

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.....	18 727	15 163	2 713 578	2 634 395	1 512 163	1 438 842	28 725	22 629
with harvested cropland.....	16 189	13 183	2 620 343	2 520 938	1 512 163	1 438 842	28 645	22 584
with irrigated land.....	751	499	185 718	137 643	111 073	82 873	28 725	22 629
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres..... number.....	2 815	1 505	12 333	6 200	5 219	2 745	340	143
with harvested cropland.....	1 750	855	8 419	4 033	5 219	2 745	317	143
with irrigated land.....	204	66	710	297	350	161	340	143
10 to 49 acres..... number.....	5 514	3 399	139 846	90 862	59 534	36 925	997	632
with harvested cropland.....	4 489	2 699	116 787	74 139	59 534	36 925	951	612
with irrigated land.....	132	92	3 309	2 178	1 541	983	997	632
50 to 69 acres..... number.....	1 415	1 274	82 210	74 411	36 942	32 050	357	224
with harvested cropland.....	1 309	1 103	76 041	64 648	36 942	32 050	349	224
with irrigated land.....	40	23	2 232	1 369	1 278	693	357	224
70 to 99 acres..... number.....	1 668	1 592	138 198	131 969	63 854	55 575	638	348
with harvested cropland.....	1 564	1 460	129 682	121 239	63 854	55 575	638	323
with irrigated land.....	40	38	3 269	3 114	1 464	1 359	638	348
100 to 139 acres..... number.....	1 729	1 670	201 168	195 935	92 397	88 167	1 248	1 191
with harvested cropland.....	1 655	1 559	192 705	183 197	92 397	88 167	1 245	1 191
with irrigated land.....	59	42	6 888	4 964	2 512	2 840	1 248	1 191
140 to 179 acres..... number.....	1 128	1 261	177 486	198 475	87 970	97 920	1 822	962
with harvested cropland.....	1 079	1 182	169 698	185 947	87 970	97 920	1 822	962
with irrigated land.....	39	39	6 080	6 070	3 674	2 883	1 822	962
180 to 219 acres..... number.....	912	958	180 545	189 844	92 600	95 004	489	1 015
with harvested cropland.....	861	911	170 462	180 562	92 600	95 004	489	1 015
with irrigated land.....	26	38	5 162	7 502	2 342	3 146	489	1 015
220 to 259 acres..... number.....	665	710	158 256	168 769	87 591	91 526	478	610
with harvested cropland.....	651	693	154 967	164 707	87 591	91 526	478	610
with irrigated land.....	21	20	5 066	4 690	2 117	2 267	478	610
260 to 499 acres..... number.....	1 811	1 793	636 487	628 627	368 809	358 781	4 468	3 516
with harvested cropland.....	1 780	1 738	626 770	609 344	368 809	358 781	4 468	3 516
with irrigated land.....	86	71	30 394	25 075	19 176	16 520	4 468	3 516
500 to 999 acres..... number.....	781	716	516 030	473 314	312 044	285 963	7 031	4 495
with harvested cropland.....	763	703	505 070	464 745	312 044	285 963	7 031	4 495
with irrigated land.....	63	43	42 964	28 830	27 644	19 790	7 031	4 495
1,000 to 1,999 acres..... number.....	230	228	298 045	301 645	203 913	197 000	6 088	5 028
with harvested cropland.....	229	223	296 768	294 033	203 913	197 000	6 088	5 028
with irrigated land.....	29	20	38 133	26 715	30 644	21 588	6 088	5 028
2,000 acres or more..... number.....	59	57	172 974	174 344	101 290	97 186	(D)	4 465
with harvested cropland.....	59	57	172 974	174 344	101 290	97 186	(D)	4 465
with irrigated land.....	12	7	(D)	26 839	(D)	10 643	(D)	4 465
5,000 acres or more..... number.....	4	(NA)	27 466	(NA)	10 509	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
with harvested cropland.....	4	(NA)	27 466	(NA)	10 509	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
with irrigated land.....	2	(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.....	18 727	15 163	17 181	997	528	682
acres.....	2 713 578	2 634 395	2 803 442	53 875	34 782	43 155
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	16 189	13 183	14 454	912	468	591
acres.....	1 512 163	1 438 842	1 301 450	23 516	14 864	16 266
Full owners..... farms.....	11 357	9 715	11 436	508	382	463
acres.....	1 079 377	1 117 110	1 382 320	22 423	20 341	27 347
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	9 237	7 940	8 974	442	329	386
acres.....	421 885	427 689	454 799	5 245	5 501	6 558
Part owners..... farms.....	4 590	3 493	3 360	203	87	105
acres.....	1 249 547	1 133 327	976 158	20 272	11 562	9 577
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	4 416	3 388	3 232	194	83	97
acres.....	827 277	751 033	575 316	13 345	7 561	5 915
Tenants..... farms.....	2 780	1 955	2 385	286	59	114
acres.....	384 654	383 958	444 964	11 180	2 879	6 231
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	2 536	1 855	2 248	276	56	108
acres.....	263 001	260 120	271 335	4 926	1 802	3 793
Percent of tenancy..... percent.....	14.8	12.9	13.8	28.7	11.2	16.7
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family..... farms.....	16 544	(NA)	(NA)	925	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	2 057 682	(NA)	(NA)	45 727	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership..... farms.....	1 590	(NA)	(NA)	61	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	397 623	(NA)	(NA)	7 007	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations..... farms.....	514	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	231 826	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	10	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	8 388	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	443	(NA)	(NA)	8	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	192 550	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	12	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	6 275	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	49	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	24 613	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc..... farms.....	79	(NA)	(NA)	2	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	26 447	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)

