

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...	50,861	64,420	68,944	79,078	80,179	82,861	69,555	NA	65,022
Negro.....number...	55	64	64	809	74	1,520	73	NA	79
Other nonwhite.....number...	661	691	812		1,433		1,276	NA	1,187
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	387	664	888	989	1,340	NA	1,079	NA	1,878
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	6,368	8,018	8,786	10,038	9,033	NA	7,343	NA	10,906
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	18,288	15,824	16,286	17,837	15,507	NA	15,664	NA	16,736
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	14,044	15,962	16,630	20,858	21,262	NA	18,453	NA	16,650
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	11,168	13,718	14,606	17,867	19,056	NA	14,773	NA	13,079
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	7,790	10,145	9,062	11,566	13,440	NA	10,792	NA	6,173
Average age.....years	50.3	49.7	49.2	49.8	51.0	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number	601	826	3,646	732	2,048	NA	2,800	NA	866
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	46,737	61,464	65,943	76,222	77,255	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	3,292	3,042	2,811	3,150	3,025	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number	1,548	669	1,066	515	1,406	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	29,416	38,696	38,836	39,308	37,259	35,950	29,750	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	4,786	5,732	7,064	4,021	6,825	11,077	8,840	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	2,218	2,768	3,788	2,605	4,334	7,133	4,582	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	22,411	30,196	27,984	32,682	26,100	17,740	16,328	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	3,651	5,279	6,501	4,586	9,954	8,490	6,327	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	18,760	24,917	21,483	28,096	16,146	9,250	10,001	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number	22,139	26,640	30,386	40,579	44,427	48,431	41,154	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	26,853	29,461	32,498	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	8,452	8,091	6,679	5,334	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	10,800	10,013	7,728	5,881	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Com pickers.....farms reporting...	402	117	78	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	423	130	87	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	7,944	4,821	1,862	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	6,085	4,904	1,919	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	2,410	2,003	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	2,719	2,037	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Mototrucks.....farms reporting...	37,220	38,640	34,864	32,730	24,886	NA	17,622	NA	3,172
.....number...	60,193	66,260	48,127	40,034	28,228	NA	18,836	NA	3,371
Tractors.....farms reporting...	42,622	45,904	40,247	27,768	16,776	NA	7,890	4,314	2,474
.....number...	78,068	70,608	65,061	32,050	18,019	NA	8,388	4,490	2,635
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	38,642	40,011	35,731	27,768	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	63,114	67,048	46,652	30,286	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	23,623	28,765	22,069	124,555	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	9,478	7,769	5,300	12,599	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	3,451	2,374	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	1,097	627	1,862	1614	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	893	486	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	35,167	35,514	29,970	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	48,971	43,692	34,624	20,959	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	10,970	10,718	5,975	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	14,143	13,466	12,022	9,227	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	13,989	13,018	8,030	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number...	14,954	13,560	8,409	2,840	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	46,266	56,866	64,276	63,713	60,870	NA	50,769	NA	27,626
.....number...	61,106	74,420	69,400	74,205	70,490	NA	55,995	NA	29,792
Automobiles and/or mototrucks.....farms reporting...	60,007	61,833	62,871	71,654	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephones.....farms reporting...	44,080	48,164	40,182	35,502	26,161	NA	31,764	NA	27,952
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	31,511	24,208	10,144	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	10,272	11,275	11,602	7,231	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	6,059	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	421	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	9,504	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	29,961	NA	31,276	NA	20,927	NA	27,620	36,976	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	16,778	NA	25,680	NA	39,707	NA	438,294	32,216	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	4,344	NA	9,222	NA	19,455	NA	20,910	29,952	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	2,486	NA	NA	672,523	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	1,918	NA	NA	64,910	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	642	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	716	NA	NA	64,157	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	174	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	386	NA	NA	753	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.