

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	14 253	11 282	48 301 326	47 046 388	1 221 323	975 507	904 235	867 325
with harvested cropland	8 083	6 393	16 180 551	15 219 203	1 221 323	975 507	856 841	834 933
with irrigated land	7 651	5 714	16 110 296	14 657 140	870 221	796 033	904 235	867 325
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres	1 861	1 063	7 192	3 790	3 250	1 842	3 879	2 237
with harvested cropland	850	469	4 491	2 460	3 250	1 842	3 366	1 696
with irrigated land	944	433	5 074	2 400	3 167	1 508	3 879	2 237
10 to 49 acres	2 684	1 694	63 723	42 588	27 402	20 019	32 638	22 528
with harvested cropland	1 996	1 349	46 590	34 334	27 402	20 019	29 958	20 415
with irrigated land	2 093	1 282	48 454	32 166	25 887	17 486	32 638	22 528
50 to 69 acres	442	401	25 465	23 217	10 606	10 292	13 117	12 222
with harvested cropland	349	312	20 154	18 069	10 606	10 292	11 952	10 864
with irrigated land	367	318	21 191	18 413	10 309	9 541	13 117	12 222
70 to 99 acres	559	439	45 727	35 891	16 082	15 604	18 286	17 035
with harvested cropland	418	337	34 328	27 565	16 082	15 604	16 828	16 196
with irrigated land	417	337	34 251	27 562	14 963	14 733	18 286	17 035
100 to 139 acres	505	404	58 818	46 700	17 195	18 836	19 151	20 549
with harvested cropland	360	317	42 001	36 795	17 195	18 836	17 947	20 044
with irrigated land	338	303	39 715	35 182	15 863	18 223	19 151	20 549
140 to 179 acres	748	557	118 089	88 059	34 753	29 337	33 794	30 040
with harvested cropland	472	406	74 548	63 998	34 753	29 337	31 829	29 656
with irrigated land	466	357	73 223	56 459	28 884	27 178	33 794	30 040
180 to 219 acres	600	275	123 988	54 303	22 127	16 945	23 193	18 352
with harvested cropland	473	178	98 550	35 312	22 127	16 945	22 569	17 617
with irrigated land	464	187	96 764	36 895	20 802	16 034	23 193	18 352
220 to 259 acres	286	282	67 693	67 372	20 756	26 829	21 405	28 052
with harvested cropland	205	216	48 470	51 452	20 756	26 829	20 623	27 139
with irrigated land	185	210	44 028	50 074	18 696	25 428	21 405	28 052
260 to 499 acres	1 304	1 220	484 111	447 534	127 707	135 246	120 658	133 259
with harvested cropland	795	817	293 523	299 083	127 707	135 246	116 570	131 508
with irrigated land	708	690	259 780	253 756	106 851	121 291	120 658	133 259
500 to 999 acres	1 402	1 201	999 580	865 367	219 211	185 269	167 072	163 266
with harvested cropland	793	703	562 381	500 748	219 211	185 269	162 990	161 571
with irrigated land	650	566	453 631	401 112	167 939	155 728	167 072	163 266
1,000 to 1,999 acres	1 211	1 136	1 704 564	1 600 369	258 147	201 043	147 558	145 573
with harvested cropland	588	516	821 317	719 574	258 147	201 043	140 807	141 518
with irrigated land	395	379	543 186	529 417	159 601	147 001	147 558	145 573
2,000 acres or more	2 651	2 610	44 602 376	43 771 198	464 087	314 245	303 484	274 212
with harvested cropland	784	773	14 134 198	13 429 813	464 087	314 245	281 402	256 709
with irrigated land	624	652	14 490 999	13 213 704	297 259	241 882	303 484	274 212
5,000 acres or more	1 528	(NA)	41 064 894	(NA)	208 391	(NA)	173 879	(NA)
with harvested cropland	354	(NA)	12 821 566	(NA)	208 391	(NA)	160 356	(NA)
with irrigated land	324	(NA)	13 559 834	(NA)	152 964	(NA)	173 879	(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	14 253	11 282	11 641	1 409	346	7
Harvested cropland	48 301 326	47 046 388	46 792 302	8 169 733	369 382	7 090
acres	8 083	6 393	6 700	782	157	5
Full owners	1 221 323	975 507	1 007 527	58 877	6 016	443
Harvested cropland	8 329	6 367	6 000	931	241	6
acres	14 626 757	15 336 692	13 431 667	5 912 154	35 891	(D)
farms	4 871	3 770	3 481	540	103	5
acres	400 246	348 100	300 369	42 249	3 190	443
Part owners	4 475	3 774	4 233	323	48	1
