19,009	NA	23,831	31,441	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	97,141	NA	114,995	NA	111,723	NA	477,260	554,998	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	15,208	NA	30,216	NA	60,523	NA	97,527	127,106	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	4,722	NA	NA	6163,796	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	10,486	NA	NA	620,809	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	2,264	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	5,006	NA	NA	619,892	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	951	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	1,563	NA	NA	917	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.