

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..	85 079	94 382	98 671	121	161	267
----- acres..	26 573 819	27 708 456	28 459 790	28 151	43 710	69 575
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	76 537	85 948	92 257	101	142	247
----- acres..	16 635 264	19 722 645	19 122 640	13 777	27 605	42 940
Full owners ----- farms..	45 305	51 319	54 474	82	104	154
----- acres..	8 511 996	10 269 658	10 731 432	13 767	17 751	31 174
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	37 637	43 898	48 733	67	85	137
----- acres..	4 336 102	6 300 905	6 269 337	5 607	8 150	17 592
Part owners ----- farms..	29 263	31 433	32 307	26	41	77
----- acres..	14 954 317	14 639 556	14 720 082	12 141	20 195	30 272
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	28 881	30 987	32 047	22	41	76
----- acres..	10 021 931	11 098 628	10 476 625	6 641	15 170	18 515
Tenants ----- farms..	10 511	11 630	11 890	13	16	36
----- acres..	3 107 506	2 799 242	3 008 276	2 243	5 764	8 129
Harvested cropland ----- farms..	10 019	11 063	11 477	12	16	34
----- acres..	2 277 231	2 323 112	2 376 678	1 529	4 285	6 833
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	12.4	12.3	12.1	10.7	9.9	13.5
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	68 099	74 340	78 158	97	122	198
Not on farm operated -----	10 981	10 734	10 752	13	29	35
Not reported -----	5 999	9 308	9 761	11	10	34
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	58 519	67 742	71 086	69	89	174
Other -----	26 560	26 640	27 585	52	72	93
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	40 625	44 804	49 144	37	62	103
Any -----	39 567	40 289	43 387	75	86	144
1 to 49 days -----	7 221	8 519	9 979	13	15	21
50 to 99 days -----	2 962	2 768	3 135	5	3	13
100 to 149 days -----	3 100	3 253	3 168	9	8	19
150 to 199 days -----	4 278	4 415	4 360	14	13	20
200 days or more -----	22 006	21 334	22 745	34	47	71
Not reported -----	4 887	9 289	6 140	9	13	20
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	4 198	5 185	(NA)	4	9	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	4 741	7 770	(NA)	7	19	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	11 564	15 061	(NA)	18	31	(NA)
10 years or more -----	51 586	48 963	(NA)	72	68	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	19.4	17.7	(NA)	18.0	13.7	(NA)
Not reported -----	12 990	17 403	(NA)	20	34	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	2 345	4 482	4 303	-	4	13
25 to 34 years -----	14 392	17 068	15 489	15	21	64
35 to 44 years -----	18 454	19 588	20 484	31	49	78
45 to 49 years -----	8 964	21 429	24 381	15	41	58
50 to 54 years -----	9 344	21 286	23 209	18	33	37
55 to 59 years -----	10 088	10 529	10 805	9	13	17
60 to 64 years -----	9 346	6 074	6 074	16	8	17
65 to 69 years -----	6 072	6 074	6 074	9	13	17
70 years and over -----	6 074	6 074	6 074	8	13	17
Average age -----	48.5	47.2	47.7	50.2	47.0	43.7
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms..	82 322	91 850	96 463	115	138	249
----- acres..	26 073 662	27 280 708	28 053 459	27 120	39 170	63 977
Female ----- farms..	2 757	2 532	2 208	6	23	18
----- acres..	500 157	427 748	406 331	1 031	4 540	5 598
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms..	104	117	172	10	13	9
----- acres..	29 622	34 942	53 210	3 243	3 051	2 201
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms..	61 851	(NA)	(NA)	70	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	23 124	(NA)	(NA)	41	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	75 105	83 010	87 652	104	132	238
----- acres..	21 447 739	22 347 520	23 543 423	22 516	32 922	59 805
Partnership ----- farms..	7 952	9 530	9 458	11	21	23
----- acres..	3 710 346	3 863 490	3 603 332	3 419	5 469	6 214
Corporation ----- farms..	1 755	1 582	1 396	2	3	6
----- acres..	1 345 984	1 397 552	1 228 643	(D)	4 679	3 556
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	27	50	23	-	-	-
----- acres..	26 572	47 910	19 594	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	1 568	1 359	1 215	2	-	4
----- acres..	1 253 272	1 260 757	1 117 059	(D)	-	(D)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	20	31	24	-	3	-
----- acres..	7 803	28 676	36 692	-	4 679	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	140	142	134	-	-	2
----- acres..	58 337	60 209	55 298	-	-	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	267	260	165	4	5	-
----- acres..	69 750	99 894	84 392	(D)	640	-

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