

Table 17. Selected Characteristics of Farms Operated by Females, Persons of Spanish Origin, and Specified Racial Groups: 1987 and 1982

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| Characteristics  | Female operators | Operators of Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> | Farms operated by Black and other races |         |                 |       |                  |
|--|------------------|--|---|---------|-----------------|-------|------------------|
|  |                  |  | Total                                   | Black   | American Indian | Asian | Other (see text) |
| <b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>   |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Farms..... number, 1987..  | 2 779            | 83                                       | 1 902                                   | 1 828   | 58              | 8     | 8                |
| ..... 1982..   | 2 727            | 79                                       | 2 813                                   | 2 759   | 41              | 9     | 4                |
| Land in farms..... acres, 1987..   | 403 056          | 11 382                                   | 209 688                                 | 198 315 | 10 298          | 301   | 774              |
| ..... 1982..   | 411 349          | 13 437                                   | 303 061                                 | 296 589 | 5 739           | 604   | 129              |
| Harvested cropland..... farms, 1987..  | 1 477            | 48                                       | 1 045                                   | 1 004   | 36              | 2     | 3                |
| ..... 1982..   | 1 483            | 52                                       | 1 826                                   | 1 794   | 29              | 2     | 1                |
| ..... acres, 1987..  | 60 337           | 3 563                                    | 44 202                                  | 42 822  | 1 293           | (D)   | (D)              |
| ..... 1982..   | 72 577           | 5 312                                    | 87 024                                  | 85 813  | 1 139           | (D)   | (D)              |
| <b>1987 FARMS BY SIZE</b>  |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| 1 to 9 acres .....   | 285              | 4  | 249                                     | 241     | 4               | 3     | 1                |
| 10 to 49 acres .....   | 886              | 38                                       | 692                                     | 666     | 21              | 2     | 3                |
| 50 to 139 acres .....  | 862              | 21                                       | 578                                     | 557     | 17              | 3     | 1                |
| 140 to 219 acres .....   | 283              | 6  | 186                                     | 178     | 6               | -     | 2                |
| 220 to 499 acres .....   | 311              | 7  | 136                                     | 129     | 6               | -     | 1                |
| 500 acres or more .....  | 152              | 7  | 61                                      | 57      | 4               | -     | -                |
| <b>1987 OWNED AND RENTED LAND IN FARMS</b>   |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Owned land in farms..... farms..   | 2 647            | 78                                       | 1 708                                   | 1 639   | 55              | 8     | 6                |
| ..... acres..  | 350 426          | 6 080                                    | 141 022                                 | 133 579 | (D)             | 301   | (D)              |
| Rented or leased land in farms..... farms..  | 436              | 22                                       | 653                                     | 631     | 20              | -     | 2                |
| ..... acres..  | 52 630           | 5 302                                    | 68 866                                  | 64 736  | (D)             | -     | (D)              |
| <b>TENURE OF OPERATOR</b>  |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Full owners..... farms, 1987..   | 2 343            | 61                                       | 1 249                                   | 1 197   | 38              | 8     | 6                |
| ..... 1982..   | 2 305            | 45                                       | 1 803                                   | 1 760   | 30              | 9     | 4                |
| ..... acres, 1987..  | 309 740          | 4 332                                    | 109 677                                 | 104 170 | (D)             | 301   | (D)              |
| ..... 1982..   | 305 989          | 4 666                                    | 158 138                                 | 155 633 | 1 772           | 604   | 129              |
| Part owners..... farms, 1987..   | 304              | 17                                       | 459                                     | 442     | 17              | -     | -                |
| ..... 1982..   | 318              | 28                                       | 709                                     | 699     | 10              | -     | -                |
| ..... acres, 1987..  | 72 051           | 5 593                                    | 82 695                                  | 77 155  | 5 540           | -     | -                |
| ..... 1982..   | 98 085           | 8 010                                    | 119 602                                 | (D)     | (D)             | -     | -                |
| Tenants..... farms, 1987..   | 132              | 5  | 194                                     | 169     | 3               | -     | 2                |
| ..... 1982..   | 104              | 6  | 301                                     | 300     | 1               | -     | -                |
| ..... acres, 1987..  | 21 265           | 1 457                                    | 17 316                                  | 16 990  | (D)             | -     | (D)              |
| ..... 1982..   | 7 275            | 761                                      | 25 321                                  | (D)     | (D)             | -     | -                |
| <b>1987 FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>  |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Individual or family (sole proprietorship).....  | 2 545            | 75                                       | 1 789                                   | 1 723   | 54              | 5     | 7                |
