

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	109 980	102 053	15 040 398	14 431 713	4 607 184	3 700 920	14 537	10 920
	with harvested cropland	100 986	92 468	14 436 212	13 657 686	4 607 184	3 700 920	14 338	10 751
	with irrigated land	2 584	1 910	434 304	445 367	131 567	132 207	14 537	10 920
Farms by size:									
1 to 9 acres	number	14 346	9 360	48 480	32 158	26 624	17 361	799	458
	with harvested cropland	11 793	7 627	42 033	28 337	26 624	17 361	785	372
	with irrigated land	406	164	1 267	658	877	409	799	458
10 to 49 acres	number	24 075	20 945	687 712	609 334	194 638	154 080	1 967	807
	with harvested cropland	21 265	18 186	610 655	530 949	194 638	154 080	1 912	804
	with irrigated land	551	193	16 743	5 429	4 193	1 675	1 967	807
50 to 69 acres	number	10 824	10 930	630 575	636 382	152 299	137 299	603	602
	with harvested cropland	10 032	9 713	584 858	566 196	152 299	137 299	603	592
	with irrigated land	149	130	8 650	7 586	2 326	1 713	603	602
70 to 99 acres	number	12 950	13 543	1 074 610	1 129 018	255 645	235 343	1 241	722
	with harvested cropland	12 168	12 235	1 010 235	1 020 656	255 645	235 343	1 241	682
	with irrigated land	269	165	21 802	14 178	4 915	3 986	1 241	722
100 to 139 acres	number	13 961	14 467	1 627 755	1 677 668	381 157	349 728	1 147	943
	with harvested cropland	13 102	13 364	1 528 069	1 550 463	381 157	349 728	1 117	913
	with irrigated land	241	245	28 378	28 595	7 769	6 845	1 147	943
140 to 179 acres	number	9 031	9 107	1 422 601	1 431 145	349 982	306 388	1 512	978
	with harvested cropland	8 601	8 537	1 354 895	1 342 289	349 982	306 388	1 487	978
	with irrigated land	251	206	39 740	32 510	9 737	7 650	1 512	978
180 to 219 acres	number	6 186	6 238	1 221 701	1 232 954	310 479	280 366	707	688
	with harvested cropland	5 946	5 970	1 174 363	1 179 996	310 479	280 366	707	688
	with irrigated land	128	159	25 284	31 674	6 237	8 435	707	688
220 to 259 acres	number	4 207	4 066	1 003 378	969 662	269 358	229 370	621	810
	with harvested cropland	4 056	3 893	967 431	928 003	269 358	229 370	621	810
	with irrigated land	80	123	19 080	29 099	5 051	8 140	621	810
260 to 499 acres	number	9 862	9 320	3 427 841	3 221 827	1 048 530	849 889	2 641	2 302
	with harvested cropland	9 562	8 968	3 326 850	3 101 156	1 048 530	849 889	2 566	2 302
	with irrigated land	347	324	119 059	115 040	35 769	34 031	2 641	2 302
500 to 999 acres	number	3 564	3 171	2 359 083	2 074 562	897 238	649 056	1 901	1 513
	with harvested cropland	3 500	3 087	2 316 109	2 019 666	897 238	649 056	1 901	1 513
	with irrigated land	130	159	89 311	104 800	26 762	30 956	1 901	1 513
1,000 to 1,999 acres	number	799	747	1 042 107	959 308	501 740	352 155	976	487
	with harvested cropland	787	732	1 028 159	939 462	501 740	352 155	976	487
	with irrigated land	21	30	29 235	40 161	14 059	14 992	976	487
2,000 acres or more	number	175	159	494 555	457 695	219 494	139 885	422	610
	with harvested cropland	174	156	492 555	450 513	219 494	139 885	422	610
	with irrigated land	11	12	35 755	35 637	13 872	13 375	422	610
5,000 acres or more	number	9	(NA)	71 030	(NA)	17 807	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
	with harvested cropland	9	(NA)	71 030	(NA)	17 807	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
	with irrigated land	1	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(D)	(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	farms	109 980	102 053	125 069	1 210	1 053	1 753
	acres	15 040 398	14 431 713	15 968 243	99 544	80 385	114 313
Harvested cropland	farms	100 986	92 468	106 561	1 026	943	1 466
	acres	4 607 184	3 700 920	3 128 222	29 367	18 681	23 868
Full owners	farms	74 962	76 082	96 160	925	830	830
	acres	8 979 639	9 431 320	11 148 173	69 458	57 803	82 105
Harvested cropland	farms	67 090	67 396	78 924	759	731	1 079
	acres	1 976 785	1 845 754	1 706 016	16 788	12 205	14 374
Part owners	farms	21 252	17 358	17 281	188	154	244
	acres	4 740 533	3 884 916	3 552 655	22 170	16 199	24 176
Harvested cropland	farms	20 636	16 920	16 685	177	146	232
	acres	2 122 129	1 478 214	1 041 876	10 024	5 661	7 361
Tenants	farms	13 766	8 613	11 628	97	69	168
	acres	1 320 226	1 115 477	1 267 415	7 916	6 383	8 032
Harvested cropland	farms	13 260	8 152	10 952	90	66	155
	acres	508 270	376 952	380 330	2 555	815	2 133
Percent of tenancy	percent	12.5	8.4	9.2	8.0	6.6	9.5
Farms by type of organization:							
Individual or family	farms	94 155	(NA)	(NA)	1 086	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	11 840 344	(NA)	(NA)	82 525	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership	farms	14 704	(NA)	(NA)	111	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	2 786 230	(NA)	(NA)	15 326	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations	farms	725	(NA)	(NA)	6	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	326 938	(NA)	(NA)	1 321	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:							
More than 10 stockholders	farms	13	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	5 024	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	farms	617	(NA)	(NA)	6	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	255 157	(NA)	(NA)	1 321	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:							
More than 10 stockholders	farms	6	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	17 786	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	farms	89	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	48 971	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
Other cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms	396	(NA)	(NA)	7	(NA)	(NA)
	acres	86 886	(NA)	(NA)	372	(NA)	(NA)

