

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..	92 453	101 642	102 263	747	1 006	1 146
----- acres..	14 012 700	14 179 284	14 606 168	52 222	64 703	97 944
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	83 097	93 082	94 497	651	903	1 026
----- acres..	4 250 284	4 835 631	4 511 837	12 976	19 066	29 367
Full owners ----- farms..	66 044	69 997	71 224	597	777	861
----- acres..	8 142 925	8 240 651	8 707 859	37 365	47 367	67 858
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	57 872	62 462	64 261	508	690	759
----- acres..	1 780 857	1 965 929	1 928 162	7 827	11 645	16 788
Part owners ----- farms..	18 105	20 530	20 111	107	121	188
----- acres..	4 825 713	4 807 879	4 696 785	11 798	13 142	22 170
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	17 473	19 994	19 686	105	114	177
----- acres..	2 069 329	2 375 276	2 107 386	4 548	5 736	10 024
Tenants ----- farms..	8 304	11 115	10 928	43	108	97
----- acres..	1 044 062	1 130 754	1 201 524	3 059	4 194	7 916
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	7 752	10 626	10 550	38	99	90
----- acres..	400 098	494 426	476 289	601	1 685	2 555
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	9.0	10.9	10.7	5.8	10.7	8.5
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	62 607	66 907	66 281	421	532	620
Not on farm operated -----	20 649	21 391	20 353	233	293	286
Not reported -----	9 197	13 344	15 629	93	181	240
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	41 451	49 062	49 881	340	489	624
Other -----	51 002	52 580	52 382	407	517	522
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	32 743	33 928	37 008	266	353	443
Any -----	54 464	58 214	59 361	406	514	586
1 to 49 days -----	5 791	7 170	7 776	61	62	98
50 to 99 days -----	2 944	3 334	3 447	30	41	45
100 to 149 days -----	3 024	3 691	3 433	31	42	42
150 to 199 days -----	4 812	5 359	5 137	59	48	40
200 days or more -----	37 893	38 660	39 568	245	321	371
Not reported -----	5 246	9 500	5 894	75	139	107
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	5 157	6 500	(NA)	36	43	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	5 784	8 292	(NA)	50	75	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	12 436	16 070	(NA)	84	90	(NA)
10 years or more -----	47 394	42 275	(NA)	343	362	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	18.0	16.0	(NA)	19.8	18.1	(NA)
Not reported -----	21 682	28 505	(NA)	234	436	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	1 703	3 116	3 069	10	11	18
25 to 34 years -----	10 713	13 753	13 519	31	74	67
35 to 44 years -----	18 309	21 020	20 396	117	129	165
45 to 49 years -----	10 206	21 880	23 198	50	214	232
50 to 54 years -----	10 131	21 825	22 772	77	218	289
55 to 59 years -----	10 361	20 048	19 309	87	360	375
60 to 64 years -----	9 999	12 903	179	113	179	375
65 to 69 years -----	8 128	12 903	179	83	360	375
70 years and over -----	12 903	12 903	179	179	360	375
Average age -----	52.2	50.5	50.5	58.3	57.2	56.7
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms..	85 750	94 874	95 102	679	912	1 030
----- acres..	13 229 889	13 441 702	13 822 634	47 645	58 897	90 237
Female ----- farms..	6 703	6 768	7 161	68	94	116
----- acres..	782 811	737 582	783 534	4 577	5 806	7 707
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms..	143	176	437	4	5	5
----- acres..	20 061	29 015	71 040	307	330	1 293
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms..	61 690	(NA)	(NA)	379	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	30 620	(NA)	(NA)	364	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	78 463	85 808	87 330	664	875	1 022
----- acres..	10 779 059	10 819 801	11 437 848	41 541	50 757	80 925
Partnership ----- farms..	12 717	14 660	13 939	79	118	111
----- acres..	2 742 015	2 864 285	2 760 968	10 162	11 864	15 326
Corporation ----- farms..	817	761	725	2	4	6
----- acres..	385 050	392 511	326 938	(D)	981	1 321
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	8	12	13	-	1	-
----- acres..	7 296	5 141	5 024	-	(D)	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	690	619	617	2	3	6
----- acres..	329 278	334 958	285 157	(D)	(D)	1 321
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	8	8	6	-	-	-
----- acres..	17 111	14 566	17 785	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	111	122	89	-	-	-
----- acres..	31 365	37 846	48 971	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	456	413	269	2	9	7
----- acres..	106 576	102 687	80 414	(D)	1 101	372

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