| Partnership.....   | 189              | 6  | 86                                      | 82      | 3               | -     | 1                |
| Family held corporation.....   | 18               | 1  | 13                                      | 12      | -               | 1     | -                |
| Other than family held corporation.....  | 4                | -  | -                                       | -       | -               | -     | -                |
| Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.....  | 23               | 1  | 14                                      | 11      | 1               | 2     | -                |
| <b>1987 MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>   |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Total sales..... farms..   | 2 779            | 83                                       | 1 902                                   | 1 828   | 58              | 8     | 8                |
| ..... \$1,000..  | 145 003          | 3 392                                    | 15 192                                  | 12 720  | 1 341           | 1 006 | 125              |
| Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops..... farms..   | 701              | 28                                       | 515                                     | 494     | 18              | 1     | 2                |
| ..... \$1,000..  | 11 928           | 940                                      | 7 170                                   | 6 716   | 201             | (D)   | (D)              |
| Livestock, poultry, and their products..... farms..  | 2 206            | 70                                       | 1 484                                   | 1 428   | 43              | 7     | 6                |
| ..... \$1,000..  | 133 075          | 2 453                                    | 8 022                                   | 6 005   | 1 140           | (D)   | (D)              |
| Farms by value of sales:   |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Less than \$2,500.....   | 961              | 35                                       | 1 084                                   | 1 050   | 29              | 1     | 4                |
| \$2,500 to \$9,999.....  | 883              | 21                                       | 601                                     | 581     | 14              | 4     | 2                |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999.....  | 202              | 10                                       | 108                                     | 102     | 6               | -     | -                |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999.....  | 48               | 2  | 25                                      | 23      | 1               | -     | 1                |
| \$25,000 or more.....  | 685              | 15                                       | 84                                      | 72      | 8               | 3     | 1                |
| <b>1987 FARMS BY STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION</b>  |                  |  |   |         |                 |       |                  |
| Cash grains (011).....   | 119              | 3  | 152                                     | 148     | 4               | -     | -                |
| Field crops, except cash grains (013).....   | 208              | 6  | 165                                     | 159     | 6               | -     | -                |
| Cotton (0131).....   | 47               | 2  | 47                                      | 47      | -               | -     | -                |
| Tobacco (0132).....  | -                | -  | -                                       | -       | -               | -     | -                |
| Sugarcane and sugar beets; Irish potatoes; field crops, except cash grains, n.e.c. (0133, 0134, 0139)..... | 161              | 4  | 118                                     | 112     | 6               | -     | -                |
| Vegetables and melons (016).....   | 29               | 3  | 51                                      | 49      | 2               | -     | -                |
| Fruits and tree nuts (017).....  | 83               | -  | 11                                      | 9       | 2               | -     | -                |
| Horticultural specialties (018).....   | 58               | 1  | 8                                       | 7       | -               | 1     | -                |
| General farms, primarily crop (019).....   | 49               | -  | 45                                      | 45      | -               | -     | -                |
| Livestock, except dairy, poultry, and animal specialties (021).....  | 1 449            | 56                                       | 1 381                                   | 1 339   | 32              | 4     | 6                |
| Beef cattle, except feedlots (0212).....   | 1 324            | 53                                       | 1 062                                   | 1 026   | 26              | 4     | 6                |
| Dairy farms (024).....   | 17               | 2  | 14                                      | 12      | 2               | -     | -                |
| Poultry and eggs (025).....  | 543              | 10                                       | 15                                      | 7       | 4               | 3     | 1                |
| Animal specialties (027).....  | 172              | -  | 22                                      | 18      | 3               | -     | 1                |
| General farms, primarily livestock and animal specialties (029).....                                       | 52               | 2  | 38                                      | 35      | 3               | -     | -                |

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| <b>1987 OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>                                   |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| Operators by place of residence:                                       |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| On farm operated .....   | 2 065            | 64                                       | 1 099                                   | 1 048 | 43              | 3     | 5                |