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	All forms			Farms operated by Black and other races ¹		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Operators by age group:¹						
Under 25 years	3 833	2 620	2 843	18	10	7
25 to 34 years	15 223	11 477	13 140	67	78	94
35 to 44 years	22 245	17 300	22 001	229	120	254
45 to 54 years	24 232	23 255	30 734	232	190	380
55 to 64 years	23 820	24 841	31 543	289	312	477
65 years and over	20 627	22 072	24 808	375	343	541
Average age	50.1	52.2	52.0	55.8	57.5	57.0
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated	72 403	62 641	83 958	620	580	1 031
Not on farm operated	21 948	16 675	23 603	350	204	385
Not reported	15 629	22 737	17 508	240	269	337
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None	39 748	32 940	(NA)	443	350	(NA)
Any	64 338	48 105	72 127	660	443	990
1 to 49 days	8 054	6 123	13 418	98	58	220
50 to 99 days	3 738	3 008	6 076	45	40	98
100 to 149 days	3 514	2 803	11 097	42	30	182
150 to 199 days	5 238	4 480		40	59	
200 days or more	43 794	31 691	41 536	435	256	490
Not reporting	5 894	20 520	(NA)	107	260	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming	52 938	58 055	(NA)	624	643	(NA)
Other	57 042	43 510	(NA)	586	410	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	farms 102 230	(NA)	(NA)	1 094	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 14 189 880	(NA)	(NA)	91 837	(NA)	(NA)
Female	farms 7 750	(NA)	(NA)	116	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 850 518	(NA)	(NA)	7 707	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin						
	farms 437	(NA)	(NA)	5	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 71 040	(NA)	(NA)	1 293	(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	farms 69 470	740	59 730	515	49 979	512
	acres 10 450 492	69 775	9 898 207	53 936	8 788 695	61 648
Partnership	farms 12 908	89	7 449	40	10 203	62
	acres 2 675 885	14 540	1 938 456	7 276	2 502 982	10 010
Corporations	farms 696	6	352	(NA)	387	
	acres 323 656	1 321	188 131	(NA)	174 078	
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	farms 12	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres (D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	farms 591	6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 252 064	1 321	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	farms 6	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres 17 786	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	farms 87	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres (D)	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms 250	3	97	(NA)	278	4
	acres 47 771	167	28 051	(NA)	67 623	1 350

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.