

CHAPTER III Continued

tions such as estates, cooperatives, institutional farms, or Indian reservations. Occasional respondent failure to report operator characteristics was corrected by imputation for age, race, and occupation. No imputation was made for nonreports of residence, year in which operation began, and days worked off farm. Farms reporting these items will, therefore, be fewer than the total number of farms in the census. Tenure is based upon acreage entries in the land ownership section of the report form and applies to all farms.

For the 1969 Census of Agriculture, operator characteristics data were collected for all farms with sales of \$2,500 and over, for all institutional (abnormal) farms regardless of value of sales, and for farms with sales of under \$2,500 which were sampled at a rate of approximately 50 percent. Certain data for 1964 and earlier censuses are based upon tabulations for a sample of approximately 20 percent of all farm operators.

Presentation of Data

Many of the statistics included in this chapter are summaries of data previously published in Volume I, **State and County Data**, for the individual States. In most cases, they are presented here in different formats and combinations than in volume I.

The tables usually include totals for the United States, 4 regions, 9 divisions, and 50 States. Data are presented for all farms or for farms with sales of \$2,500 and over.

Other Published Data

Most farm operator characteristics data for 1974 are available for each individual State and its counties in volume I. Additional farm operator data by size of farm are included in part 2 of this volume, by tenure in chapter 1 of this part, by value of agricultural products sold in

part 7, and by standard industrial classification in part 8. Table 1 summarizes the kind and sources of other published data relating to farm operator characteristics.

For farm operator characteristics data for 1969 and earlier censuses, see the volumes for the respective census years.

Definitions and Explanations

**Farm operator**—There is one farm operator for each farm with sales of less than \$2,500 and for each farm operated by an individual or a partnership in the 1974 Census of Agriculture. Operator characteristics were not requested for farms operated by corporations and "other" organizations. Characteristics of the farm operator for partnerships, excluding the item on occupation, are for the senior partner involved in the day-to-day operation of the farm. For the 1969 census, the number of farm operators was equal

Table 1. Other Published Data for Operator Characteristics: 1974

|                                       | Geographic area       | Time period  | Farm classification  | Subjects covered   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|--|
| VOLUME I                              |                       |              |  |  |
| State Tables                          |                       |              |  |  |
| All farms:                            |                       |              |  |  |
| 3.....                                | State.....            | 1964 to 1974 | Total farms.....   | All farm operators and operators of black and other races by age, residency, off-farm work and occupation. |
| 9.....                                | State.....            | 1974         | All farms and farms with sales of less than \$2,500 by occupation. | Farm operators by race, age, residency, off-farm work and principal occupation.                            |
| Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over: |                       |              |  |  |
| 14.....                               | State.....            | 1964 to 1969 | Total farms with sales of \$2,500 and over...                      | Farm operators by age, residency, off-farm work and occupation.  |
| 28.....                               | State.....            | 1974         | Farms by tenure and type of organization....                       | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| 29.....                               | State.....            | 1974         | Farms by age and occupation of operator.....                       | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| 30.....                               | State.....            | 1974         | Farms by size.....   | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| 31.....                               | State.....            | 1974         | Farms by value of agricultural products sold                       | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| 32.....                               | State.....            | 1974         | Farms by standard industrial classification.                       | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| 33.....                               | State.....            | 1974         | Farms by standard industrial classification by value of sales.     | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| County Miscellaneous Data             |                       |              |  |  |
| All farms:                            |                       |              |  |  |
| 14.....                               | County and State..... | 1974         | Total farms.....   | Farm operators by selected racial and ethnic groups.   |
| County Data                           |                       |              |  |  |
| All farms:                            |                       |              |  |  |
| 2.....                                | County and State..... | 1974         | Total farms.....   | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| VOLUME II                             |                       |              |  |  |
| Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over: |                       |              |  |  |
| Part 2.....                           | United States.....    | 1974         | Farms by size.....   | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |
| Part 7.....                           | United States.....    | 1974         | Farms by value of sales.....                                       | Farm operators by race, off-farm work and occupation.  |
| Part 8.....                           | United States.....    | 1974         | Farms by standard industrial classification.                       | Farm operators by race, age, residence, off-farm work and occupation.                                      |