

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	121 955	115 711	30 848 898	29 801 127	12 663 878	11 764 849	343 672	150 446
with harvested cropland	96 905	93 357	28 235 649	27 041 383	12 663 878	11 764 849	342 474	150 071
with irrigated land	2 381	1 310	1 329 495	696 663	978 408	522 871	343 672	150 446
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	5 475	3 498	18 385	9 287	4 437	2 516	546	194
with harvested cropland	1 417	748	6 760	3 366	4 437	2 516	528	192
with irrigated land	276	96	1 018	360	563	214	546	194
10 to 49 acres	18 370	13 919	560 562	433 606	176 954	140 231	1 787	688
with harvested cropland	10 752	8 290	332 638	264 268	176 954	140 231	1 517	643
with irrigated land	193	100	5 154	2 577	2 352	1 161	1 787	688
50 to 69 acres	6 835	5 962	396 482	348 628	125 605	107 220	1 095	452
with harvested cropland	4 808	4 105	280 184	240 614	125 605	107 220	1 028	452
with irrigated land	47	26	2 748	1 474	1 491	747	1 095	452
70 to 99 acres	13 486	13 287	1 103 387	1 088 269	331 784	318 802	1 924	1 133
with harvested cropland	10 327	9 807	846 554	804 957	331 784	318 802	1 675	1 120
with irrigated land	71	56	5 850	4 601	2 517	2 074	1 924	1 133
100 to 139 acres	13 269	13 364	1 550 885	1 559 496	461 700	465 090	2 554	1 966
with harvested cropland	10 748	10 675	1 258 371	1 248 080	461 700	465 090	2 230	1 912
with irrigated land	76	61	8 897	7 030	4 203	3 432	2 554	1 966
140 to 179 acres	11 401	12 139	1 793 391	1 912 778	569 058	613 847	5 129	2 634
with harvested cropland	9 595	10 347	1 508 777	1 631 539	569 058	613 847	5 129	2 594
with irrigated land	77	61	12 197	9 667	8 904	5 814	5 129	2 634
180 to 219 acres	8 285	8 896	1 635 119	1 757 368	537 586	580 185	5 430	3 547
with harvested cropland	7 254	7 818	1 432 246	1 545 273	537 586	580 185	5 430	3 547
with irrigated land	78	56	15 388	11 074	10 672	7 109	5 430	3 547
220 to 259 acres	6 780	7 269	1 612 239	1 724 125	576 272	603 571	8 460	4 316
with harvested cropland	6 141	6 507	1 460 065	1 543 488	576 272	603 571	8 450	4 310
with irrigated land	90	54	21 525	12 878	13 553	9 400	8 460	4 316
260 to 499 acres	21 723	22 378	7 762 102	7 958 386	3 081 141	3 138 560	70 426	31 429
with harvested cropland	20 116	20 777	7 197 402	7 405 648	3 081 141	3 138 560	70 416	31 429
with irrigated land	508	287	190 633	104 666	140 192	80 374	70 426	31 429
500 to 999 acres	12 493	11 668	8 398 892	7 803 561	3 919 172	3 528 622	100 935	48 301
with harvested cropland	12 019	11 111	8 097 123	7 440 198	3 919 172	3 528 622	100 715	48 086
with irrigated land	541	308	380 383	220 610	291 273	168 819	100 935	48 301
1,000 to 1,999 acres	3 213	2 822	4 174 604	3 644 019	2 155 816	1 732 005	101 918	45 094
with harvested cropland	3 131	2 699	4 068 851	3 483 133	2 155 816	1 732 005	101 888	45 094
with irrigated land	345	169	457 490	219 705	354 780	170 660	101 918	45 094
2,000 acres or more	625	509	1 842 550	1 561 604	724 353	534 200	43 468	10 692
with harvested cropland	597	473	1 746 878	1 430 819	724 353	534 200	43 468	10 692
with irrigated land	79	36	228 212	102 021	147 908	73 067	43 468	10 692
5,000 acres or more	46	(NA)	323 882	(NA)	89 004	(NA)	5 404	(NA)
with harvested cropland	43	(NA)	296 937	(NA)	89 004	(NA)	5 404	(NA)
with irrigated land	6	(NA)	38 355	(NA)	15 380	(NA)	5 404	(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	121 955	115 711	137 067	627	397	426
Harvested cropland	30 848 898	29 801 127	32 420 284	107 638	73 330	55 973
Full owners	96 905	93 357	105 853	494	298	312
Harvested cropland	12 663 878	11 764 849	10 035 742	45 793	26 773	19 849
Part owners	81 699	80 545	96 985	355	280	282
Harvested cropland	14 406 308	15 412 732	17 612 034	53 532	42 690	32 984
Tenants	60 443	61 123	69 383	238	201	183
Harvested cropland	4 197 350	4 396 539	3 885 341	17 564	9 909	8 261
Percent of tenancy	9.8	8.7	9.3	23.1	10.3	15.9
