

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 forms	65 916	67 597	46 273 401	46 172 012	16 442 249	16 309 434	5 697 779	3 966 930
with harvested cropland	57 833	60 660	44 179 348	43 791 597	16 442 249	16 309 434	5 687 561	3 957 185
with irrigated land	24 054	20 331	22 516 501	18 162 421	8 805 022	7 104 602	5 697 779	3 966 930
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	4 377	3 350	11 021	6 888	1 633	904	388	554
with harvested cropland	481	314	2 578	1 246	1 633	904	357	207
with irrigated land	123	102	544	414	366	219	388	554
10 to 49 acres	4 561	3 384	119 359	91 678	51 786	42 421	11 382	6 757
with harvested cropland	2 868	2 195	78 740	63 244	51 786	42 421	10 997	6 033
with irrigated land	519	360	15 003	10 495	11 326	6 860	11 382	6 757
50 to 69 acres	1 123	984	64 320	57 220	30 185	29 710	7 816	5 102
with harvested cropland	831	758	47 719	44 096	30 185	29 710	7 577	5 083
with irrigated land	189	139	11 034	8 169	8 131	6 138	7 816	5 102
70 to 99 acres	2 940	3 263	237 390	262 740	143 795	152 468	31 896	26 191
with harvested cropland	2 606	2 837	210 394	228 740	143 795	152 468	31 638	25 526
with irrigated land	578	505	46 838	40 768	35 301	30 367	31 896	26 191
100 to 139 acres	2 291	2 487	267 323	291 865	161 074	171 832	40 639	31 928
with harvested cropland	2 025	2 216	237 256	260 844	161 074	171 832	40 411	31 754
with irrigated land	548	452	64 317	53 174	47 961	39 086	40 639	31 928
140 to 179 acres	6 000	6 986	951 734	1 108 435	587 303	663 681	175 083	134 797
with harvested cropland	5 687	6 513	902 072	1 033 839	587 303	663 681	174 290	134 046
with irrigated land	1 721	1 426	272 791	225 711	200 753	167 660	175 083	134 797
180 to 219 acres	2 370	2 685	468 739	531 457	297 261	326 428	86 384	68 843
with harvested cropland	2 233	2 520	441 922	499 187	297 261	326 428	85 609	68 001
with irrigated land	750	657	148 752	130 435	106 774	93 707	86 384	68 843
220 to 259 acres	3 756	4 310	895 811	1 027 286	569 051	649 900	160 024	143 029
with harvested cropland	3 627	4 139	865 103	986 209	569 051	649 900	159 886	142 059
with irrigated land	1 293	1 176	308 667	280 913	215 655	205 808	160 024	143 029
260 to 499 acres	16 206	18 122	6 030 446	6 717 344	3 681 403	4 102 337	1 164 205	927 105
with harvested cropland	15 799	17 707	5 883 226	6 567 980	3 681 403	4 102 337	1 163 240	925 248
with irrigated land	6 632	6 017	2 507 048	2 563 851	1 662 451	1 540 771	1 164 205	927 105
500 to 999 acres	12 369	12 586	8 584 870	8 724 023	4 560 371	4 530 570	1 676 124	1 190 691
with harvested cropland	12 093	12 360	8 394 402	8 571 542	4 560 371	4 530 570	1 676 094	1 189 756
with irrigated land	6 259	5 303	4 371 468	3 694 860	2 562 080	2 154 468	1 676 124	1 190 691
1,000 to 1,999 acres	6 050	5 721	8 281 997	7 785 730	3 171 294	2 808 740	1 276 254	771 103
with harvested cropland	5 912	5 586	8 097 600	7 596 468	3 171 294	2 808 740	1 275 395	770 437
with irrigated land	3 365	2 631	4 614 859	3 584 750	2 009 999	1 472 808	1 276 254	771 103
2,000 acres or more	3 873	3 719	20 360 391	19 567 346	3 187 093	2 830 443	1 067 584	660 830
with harvested cropland	3 671	3 515	19 018 336	17 938 202	3 187 093	2 830 443	1 062 067	659 035
with irrigated land	2 077	1 563	10 155 180	7 868 881	1 944 225	1 386 710	1 067 584	660 830
5,000 acres or more	1 082	(NA)	12 144 638	(NA)	1 256 861	(NA)	299 523	(NA)
with harvested cropland	996	(NA)	11 151 495	(NA)	1 256 861	(NA)	299 093	(NA)
with irrigated land	519	(NA)	5 610 400	(NA)	693 453	(NA)	299 523	(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	65 916	67 597	72 257	232	188	33
acres	46 273 401	46 172 012	45 833 953	182 972	110 918	11 844
Harvested cropland	57 833	60 660	64 669	210	150	31
acres	16 442 249	16 309 434	14 022 810	55 003	46 395	4 763
Full owners	26 744	28 674	28 416	101	78	13
acres	11 028 535	12 130 474	10 455 549	42 627	26 315	2 703
Harvested cropland	20 376	23 085	22 532	83	49	12
