

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)

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

	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races ¹		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Operators by age group:¹						
Under 25 years.....	2 234	1 528	1 277	10	9	1
25 to 34 years.....	6 845	5 181	5 604	47	22	1
35 to 44 years.....	7 228	7 337	9 890	64	38	4
45 to 54 years.....	10 100	11 194	12 698	64	38	7
55 to 64 years.....	10 166	11 820	12 383	41	26	8
65 years and over.....	4 596	5 462	4 529	29	15	1
Average age.....	47.7	49.9	48.9	46.6	45.4	50.5
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated.....	28 669	28 454	35 137	174	114	15
Not on farm operated.....	8 104	7 418	7 600	51	25	2
Not reported.....	4 396	6 838	3 644	30	9	5
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None.....	22 768	21 051	(NA)	70	50	(NA)
Any.....	15 789	10 568	17 351	167	72	5
1 to 49 days.....	5 597	3 681	6 920	19	12	1
50 to 99 days.....	1 731	1 145	2 354	9	5	—
100 to 149 days.....	1 490	1 028	3 206	8	6	2
150 to 199 days.....	1 559	1 097	4 871	14	14	—
200 days or more.....	5 412	3 617	(NA)	117	35	2
Not reporting.....	2 612	10 903	(NA)	18	26	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming.....	34 311	38 191	(NA)	122	96	(NA)
Other.....	6 858	4 331	(NA)	133	52	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male.....	40 242	(NA)	(NA)	234	(NA)	(NA)
farms.....		(NA)	(NA)		(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	41 269 001	(NA)	(NA)	826 846	(NA)	(NA)
Female.....	927	(NA)	(NA)	21	(NA)	(NA)
farms.....		(NA)	(NA)		(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	756 362	(NA)	(NA)	10 350	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin.....						
farms.....	132	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	89 880	(NA)	(NA)	(D)	(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.....	34 077	156	36 725	98	35 428	18
farms.....						
acres.....	34 002 923	148 947	35 557 615	145 173	33 211 391	19 070
Partnership.....	4 601	22	3 778	6	5 806	4
farms.....						
acres.....	6 026 073	39 510	4 987 391	12 895	6 813 834	5 692
Corporations.....	130	2	79	(NA)	97	—
farms.....						
acres.....	(D)	(D)	147 161	(NA)	172 298	—
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders.....	4	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders.....	15 651	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms.....						
acres.....	113	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
(D)		(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders.....	2	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders.....	11	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
farms.....						
acres.....	16 705	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.....	82	1	79	(NA)	197	—
farms.....						
acres.....	(D)	(D)	99 927	(NA)	176 957	—

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.