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family	108 151	(NA)	(NA)	558	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership	24 955 379	(NA)	(NA)	87 232	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations	11 968	(NA)	(NA)	58	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:	4 516 884	(NA)	(NA)	15 735	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	1 639	(NA)	(NA)	8	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	1 297 459	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:	28	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	46 874	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	1 488	(NA)	(NA)	8	(NA)	(NA)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	1 159 047	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	24	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	14 920	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	99	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	76 618	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	197	(NA)	(NA)	3	(NA)	(NA)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	79 176	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(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.....	3 895	2 921	2 981	7	12	5
25 to 34 years.....	15 768	12 473	13 842	152	20	26
35 to 44 years.....	24 032	19 598	24 196	97	67	56
45 to 54 years.....	28 026	27 342	33 663	126	83	97
55 to 64 years.....	27 950	28 803	35 839	134	115	139
65 years and over.....	22 284	23 690	26 546	111	100	103
Average age.....	50.4	52.1	52.0	48.3	55.2	55.5
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated.....	88 893	76 823	100 164	411	226	267
Not on farm operated.....	19 727	17 344	21 598	129	77	87
Not reported.....	13 335	21 544	15 305	87	94	72
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None.....	47 651	39 392	(NA)	202	155	(NA)
Any.....	68 553	52 359	75 104	393	163	244
1 to 49 days.....	8 864	6 486	13 666	45	15	54
50 to 99 days.....	3 588	3 044	5 794	16	17	27
100 to 149 days.....	4 053	3 260	11 690	16	13	43
150 to 199 days.....	6 360	5 194	43 954	25	28	120
200 days or more.....	45 688	34 375	(NA)	291	90	(NA)
Not reporting.....	5 751	23 076	(NA)	32	79	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming.....	63 400	70 094	(NA)	241	230	(NA)
Other.....	58 555	44 733	(NA)	386	167	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male..... farms.....	115 876	(NA)	(NA)	593	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	29 846 699	(NA)	(NA)	101 324	(NA)	(NA)
Female..... farms.....	6 079	(NA)	(NA)	34	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	1 002 199	(NA)	(NA)	6 314	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin.....						
..... farms.....	350	(NA)	(NA)	11	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	72 545	(NA)	(NA)	2 252	(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.....	85 545	403	74 527	209	74 529	181
..... acres.....	23 143 642	75 518	22 273 943	48 484	22 042 239	38 321
Partnership..... farms.....	10 618	47	7 015	14	11 032	10
..... acres.....	4 382 200	13 879	3 226 656	5 674	4 484 378	3 064
Corporations..... farms.....	1 582	8	754	(NA)	546	2
..... acres.....	1 287 621	(D)	732 945	(NA)	446 604	923
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	27	--	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	(D)	--	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	1 439	8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	1 151 015	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	24	--	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	(D)	--	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	92	--	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	75 212	--	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. farms.....	117	2	89	(NA)	396	3
..... acres.....	40 763	(D)	33 838	(NA)	116 703	398

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.