

Table 5. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization: 1982 and 1978

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Characteristics	Delaware	Kent	New Castle	Sussex
FARMS				
Land in farms ----- farms, 1982	3 338	1 009	488	1 841
1978	3 398	1 004	452	1 942
acres, 1982	655 465	210 109	102 023	343 333
1978	669 646	214 828	102 084	352 734
Harvested cropland ----- farms, 1982	2 700	905	434	1 361
1978	2 806	934	420	1 452
acres, 1982	499 986	167 936	77 566	254 484
1978	496 756	160 942	80 277	255 537
TENURE OF OPERATOR				
Full owners ----- farms, 1982	1 951	559	265	1 127
1978	1 922	534	222	1 166
acres, 1982	178 891	56 061	24 411	98 519
1978	173 641	60 094	25 018	88 529
Harvested cropland ----- farms, 1982	1 364	464	225	675
1978	1 370	466	192	712
acres, 1982	102 031	33 094	11 735	57 202
1978	96 091	34 603	13 237	48 251
Part owners ----- farms, 1982	996	309	123	564
1978	1 079	324	139	616
acres, 1982	407 831	126 864	56 260	224 707
1978	424 687	128 076	52 250	244 361
Owned land in farms ----- acres, 1982	195 426	56 898	17 361	121 167
1978	215 691	58 753	17 700	139 238
Rented land in farms ----- acres, 1982	212 405	69 966	38 899	103 540
1978	208 996	69 323	34 550	105 123
Harvested cropland ----- farms, 1982	986	306	122	558
1978	1 088	324	139	605
acres, 1982	335 977	111 274	46 312	178 391
1978	336 721	102 849	44 669	189 203
Tenants ----- farms, 1982	391	141	100	150
1978	397	146	91	160
acres, 1982	68 643	27 184	21 352	20 107
1978	71 318	26 658	24 816	19 844
Harvested cropland ----- farms, 1982	350	135	87	128
1978	368	144	89	135
acres, 1982	61 978	23 568	19 519	18 891
1978	63 944	23 490	22 371	18 083
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS				
Operators by place of residence:				
On farm operated ----- 1982	2 405	755	336	1 314
1978	2 544	772	353	1 419
Not on farm operated ----- 1982	506	148	113	245
1978	468	139	73	256
Not reported ----- 1982	427	106	39	282
1978	386	83	26	267
Operators by principal occupation:				
Farming ----- 1982	1 956	598	277	1 081
1978	2 004	607	280	1 117
Other ----- 1982	1 382	411	211	760
1978	1 394	397	172	825
Operators by days of work off farm:				
None ----- 1982	1 367	384	223	760
1978	1 503	404	229	870
Any ----- 1982	1 629	535	232	862
1978	1 722	561	206	955
1 to 49 days ----- 1982	185	71	22	92
1978	219	104	21	94
50 to 99 days ----- 1982	70	30	9	31
1978	104	40	3	61
100 to 149 days ----- 1982	100	30	8	62
1978	99	35	14	50
150 to 199 days ----- 1982	145	44	20	81
1978	189	47	25	117
200 days or more ----- 1982	1 129	360	173	596
1978	1 111	335	143	633
Not reported ----- 1982	342	90	33	219
1978	173	39	17	117
1982 operators by years on present farm:				
2 years or less -----	177	77	19	81
3 or 4 years -----	304	100	59	145
5 to 9 years -----	499	149	82	268
10 years or more -----	1 559	458	245	856
Average years on present farm -----	18.1	15.8	17.4	19.6
Not reported -----	799	225	83	491
Operators by age group:				
Under 25 years ----- 1982	114	54	12	48
1978	107	35	13	59
25 to 34 years ----- 1982	404	131	54	219
1978	406	132	38	236
35 to 44 years ----- 1982	650	212	77	361
1978	685	223	94	368
45 to 54 years ----- 1982	788	236	121	411
1978	835	246	117	472
55 to 64 years ----- 1982	816	220	127	469
1978	853	238	113	502
65 years and over ----- 1982	588	156	97	333
1978	512	130	77	305
Average age ----- 1982	50.6	48.9	52.6	51.0
1978	50.1	48.8	51.5	50.4

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Characteristics	Delaware	Kent	New Castle	Sussex
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—				
Con.				
Operators by sex:				
Male ----- farms, 1982..	3 088	971	441	1 676
1978..	3 189	964	426	1 799
acres, 1982..	837 092	207 177	98 247	331 668
1978..	854 847	211 358	99 173	344 316
Female ----- farms, 1982..	250	38	47	165
1978..	209	40	26	143
acres, 1982..	18 373	2 932	3 776	11 665
1978..	14 799	3 470	2 911	8 418
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION				
Individual or family ----- farms, 1982..	2 830	864	402	1 564
1978..	2 944	866	382	1 696
acres, 1982..	420 540	151 056	70 819	198 665
1978..	469 901	169 158	79 873	220 872
Partnership ----- farms, 1982..	302	96	48	158
1978..	291	93	42	156
acres, 1982..	82 369	25 832	16 628	39 909
1978..	83 032	23 691	11 660	47 681
Corporation:				
Family held ----- farms, 1982..	174	43	29	102
1978..	134	34	23	77
acres, 1982..	140 474	(D)	(D)	97 874
1978..	107 886	19 457	9 478	78 951
Other than family held ----- farms, 1982..	16	2	6	8
1978..	16	5	3	8
acres, 1982..	6 384	(D)	(D)	4 138
1978..	6 092	(D)	(D)	3 487
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms, 1982..	16	4	3	9
1978..	13	6	2	5
acres, 1982..	5 698	572	2 379	2 747
1978..	2 735	(D)	(D)	1 743