

**Table 4. Farms, Land in Farms, and Land Use, by Size of Farm: 1982 and 1978**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

| All farms                            | Farms  |        | Land in farms (acres) |            | Harvested cropland (acres) |            | Irrigated land (acres) |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------|--------|
|                                      | 1982   | 1978   | 1982                  | 1978       | 1982                       | 1978       | 1982                   | 1978   |
| Farms ----- number...                | 86 934 | 89 131 | 15 404 054            | 15 788 833 | 10 396 323                 | 10 213 858 | 27 688                 | 24 970 |
| with harvested cropland...           | 78 363 | 82 515 | 15 035 694            | 15 488 171 | 10 396 323                 | 10 213 858 | 27 614                 | 24 910 |
| with irrigated land...               | 1 152  | 1 103  | 160 760               | 142 032    | 115 464                    | 96 735     | 27 688                 | 24 970 |
| Farms by size:                       |        |        |                       |            |                            |            |                        |        |
| 1 to 9 acres ----- number...         | 6 223  | 5 022  | 25 257                | 19 243     | 9 835                      | 7 963      | 530                    | 602    |
| with harvested cropland...           | 2 983  | 2 541  | 14 880                | 12 002     | 9 835                      | 7 963      | 529                    | 591    |
| with irrigated land...               | 305    | 325    | 1 203                 | 1 383      | 606                        | 706        | 530                    | 602    |
| 10 to 49 acres ----- number...       | 18 769 | 16 762 | 526 387               | 490 302    | 274 040                    | 266 545    | 1 924                  | 1 734  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 15 547 | 14 550 | 449 288               | 435 354    | 274 040                    | 266 545    | 1 911                  | 1 708  |
| with irrigated land...               | 359    | 308    | 8 563                 | 7 436      | 3 585                      | 3 192      | 1 924                  | 1 734  |
| 50 to 69 acres ----- number...       | 7 232  | 7 548  | 423 012               | 441 990    | 221 191                    | 232 449    | 417                    | 830    |
| with harvested cropland...           | 6 668  | 6 999  | 390 474               | 410 150    | 221 191                    | 232 449    | 417                    | 829    |
| with irrigated land...               | 51     | 73     | 2 978                 | 4 234      | 1 347                      | 2 099      | 417                    | 830    |
| 70 to 99 acres ----- number...       | 11 045 | 11 965 | 916 042               | 993 522    | 506 990                    | 537 811    | 1 639                  | 1 184  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 10 471 | 11 466 | 868 762               | 952 384    | 506 990                    | 537 811    | 1 589                  | 1 184  |
| with irrigated land...               | 93     | 77     | 7 773                 | 6 503      | 4 069                      | 3 097      | 1 639                  | 1 184  |
| 100 to 139 acres ----- number...     | 10 339 | 11 376 | 1 203 926             | 1 323 419  | 659 453                    | 709 401    | 1 160                  | 1 279  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 9 955  | 11 002 | 1 159 735             | 1 280 115  | 659 453                    | 709 401    | 1 160                  | 1 259  |
| with irrigated land...               | 66     | 59     | 7 698                 | 6 962      | 4 215                      | 3 674      | 1 160                  | 1 279  |
| 140 to 179 acres ----- number...     | 7 335  | 8 314  | 1 155 661             | 1 310 736  | 658 940                    | 735 996    | 1 257                  | 984    |
| with harvested cropland...           | 7 120  | 8 113  | 1 121 981             | 1 279 146  | 658 940                    | 735 996    | 1 257                  | 982    |
| with irrigated land...               | 46     | 46     | 7 348                 | 7 159      | 3 789                      | 3 746      | 1 257                  | 984    |
| 180 to 219 acres ----- number...     | 5 091  | 5 911  | 1 006 357             | 1 169 144  | 607 779                    | 693 547    | 1 414                  | 896    |
| with harvested cropland...           | 4 961  | 5 795  | 980 582               | 1 146 122  | 607 779                    | 693 547    | 1 404                  | 896    |
| with irrigated land...               | 45     | 38     | 8 948                 | 7 673      | 4 635                      | 4 898      | 1 414                  | 896    |
| 220 to 259 acres ----- number...     | 3 768  | 4 392  | 897 968               | 1 046 144  | 570 498                    | 651 564    | 1 172                  | 1 181  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 3 694  | 4 330  | 880 327               | 1 031 396  | 570 498                    | 651 564    | 1 172                  | 1 181  |
| with irrigated land...               | 29     | 23     | 8 933                 | 5 374      | 3 969                      | 2 878      | 1 172                  | 1 181  |
| 260 to 499 acres ----- number...     | 10 609 | 11 763 | 3 749 916             | 4 140 568  | 2 648 127                  | 2 805 595  | 5 993                  | 5 351  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 10 478 | 11 684 | 3 703 849             | 4 106 029  | 2 648 127                  | 2 805 595  | 5 993                  | 5 351  |
| with irrigated land...               | 75     | 84     | 27 830                | 30 169     | 21 454                     | 20 221     | 5 993                  | 5 351  |
| 500 to 999 acres ----- number...     | 5 098  | 4 960  | 3 413 292             | 3 284 793  | 2 642 658                  | 2 414 625  | 6 863                  | 6 527  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 5 065  | 4 942  | 3 390 391             | 3 273 943  | 2 642 658                  | 2 414 625  | 6 863                  | 6 527  |
| with irrigated land...               | 53     | 48     | 35 975                | 32 667     | 28 876                     | 26 414     | 6 863                  | 6 527  |
| 1,000 to 1,999 acres ----- number... | 1 261  | 1 008  | 1 626 828             | 1 279 572  | 1 270 148                  | 950 948    | 3 137                  | 2 860  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 1 258  | 1 004  | 1 622 817             | 1 275 330  | 1 270 148                  | 950 948    | 3 137                  | 2 860  |
| with irrigated land...               | 26     | 18     | 34 758                | 23 327     | 29 088                     | 18 727     | 3 137                  | 2 860  |
| 2,000 acres or more ----- number...  | 164    | 110    | 459 608               | 289 400    | 326 664                    | 207 414    | 2 182                  | 1 522  |
| with harvested cropland...           | 163    | 109    | 452 608               | 286 200    | 326 664                    | 207 414    | 2 182                  | 1 522  |
| with irrigated land...               | 4      | 4      | 10 753                | 9 145      | 9 851                      | 7 083      | 2 182                  | 1 522  |
| 5,000 acres or more ----- number...  | 8      | 4      | 54 600                | 20 839     | 30 491                     | 14 518     | -                      | -      |
| with harvested cropland...           | 7      | 4      | 47 600                | 20 839     | 30 491                     | 14 518     | -                      | -      |
| with irrigated land...               | -      | -      | -                     | -          | -                          | -          | -                      | -      |

