

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.....	39 665	42 825	44 543 394	45 977 776	13 932 760	14 854 873	341 110	152 203
with harvested cropland.....	35 727	38 635	38 160 041	39 853 488	13 932 760	14 854 873	339 661	151 139
with irrigated land.....	1 817	1 072	3 867 693	2 509 383	1 012 344	473 854	341 110	152 203
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres..... number.....	2 017	1 780	4 146	2 909	408	319	56	102
with harvested cropland.....	125	132	616	508	408	319	43	42
with irrigated land.....	22	19	93	68	38	42	56	102
10 to 49 acres..... number.....	1 833	1 549	49 812	43 725	21 840	19 188	491	223
with harvested cropland.....	1 175	888	34 540	27 229	21 840	19 188	445	163
with irrigated land.....	41	18	1 048	453	598	216	491	223
50 to 69 acres..... number.....	507	559	29 229	32 440	14 530	14 974	426	140
with harvested cropland.....	386	396	22 320	23 033	14 530	14 974	426	100
with irrigated land.....	13	7	773	412	516	141	426	140
70 to 99 acres..... number.....	1 234	1 220	100 097	98 550	57 939	56 826	966	819
with harvested cropland.....	1 057	1 043	85 974	84 444	57 939	56 826	860	819
with irrigated land.....	30	16	2 413	1 289	1 072	757	966	819
100 to 139 acres..... number.....	1 116	907	129 596	105 952	81 893	58 374	1 012	1 257
with harvested cropland.....	1 008	768	117 368	90 212	81 893	58 374	1 010	1 257
with irrigated land.....	19	22	2 309	2 621	1 353	1 247	1 012	1 257
140 to 179 acres..... number.....	2 816	3 241	445 971	514 566	273 022	316 643	5 085	4 060
with harvested cropland.....	2 615	2 980	413 984	473 074	273 022	316 643	5 085	3 900
with irrigated land.....	64	61	10 048	9 781	6 632	6 001	5 085	4 060
180 to 219 acres..... number.....	949	1 112	188 238	221 315	111 759	138 785	3 451	2 635
with harvested cropland.....	879	1 046	174 396	208 290	111 759	138 785	3 421	2 383
with irrigated land.....	38	31	7 555	6 182	4 616	3 413	3 451	2 635
220 to 259 acres..... number.....	1 499	1 797	356 735	428 172	229 568	273 423	12 127	4 282
with harvested cropland.....	1 460	1 700	347 561	405 160	229 568	273 423	12 127	4 282
with irrigated land.....	95	42	22 770	9 980	14 222	5 905	12 127	4 282
260 to 499 acres..... number.....	8 468	10 200	3 183 563	3 840 736	1 952 706	2 444 094	36 317	19 067
with harvested cropland.....	8 252	9 860	3 105 985	3 713 803	1 952 706	2 444 094	35 662	19 067
with irrigated land.....	278	175	101 976	66 804	61 447	35 817	36 317	19 067
500 to 999 acres..... number.....	8 962	9 927	6 390 263	7 052 548	3 495 537	4 022 094	66 143	33 157
with harvested cropland.....	8 787	9 728	6 268 368	6 913 566	3 495 537	4 022 094	65 568	32 665
with irrigated land.....	369	214	269 016	154 347	150 132	79 694	66 143	33 157
1,000 to 1,999 acres..... number.....	5 987	6 089	8 305 661	8 366 603	3 599 824	3 722 055	77 931	23 273
with harvested cropland.....	5 879	5 947	8 158 243	8 178 903	3 599 824	3 722 055	77 931	23 273
with irrigated land.....	361	151	512 956	212 218	226 818	78 596	77 931	23 273
2,000 acres or more..... number.....	4 277	4 444	25 360 083	25 270 260	4 093 734	3 788 098	137 105	63 188
with harvested cropland.....	4 104	4 147	19 430 686	19 735 266	4 093 734	3 788 098	137 083	63 188
with irrigated land.....	487	316	2 936 736	2 045 228	544 900	262 025	137 105	63 188
5,000 acres or more..... number.....	1 192	(NA)	16 122 518	(NA)	1 443 372	(NA)	58 330	(NA)
with harvested cropland.....	1 116	(NA)	10 491 725	(NA)	1 443 372	(NA)	58 330	(NA)
with irrigated land.....	188	(NA)	1 991 472	(NA)	258 777	(NA)	58 330	(NA)

