

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	271	204	255	1	—	2
25 to 34 years	2 068	1 370	1 608	8	1	3
35 to 44 years	3 955	2 740	3 597	21	4	6
45 to 54 years	4 600	3 829	5 650	7	5	13
55 to 64 years	4 779	4 334	6 393	10	8	10
65 years and over	4 859	4 311	5 639	18	15	11
Average age	53.0	54.3	54.6	52.5	59.7	52.0
Operators by place of residence: ¹						
On farm operated	15 568	11 745	17 070	35	15	25
Not on farm operated	2 762	2 124	3 281	19	9	14
Not reported	2 202	3 040	2 791	11	9	6
Operators reporting days of work off farm: ¹						
None	6 618	5 068	(NA)	24	14	(NA)
Any	13 230	9 799	15 158	39	13	25
1 to 49 days	1 108	959	1 857	15	1	2
50 to 99 days	534	527	1 027	2	—	4
100 to 149 days	563	543	2 207	1	—	2
150 to 199 days	1 100	953	10 067	1	1	17
200 days or more	9 925	6 817	(NA)	20	9	(NA)
Not reporting	684	1 921	(NA)	2	6	(NA)
Operators by principal occupation: ¹						
Farming	7 656	7 496	(NA)	21	15	(NA)
Other	12 876	9 292	(NA)	44	18	(NA)
Operators by sex:						
Male	18 975 farms	(NA)	(NA)	46	(NA)	(NA)
	3 609 129 acres	(NA)	(NA)	6 538	(NA)	(NA)
Female	1 557 farms	(NA)	(NA)	19	(NA)	(NA)
	258 867 acres	(NA)	(NA)	3 692	(NA)	(NA)
Operators of Spanish origin	65 farms	(NA)	(NA)	—	(NA)	(NA)
	15 424 acres	(NA)	(NA)	—	(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	8 626 farms	29	5 580	4	5 778	6
	2 168 411 acres	7 294	1 811 444	1 560	1 924 278	1 836
Partnership	771 farms	2	422	—	793	4
	284 512 acres	(D)	194 246	—	334 357	4 989
Corporations	131 farms	—	82	(NA)	69	—
	93 049 acres	—	52 102	(NA)	44 577	—
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	4 farms	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	4 886 acres	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	112 farms	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	71 576 acres	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders	3 farms	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	1 982 acres	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or less stockholders	12 farms	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
	14 605 acres	—	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	26 farms	—	15	(NA)	24	—
	9 404 acres	—	9 274	(NA)	9 491	—

¹1969 data for farms operated by Blacks only.