

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...	14 249	13 484	12 311	2 175	1 698	1 334
----- acres...	46 018 005	47 096 085	47 934 714	8 416 037	8 693 799	8 098 333
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	7 269	7 395	7 016	1 277	1 017	761
----- acres...	989 214	1 297 305	1 208 928	94 823	106 005	58 611
Full owners ----- farms...	8 698	8 057	6 965	1 452	1 151	884
----- acres...	16 089 586	15 361 035	14 459 973	6 534 739	6 017 368	5 892 754
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	4 555	4 566	4 190	858	697	527
----- acres...	290 922	475 605	392 417	36 879	88 219	42 143
Part owners ----- farms...	4 148	4 180	4 053	548	422	323
----- acres...	24 747 623	27 144 732	28 840 499	1 633 049	2 520 046	2 008 658
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	2 110	2 244	2 203	340	270	188
----- acres...	529 588	677 750	671 890	18 055	14 591	13 540
Tenants ----- farms...	1 403	1 247	1 293	175	125	127
----- acres...	5 180 796	4 590 318	4 634 242	248 249	156 385	196 921
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	604	585	623	79	50	46
----- acres...	168 704	143 950	144 621	39 889	3 195	2 928
Percent of tenancy ----- percent...	9.8	9.2	10.5	8.0	7.4	9.5
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	9 235	8 653	7 908	1 328	1 022	746
Not on farm operated -----	3 889	3 401	3 079	659	481	361
Not reported -----	1 125	1 430	1 324	188	195	227
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	7 243	6 896	6 047	838	686	456
Other -----	7 006	6 588	6 264	1 337	1 012	878
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	5 265	4 462	5 040	629	409	433
Any -----	8 137	7 809	6 783	1 440	1 176	849
1 to 49 days -----	1 070	993	968	213	170	122
50 to 99 days -----	595	543	480	122	97	89
100 to 149 days -----	685	602	445	142	131	67
150 to 199 days -----	850	919	660	202	177	83
200 days or more -----	4 937	4 752	4 230	761	601	488
Not reported -----	847	1 213	488	106	113	52
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	862	916	(NA)	128	108	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	1 079	1 363	(NA)	157	154	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	2 383	2 242	(NA)	322	245	(NA)
10 years or more -----	7 075	5 978	(NA)	990	655	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	17.5	16.3	(NA)	17.2	16.1	(NA)
Not reported -----	2 850	2 985	(NA)	578	536	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	150	232	224	20	31	26
25 to 34 years -----	1 268	1 486	1 313	232	211	133
35 to 44 years -----	2 613	2 604	2 259	443	346	297
45 to 49 years -----	1 556	3 192	3 096	264	429	345
50 to 54 years -----	1 646			243		
55 to 59 years -----	1 767	3 207	2 967	246	357	265
60 to 64 years -----	1 770			246		
65 to 69 years -----	1 388	2 763	2 452	174	324	268
70 years and over -----	2 091			307		
Average age -----	53.7	51.9	51.9	52.5	50.9	51.2
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms...	13 065	12 502	11 511	2 016	1 568	1 239
----- acres...	43 420 771	44 844 854	45 333 698	8 227 777	8 618 689	8 032 380
Female ----- farms...	1 184	982	800	159	130	95
----- acres...	2 597 234	2 251 231	2 601 016	188 260	75 110	65 953
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms...						
----- acres...	3 013	2 728	2 420	1 269	956	706
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms...	2 540 060	2 759 721	3 246 190	736 207	590 205	442 487
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms...	7 624	(NA)	(NA)	458	(NA)	(NA)
----- farms...	3 612	(NA)	(NA)	448	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms...	11 929	11 440	10 360	1 930	1 534	1 156
----- acres...	19 416 398	20 603 110	20 949 294	943 902	821 183	808 876
Partnership ----- farms...	1 362	1 202	1 286	135	88	117
----- acres...	8 749 233	7 584 720	8 153 748	120 394	133 981	80 942
Corporation ----- farms...	753	617	512	44	23	12
----- acres...	8 976 683	9 756 490	10 117 835	138 554	112 051	79 429
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	18	22	19	-	1	-
----- acres...	663 067	1 475 597	1 493 522	-	(D)	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	657	520	451	43	20	10
----- acres...	6 867 998	6 893 584	7 003 741	(D)	84 921	(D)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	7	10	5	-	1	-
----- acres...	469 879	600 920	28 555	-	(D)	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	71	65	37	1	1	2
----- acres...	975 739	786 389	1 592 017	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms...	205	225	153	66	53	49
----- acres...	8 875 691	9 151 765	8 713 837	7 213 187	7 626 584	7 129 086

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