**Table 5. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization: 1982, 1978, and 1974**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

| Characteristics                                   | All farms  |            |            | Farms operated by Black and other races <sup>1</sup> |        |        |
|---|------------|------------|------------|--|--------|--------|
|   | 1982       | 1978       | 1974       | 1982   | 1978   | 1974   |
| Tenure of operator:                               |            |            |            |  |        |        |
| All operators ----- farms...                      | 86 934     | 89 131     | 92 158     | 374  | 355    | 293    |
| Harvested cropland ----- farms...                 | 15 404 054 | 15 788 833 | 15 668 238 | 42 221   | 42 413 | 36 883 |
| ----- acres...                                    | 78 363     | 82 515     | 85 790     | 312  | 305    | 260    |
| Full owners ----- farms...                        | 10 396 323 | 10 213 858 | 9 680 470  | 21 710   | 24 360 | 18 254 |
| Harvested cropland ----- farms...                 | 5 538 097  | 5 793 717  | 6 463 823  | 23 159   | 19 522 | 18 958 |
| ----- acres...                                    | 44 175     | 46 509     | 51 912     | 212  | 201    | 173    |
| ----- percent...                                  | 2 812 170  | 2 826 636  | 3 085 688  | 9 382  | 7 348  | 5 712  |
| Part owners ----- farms...                        | 25 406     | 25 822     | 24 119     | 76   | 62     | 44     |
| Harvested cropland ----- farms...                 | 8 177 918  | 8 023 826  | 7 129 995  | 14 764   | 14 717 | 11 823 |
| ----- acres...                                    | 24 912     | 25 513     | 23 876     | 70   | 62     | 43     |
| Tenants ----- farms...                            | 6 247 371  | 5 881 384  | 5 079 085  | 8 654  | 10 701 | 8 111  |
| Harvested cropland ----- farms...                 | 9 788      | 10 900     | 10 364     | 32   | 45     | 47     |
| ----- acres...                                    | 1 688 039  | 1 971 290  | 2 074 420  | 4 288  | 8 174  | 6 102  |
| ----- percent...                                  | 9 278      | 10 493     | 10 002     | 30   | 42     | 44     |
| Percent of tenancy ----- percent...               | 1 336 782  | 1 505 838  | 1 515 697  | 3 474  | 6 311  | 4 431  |
| Operator characteristics:                         |            |            |            |  |        |        |
| Operators by place of residence <sup>2</sup> :    |            |            |            |  |        |        |
| On farm operated ----- farms...                   | 65 837     | 67 144     | 66 476     | 263  | 236    | 186    |
| Not on farm operated ----- farms...               | 13 829     | 13 526     | 12 257     | 68   | 88     | 60     |
| Not reported ----- farms...                       | 7 468      | 8 461      | 13 425     | 43   | 31     | 47     |
| Operators by principal occupation <sup>2</sup> :  |            |            |            |  |        |        |
| Farming ----- farms...                            | 43 174     | 44 283     | 50 104     | 141  | 141    | 121    |
| Other ----- farms...                              | 43 760     | 44 848     | 41 133     | 233  | 214    | 172    |
| Operators by days of work off farm <sup>2</sup> : |            |            |            |  |        |        |
| None ----- farms...                               | 30 127     | 32 173     | 27 685     | 113  | 104    | 58     |
| Any ----- farms...                                | 50 847     | 53 498     | 49 095     | 241  | 223    | 165    |
| 1 to 49 days ----- farms...                       | 5 846      | 6 311      | 4 859      | 18   | 15     | 4      |
| 50 to 99 days ----- farms...                      | 2 378      | 2 443      | 2 363      | 9  | 9      | 4      |
| 100 to 149 days ----- farms...                    | 2 703      | 2 527      | 2 388      | 21   | 13     | 5      |
| 150 to 199 days ----- farms...                    | 4 706      | 4 470      | 4 178      | 18   | 15     | 15     |
| 200 days or more ----- farms...                   | 35 412     | 37 737     | 35 251     | 175  | 171    | 143    |
| Not reported ----- farms...                       | 5 960      | 3 470      | 14 457     | 20   | 28     | 50     |

See footnotes at end of table.