

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.....	106 105	112 447	114 963	375	424	529
----- acres.....	29 209 187	29 266 609	30 098 727	72 667	67 628	99 406
Harvested cropland ----- farms.....	80 396	86 837	92 385	249	284	396
----- acres.....	11 655 304	12 725 378	12 433 661	34 985	29 625	45 695
Full owners ----- farms.....	70 551	74 830	76 451	276	299	355
----- acres.....	12 783 089	13 569 174	14 042 843	50 303	37 045	53 532
Harvested cropland ----- farms.....	49 387	53 386	57 226	168	177	238
----- acres.....	3 565 126	4 247 566	4 113 399	24 011	12 279	17 564
Part owners ----- farms.....	26 116	27 191	27 414	72	72	127
----- acres.....	13 560 367	13 105 177	13 177 723	19 721	22 112	37 131
Harvested cropland ----- farms.....	23 456	24 845	25 677	62	65	116
----- acres.....	6 480 963	6 912 059	6 638 881	9 513	12 006	21 315
Tenants ----- farms.....	9 438	10 426	11 098	27	53	47
----- acres.....	2 865 731	2 592 258	2 878 161	2 643	8 471	8 743
Harvested cropland ----- farms.....	7 553	8 606	9 482	19	42	42
----- acres.....	1 609 215	1 565 753	1 681 381	1 461	5 340	6 816
Percent of tenancy ----- percent.....	8.9	9.3	9.7	7.2	12.5	8.9
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	77 539	81 294	82 730	245	269	313
Not on farm operated -----	19 983	19 418	18 931	101	113	129
Not reported -----	8 583	11 735	13 302	29	42	87
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	53 694	58 511	60 765	162	200	241
Other -----	52 411	53 936	54 198	213	224	288
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	40 016	41 586	45 595	109	145	202
Any -----	58 409	61 466	63 617	233	243	295
1 to 49 days -----	5 697	7 462	8 537	21	20	45
50 to 99 days -----	2 983	3 123	3 426	18	4	16
100 to 149 days -----	3 303	3 794	3 858	7	14	16
150 to 199 days -----	5 521	5 898	5 985	20	23	25
200 days or more -----	40 925	41 189	41 811	167	182	193
Not reported -----	7 680	9 395	5 751	33	36	32
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	5 667	5 796	(NA)	30	26	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	6 215	9 407	(NA)	23	56	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	14 194	18 333	(NA)	68	72	(NA)
10 years or more -----	61 046	56 029	(NA)	168	160	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	19.4	17.5	(NA)	14.8	13.5	(NA)
Not reported -----	18 983	22 882	(NA)	86	110	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	2 023	3 606	3 774	2	6	7
25 to 34 years -----	11 748	14 231	14 232	28	64	54
35 to 44 years -----	19 210	21 546	21 931	74	84	97
45 to 49 years -----	11 206	11 206	26 867	54	94	126
50 to 54 years -----	11 500	12 208	27 177	56	87	134
55 to 59 years -----	12 208	12 213	20 982	33	35	111
60 to 64 years -----	12 213	10 172	20 982	31	89	111
65 to 69 years -----	10 172	15 825	50.6	62	62	111
70 years and over -----	15 825	52.9	50.6	62	51.2	52.1
Average age -----	52.9	51.0	50.6	53.8	51.2	52.1
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms.....	99 684	106 667	109 389	335	385	495
----- acres.....	28 039 535	28 312 333	29 148 853	67 756	63 211	93 092
Female ----- farms.....	6 421	5 780	5 574	40	39	34
----- acres.....	1 169 652	954 276	949 874	4 911	4 417	6 314
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms.....	197	152	269	12	11	11
----- acres.....	47 912	33 995	70 925	879	1 034	2 252
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms.....	72 722	(NA)	(NA)	191	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms.....	33 186	(NA)	(NA)	172	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms.....	94 574	99 370	101 807	348	386	460
----- acres.....	23 514 049	23 384 760	24 420 668	66 114	56 897	79 000
Partnership ----- farms.....	9 050	10 733	11 401	19	32	58
----- acres.....	3 876 692	4 110 106	4 305 312	4 731	7 913	15 735
Corporation ----- farms.....	2 096	2 020	1 558	4	6	8
----- acres.....	1 705 404	1 677 730	1 293 571	612	2 818	3 583
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms.....	42	33	28	-	-	-
----- acres.....	27 190	28 004	46 874	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms.....	1 912	1 805	1 407	4	5	8
----- acres.....	1 589 004	1 527 566	1 155 159	612	(D)	3 583
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms.....	16	30	24	-	-	-
----- acres.....	15 344	29 194	14 920	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms.....	126	152	99	-	1	-
----- acres.....	73 866	92 966	76 618	-	(D)	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms.....	385	324	197	4	-	3
----- acres.....	113 042	94 013	79 176	1 210	-	1 088

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