

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	78 975	52 418	52 905	1 317	771	819
25 to 34 years	323 175	239 674	273 662	6 694	3 330	3 978
35 to 44 years	485 109	400 059	522 698	11 995	7 064	11 321
45 to 54 years	595 532	577 064	723 977	18 247	13 635	22 213
55 to 64 years	588 212	588 584	704 014	21 610	17 262	28 080
65 years and over	407 639	421 471	452 994	20 053	17 309	24 095
Average age	50.1	51.7	51.2	54.2	56.3	(NA)
Operators by place of residence:¹						
On farm operated	1 785 023	1 502 488	1 982 738	53 695	33 982	60 424
Not on farm operated	441 594	371 833	457 679	15 769	10 928	15 602
Not reported	252 025	439 692	289 833	10 452	14 461	14 480
Operators reporting days of work off farm:¹						
None	1 001 416	829 843	(NA)	29 825	21 734	(NA)
Any	1 364 835	1 011 476	1 482 292	45 801	25 950	49 055
1 to 49 days	188 134	134 205	273 387	5 100	3 838	9 457
50 to 99 days	76 001	62 716	118 403	3 363	2 555	5 761
100 to 149 days	78 447	61 615	219 687	3 617	2 231	11 663
150 to 199 days	117 307	94 969	870 815	4 959	3 276	22 174
200 days or more	904 946	657 971	(NA)	28 762	14 050	(NA)
Not reporting	112 391	437 951	(NA)	4 290	11 687	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation:¹						
Farming	1 326 785	1 427 368	(NA)	36 772	36 936	(NA)
Other	1 151 857	851 902	(NA)	43 144	22 435	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	2 350 472	(NA)	(NA)	72 167	(NA)	(NA)
farms	993 127 973	(NA)	(NA)	53 567 291	(NA)	(NA)
acres	128 170	(NA)	(NA)	7 749	(NA)	(NA)
Female	36 566 562	(NA)	(NA)	896 590	(NA)	(NA)
farms	22 997	(NA)	(NA)	3 812	(NA)	(NA)
acres	11 919 280	(NA)	(NA)	1 894 533	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin						
farms	22 997	(NA)	(NA)	3 812	(NA)	(NA)
acres	11 919 280	(NA)	(NA)	1 894 533	(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, ¹ (see text)	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, ¹ (see text)	Farms	Farms operated by Black and other races, ¹ (see text)
Individual or family						
farms	1 598 865	33 738	1 517 573	28 657	1 480 565	22 621
acres	643 938 279	7 245 452	678 081 579	6 234 390	665 238 893	3 184 103
Partnership						
farms	209 688	3 724	144 969	1 959	221 535	2 450
acres	155 928 620	1 182 316	124 479 156	773 692	163 387 960	448 278
Corporations						
farms	49 684	1 323	28 656	(NA)	21 513	380
acres	119 702 647	1 066 668	96 781 155	(NA)	80 831 188	113 171
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	1 236	30	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	11 037 541	155 214	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	42 734	1 156	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	92 593 702	700 673	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	1 121	30	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	5 535 961	135 872	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	4 593	107	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres	10 535 443	74 909	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.						
farms	6 450	785	3 849	(NA)	10 070	198
acres	7 315 939	231 466	6 298 217	(NA)	8 400 584	32 277

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.