

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.....	4 808	3 207	3 018	15	10	2
25 to 34 years.....	15 667	12 377	14 498	46	34	12
35 to 44 years.....	21 237	19 161	25 137	73	67	30
45 to 54 years.....	25 806	28 619	34 054	64	69	27
55 to 64 years.....	27 035	28 773	30 744	69	57	53
65 years and over.....	15 371	18 045	16 114	59	101	41
Average age.....	49.0	50.9	49.7	49.0	53.3	54.5
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated.....	80 847	74 357	94 580	206	199	101
Not on farm operated.....	19 416	18 093	18 416	90	69	39
Not reported.....	9 661	18 599	10 569	30	70	25
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None.....	49 525	43 148	(NA)	114	134	(NA)
Any.....	55 095	43 135	64 059	192	151	93
1 to 49 days.....	11 356	7 877	16 361	29	16	15
50 to 99 days.....	3 538	3 205	6 145	15	14	5
100 to 149 days.....	3 222	2 947	9 629	14	12	19
150 to 199 days.....	4 446	3 816	(NA)	14	17	(NA)
200 days or more.....	32 533	25 290	31 924	120	92	54
Not reporting.....	5 304	23 899	(NA)	20	53	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming.....	70 467	79 830	(NA)	163	205	(NA)
Other.....	39 457	30 352	(NA)	163	133	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male.....	106 638	(NA)	(NA)	302	(NA)	(NA)
Female.....	29 303	(NA)	(NA)	51 141	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin.....						
.....	427 193	(NA)	(NA)	3 481	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin.....						
.....	175	(NA)	(NA)	17	(NA)	(NA)
.....	46 674	(NA)	(NA)	2 273	(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, (see text)	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, (see text)	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, ¹ (see text)
Individual or family.....	82 191	220	86 875	234	84 192	83
Partnership.....	23 223 584	44 323	23 857 306	53 073	22 755 711	16 039
Corporations.....	12 603	31	9 996	11	14 953	9
Family held:	4 921 062	7 336	3 938 646	3 332	5 137 507	1 834
More than 10 stockholders.....	1 314	2	540	(NA)	598	—
10 or less stockholders.....	964 693	(D)	420 300	(NA)	372 408	—
Other than family held:	34	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders.....	43 876	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders.....	1 079	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other.....	762 233	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	44	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....	(D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....	157	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	408	—	292	(NA)	743	1
.....	116 099	—	97 192	(NA)	197 008	560

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.