

**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 <sup>1</sup>		
	1987	1982	1978	1987	1982	1978
<b>Tenure of operator:</b>						
All operators ----- farms..	701	728	674	1	1	2
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	58 685	62 466	66 233	(D)	(D)	(D)
Full owners ----- farms..	523	576	560	1	1	1
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	18 498	21 252	23 704	(D)	(D)	(D)
Part owners ----- farms..	474	488	443	1	1	2
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	32 852	35 149	36 810	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tenants ----- farms..	329	370	343	1	1	1
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	5 655	7 088	7 324	(D)	(D)	(D)
Part owners ----- farms..	153	173	185	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	21 172	22 637	25 791	-	-	-
Tenants ----- farms..	141	152	176	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	10 955	11 523	14 010	-	-	-
Tenants ----- farms..	74	67	46	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	4 661	4 680	3 632	-	-	-
Tenants ----- farms..	53	54	41	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	1 888	2 641	2 370	-	-	-
Percent of tenancy ----- percent..	10.6	9.2	6.8	-	-	-
<b>Operators by place of residence:</b>						
On farm operated ----- farms..	540	561	535	1	1	1
Not on farm operated ----- farms..	108	99	90	-	-	-
Not reported ----- farms..	53	68	49	-	-	1
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>						
Farming ----- farms..	345	346	373	-	1	-
Other ----- farms..	356	382	301	1	-	2
<b>Operators by days of work off farm:</b>						
None ----- farms..	265	271	318	1	1	-
Any ----- farms..	395	413	334	-	-	2
1 to 49 days ----- farms..	41	47	34	-	-	-
50 to 99 days ----- farms..	14	11	9	-	-	-
100 to 149 days ----- farms..	38	18	17	-	-	-
150 to 199 days ----- farms..	40	38	34	-	-	-
200 days or more ----- farms..	262	299	240	-	-	2
Not reported ----- farms..	41	44	22	-	-	-
<b>Operators by years on present farm:</b>						
2 years or less ----- farms..	27	37	(NA)	-	-	(NA)
3 or 4 years ----- farms..	55	62	(NA)	-	-	(NA)
5 to 9 years ----- farms..	102	112	(NA)	1	1	(NA)
10 years or more ----- farms..	384	380	(NA)	-	-	(NA)
Average years on present farm -----	18.8	18.2	(NA)	(D)	(D)	(NA)
Not reported ----- farms..	133	137	(NA)	-	-	(NA)
<b>Operators by age group:</b>						
Under 25 years ----- farms..	9	7	8	-	-	-
25 to 34 years ----- farms..	71	78	67	-	-	-
35 to 44 years ----- farms..	145	144	116	-	-	-
45 to 49 years ----- farms..	87	166	185	1	1	-
50 to 54 years ----- farms..	70	185	175	-	-	2
55 to 59 years ----- farms..	80	78	123	-	-	-
60 to 64 years ----- farms..	78	148	123	-	-	-
65 to 69 years ----- farms..	104	148	123	-	-	-
70 years and over ----- farms..	104	148	123	-	-	-
Average age -----	52.7	52.4	52.3	(D)	(D)	(D)
<b>Operators by sex:</b>						
Male ----- farms..	611	666	630	-	-	2
Female ----- farms..	54 046	57 740	62 917	-	-	(D)
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	90	62	44	1	1	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	4 639	4 726	3 316	(D)	(D)	-
<b>Operators of Spanish origin (see text)</b> ----- farms..	2	4	2	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	(D)	410	(D)	-	-	-
<b>Operators not of Spanish origin</b> ----- farms..	504	(NA)	(NA)	1	(NA)	(NA)
Spanish origin not reported ----- farms..	195	(NA)	(NA)	-	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Type of organization:</b>						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms..	567	620	571	1	1	2
Partnership ----- farms..	43 036	45 850	47 462	(D)	(D)	(D)
Corporation ----- farms..	45	52	54	-	-	-
Family held: ----- farms..	3 998	5 863	5 987	-	-	-
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	80	51	44	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	10 197	8 393	8 762	-	-	-
Other than family held: ----- farms..	3	-	-	-	-	-
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	(D)	-	-	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	73	45	42	-	-	-
Other ----- farms..	9 255	7 844	(D)	-	-	-
Other than family held: ----- farms..	-	2	-	-	-	-
More than 10 stockholders ----- farms..	-	(D)	-	-	-	-
10 or less stockholders ----- farms..	4	4	2	-	-	-
Other ----- farms..	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-	-
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms..	9	5	5	-	-	-
Harvested cropland ----- acres..	1 454	2 360	4 022	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup>For classification of social and ethnic groups, see text.