

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...	131,108	153,421	168,338	177,466	186,431	199,415	181,451	NA	188,632
Negro.....number...	50	63	66	279	44	462	55	NA	47
Other nonwhite.....number...	57	74	157		260		261	NA	616
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	1,917	3,890	3,829	4,799	3,479	NA	3,510	NA	6,329
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	17,390	23,151	27,010	29,146	24,770	NA	27,671	NA	41,329
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	32,525	38,103	40,210	39,999	39,872	NA	47,794	NA	49,060
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	35,045	37,112	37,377	44,915	49,469	NA	45,362	NA	45,075
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	26,923	30,108	32,556	36,098	38,451	NA	32,619	NA	31,042
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	16,737	20,546	20,065	21,075	24,503	NA	19,170	NA	13,824
Average age.....years.....	48.8	47.4	47.7	47.8	49.1	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	626	1,382	7,605	1,713	6,191	NA	5,641	NA	2,636
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	121,945	146,876	161,143	169,679	175,776	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	4,635	4,734	5,051	6,796	5,303	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	4,635	1,948	2,367	1,270	5,656	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	63,455	60,635	58,132	38,421	45,228	62,987	44,781	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	16,534	22,323	23,883	13,707	19,895	39,157	23,193	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	6,893	7,183	7,041	5,425	6,034	8,441	6,526	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	31,028	30,629	27,608	19,289	19,299	15,389	15,062	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	8,068	8,244	7,631	5,878	7,934	7,204	7,164	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	22,960	22,385	19,877	13,411	11,365	8,185	7,898	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	77,737	92,987	110,160	139,324	141,507	136,890	136,986	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	28,271	26,150	25,847	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	44,376	31,676	14,662	8,736	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	45,032	35,087	14,946	8,872	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	34,503	23,364	10,028	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	35,179	23,529	10,169	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	53,601	25,699	8,261	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	53,836	25,788	8,344	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	36,046	26,567	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	37,994	26,831	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	80,563	78,731	66,812	56,523	47,523	NA	50,108	NA	3,893
.....number.....	90,570	87,363	74,454	61,010	50,883	NA	51,786	NA	4,044
Tractors.....farms reporting...	121,750	135,901	127,488	109,341	76,847	NA	48,630	28,952	9,092
.....number.....	254,036	224,560	171,433	123,280	81,195	NA	50,173	29,651	9,407
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	119,903	134,121	125,080	109,341	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	234,387	213,903	165,122	121,076	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	41,614	75,269	91,846	197,288	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	61,471	45,037	28,341	110,779	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	20,659	11,285		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	4,590	1,854	4,894	1,274	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	1,669	676		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	119,556	133,819	124,291	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	230,265	210,986	162,706	119,827	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	3,629	2,693	2,208	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	4,122	2,917	2,416	1,248	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	18,762	10,380	6,026	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....number.....	19,649	10,657	6,311	2,147	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	122,554	139,429	145,330	152,708	157,087	NA	152,485	NA	93,798
.....number.....	153,260	179,680	182,593	181,107	188,312	NA	176,764	NA	98,825
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	127,615	147,879	157,169	163,172	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	103,801	103,179	99,821	86,107	72,436	NA	107,486	NA	111,798
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	86,985	64,639	36,819	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	94,107	100,761	94,201	66,057	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	38,898	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Bulk-type milk cooler.....farms reporting...	19,496	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	2,761	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	64,220	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	71,558	NA	68,516	NA	43,722	NA	215,758	213,460	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	51,699	NA	72,198	NA	97,765	NA	88,119	61,243	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	7,167	NA	22,121	NA	40,147	NA	72,472	110,662	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	3,946	NA	NA	6157,851	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	3,211	NA	NA	613,532	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	1,698	NA	NA	612,677	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	1,266	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	736	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	112	NA	NA	855	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.