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	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races ¹		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Operators by age group:¹						
Under 25 years.....	564	267	324	21	8	8
25 to 34 years.....	2 012	1 339	1 552	69	18	35
35 to 44 years.....	3 606	2 491	3 332	128	79	78
45 to 54 years.....	4 639	4 078	4 710	242	132	205
55 to 64 years.....	4 520	3 897	4 277	226	151	220
65 years and over.....	3 386	2 762	2 986	311	140	136
Average age.....	51.0	52.3	51.5	54.9	55.4	54.1
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated.....	14 681	10 273	12 989	738	313	475
Not on farm operated.....	2 572	1 778	2 225	173	97	112
Not reported.....	1 474	3 112	1 967	86	118	95
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None.....	7 353	5 551	(NA)	346	155	(NA)
Any.....	10 604	6 721	9 083	584	274	439
1 to 49 days.....	1 175	729	1 375	42	33	70
50 to 99 days.....	511	399	746	23	19	38
100 to 149 days.....	669	388	1 264	63	16	102
150 to 199 days.....	930	728	5 698	75	50	229
200 days or more.....	7 319	4 477	(NA)	381	156	(NA)
Not reporting.....	770	2 562	(NA)	67	99	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming.....	9 498	9 162	(NA)	477	319	(NA)
Other.....	9 229	5 672	(NA)	520	209	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male..... farms.....	17 252	(NA)	(NA)	937	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	2 581 160	(NA)	(NA)	51 774	(NA)	(NA)
Female..... farms.....	1 475	(NA)	(NA)	60	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	132 418	(NA)	(NA)	2 101	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin.....						
farms.....	73	(NA)	(NA)	20	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	9 739	(NA)	(NA)	1 281	(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.....	11 741	580	10 360	303	10 009	330
..... acres.....	1 856 794	33 734	1 932 857	25 217	1 914 541	28 406
Partnership..... farms.....	1 391	52	914	12	1 325	29
..... acres.....	384 341	6 777	295 605	1 735	363 288	3 656
Corporations..... farms.....	489	7	289	(NA)	206	6
..... acres.....	230 504	(D)	168 514	(NA)	113 817	370
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	10	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	8 388	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	421	6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	191 271	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	12	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	6 275	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	46	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	24 570	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms.....	54	1	23	(NA)	50	2
..... acres.....	11 412	(D)	6 456	(NA)	11 177	451

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.