

Table 4. Operators—Tenure, Type of Organization, and Characteristics: 1978, 1974, and 1969—Con.

	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races <sup>1</sup>		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Operators by age group: <sup>1</sup>						
Under 25 years	930	627	941	4	6	—
25 to 34 years	6 146	4 631	5 113	20	14	4
35 to 44 years	11 025	8 582	10 401	39	30	27
45 to 54 years	12 451	11 396	14 093	47	39	22
55 to 64 years	11 423	10 452	12 567	47	38	15
65 years and over	7 298	6 984	8 794	31	19	14
Average age	49.9	51.0	51.2	50.8	50.1	51.5
Operators by place of residence: <sup>1</sup>						
On farm operated	41 587	34 794	44 209	140	111	63
Not on farm operated	4 822	3 217	4 150	26	16	9
Not reported	2 864	5 671	3 550	22	19	10
Operators reporting days of work off farm: <sup>1</sup>						
None	22 333	18 420	(NA)	70	38	(NA)
Any	25 258	18 143	24 954	105	82	51
1 to 49 days	3 130	2 127	3 850	10	8	10
50 to 99 days	1 285	945	1 453	7	2	5
100 to 149 days	1 671	1 024	3 227	16	6	10
150 to 199 days	2 428	1 924	—	12	23	—
200 days or more	16 744	12 123	16 424	60	43	26
Not reporting	1 682	6 109	(NA)	13	26	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation: <sup>1</sup>						
Farming	27 480	27 833	(NA)	95	73	(NA)
Other	21 793	14 839	(NA)	93	73	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	farms... 46 356	(NA)	(NA)	180	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... 9 545 710	(NA)	(NA)	25 573	(NA)	(NA)
Female	farms... 2 917	(NA)	(NA)	8	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... 361 196	(NA)	(NA)	808	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	farms... 158	(NA)	(NA)	4	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... 23 798	(NA)	(NA)	414	(NA)	(NA)

<sup>1</sup>1969 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. <sup>1</sup> (see text)
Individual or family	farms... 29 932	95	28 404	93	30 042	41
	acres... 6 792 516	17 431	6 828 227	20 196	6 930 297	6 867
Partnership	farms... 3 753	12	2 822	5	—	—
	acres... 1 352 283	1 761	1 063 898	1 232	1 184 901	3
Corporations	farms... 1 181	9	927	(NA)	538	2
	acres... 516 329	489	369 223	(NA)	223 877	1 090
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	farms... 11	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... (D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	farms... 1 064	8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... 455 613	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	farms... 20	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... (D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	farms... 86	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	acres... 35 295	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms... 77	—	45	(NA)	148	—
	acres... 30 106	—	23 704	(NA)	33 769	—

<sup>1</sup>1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.