

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...	91,089	113,697	133,228	153,586	166,115	195,501	180,929	177,170	173,263
Negro.....number...	2,633	4,172	5,910	8,987	8,987	8,987	15,172	15,172	13,403
Other nonwhite.....number...	954	1,110	3,108	11,204	4,585	17,824	7,765	20,048	5,322
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	1,389	2,071	4,613	4,080	7,997	NA	16,577	NA	14,165
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	9,043	14,593	21,643	25,450	33,787	NA	40,243	NA	44,056
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	20,074	27,248	32,681	40,642	39,469	NA	46,997	NA	49,333
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	26,463	31,167	30,660	39,513	39,848	NA	44,429	NA	44,076
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	22,218	24,263	26,184	31,083	31,612	NA	31,922	NA	26,120
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	14,461	18,079	17,698	22,202	20,463	NA	16,784	NA	11,827
Average age.....years.....	50.8	49.7	47.6	48.0	46.3	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	1,062	1,869	9,789	1,820	6,511	NA	6,914	NA	2,411
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	78,434	105,359	128,668	154,569	161,824	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	11,896	11,348	9,910	8,240	9,452	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	4,346	2,272	3,668	1,981	8,411	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	61,228	62,204	60,466	49,607	52,940	94,934	61,605	NA	NA
1 to 40 days.....operators reporting...	9,813	14,268	18,919	11,543	20,546	70,849	33,228	NA	NA
50 to 90 days.....operators reporting...	6,304	7,410	8,166	5,847	9,718	9,527	10,887	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	36,181	40,636	33,391	32,217	22,676	14,558	17,490	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	7,882	10,269	9,089	7,742	10,702	6,003	8,035	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	28,299	30,267	24,302	24,475	11,974	8,555	9,455	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	43,380	67,066	81,703	115,183	126,747	118,391	142,261	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	32,234	46,124	47,706	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	24,341	26,667	22,540	16,223	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	27,038	27,713	24,988	16,976	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Com pickers.....farms reporting...	2,367	2,300	1,657	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	2,456	2,343	1,606	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	10,999	9,194	5,085	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	11,359	9,963	6,166	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	3,751	3,968	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	4,054	3,941	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Mototrucks.....farms reporting...	70,193	72,350	59,908	40,910	26,660	NA	23,039	NA	2,070
.....number.....	92,664	86,467	68,871	44,381	28,402	NA	23,930	NA	2,155
Tractors.....farms reporting...	66,218	73,142	71,710	60,945	43,130	NA	23,328	9,954	5,786
.....number.....	108,758	106,338	93,706	70,395	45,369	NA	25,962	10,950	6,210
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	64,831	71,511	69,074	60,945	43,130	NA	23,328	9,954	5,786
.....number.....	102,323	101,886	89,786	69,963	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	38,681	48,912	54,778	53,090	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	18,317	17,133	12,233	16,715	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	5,719	3,928	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	1,415	1,100	2,963	1,140	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	699	438	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	64,377	71,412	69,612	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	99,636	100,702	88,497	69,031	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	2,494	1,061	1,147	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	2,788	1,183	1,289	928	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	6,288	4,331	3,712	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	6,436	4,463	3,919	866	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	71,579	78,446	83,390	95,225	102,921	NA	117,537	NA	49,017
.....number.....	82,681	89,674	94,796	100,584	112,369	NA	127,448	NA	52,063
Automobiles and/or mototrucks.....farms reporting...	89,067	104,777	111,414	114,408	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	68,072	53,266	45,901	4,101	32,571	NA	53,149	NA	71,613
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	46,419	31,004	10,419	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	8,230	8,868	7,607	2,617	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	6,000	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	241	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	11,338	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	20,610	NA	20,515	NA	13,000	NA	23,788	31,397	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	36,686	NA	32,875	NA	18,929	NA	412,550	23,760	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	36,766	NA	22,160	NA	137,929	NA	173,298	184,050	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	7,684	NA	NA	673,637	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	29,072	NA	NA	686,919	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	7,816	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	12,869	NA	NA	64,643	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	2,911	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	5,476	NA	NA	622,276	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.