

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...	32 014	34 087	28 503	482	477	430
----- acres...	17 809 165	17 739 782	18 053 960	513 539	411 772	383 812
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	21 712	23 719	22 007	361	352	376
----- acres...	2 832 663	3 305 714	3 209 647	48 421	40 830	42 320
Full owners ----- farms...	22 289	24 609	19 854	305	331	267
----- acres...	7 122 499	7 281 099	6 859 433	445 096	264 713	338 639
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	14 203	15 124	14 553	222	222	223
----- acres...	877 419	1 214 664	1 055 620	22 434	10 591	17 782
Part owners ----- farms...	7 028	7 043	6 562	113	103	113
----- acres...	8 811 410	8 830 592	9 558 612	60 436	136 093	37 027
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	5 636	5 866	5 791	91	90	109
----- acres...	1 533 924	1 709 963	1 776 168	21 695	25 754	20 809
Tenants ----- farms...	2 697	2 435	2 087	64	43	50
----- acres...	1 875 256	1 628 091	1 635 915	8 007	10 966	8 146
Harvested cropland ----- farms...	1 873	1 729	1 663	52	40	44
----- acres...	421 320	381 087	377 859	4 292	4 485	3 729
Percent of tenancy ----- percent...	8.4	7.1	7.3	13.3	9.0	11.6
Operators by place of residence:						
On farm operated -----	26 664	28 381	23 305	374	380	330
Not on farm operated -----	3 765	3 479	3 149	89	58	59
Not reported -----	1 585	2 227	2 049	19	39	41
Operators by principal occupation:						
Farming -----	15 359	15 542	13 849	261	255	269
Other -----	16 655	18 545	14 654	221	222	161
Operators by days of work off farm:						
None -----	11 536	10 912	10 201	176	170	192
Any -----	18 897	21 108	17 225	279	264	226
1 to 49 days -----	1 999	2 219	2 084	31	20	35
50 to 99 days -----	1 063	1 052	885	17	9	20
100 to 149 days -----	1 202	1 390	1 071	23	23	14
150 to 199 days -----	1 987	2 335	1 704	29	30	23
200 days or more -----	12 646	14 112	11 481	179	182	134
Not reported -----	1 581	2 067	1 077	27	43	12
Operators by years on present farm:						
2 years or less -----	1 778	2 128	(NA)	38	35	(NA)
3 or 4 years -----	2 251	4 398	(NA)	31	69	(NA)
5 to 9 years -----	6 167	7 913	(NA)	116	90	(NA)
10 years or more -----	17 858	15 084	(NA)	224	210	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	16.4	14.1	(NA)	16.1	15.2	(NA)
Not reported -----	3 960	4 564	(NA)	73	73	(NA)
Operators by age group:						
Under 25 years -----	222	454	444	2	3	5
25 to 34 years -----	2 732	4 039	3 204	56	65	60
35 to 44 years -----	7 102	8 090	6 075	134	127	82
45 to 49 years -----	3 801	7 996	7 117	54	87	119
50 to 54 years -----	3 715	7 839	7 105	44	57	115
55 to 59 years -----	3 745	7 839	7 105	57	139	115
60 to 64 years -----	3 593	5 669	4 558	58	56	49
65 to 69 years -----	3 093	5 669	4 558	37	56	49
70 years and over -----	4 011	5 669	4 558	40	56	49
Average age -----	52.7	50.4	50.7	50.2	49.4	49.7
Operators by sex:						
Male ----- farms...	28 861	31 326	26 598	447	446	403
----- acres...	16 896 835	16 724 530	17 369 553	502 797	340 025	381 667
Female ----- farms...	3 153	2 761	1 905	35	31	27
----- acres...	912 330	1 015 252	684 407	10 742	71 747	2 145
Operators of Spanish origin (see text) ----- farms...	238	209	164	63	60	43
----- acres...	146 650	109 164	94 792	11 490	8 098	3 042
Operators not of Spanish origin ----- farms...	23 066	(NA)	(NA)	282	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms...	8 710	(NA)	(NA)	137	(NA)	(NA)
Type of organization:						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms...	27 766	29 802	24 633	377	373	321
----- acres...	9 628 803	9 935 967	9 997 145	39 771	40 290	52 488
Partnership ----- farms...	2 603	2 807	2 685	55	56	63
----- acres...	3 281 669	3 056 953	3 498 859	43 734	27 451	27 363
Corporation ----- farms...	1 490	1 311	1 046	47	44	42
----- acres...	3 898 393	3 942 868	3 805 762	38 610	80 561	12 845
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	25	34	26	-	-	-
----- acres...	250 671	486 429	353 258	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	1 367	1 149	930	46	43	41
----- acres...	3 300 674	3 191 241	3 025 451	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms...	11	22	18	-	-	-
----- acres...	148 085	65 885	253 656	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms...	97	106	72	1	1	1
----- acres...	198 963	199 313	173 397	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms...	155	167	139	3	4	4
----- acres...	1 000 300	803 994	752 194	391 424	263 470	291 116

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