

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..	2 966	3 338	3 398	52	59	74
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	608 245	655 465	669 646	3 654	4 951	8 576
Full owners ----- farms..	2 172	2 700	2 806	34	55	69
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	441 502	499 986	496 756	2 143	4 057	6 508
Part owners ----- farms..	1 825	1 951	1 922	34	33	36
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	142 331	178 991	173 641	1 715	1 213	1 328
Tenants ----- farms..	1 073	1 364	1 370	19	29	32
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	71 459	102 031	96 091	469	764	764
Part owners ----- farms..	857	996	1 079	12	21	30
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	399 036	407 831	424 687	1 858	3 154	6 381
Tenants ----- farms..	841	986	1 068	11	21	30
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	312 687	335 977	336 721	1 605	2 809	4 881
Tenants ----- farms..	284	391	397	6	5	8
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	66 876	68 643	71 318	81	584	867
Tenants ----- farms..	258	350	368	4	5	7
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	57 356	61 978	63 944	69	484	863
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	9.6	11.7	11.7	11.5	8.5	10.8
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	2 175	2 405	2 544	32	36	39
Not on farm operated -----	481	506	468	8	10	23
Not reported -----	310	427	386	12	13	12
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	1 774	1 956	2 004	33	27	40
Other -----	1 192	1 382	1 394	19	32	34
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	1 263	1 367	1 503	21	19	25
Any -----	1 426	1 629	1 722	26	30	41
1 to 49 days -----	166	185	219	4	5	7
50 to 99 days -----	88	70	104	9	-	4
100 to 149 days -----	81	100	99	-	6	2
150 to 199 days -----	136	145	189	5	-	1
200 days or more -----	955	1 129	1 111	8	19	27
Not reported -----	277	342	173	5	10	8
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	176	177	(NA)	2	6	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	189	304	(NA)	1	1	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	398	499	(NA)	7	4	(NA)
10 years or more -----	1 588	1 559	(NA)	27	23	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	19.3	18.1	(NA)	23.0	19.0	(NA)
Not reported -----	615	799	(NA)	15	25	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	40	114	107	-	-	-
25 to 34 years -----	374	404	406	-	1	6
35 to 44 years -----	620	650	685	11	10	12
45 to 49 years -----	328	328	328	4	4	4
50 to 54 years -----	321	768	835	5	15	13
55 to 59 years -----	326	816	853	8	17	25
60 to 64 years -----	348	586	512	5	16	18
65 to 69 years -----	269	586	512	4	16	18
70 years and over -----	340	586	512	15	16	18
Average age -----	51.5	50.6	50.1	58.4	57.0	55.6
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms..	2 676	3 088	3 189	41	58	72
Female ----- farms..	590 036	637 092	654 847	3 240	(D)	(D)
Not reported -----	290	250	209	1	1	2
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	18 209	18 373	14 799	414	(D)	(D)
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms..	9	3	19	3	1	2
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms..	2 450	451	3 445	109	(D)	(D)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	1 979	(NA)	(NA)	23	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	978	(NA)	(NA)	26	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	2 553	2 830	2 944	51	57	69
Partnership ----- farms..	400 071	420 540	469 901	(D)	(D)	8 036
Corporation ----- farms..	216	302	291	-	2	5
Family held: -----	62 666	82 369	83 032	-	(D)	540
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	181	190	150	1	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	142 784	146 858	113 978	(D)	-	-
Other than family held: -----	4	5	3	1	-	-
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	2 453	2 904	11 675	(D)	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	169	169	131	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	139 403	137 570	96 211	-	-	-
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	1	1	4	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	(D)	(D)	1 911	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	7	15	12	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	(D)	(D)	4 181	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	16	16	13	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- acres..	2 724	5 698	2 735	-	-	-

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