

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..... number..... | 41 169 | 42 710 | 42 025 363 | 42 387 424 | 19 120 551 | 19 207 401 | 141 434 | 70 891 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 38 893 | 40 643 | 40 643 958 | 40 956 452 | 19 120 551 | 19 207 401 | 141 194 | 70 618 |
| with irrigated land..... | 792 | 510 | 1 342 296 | 853 805 | 515 713 | 257 267 | 141 434 | 70 891 |
| Farms by size: | | | | | | | | |
| 1 to 9 acres..... number..... | 1 228 | 981 | 2 203 | 1 471 | 200 | 162 | 35 | 20 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 102 | 70 | 321 | 224 | 200 | 162 | 31 | 18 |
| with irrigated land..... | 17 | 11 | 51 | 38 | 31 | 24 | 35 | 20 |
| 10 to 49 acres..... number..... | 1 040 | 773 | 26 496 | 20 995 | 12 683 | 10 422 | 436 | 196 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 703 | 525 | 19 080 | 15 055 | 12 683 | 10 422 | 349 | 185 |
| with irrigated land..... | 36 | 14 | 873 | 328 | 432 | 179 | 436 | 196 |
| 50 to 69 acres..... number..... | 329 | 279 | 18 807 | 16 006 | 9 944 | 8 394 | 71 | 328 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 264 | 205 | 15 078 | 11 805 | 9 944 | 8 394 | 71 | 328 |
| with irrigated land..... | 4 | 11 | 234 | 649 | 151 | 401 | 71 | 328 |
| 70 to 99 acres..... number..... | 723 | 574 | 58 745 | 46 673 | 32 014 | 24 982 | 154 | 66 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 614 | 482 | 49 795 | 39 205 | 32 014 | 24 982 | 154 | 66 |
| with irrigated land..... | 4 | 3 | 320 | 250 | 254 | 116 | 154 | 66 |
| 100 to 139 acres..... number..... | 702 | 504 | 80 964 | 58 468 | 41 253 | 31 848 | 786 | 397 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 569 | 436 | 66 285 | 50 855 | 41 253 | 31 848 | 786 | 397 |
| with irrigated land..... | 10 | 4 | 1 148 | 490 | 856 | 397 | 786 | 397 |
| 140 to 179 acres..... number..... | 2 001 | 2 054 | 317 081 | 324 814 | 178 507 | 181 375 | 3 839 | 2 047 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 1 894 | 1 887 | 300 100 | 298 198 | 178 507 | 181 375 | 3 839 | 2 047 |
| with irrigated land..... | 35 | 19 | 5 594 | 2 997 | 4 245 | 2 481 | 3 839 | 2 047 |
| 180 to 219 acres..... number..... | 561 | 526 | 110 739 | 103 628 | 59 436 | 57 082 | 1 575 | 1 372 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 515 | 490 | 101 637 | 96 667 | 59 436 | 57 082 | 1 575 | 1 372 |
| with irrigated land..... | 13 | 10 | 2 559 | 1 976 | 1 516 | 1 466 | 1 575 | 1 372 |
| 220 to 259 acres..... number..... | 794 | 904 | 189 397 | 215 996 | 104 685 | 121 275 | 1 913 | 1 446 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 757 | 863 | 180 554 | 206 114 | 104 685 | 121 275 | 1 913 | 1 446 |
| with irrigated land..... | 16 | 10 | 3 811 | 2 311 | 2 440 | 1 537 | 1 913 | 1 446 |
| 260 to 499 acres..... number..... | 6 546 | 7 745 | 2 539 117 | 3 014 814 | 1 398 271 | 1 664 501 | 16 147 | 12 773 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 6 407 | 7 550 | 2 487 437 | 2 943 121 | 1 398 271 | 1 664 501 | 15 998 | 12 773 |
| with irrigated land..... | 98 | 77 | 37 564 | 29 677 | 22 245 | 17 531 | 16 147 | 12 773 |
| 500 to 999 acres..... number..... | 11 904 | 13 249 | 8 887 559 | 9 920 325 | 4 643 987 | 5 201 227 | 23 245 | 12 356 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 11 807 | 13 119 | 8 820 980 | 9 824 270 | 4 643 987 | 5 201 227 | 23 245 | 12 096 |
| with irrigated land..... | 138 | 93 | 105 962 | 65 773 | 54 774 | 30 858 | 23 245 | 12 356 |
| 1,000 to 1,999 acres..... number..... | 11 265 | 11 332 | 15 479 797 | 15 485 952 | 7 437 028 | 7 438 095 | 33 673 | 14 131 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 11 216 | 11 263 | 15 418 443 | 15 393 925 | 7 437 028 | 7 438 095 | 33 673 | 14 131 |