| Not on farm operated .....   | 445              | 19                                       | 495                                     | 474   | 14              | 4     | 3                |
| Not reported .....   | 269              | -  | 308                                     | 306   | 1               | 1     | -                |
| Operators by principal occupation:                                     |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| Farming .....  | 1 346            | 28                                       | 688                                     | 664   | 21              | 2     | 1                |
| Other .....  | 1 433            | 55                                       | 1 214                                   | 1 164 | 37              | 6     | 7                |
| Operators by days of work off farm:                                    |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| None .....   | 1 444            | 29                                       | 751                                     | 735   | 13              | 2     | 1                |
| Any .....  | 1 912            | 82                                       | 1 023                                   | 1 567 | 73              | 12    | 13               |
| 1 to 99 days .....   | 185              | 6  | 200                                     | 198   | 1               | -     | 1                |
| 100 to 199 days .....  | 972              | 44                                       | 181                                     | 769   | 42              | 6     | 6                |
| 200 days or more .....   | 755              | 32                                       | 642                                     | 600   | 30              | 6     | 6                |
| Not reported .....   | 178              | 4  | 128                                     | 126   | 2               | -     | -                |
| Operators by years on present farm:                                    |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| 2 years or less .....  | 210              | 1  | 68                                      | 61    | 7               | -     | -                |
| 3 or 4 years .....   | 250              | 12                                       | 95                                      | 88    | 5               | -     | 2                |
| 5 to 9 years .....   | 411              | 18                                       | 224                                     | 205   | 14              | 3     | 2                |
| 10 years or more .....   | 1 178            | 37                                       | 748                                     | 719   | 22              | 4     | 3                |
| Average years on present farm .....                                    | 16.7             | 15.5                                     | 20.0                                    | 20.4  | 13.9            | 14.0  | 11.9             |
| Not reported .....   | 730              | 15                                       | 767                                     | 755   | 10              | 1     | 1                |
| Operators by age group:  |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| Under 25 years .....   | 24               | 2  | 9                                       | 9     | -               | -     | -                |
| 25 to 34 years .....   | 211              | 8  | 120                                     | 114   | 6               | -     | -                |
| 35 to 44 years .....   | 424              | 13                                       | 278                                     | 256   | 16              | 4     | 2                |
| 45 to 54 years .....   | 533              | 25                                       | 348                                     | 329   | 14              | 2     | 3                |
| 55 to 59 years .....   | 354              | 15                                       | 181                                     | 174   | 5               | -     | 2                |
| 60 to 64 years .....   | 380              | 4  | 220                                     | 214   | 6               | -     | -                |
| 65 to 69 years .....   | 339              | 8  | 233                                     | 227   | 4               | 1     | 1                |
| 70 years and over .....  | 514              | 8  | 513                                     | 505   | 7               | 1     | -                |
| Average age .....  | 56.1             | 51.6                                     | 58.3                                    | 58.5  | 51.6            | 51.3  | 50.6             |
| Operators by sex:  |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| Male .....   | (X)              | 79                                       | 1 724                                   | 1 662 | 49              | 6     | 7                |
| Female .....   | 2 779            | 4  | 178                                     | 166   | 9               | 2     | 1                |
| Operators of Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....                         | 4                | 83                                       | 8                                       | 3     | -               | -     | 5                |
| <b>1987 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS</b> |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| Amount received from Commodity Credit Corporation loans .....          |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| farms .....  | 45               | 5  | 47                                      | 45    | 2               | -     | -                |
| \$1,000 .....  | 695              | 67                                       | 216                                     | (D)   | (D)             | -     | -                |
| Government payments received .....                                     |                  |  |   |       |                 |       |                  |
| farms .....  | 365              | 17                                       | 339                                     | 333   | 6               | -     | -                |
| \$1,000 .....  | 1 490            | 110                                      | 995                                     | 965   | 30              | -     | -                |

<sup>1</sup>See chapter 1, table 16 for operators not of or not reporting Spanish origin.