

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..	24 568	23 570	23 565	425	433	426
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	60 203 993	60 539 209	61 690 919	3 449 979	3 230 488	3 105 606
Full owners ----- farms..	19 267	19 279	20 313	287	337	339
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	9 128 013	9 365 775	8 741 043	130 976	148 656	101 406
Part owners ----- farms..	12 112	11 662	10 892	177	205	187
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	15 622 399	17 075 049	14 598 340	2 962 827	2 713 301	2 632 567
Other ----- farms..	8 309	8 601	8 515	102	137	126
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	2 228 860	2 540 246	2 019 083	53 166	68 034	16 363
Tenants ----- farms..	9 279	9 239	9 908	178	177	186
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	38 608 260	38 772 900	42 652 335	416 594	481 926	420 280
Other ----- farms..	8 463	8 590	9 466	140	157	169
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	5 682 726	5 994 920	5 952 800	61 726	69 061	71 071
Tenants ----- farms..	3 177	2 669	2 765	70	51	53
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	5 973 334	4 691 260	4 440 244	70 558	35 261	52 759
Other ----- farms..	2 495	2 088	2 332	45	43	44
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	1 216 427	830 609	769 160	16 084	11 561	13 972
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	12.9	11.3	11.7	16.5	11.8	12.4
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	18 259	17 396	17 423	305	290	274
Not on farm operated -----	4 479	3 710	3 770	69	85	91
Not reported -----	1 830	2 464	2 372	51	58	61
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	17 405	16 898	16 855	253	277	235
Other -----	7 163	6 672	6 710	172	156	191
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	12 162	10 964	12 114	156	160	145
Any -----	10 764	10 108	10 079	236	206	242
1 to 49 days -----	2 168	2 135	2 483	32	23	32
50 to 99 days -----	877	784	789	20	20	15
100 to 149 days -----	904	818	780	25	22	42
150 to 199 days -----	1 208	1 099	1 011	31	21	33
200 days or more -----	5 607	5 272	5 016	128	120	120
Not reported -----	1 642	2 498	1 372	33	67	39
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	1 321	1 268	(NA)	25	27	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	1 477	1 934	(NA)	20	38	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	3 662	3 686	(NA)	58	65	(NA)
10 years or more -----	14 043	12 451	(NA)	214	170	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	19.5	18.7	(NA)	17.7	15.8	(NA)
Not reported -----	4 065	4 231	(NA)	108	133	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	352	515	571	1	13	14
25 to 34 years -----	3 149	3 149	3 138	45	60	77
35 to 44 years -----	5 205	4 688	4 400	99	105	80
45 to 49 years -----	2 620	2 620	2 620	52	52	52
50 to 54 years -----	2 470	5 387	5 876	60	107	115
55 to 59 years -----	2 843	2 843	2 843	49	49	49
60 to 64 years -----	2 789	5 877	6 233	44	86	96
65 to 69 years -----	2 252	2 252	2 252	29	29	29
70 years and over -----	2 888	3 954	3 347	46	62	44
Average age -----	51.4	50.5	50.0	51.2	48.2	47.3
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms..	22 991	22 287	22 404	373	392	390
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	57 121 673	58 192 295	59 064 753	3 379 507	3 197 630	3 068 653
Female ----- farms..	1 577	1 283	1 161	52	41	36
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	3 082 320	2 346 914	2 626 166	70 472	32 858	36 953
Operators of Spanish origin (see text):						
----- farms..	42	46	71	14	9	8
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	56 110	57 213	145 523	6 014	4 445	2 547
Operators not of Spanish origin:						
----- farms..	17 012	(NA)	(NA)	231	(NA)	(NA)
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	7 514	(NA)	(NA)	180	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	19 506	18 842	19 042	352	365	365
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	31 982 774	31 644 819	32 711 096	524 888	605 659	498 544
Partnership ----- farms..	2 147	2 099	2 305	20	22	31
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	6 952 689	6 515 088	7 562 698	39 430	23 769	48 617
Corporation ----- farms..	2 656	2 336	2 012	14	6	9
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	16 422 333	16 882 145	16 163 718	19 499	8 245	18 512
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	59	76	36	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	1 488 073	1 239 867	462 217	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	2 520	2 164	1 883	13	6	9
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	14 168 713	14 771 669	14 814 191	(D)	8 245	18 512
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	13	24	18	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	417 450	477 929	276 673	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	64	72	75	1	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	348 097	392 680	610 637	(D)	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..						
----- farms..	259	293	206	39	40	21
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	4 846 197	5 497 157	5 253 407	2 866 162	2 592 815	2 539 933

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