| with irrigated land..... | 200 | 135 | 288 047 | 195 081 | 128 476 | 75 159 | 33 673 | 14 131 |
| 2,000 acres or more..... number..... | 4 076 | 3 789 | 14 314 458 | 13 178 282 | 5 202 543 | 4 468 038 | 59 560 | 25 759 |
| with harvested cropland..... | 4 045 | 3 753 | 13 184 248 | 12 077 013 | 5 202 543 | 4 468 038 | 59 560 | 25 759 |
| with irrigated land..... | 221 | 123 | 896 133 | 554 235 | 300 293 | 127 118 | 59 560 | 25 759 |
| 5,000 acres or more..... number..... | 363 | (NA) | 4 133 045 | (NA) | 792 892 | (NA) | 12 146 | (NA) |
| with harvested cropland..... | 352 | (NA) | 3 059 939 | (NA) | 792 892 | (NA) | 12 146 | (NA) |
| with irrigated land..... | 41 | (NA) | 343 890 | (NA) | 70 765 | (NA) | 12 146 | (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..... farms..... | 41 169 | 42 710 | 46 381 | 255 | 148 | 22 |
| acres..... | 42 025 363 | 42 387 424 | 43 117 831 | 837 196 | 162 921 | 24 762 |
| Harvested cropland..... farms..... | 38 893 | 40 643 | 43 606 | 227 | 132 | 20 |
| acres..... | 19 120 551 | 19 207 401 | 17 174 891 | 60 876 | 46 945 | 10 294 |
| Full owners..... farms..... | 14 241 | 16 820 | 18 084 | 75 | 58 | 9 |
| acres..... | 9 572 071 | 10 695 746 | 10 952 091 | 661 626 | 37 143 | 6 278 |
| Harvested cropland..... farms..... | 12 476 | 15 184 | 15 952 | 55 | 50 | 7 |
| acres..... | 3 870 340 | 4 772 040 | 4 221 460 | 11 168 | 14 040 | 2 225 |
| Part owners..... farms..... | 19 832 | 20 156 | 21 612 | 105 | 58 | 10 |
| acres..... | 27 301 956 | 27 276 546 | 26 595 514 | 138 095 | 103 709 | 15 584 |
| Harvested cropland..... farms..... | 19 632 | 20 025 | 21 431 | 100 | 56 | 10 |
| acres..... | 12 873 208 | 12 481 593 | 10 880 006 | 38 689 | 25 387 | 6 954 |
| Tenants..... farms..... | 7 096 | 5 734 | 6 685 | 75 | 32 | 3 |
| acres..... | 5 151 336 | 4 415 132 | 5 570 226 | 37 475 | 22 069 | 2 900 |
| Harvested cropland..... farms..... | 6 785 | 5 434 | 6 223 | 72 | 26 | 3 |
| acres..... | 2 377 003 | 1 953 768 | 2 073 425 | 11 019 | 7 518 | 1 115 |
| Percent of tenancy..... percent..... | 17.2 | 13.4 | 14.4 | 29.4 | 21.6 | 13.6 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | | | | |
| Individual or family..... farms..... | 36 140 | (NA) | (NA) | 219 | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | 34 242 798 | (NA) | (NA) | 163 599 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Partnership..... farms..... | 4 769 | (NA) | (NA) | 26 | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | 6 050 910 | (NA) | (NA) | 42 990 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Corporations..... farms..... | 131 | (NA) | (NA) | 2 | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | 248 183 | (NA) | (NA) | (D) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Family held: | | | | | | |
| More than 10 stockholders..... farms..... | 4 | (NA) | (NA) | — | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | (D) | (NA) | (NA) | — | (NA) | (NA) |
| 10 or less stockholders..... farms..... | 114 | (NA) | (NA) | 2 | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | 215 824 | (NA) | (NA) | (D) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Other than family held: | | | | | | |
| More than 10 stockholders..... farms..... | 2 | (NA) | (NA) | — | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | (D) | (NA) | (NA) | — | (NA) | (NA) |
| 10 or less stockholders..... farms..... | 11 | (NA) | (NA) | — | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | 16 705 | (NA) | (NA) | — | (NA) | (NA) |
| Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc..... farms..... | 129 | (NA) | (NA) | 8 | (NA) | (NA) |
| acres..... | 1 483 472 | (NA) | (NA) | 629 767 | (NA) | (NA) |