

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...	105 180	115 413	121 339	124	158	253
acres...	31 638 130	32 611 964	33 258 233	28 195	37 955	58 443
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	92 878	103 644	111 379	112	144	230
acres...	20 484 178	24 137 670	23 622 212	17 716	28 136	40 667
Full owners ----- farms...	48 226	52 934	55 682	64	74	126
acres...	7 963 226	9 348 834	9 573 411	7 799	9 899	20 461
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	37 835	43 087	47 199	56	63	104
acres...	4 398 979	6 133 611	6 031 886	4 185	6 316	12 043
Part owners ----- farms...	35 207	38 427	39 094	25	54	67
acres...	17 255 971	17 113 389	16 756 897	10 127	21 666	23 570
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	34 647	37 829	38 695	24	54	67
acres...	11 572 966	13 088 725	12 264 057	6 250	16 604	17 335
Tenants ----- farms...	21 747	24 052	26 563	35	30	60
acres...	6 418 933	6 149 741	6 927 925	10 269	6 390	14 412
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	20 396	22 728	25 485	32	27	59
acres...	4 512 233	4 915 334	5 326 269	7 281	5 216	11 289
Percent of tenancy ----- percent...	20.7	20.8	21.9	28.2	19.0	23.7
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	78 710	87 160	93 726	91	96	172
Not on farm operated -----	20 505	18 304	17 455	27	44	66
Not reported -----	5 965	9 849	10 158	6	18	15
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	75 279	86 041	92 309	76	103	162
Other -----	29 901	29 372	29 030	48	55	91
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	51 753	55 958	62 890	51	65	113
Any -----	46 229	48 480	51 057	61	73	103
1 to 49 days -----	9 615	12 927	15 341	10	14	14
50 to 99 days -----	3 489	3 473	3 750	5	4	5
100 to 149 days -----	3 325	3 159	3 192	4	7	8
150 to 199 days -----	3 872	3 681	3 701	8	7	14
200 days or more -----	25 928	25 240	25 073	34	41	62
Not reported -----	7 198	10 975	7 392	12	20	37
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	5 787	6 382	(NA)	11	10	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	5 973	9 037	(NA)	4	15	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	13 617	17 921	(NA)	23	29	(NA)
10 years or more -----	65 721	63 794	(NA)	54	66	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	19.7	17.9	(NA)	16.6	15.4	(NA)
Not reported -----	14 082	18 279	(NA)	32	38	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	2 852	5 602	6 339	4	9	14
25 to 34 years -----	17 458	20 346	19 205	22	32	60
35 to 44 years -----	21 282	22 548	23 918	33	29	54
45 to 49 years -----	10 512	10 512	10 512	10	13	14
50 to 54 years -----	11 232	26 104	30 341	11	31	54
55 to 59 years -----	12 608	27 594	28 959	3	34	36
60 to 64 years -----	12 679	7 848	12 577	5	23	35
65 to 69 years -----	7 848	13 219	12 577	12	23	35
70 years and over -----	8 709	13 219	12 577	21	23	35
Average age -----	49.3	47.6	47.5	50.0	47.8	46.4
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms...	101 838	112 456	118 461	114	135	230
acres...	31 076 208	32 157 958	32 810 229	25 527	33 905	54 158
Female ----- farms...	3 342	2 957	2 878	10	23	23
acres...	561 922	454 006	448 004	2 668	4 050	4 285
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms...						
acres...	105	138	214	7	13	14
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms...	33 851	42 269	50 840	1 737	2 872	1 918
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms...	78 289	(NA)	(NA)	67	(NA)	(NA)
acres...	26 786	(NA)	(NA)	50	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms...	89 188	97 610	103 884	103	131	212
acres...	25 058 946	25 568 925	26 718 678	22 024	29 006	48 582
Partnership ----- farms...	11 088	13 213	14 345	13	20	30
acres...	3 802 372	4 393 079	4 801 920	3 652	6 476	8 206
Corporation ----- farms...	4 404	4 110	2 668	3	6	7
acres...	2 659 862	2 541 848	1 621 982	1 069	(D)	1 259
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	81	87	50	-	-	1
acres...	56 221	67 387	38 764	-	-	(D)
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	4 013	3 638	2 323	3	4	6
acres...	2 512 083	2 336 601	1 464 812	1 069	1 513	(D)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	34	36	36	-	-	-
acres...	15 152	18 304	44 035	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	276	349	259	-	2	-
acres...	76 406	119 556	74 371	-	(D)	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms...	500	480	442	5	1	4
acres...	116 950	108 112	115 653	1 450	(D)	396

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