

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	2 877	2 076	10 474 965	10 813 610	597 921	551 300	899 204	777 510
with harvested cropland	2 080	1 665	7 980 306	8 203 610	597 921	551 300	863 642	746 361
with irrigated land	2 373	1 794	8 272 136	8 490 402	597 921	551 273	899 204	777 510
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	453	186	1 337	608	421	169	616	279
with harvested cropland	135	50	569	242	421	169	447	164
with irrigated land	184	64	797	355	421	153	616	279
10 to 49 acres	550	317	14 004	8 481	6 316	3 539	8 640	5 222
with harvested cropland	389	226	10 140	6 234	6 316	3 539	7 461	4 300
with irrigated land	466	271	11 758	7 476	6 316	3 539	8 640	5 222
50 to 69 acres	89	68	4 989	3 881	2 311	1 821	3 069	2 211
with harvested cropland	69	53	3 942	3 076	2 311	1 821	2 644	1 970
with irrigated land	84	56	4 737	3 226	2 311	1 813	3 069	2 211
70 to 99 acres	183	115	15 036	9 322	6 437	4 781	9 048	6 017
with harvested cropland	134	102	10 919	8 271	6 437	4 781	7 595	5 703
with irrigated land	160	108	13 098	8 731	6 437	4 781	9 048	6 017
100 to 139 acres	128	104	14 608	12 234	6 861	6 035	9 125	7 377
with harvested cropland	110	85	12 619	9 931	6 861	6 035	8 252	6 855
with irrigated land	123	91	14 032	10 646	6 861	6 035	9 125	7 377
140 to 179 acres	192	116	30 393	18 298	13 937	8 553	16 126	10 569
with harvested cropland	140	102	22 078	16 108	13 937	8 553	15 291	10 132
with irrigated land	155	109	24 463	17 222	13 937	8 550	16 126	10 569
180 to 219 acres	97	85	18 994	16 821	7 209	7 437	11 671	9 442
with harvested cropland	75	77	14 775	15 256	7 209	7 437	9 585	8 561
with irrigated land	90	84	17 604	16 621	7 209	7 437	11 671	9 442
220 to 259 acres	101	84	23 957	19 858	6 649	6 389	10 398	10 633
with harvested cropland	65	68	15 259	16 135	6 649	6 389	9 016	10 073
with irrigated land	93	72	22 001	17 085	6 649	6 389	10 398	10 633
260 to 499 acres	308	271	112 109	97 876	50 513	41 240	65 497	51 677
with harvested cropland	270	245	99 266	88 835	50 513	41 240	62 226	49 704
with irrigated land	290	254	105 697	91 818	50 513	41 240	65 497	51 677
500 to 999 acres	242	215	166 586	149 437	61 429	55 281	89 121	74 140
with harvested cropland	213	193	146 571	135 071	61 429	55 281	85 831	70 901
with irrigated land	229	203	158 120	141 290	61 429	55 281	89 121	74 140
1,000 to 1,999 acres	183	173	252 081	242 670	63 801	51 843	99 598	80 047
with harvested cropland	162	160	224 146	223 931	63 801	51 843	94 256	76 317
with irrigated land	173	166	237 699	231 879	63 801	51 843	99 598	80 047
2,000 acres or more	351	342	9 820 871	10 234 124	372 037	362 212	576 295	519 896
with harvested cropland	318	304	7 420 022	7 680 474	372 037	362 212	561 038	501 681
with irrigated land	326	316	7 662 130	7 944 053	372 037	362 212	576 295	519 896
5,000 acres or more	205	(NA)	9 377 275	(NA)	282 478	(NA)	429 372	(NA)
with harvested cropland	179	(NA)	6 996 933	(NA)	282 478	(NA)	416 002	(NA)
with irrigated land	184	(NA)	7 231 004	(NA)	282 478	(NA)	429 372	(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	2 877	2 076	2 112	151	75	—
acres	10 474 965	10 813 610	10 708 346	876 401	26 914	—
Harvested cropland	2 080	1 665	1 648	122	62	—
acres	597 921	551 300	521 024	19 896	8 895	—
Full owners	2 116	1 509	1 514	117	55	—
acres	3 709 213	3 384 200	2 904 622	864 658	21 585	—
Harvested cropland	1 493	1 192	1 170	91	44	—
acres	366 500	320 328	282 539	13 251	6 223	—
Part owners	507	413	420	19	10	—
acres	5 923 770	5 707 551	5 403 987	9 071	2 778	—
Harvested cropland	438	369	373	18	9	—
acres	195 023	180 685	200 880	4 833	1 310	—
Tenants	254	154	178	15	10	—
acres	841 982	1 721 859	2 399 737	2 672	2 551	—
Harvested cropland	149	104	105	13	9	—
acres	36 398	50 287	37 605	1 812	1 362	—
Percent of tenancy	8.8	7.4	8.4	9.9	13.3	—
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family	2 237	(NA)	(NA)	128	(NA)	(NA)
acres	4 185 747	(NA)	(NA)	17 390	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership	376	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1 843 268	(NA)	(NA)	1 353	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations	215	(NA)	(NA)	3	(NA)	(NA)
acres	3 036 895	(NA)	(NA)	4 885	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	6	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres	237 996	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	182	(NA)	(NA)	2	(NA)	(NA)
acres	2 116 137	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	6	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres	146 285	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	21	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)
acres	536 477	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	49	(NA)	(NA)	11	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1 409 055	(NA)	(NA)	852 773	(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	30	19	19	4	—	—
25 to 34 years	307	161	219	16	7	—
35 to 44 years	614	333	492	29	19	—
45 to 54 years	830	563	638	65	26	—
55 to 64 years	704	514	467	21	10	—
65 years and over	392	309	277	16	13	—
Average age	50.6	52.1	49.8	49.1	50.6	—
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated	2 240	1 305	1 611	95	45	—
Not on farm operated	461	284	284	36	16	—
Not reported	176	487	217	20	14	—
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None	1 128	715	(NA)	55	15	(NA)
Any	1 671	852	1 043	91	44	—
1 to 49 days	187	96	155	12	5	—
50 to 99 days	116	44	80	8	2	—
100 to 149 days	131	85	161	13	8	—
150 to 199 days	140	121	647	13	8	—
200 days or more	1 097	506	647	45	24	—
Not reporting	78	332	(NA)	5	16	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming	1 496	1 189	(NA)	78	39	(NA)
Other	1 381	710	(NA)	73	36	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	2 671	(NA)	(NA)	138	(NA)	(NA)
farms	10 162	(NA)	(NA)	874 952	(NA)	(NA)
acres	206	(NA)	(NA)	13	(NA)	(NA)
Female	312 834	(NA)	(NA)	1 449	(NA)	(NA)
farms	83	(NA)	(NA)	3	(NA)	(NA)
acres	296 888	(NA)	(NA)	702	(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	1 482	77	1 282	50	1 214	—
farms	4 011 776	15 412	3 855 711	23 108	3 352 686	—
acres	330	3	193	3	264	—
Partnership	1 837 627	(D)	1 417 487	2 550	2 024 435	—
Corporations	209	3	135	(NA)	97	—
farms	3 033 175	4 885	3 881 409	(NA)	3 789 029	—
acres						
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	6	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	237 996	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	176	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	2 112 417	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	6	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	146 285	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms	21	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	536 477	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	16	1	10	(NA)	10	—
farms	126 459	(D)	102 852	(NA)	29 087	—
acres						

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.