Harvested cropland	28 976 864	27 293 466	29 274 262	2 008 658	140 583	(D)
farms	2 547	2 022	2 419	188	24	-
acres	674 376	512 571	555 501	13 540	2 135	-
Tenants	1 449	1 141	1 408	155	57	-
Harvested cropland	4 697 705	4 416 230	4 086 373	248 921	192 908	-
farms	665	601	800	54	30	-
acres	146 701	114 836	151 657	3 088	691	-
Percent of tenancy	10.2	10.1	12.0	11.0	16.5	-
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family	12 157	(NA)	(NA)	1 223	(NA)	(NA)
acres	21 276 972	(NA)	(NA)	880 116	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership	1 342	(NA)	(NA)	125	(NA)	(NA)
acres	8 176 794	(NA)	(NA)	81 102	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations	554	(NA)	(NA)	12	(NA)	(NA)
acres	10 119 752	(NA)	(NA)	79 429	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	19	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1 493 522	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	493	(NA)	(NA)	10	(NA)	(NA)
acres	7 005 658	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	5	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
acres	28 555	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	37	(NA)	(NA)	2	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1 592 017	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	200	(NA)	(NA)	49	(NA)	(NA)
acres	8 727 808	(NA)	(NA)	7 129 086	(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	275	202	196	38	1	—
25 to 34 years	1 570	989	1 184	133	28	—
35 to 44 years	2 919	1 963	2 321	310	47	2
45 to 54 years	3 371	2 719	3 158	353	67	1
55 to 64 years	3 289	2 716	2 855	286	92	3
65 years and over	2 829	2 254	1 927	289	111	1
Average age	51.4	52.7	51.1	51.3	55.8	53.0
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated	9 447	6 344	7 509	813	219	6
Not on farm operated	3 469	2 367	2 696	361	74	1
Not reported	1 337	2 571	1 436	235	53	—
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None	5 559	3 890	(NA)	470	110	(NA)
Any	8 202	4 953	6 337	887	213	3
1 to 49 days	994	608	1 081	122	8	—
50 to 99 days	561	374	499	97	24	—
100 to 149 days	509	363	1 047	67	4	1
150 to 199 days	731	612	—	83	16	—
200 days or more	5 407	2 996	3 710	518	161	2
Not reporting	492	2 000	(NA)	52	23	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming	6 609	6 168	(NA)	498	153	(NA)
Other	7 644	4 675	(NA)	911	193	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	13 359 farms	(NA)	(NA)	1 297	(NA)	(NA)
acres	45 664 597	(NA)	(NA)	8 072 260	(NA)	(NA)
Female	894 farms	(NA)	(NA)	112	(NA)	(NA)
acres	2 636 729	(NA)	(NA)	97 473	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	3 496 farms	(NA)	(NA)	723	(NA)	(NA)
acres	3 410 429	(NA)	(NA)	442 682	(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, (see text)
Individual or family	7 445 farms	533	6 659	152	6 428	4
Partnership	20 140 987 farms	592 196	22 205 691	240 065	21 693 700	6 060
acres	1 118	71	702	5	981	—
acres	8 034 374	60 527	6 539 345	9 194	7 892 575	—
Corporations	515 farms	11	346	(NA)	229	—
acres	10 086 374	(D)	9 115 784	(NA)	7 854 885	—
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	19 farms	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1 493 522	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	454 farms	9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	6 972 280	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	5 farms	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	28 555	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	37 farms	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	1 592 017	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	101 farms	12	29	(NA)	72	—
acres	562 617	5 482	156 971	(NA)	352 559	—

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.