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

	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races <sup>1</sup>		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
Farms and land in farms operated by:						
All operators..... farms.....	39 665	42 825	45 726	441	284	23
acres.....	44 543 394	45 977 776	45 584 164	4 893 078	524 948	17 127
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	35 727	38 635	41 108	339	213	21
acres.....	13 932 760	14 854 873	12 634 488	112 156	70 794	5 324
Full owners..... farms.....	15 385	17 300	17 494	193	133	9
acres.....	13 064 820	11 198 137	12 961 981	4 262 113	164 820	2 177
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	12 278	14 035	13 911	129	82	7
acres.....	2 996 440	3 501 561	2 750 869	34 719	17 344	1 147
Part owners..... farms.....	17 884	19 182	20 355	161	95	5
acres.....	27 104 283	30 154 801	27 687 372	477 491	247 909	5 610
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	17 613	18 786	19 936	144	92	5
acres.....	9 281 225	9 654 271	8 066 713	54 148	41 544	2 581
Tenants..... farms.....	6 396	6 343	7 877	87	56	9
acres.....	4 374 291	4 624 838	4 934 811	153 474	112 219	9 340
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	5 836	5 814	7 261	66	39	9
acres.....	1 655 095	1 699 041	1 816 906	23 289	11 906	1 596
Percent of tenancy..... percent.....	16.1	14.8	17.2	19.7	19.7	39.1
Farms by type of organization:						
Individual or family..... farms.....	35 041	(NA)	(NA)	379	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	30 403 762	(NA)	(NA)	690 739	(NA)	(NA)
Partnership..... farms.....	3 602	(NA)	(NA)	36	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	5 510 916	(NA)	(NA)	64 440	(NA)	(NA)
Corporations..... farms.....	817	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	3 132 687	(NA)	(NA)	41 710	(NA)	(NA)
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	27	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	112 071	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	720	(NA)	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	2 831 787	(NA)	(NA)	41 710	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders..... farms.....	6	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	19 728	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders..... farms.....	64	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	169 101	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc..... farms.....	205	(NA)	(NA)	17	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	5 496 029	(NA)	(NA)	4 096 189	(NA)	(NA)

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	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races <sup>1</sup>		
	1978	1974	1969	1978	1974	1969
<b>Operators by age group:<sup>1</sup></b>						
Under 25 years	2 092	1 642	1 250	22	2	1
25 to 34 years	6 165	4 879	5 422	88	46	—
35 to 44 years	6 699	7 416	9 794	94	69	4
45 to 54 years	9 729	11 556	12 723	87	69	8
55 to 64 years	9 992	10 551	10 990	77	59	5
65 years and over	4 988	6 180	5 547	73	39	5
Average age	48.5	50.1	49.2	47.4	48.6	54.6
<b>Operators by place of residence:<sup>1</sup></b>						
On farm operated	29 697	30 127	36 604	309	196	15
Not on farm operated	5 621	5 209	5 203	64	31	2
Not reported	4 347	7 489	3 919	68	57	6
<b>Operators reporting days of work off farm:<sup>1</sup></b>						
None	22 242	20 541	(NA)	215	96	(NA)
Any	14 644	10 206	16 136	187	110	11
1 to 49 days	5 153	3 404	6 805	31	15	2
50 to 99 days	1 264	937	1 751	8	4	2
100 to 149 days	1 012	760	2 271	17	14	2
150 to 199 days	1 130	861	5 309	22	24	2
200 days or more	6 085	4 244	(NA)	109	53	5
Not reporting	2 779	11 477	(NA)	39	78	(NA)
<b>Operators by principal occupation:<sup>1</sup></b>						
Farming	32 174	36 821	(NA)	280	195	(NA)
Other	7 491	5 403	(NA)	161	89	(NA)
<b>Operators by sex:</b>						
Male	38 567	(NA)	(NA)	381	(NA)	(NA)
Female	43 483 520	(NA)	(NA)	4 796 938	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	1 098	(NA)	(NA)	60	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	1 059 874	(NA)	(NA)	96 140	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	66	(NA)	(NA)	7	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	105 117	(NA)	(NA)	8 308	(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	32 549	339	36 382	256	35 149	19
Partnership	30 094 425	674 092	33 540 551	515 683	31 438 763	16 595
Corporations	3 457	35	2 911	5	4 850	1
Family held:	5 490 313	(D)	4 317 393	2 816	6 378 341	200
More than 10 stockholders	809	9	444	(NA)	262	—
10 or less stockholders	3 130 643	41 710	2 172 048	(NA)	1 453 936	—
Other than family held:	26	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	(D)	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	713	9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other	2 829 877	41 710	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
More than 10 stockholders	6	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	19 728	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other	64	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	169 101	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	75	2	81	(NA)	209	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	140 717	(D)	168 826	(NA)	313 737	—

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