acres	3 617 478	3 889 291	3 036 795	11 921	8 384	1 369
Part owners	24 971	25 084	26 087	74	79	7
acres	28 371 479	27 015 436	26 903 209	109 643	61 369	4 385
Harvested cropland	24 527	24 680	25 647	71	73	7
acres	9 834 303	9 397 952	7 741 993	30 065	30 283	1 215
Tenants	14 201	13 839	17 754	57	31	13
acres	6 873 387	7 026 102	8 475 195	30 702	23 234	4 756
Harvested cropland	12 930	12 895	16 490	56	28	12
acres	2 990 468	3 022 191	3 244 022	13 017	7 728	2 179
Percent of tenancy	21.5	20.5	24.5	24.6	16.5	39.3
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family	56 872	(NA)	(NA)	187	(NA)	(NA)
acres	33 278 229	(NA)	(NA)	93 862	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership	6 460	(NA)	(NA)	30	(NA)	(NA)
acres	6 381 455	(NA)	(NA)	43 266	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations	2 394	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)
acres	6 133 177	(NA)	(NA)	18 183	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	36	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
acres	486 372	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	2 153	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)
acres	5 408 645	(NA)	(NA)	18 183	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	29	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
acres	13 502	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	176	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
acres	224 658	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	190	(NA)	(NA)	6	(NA)	(NA)
acres	480 540	(NA)	(NA)	27 661	(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	3 591	2 656	2 143	6	1	1
25 to 34 years	10 208	7 751	8 806	42	15	4
35 to 44 years	11 291	11 604	15 357	47	35	6
45 to 54 years	15 856	17 086	18 814	49	83	11
55 to 64 years	15 956	16 578	17 909	55	30	11
65 years and over	9 014	10 589	9 228	33	24	—
Average age	48.6	50.3	49.3	49.5	50.1	46.9
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated	46 699	44 449	55 758	154	116	26
Not on farm operated	12 026	10 237	10 077	39	39	3
Not reported	7 191	12 911	6 422	39	33	4
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None	36 056	30 560	(NA)	124	98	(NA)
Any	24 998	17 251	27 970	87	29	16
1 to 49 days	7 780	5 034	10 517	25	7	6
50 to 99 days	2 233	1 669	3 179	4	1	3
100 to 149 days	1 667	1 333	3 967	6	2	4
150 to 199 days	1 802	1 390	(NA)	8	3	—
200 days or more	11 516	7 825	10 307	44	16	3
Not reporting	4 862	18 453	(NA)	21	61	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming	52 039	56 484	(NA)	174	169	(NA)
Other	13 877	9 780	(NA)	58	19	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	64 214	(NA)	(NA)	204	(NA)	(NA)
farms	44 820	(NA)	(NA)	161	(NA)	(NA)
acres	418	(NA)	(NA)	001	(NA)	(NA)
Female	1 702	(NA)	(NA)	28	(NA)	(NA)
farms	1 452	(NA)	(NA)	21	(NA)	(NA)
acres	983	(NA)	(NA)	971	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin						
farms	169	(NA)	(NA)	7	(NA)	(NA)
acres	116 049	(NA)	(NA)	6 445	(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	52 762	164	56 406	148	54 897	25
farms	32 972	90 244	35 652	99 221	33 954	11 010
acres	469	29	860	23	476	2
Partnership	6 349	(D)	5 165	10 161	7 295	401
farms	2 375	9	1 192	(NA)	659	—
acres	6 127	18 183	4 430	(NA)	3 110	492
Corporations						
farms	2 375	9	1 192	(NA)	659	—
acres	6 127	18 183	4 430	(NA)	3 110	492
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	36	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	486	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	2 138	9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	5 403	18 183	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	28	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	173	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	(D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	133	3	112	(NA)	353	1
farms	133	3	112	(NA)	353	1
acres	153 306	(D)	164 539	(NA)	298 007	240

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.