

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...	34 074	42 415	44 104	3 033	4 831	5 066
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	10 746 190	12 421 651	13 210 879	374 892	497 640	557 077
Full owners ----- farms...	24 305	31 122	34 189	1 881	3 255	3 821
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	4 272 651	5 799 772	5 848 897	90 996	135 114	139 849
Part owners ----- farms...	22 012	27 832	28 197	2 192	3 551	3 588
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	4 103 371	4 964 554	5 031 235	222 796	312 760	339 995
Tenants ----- farms...	13 927	18 309	19 912	1 203	2 200	2 523
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	794 414	1 279 372	1 160 928	25 420	46 958	45 842
Part owners ----- farms...	8 949	11 371	12 207	586	943	1 076
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	4 622 938	6 165 464	6 718 981	119 438	156 210	182 484
Tenants ----- farms...	7 809	10 155	11 112	492	797	953
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	2 158 341	3 574 955	3 647 003	50 417	73 399	77 810
Percent of tenancy ----- percent...	9.1	7.6	8.4	8.4	7.0	7.9
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated ----- farms...	22 945	27 224	28 232	1 895	2 833	3 074
Not on farm operated ----- farms...	7 454	8 624	9 007	689	892	857
Not reported ----- farms...	3 675	6 567	6 865	449	1 106	1 135
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming ----- farms...	15 111	18 236	19 523	1 222	1 958	2 387
Other ----- farms...	18 963	24 179	24 581	1 811	2 873	2 679
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None ----- farms...	12 581	14 255	15 823	1 196	1 786	1 999
Any ----- farms...	19 421	24 263	25 855	1 600	2 469	2 653
1 to 49 days ----- farms...	1 667	2 207	2 636	223	317	405
50 to 99 days ----- farms...	1 017	1 268	1 374	130	198	235
100 to 149 days ----- farms...	1 216	1 400	1 558	127	219	255
150 to 199 days ----- farms...	2 003	2 641	2 548	172	283	318
200 days or more ----- farms...	13 518	16 747	17 739	948	1 452	1 440
Not reported ----- farms...	2 072	3 897	2 426	237	576	414
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less ----- farms...	2 009	2 114	(NA)	144	191	(NA)
3 or 4 years ----- farms...	2 060	3 106	(NA)	131	259	(NA)
5 to 9 years ----- farms...	4 177	5 686	(NA)	300	335	(NA)
10 years or more ----- farms...	17 517	18 769	(NA)	1 271	1 692	(NA)
Average years on present farm ----- farms...	19.0	17.5	(NA)	21.3	20.6	(NA)
Not reported ----- farms...	8 311	12 740	(NA)	1 187	2 354	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years ----- farms...	363	636	749	26	39	42
25 to 34 years ----- farms...	2 979	4 577	4 935	172	331	278
35 to 44 years ----- farms...	6 311	7 946	8 202	462	580	571
45 to 49 years ----- farms...	3 606	9 447	10 612	238	786	927
50 to 54 years ----- farms...	3 910	10 525	10 661	239	1 181	1 380
55 to 59 years ----- farms...	4 100	9 284	8 945	285	387	1 868
60 to 64 years ----- farms...	4 304	9 284	8 945	355	1 914	1 868
65 to 69 years ----- farms...	3 570	9 284	8 945	387	1 914	1 868
70 years and over ----- farms...	4 931	9 284	8 945	869	58.5	58.1
Average age ----- farms...	53.8	52.5	51.8	58.9	58.5	58.1
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms...	31 893	39 651	41 292	2 692	4 240	4 434
Female ----- farms...	10 320 592	11 969 356	12 692 599	340 307	452 603	501 332
Not reported ----- farms...	2 181	2 764	2 812	341	591	632
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	425 598	452 295	518 280	34 585	45 037	55 745
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms...	48	83	179	7	8	27
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	12 646	27 791	39 187	291	1 207	3 611
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms...	21 207	(NA)	(NA)	1 378	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms...	12 819	(NA)	(NA)	1 648	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms...	30 326	38 255	39 516	2 809	4 524	4 761
Partnership ----- farms...	7 090 376	8 898 004	9 478 348	312 209	432 740	496 794
Corporation ----- farms...	2 770	3 046	3 522	165	217	251
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	2 672 712	1 974 273	2 198 049	35 094	32 138	30 585
Family held:	823	886	922	25	23	29
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	890 800	1 376 329	1 385 630	7 436	7 393	8 692
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	15	28	19	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	59 828	107 931	64 839	-	-	-
Other than family held:	694	717	811	20	16	25
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	693 260	1 112 353	1 142 755	4 498	4 387	8 366
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	13	18	18	-	1	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	38 669	32 165	39 234	-	(D)	-
Other ----- farms...	101	123	74	5	6	4
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	99 043	123 880	138 802	2 938	(D)	326
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms...	155	228	144	34	67	25
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	92 302	173 045	148 852	20 153	25 369	21 006

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