

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...	9 032	8 277	7 984	103	115	104
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	894 426	916 331	987 309	6 269	9 494	8 196
Full owners ----- farms...	7 288	6 940	7 016	81	97	89
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	484 805	570 031	584 406	3 054	5 262	5 342
Part owners ----- farms...	6 410	5 474	5 072	73	77	74
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	361 294	337 466	357 882	2 910	4 106	3 364
Tenants ----- farms...	4 906	4 322	4 245	57	62	60
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	132 301	143 503	139 886	1 036	1 712	1 106
Part owners ----- farms...	1 782	1 954	1 960	15	21	23
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	407 303	452 089	468 283	2 675	4 033	4 144
Tenants ----- farms...	1 662	1 871	1 899	13	18	22
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	271 168	332 753	330 830	1 619	2 672	3 839
Tenants ----- farms...	840	849	952	15	17	7
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	125 829	126 776	161 144	684	1 355	688
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	720	747	872	11	17	7
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	81 336	93 775	113 690	399	878	397
Percent of tenancy ----- percent...	9.3	10.3	11.9	14.6	14.8	6.7
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated ----- farms...	7 174	6 539	6 235	65	76	72
Not on farm operated ----- farms...	1 388	1 142	1 161	32	27	30
Not reported ----- farms...	470	596	588	6	12	2
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming ----- farms...	4 180	4 197	4 373	54	55	60
Other ----- farms...	4 852	4 080	3 611	49	60	44
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None ----- farms...	3 199	3 087	3 468	35	42	43
Any ----- farms...	5 375	4 592	4 175	63	59	57
1 to 49 days ----- farms...	434	349	403	10	2	10
50 to 99 days ----- farms...	291	243	230	8	5	7
100 to 149 days ----- farms...	361	310	289	6	-	2
150 to 199 days ----- farms...	623	614	507	2	9	5
200 days or more ----- farms...	3 666	3 076	2 746	37	43	33
Not reported ----- farms...	458	598	341	5	14	4
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less ----- farms...	411	385	(NA)	11	10	(NA)
3 or 4 years ----- farms...	658	829	(NA)	10	10	(NA)
5 to 9 years ----- farms...	1 629	1 455	(NA)	18	24	(NA)
10 years or more ----- farms...	4 971	4 285	(NA)	49	40	(NA)
Average years on present farm ----- farms...	17.9	17.6	(NA)	15.4	14.9	(NA)
Not reported ----- farms...	1 363	1 323	(NA)	15	31	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years ----- farms...	80	171	150	-	1	1
25 to 34 years ----- farms...	770	747	722	6	12	6
35 to 44 years ----- farms...	1 832	1 691	1 481	23	14	27
45 to 49 years ----- farms...	1 157	1 969	2 039	3	36	27
50 to 54 years ----- farms...	1 104	1 057	1 057	17	10	10
55 to 59 years ----- farms...	1 057	2 098	2 080	10	28	24
60 to 64 years ----- farms...	1 044	1 044	1 044	10	10	10
65 to 69 years ----- farms...	803	803	803	10	10	10
70 years and over ----- farms...	1 185	1 601	1 512	24	24	19
Average age ----- farms...	52.9	51.9	52.2	56.0	53.3	52.5
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms...	8 070	7 545	7 407	95	110	96
Female ----- farms...	851 440	876 266	951 032	6 165	9 353	7 687
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	962	732	577	8	5	8
Harvested cropland ----- acres...	42 986	40 065	36 277	104	141	509
Operators of Spanish origin (see text):						
----- farms...	29	37	24	1	6	2
----- acres...	2 434	4 562	2 535	(D)	241	(D)
Operators not of Spanish origin:						
----- farms...	6 480	(NA)	(NA)	57	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms...	2 523	(NA)	(NA)	45	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms...	7 530	6 933	6 675	80	97	80
----- acres...	594 577	609 489	668 610	2 636	5 980	5 665
Partnership ----- farms...	740	732	785	10	8	14
----- acres...	133 063	152 447	177 216	(D)	677	(D)
Corporation ----- farms...	704	563	479	12	10	9
----- acres...	150 514	139 815	122 600	2 591	2 837	1 539
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	5	10	6	-	-	-
----- acres...	2 911	2 815	2 757	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	646	503	440	9	9	8
----- acres...	137 702	125 585	109 483	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	3	3	6	-	-	-
----- acres...	1 134	889	2 060	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	50	47	27	3	1	1
----- acres...	8 767	10 526	8 300	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms...	58	49	45	1	-	1
----- acres...	16 272	14 580	18 883	(D)	-	(D)

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