

Table 16. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization for All Farms and Farms Operated by Black and Other Races: 1987, 1982, and 1978

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

Characteristics	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races ¹		
	1987	1982	1978	1987	1982	1978
Tenure of operator:						
All operators ----- farms..	83 217	82 463	73 194	5 658	5 622	5 183
----- acres..	30 598 178	32 156 894	32 727 202	1 014 122	982 005	1 075 904
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	59 259	59 048	56 253	4 867	4 767	4 613
----- acres..	7 676 287	8 764 808	8 804 374	380 805	426 003	465 886
Full owners ----- farms..	60 639	60 556	51 729	3 663	3 876	3 359
----- acres..	10 145 268	10 425 358	9 270 573	499 150	574 549	551 399
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	43 403	43 316	39 807	3 078	3 199	2 931
----- acres..	2 702 395	3 064 201	2 620 082	133 917	151 192	154 297
Part owners ----- farms..	12 218	12 692	12 702	693	706	790
----- acres..	14 967 743	16 234 908	17 498 754	312 283	269 781	328 045
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	8 870	9 700	10 234	616	638	732
----- acres..	3 411 759	4 244 893	4 586 892	147 859	174 554	199 779
Tenants ----- farms..	10 360	9 215	8 763	1 302	1 040	1 034
----- acres..	5 485 167	5 496 628	5 957 875	202 709	137 675	196 460
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	6 986	6 032	6 212	1 173	930	950
----- acres..	1 562 133	1 455 714	1 597 400	99 029	100 257	111 810
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	12.4	11.2	12.0	23.0	18.5	19.9
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	54 834	54 810	48 371	3 211	3 282	3 097
Not on farm operated -----	23 764	21 504	19 467	2 113	1 885	1 631
Not reported -----	4 619	6 149	5 356	334	455	455
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	41 906	40 633	38 060	3 570	3 495	3 525
Other -----	41 311	41 830	35 134	2 088	2 127	1 658
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	32 051	29 641	29 135	2 442	2 402	2 543
Any -----	47 085	47 387	41 462	2 873	2 795	2 431
1 to 49 days -----	4 991	4 708	4 581	405	311	321
50 to 99 days -----	2 832	2 689	2 506	266	288	239
100 to 149 days -----	3 417	3 214	2 805	281	255	220
150 to 199 days -----	4 897	5 189	4 430	309	309	257
200 days or more -----	30 948	31 587	27 140	1 612	1 652	1 394
Not reported -----	4 081	5 435	2 597	343	425	209
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	5 682	6 192	(NA)	607	559	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	7 164	10 338	(NA)	528	688	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	16 630	19 305	(NA)	1 105	1 032	(NA)
10 years or more -----	42 441	33 876	(NA)	2 493	2 249	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	15.4	13.7	(NA)	14.6	14.0	(NA)
Not reported -----	11 300	12 752	(NA)	925	1 094	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	539	821	957	60	41	62
25 to 34 years -----	6 327	7 872	7 574	578	559	484
35 to 44 years -----	16 613	17 714	14 460	1 095	1 081	895
45 to 49 years -----	9 819	19 734	18 987	629	1 378	1 476
50 to 54 years -----	9 549	21 566	19 525	655	667	1 653
55 to 59 years -----	10 336	14 756	11 691	804	794	613
60 to 64 years -----	10 636	10 779	558	612	558	51.2
65 to 69 years -----	8 619	53.6	51.8	52.3	51.6	51.2
70 years and over -----	10 779	51.8	51.3	52.3	51.6	51.2
Average age -----	53.6	51.8	51.3	52.3	51.6	51.2
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms..	73 877	74 749	67 641	5 124	5 196	4 820
----- acres..	28 942 653	30 863 966	31 568 051	914 642	904 142	1 058 670
Female ----- farms..	9 340	7 714	5 553	534	426	363
----- acres..	1 655 525	1 292 928	1 159 151	99 480	77 863	17 234
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms..	3 471	3 031	2 856	1 439	1 069	897
----- acres..	1 046 104	1 107 010	1 474 950	229 675	100 835	110 321
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms..	62 270	(NA)	(NA)	3 084	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	17 476	(NA)	(NA)	1 135	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	64 928	65 482	57 916	4 135	4 094	3 816
----- acres..	15 984 476	15 898 180	16 327 578	312 078	296 722	382 475
Partnership ----- farms..	12 127	11 360	10 815	851	854	818
----- acres..	8 157 966	8 126 351	8 504 322	256 817	185 397	162 777
Corporation ----- farms..	5 367	4 849	3 871	604	595	459
----- acres..	5 667 752	7 201 071	7 071 675	176 173	182 415	239 551
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	104	168	142	12	15	10
----- acres..	180 559	476 546	331 280	5 353	6 875	6 652
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	4 573	3 872	3 092	542	511	405
----- acres..	4 350 878	5 179 754	4 924 950	138 817	157 005	153 865
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	126	188	214	8	9	13
----- acres..	652 488	863 973	993 075	25 837	3 532	47 838
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	584	621	423	42	60	31
----- acres..	483 827	680 798	822 370	6 166	15 003	31 196
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	795	772	592	68	79	90
----- acres..	787 984	931 292	823 627	269 054	317 471	291 101

¹For classification of social and ethnic groups, see text.