

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)
<b>FARM OPERATORS</b>									
<b>By color:</b>									
White..... number...	90,366	100,740	107,049	111,547	120,779	133,347	129,188	NA	124,033
Negro..... number...	17	24	25	209	25	269	38	NA	63
Other nonwhite..... number...	92	82	109		258		232	NA	321
<b>By age:</b>									
Under 25 years..... operators reporting...	2,238	2,410	4,511	3,335	4,615	NA	6,288	NA	7,218
25 to 34 years..... operators reporting...	13,622	18,243	19,660	19,199	22,178	NA	28,808	NA	34,956
35 to 44 years..... operators reporting...	20,316	24,663	24,643	27,261	28,033	NA	35,688	NA	33,503
45 to 54 years..... operators reporting...	23,188	23,861	23,742	28,461	30,031	NA	28,299	NA	25,439
55 to 64 years..... operators reporting...	18,977	19,317	19,162	21,396	21,037	NA	17,671	NA	15,786
65 or more years..... operators reporting...	10,913	11,417	9,296	11,426	11,773	NA	8,787	NA	6,000
Average age..... years.....	48.2	47.1	46.9	46.9	46.2	NA	46.2	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age..... number...	990	922	6,461	678	3,395	NA	3,917	NA	1,515
<b>By residence:</b>									
Residing on farm operated..... operators reporting...	78,642	92,435	98,047	105,439	109,454	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated..... operators reporting...	7,487	7,131	6,749	5,767	7,854	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence..... number...	4,346	1,280	550		3,754	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>By off-farm work:</b>									
Working off their farms, total..... operators reporting...	26,691	29,922	26,021	18,201	31,888	36,392	22,859	NA	NA
1 to 49 days..... operators reporting...	12,348	16,822	18,901	10,568	20,445	26,445	15,030	NA	NA
50 to 99 days..... operators reporting...	3,406	3,820	2,297	2,133	4,084	3,910	2,594	NA	NA
100 or more days..... operators reporting...	9,848	9,210	8,223	5,500	7,359	6,037	5,235	NA	NA
100 to 199 days..... operators reporting...	2,730	2,916	2,186	1,840	2,948	2,599	1,934	NA	NA
200 or more days..... operators reporting...	7,118	6,294	6,067	3,660	4,411	3,438	3,301	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm..... number...	64,532	70,811	82,163	93,555	89,174	97,224	106,599	NA	NA
<b>By other income:</b>									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold..... operators reporting...	9,762	8,521	8,613	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD</b>									
<b>Grain combines..... farms reporting...</b>	60,696	49,162	36,022	19,426	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	63,343	61,088	37,036	20,691	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Corn pickers..... farms reporting...</b>	66,179	68,668	41,399	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	68,646	69,672	41,989	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Pick-up balers..... farms reporting...</b>	12,414	12,413	4,216	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	12,624	12,607	4,263	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Field forage harvesters..... farms reporting...</b>	10,723	7,676	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	11,234	7,777	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Motortrucks..... farms reporting...</b>	64,168	60,267	46,796	30,792	22,504	NA	25,176	NA	6,333
..... number.....	23,439	72,196	64,193	33,761	24,090	NA	26,045	NA	6,548
<b>Tractors..... farms reporting...</b>	81,913	89,623	87,567	81,448	64,593	NA	37,955	17,728	10,342
..... number.....	180,087	163,296	127,164	96,203	70,761	NA	40,729	18,765	11,100
<b>Tractors other than garden..... farms reporting...</b>	81,442	89,164	87,063	81,448	64,593	NA	37,955	17,728	10,342
..... number.....	176,264	169,977	126,083	97,637	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor..... farms reporting...	23,208	37,906	57,061	169,018	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors..... farms reporting...	35,492	38,072	24,412	110,767	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors..... farms reporting...	16,468	9,621	6,680	11,663	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors..... farms reporting...	4,629	2,296	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors..... farms reporting...	2,666	1,370	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Wheel tractors..... farms reporting...</b>	81,172	89,047	86,820	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	172,063	167,646	123,461	96,881	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Crawler tractors..... farms reporting...</b>	2,763	2,064	1,467	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	3,191	2,322	1,622	768	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Garden tractors..... farms reporting...</b>	4,547	3,262	1,930	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... number.....	4,833	3,319	2,071	467	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Automobiles..... farms reporting...</b>	84,967	92,706	94,432	100,928	107,484	NA	118,860	NA	94,004
..... number.....	110,317	121,117	120,247	118,572	126,269	NA	141,144	NA	104,453
<b>Automobiles and/or motortrucks..... farms reporting...</b>	88,237	97,099	100,647	104,768	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
..... farms reporting.....	72,562	73,162	69,484	63,195	52,349	NA	93,888	NA	93,050
<b>Telephone..... farms reporting...</b>	67,007	37,603	11,063	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Milking machine..... farms reporting...</b>	15,613	13,913	9,422	2,612	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Electric milk cooler..... farms reporting...</b>	3,920	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops)..... farms reporting...</b>	3,634	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower..... farms reporting...</b>	60,400	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Farms by kind of road on which located:</b>									
Hard surface..... farms reporting...	9,177	NA	8,270	NA	6,527	NA	2,906	3,525	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale..... farms reporting...	59,222	NA	45,676	NA	38,600	NA	415,807	52,254	NA
Dirt or unimproved..... farms reporting...	20,046	NA	48,031	NA	72,964	NA	107,943	122,294	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road..... farms reporting...	3,624	NA	NA	660,240	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road..... farms reporting...	16,422	NA	NA	650,664	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile..... farms reporting...	8,468	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles..... farms reporting...	4,476	NA	NA	640,077	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles..... farms reporting...	1,399	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles..... farms reporting...	8,122	NA	NA	10,587	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>Figures for 1945 are for all tractors.

<sup>2</sup>Concrete, brick, asphalt, and macadam.

<sup>3</sup>Concrete or brick and macadam. Asphalt was not included.

<sup>4</sup>Includes sand-clay.

<sup>5</sup>Gravel.

<sup>6</sup>Distance to all-weather road. See text.