

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..	4 870	4 595	4 310	3 157	3 291	3 271
acres..	1 721 521	1 957 501	1 988 282	483 327	517 471	339 917
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	3 837	3 538	3 299	2 689	2 738	2 655
acres..	152 719	155 960	158 639	37 510	38 320	19 234
Full owners ----- farms..	2 549	2 332	2 111	1 604	1 679	1 655
acres..	344 157	328 728	281 019	54 349	40 515	181 397
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	2 005	1 855	1 684	1 345	1 421	1 364
acres..	30 700	25 493	19 309	10 931	5 279	5 517
Part owners ----- farms..	768	794	713	464	514	485
acres..	1 074 110	1 286 352	1 388 319	343 292	390 285	74 972
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	566	556	486	392	417	391
acres..	103 808	102 022	102 987	18 101	24 175	5 561
Tenants ----- farms..	1 553	1 469	1 486	1 089	1 098	1 131
acres..	303 254	342 421	318 944	85 686	86 671	83 548
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	1 266	1 127	1 129	952	900	900
acres..	18 211	28 445	36 343	8 478	8 866	8 156
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	31.9	32.0	34.5	34.5	33.4	34.6
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	2 750	2 675	2 177	1 707	1 875	1 646
Not on farm operated -----	1 713	1 439	1 176	1 171	1 048	884
Not reported -----	407	481	957	279	368	741
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	2 816	2 565	2 239	1 944	1 907	1 717
Other -----	2 054	2 030	2 071	1 213	1 384	1 554
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	1 723	1 633	1 551	1 174	1 214	1 199
Any -----	2 728	2 534	2 495	1 667	1 738	1 680
1 to 49 days -----	350	350	362	205	227	280
50 to 99 days -----	274	225	255	172	156	198
100 to 149 days -----	332	265	227	209	192	169
150 to 199 days -----	296	323	300	174	224	221
200 days or more -----	1 476	1 371	1 351	907	939	1 012
Not reported -----	419	428	264	316	339	192
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	491	412	(NA)	290	273	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	580	572	(NA)	364	351	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	1 042	991	(NA)	569	630	(NA)
10 years or more -----	1 907	1 702	(NA)	1 313	1 330	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	13.3	13.3	(NA)	14.7	14.6	(NA)
Not reported -----	850	918	(NA)	621	707	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	28	35	51	21	30	37
25 to 34 years -----	505	630	535	333	395	318
35 to 44 years -----	1 151	794	600	623	483	431
45 to 49 years -----	411	803	1 005	237	577	756
50 to 54 years -----	354	365	365	234	1 020	1 014
55 to 59 years -----	672	1 325	1 270	497	786	715
60 to 64 years -----	495	1 008	849	337	786	715
65 to 69 years -----	699	52.7	52.7	510	54.0	54.0
Average age -----	53.0	52.7	52.7	54.3	54.0	54.0
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms..	4 210	3 980	3 731	2 698	2 821	2 773
acres..	1 627 203	1 827 827	1 856 109	462 101	507 278	324 548
Female ----- farms..	680	615	579	459	470	498
acres..	94 318	129 674	132 173	21 226	10 193	15 369
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms..	110	125	68	65	78	45
acres..	21 738	8 302	2 550	4 014	4 231	1 561
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms..	3 249	(NA)	(NA)	2 026	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	1 511	(NA)	(NA)	1 066	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	4 035	3 852	3 614	2 692	2 824	2 802
acres..	429 021	481 212	656 332	79 295	89 797	109 030
Partnership ----- farms..	404	351	326	220	222	240
acres..	169 792	130 761	222 668	31 693	17 959	29 173
Corporation ----- farms..	370	352	326	205	221	199
acres..	899 049	1 000 221	973 239	150 982	193 324	69 664
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	5	27	11	2	12	4
acres..	37 432	208 290	52 027	(D)	27 257	58
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	277	245	222	167	174	156
acres..	505 521	298 990	325 568	(D)	47 054	51 832
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	17	30	29	8	14	10
acres..	187 280	296 482	260 880	(D)	117 917	13 720
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	71	50	64	28	21	29
acres..	168 816	196 459	334 764	39 686	1 096	4 054
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	61	40	44	40	24	30
acres..	223 659	345 307	136 043	221 357	216 391	132 050

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