

Table 3. Farms, Land in Farms, and Land Use, by Size of Farm: 1978 and 1974

			Farms		Land in farms (acres)		Harvested cropland (acres)		Irrigated land (acres)	
			1978	1974	1978	1974	1978	1974	1978	1974
All farms	number		383	291	1 286 463	1 633 070	20 538	16 750	920	888
	with harvested cropland		303	237	190 699	346 454	20 538	16 750	909	888
	with irrigated land		35	28	7 676	5 122	3 111	1 311	920	888
Farms by size:										
1 to 9 acres	number		33	17	89	60	39	11	11	—
	with harvested cropland		18	11	59	30	39	11	11	—
	with irrigated land		4	—	14	—	11	—	11	—
10 to 49 acres	number		71	40	1 742	1 028	586	427	63	54
	with harvested cropland		53	35	1 431	916	586	427	52	54
	with irrigated land		8	7	187	171	52	72	63	54
50 to 69 acres	number		14	12	808	696	306	320	—	(D)
	with harvested cropland		10	11	579	646	306	320	—	6
	with irrigated land		—	2	—	(D)	—	21	—	(D)
70 to 99 acres	number		29	20	2 354	1 672	767	546	20	4
	with harvested cropland		27	18	2 196	1 516	767	546	20	4
	with irrigated land		3	3	244	245	26	29	20	4
100 to 139 acres	number		31	24	3 618	2 752	1 368	708	(D)	—
	with harvested cropland		30	23	3 501	2 615	1 368	708	(D)	—
	with irrigated land		1	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	—
140 to 179 acres	number		56	51	8 846	7 921	1 710	1 580	45	40
	with harvested cropland		52	45	8 206	7 004	1 710	1 580	45	40
	with irrigated land		7	7	1 105	1 098	67	60	45	40
180 to 219 acres	number		15	9	2 857	1 709	939	314	(D)	(D)
	with harvested cropland		14	9	2 677	1 709	939	314	(D)	12
	with irrigated land		1	1	(D)	(D)	(D)	21	(D)	(D)
220 to 259 acres	number		16	18	3 803	4 310	1 080	1 516	(D)	(D)
	with harvested cropland		15	16	3 548	3 850	1 080	1 516	(D)	197
	with irrigated land		2	2	(D)	(D)	(D)	177	(D)	(D)
260 to 499 acres	number		37	31	12 276	10 007	3 570	3 554	358	562
	with harvested cropland		35	29	11 626	9 432	3 570	3 554	358	562
	with irrigated land		5	4	1 485	1 303	800	666	358	562
500 to 999 acres	number		30	13	21 139	9 321	4 905	1 569	95	(D)
	with harvested cropland		29	13	20 277	9 321	4 905	1 569	95	13
	with irrigated land		3	2	2 465	(D)	470	265	95	(D)
1,000 to 1,999 acres	number		10	19	14 186	23 966	2 406	3 298	(D)	—
	with harvested cropland		9	14	12 883	18 215	2 406	3 298	(D)	—
	with irrigated land		1	—	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)	—
2,000 acres or more	number		41	37	1 214 745	1 569 628	2 862	2 907	—	—
	with harvested cropland		11	13	123 716	291 200	2 862	2 907	—	—
	with irrigated land		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5,000 acres or more	number		30	(NA)	1 179 933	(NA)	310	(NA)	—	(NA)
	with harvested cropland		4	(NA)	102 587	(NA)	310	(NA)	—	(NA)
	with irrigated land		—	(NA)	—	(NA)	—	(NA)	—	(NA)

Table 4. Operators—Tenure, Type of Organization, and Characteristics: 1978, 1974, and 1969

All farms				Farms operated by Black and other races ¹		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Farms and land in farms operated by:						
All operators	383	291	332	3	1	1
Harvested cropland	1 286 463	1 633 070	1 604 211	128 714	(D)	145
Full owners	20 538	16 750	13 105	2	1	1
Harvested cropland	205	162	197	(D)	(D)	15
Part owners	29 830	29 387	32 333	1	—	1
Harvested cropland	166	140	156	(D)	—	145
Tenants	5 627	6 505	4 275	(D)	—	15
Part owners	121	86	93	2	1	—
Harvested cropland	741 666	550 484	529 231	(D)	(D)	—
Tenants	105	80	80	1	1	—
Harvested cropland	12 878	9 855	7 701	(D)	(D)	—
Partnership	57	43	42	—	—	—
Harvested cropland	514 967	1 053 199	1 042 647	—	—	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	32	17	15	—	—	—
Percent of tenancy	2 033	390	1 129	—	—	—
	14.9	14.8	12.6	—	—	—
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family	327	(NA)	(NA)	2	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership	892 576	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations	29	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:	105 501	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	15	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	239 703	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:	2	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	9	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	108 143	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	1	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	3	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
	2 416	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	12	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
	48 683	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)

Table 4. **Operators—Tenure, Type of Organization, and Characteristics: 1978, 1974, and 1969—Con.**

	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races ¹		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Operators by age group: ¹						
Under 25 years	8	2	4	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	59	22	31	—	1	—
35 to 44 years	94	70	102	2	—	—
45 to 54 years	118	108	117	—	—	—
55 to 64 years	74	48	61	1	—	—
65 years and over	30	23	17	—	—	—
Average age	46.8	48.6	47.0	45.7	34.0	45.0
Operators by place of residence: ¹						
On farm operated	319	236	271	3	1	1
Not on farm operated	57	32	51	—	—	—
Not reported	7	23	10	—	—	—
Operators reporting days of work off farm: ¹						
None	103	55	(NA)	—	—	(NA)
Any	276	205	244	3	1	—
1 to 49 days	39	16	21	—	—	—
50 to 99 days	25	17	29	—	—	—
100 to 149 days	19	23	47	—	—	—
150 to 199 days	66	41	147	3	—	—
200 days or more	127	108	147	—	—	(NA)
Not reporting	4	13	(NA)	—	—	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation: ¹						
Farming	150	97	(NA)	—	1	(NA)
Other	233	176	(NA)	3	—	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	355	(NA)	(NA)	3	(NA)	(NA)
Female	1 127 624	(NA)	(NA)	128 714	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	2	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)

¹1969 data apply only to farms operated by Blacks; 1974 data apply only to individual or family operations (sole proprietorship) and partnerships; see text.

Table 5. **Operators by Type of Organization for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 or More: 1978, 1974, and 1969**

	1978		1974		1969	
	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, ¹ (see text)	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, ¹ (see text)	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, ¹ (see text)
Individual or family	185	1	171	1	134	—
Partnership	556 371	(D)	950 942	170	963 361	—
Corporations	20	—	18	—	5	—
Family held:	(D)	—	163 711	—	43 325	—
More than 10 stockholders	15	1	12	(NA)	9	—
10 or less stockholders	239 703	(D)	439 305	(NA)	520 418	—
Other than family held:	2	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	9	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	108 143	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	1	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	(D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	3	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	2 416	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1	—	—	(NA)	—	—
	(D)	—	—	(NA)	—	—

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.