

**Table 16. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization for All Farms and Farms Operated by Black and Other Races: 1992, 1987, and 1982**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Characteristics	All farms			Farms operated by Black and other races <sup>1</sup>		
	1992	1987	1982	1992	1987	1982
<b>Tenure of operator:</b>						
All operators ----- farms ..	2 633	2 966	3 338	46	52	59
acres..	589 189	608 245	655 465	4 715	3 654	4 951
Harvested cropland ----- farms ..	1 956	2 172	2 700	39	34	55
acres..	470 348	441 502	499 986	3 990	2 143	4 057
Full owners ----- farms ..	1 607	1 825	1 951	20	34	33
acres..	121 114	142 331	178 991	(D)	1 715	1 213
Harvested cropland ----- farms ..	975	1 073	1 364	13	19	29
acres..	62 536	71 459	102 031	(D)	469	764
Part owners ----- farms ..	788	857	996	21	12	21
acres..	403 884	399 038	407 831	3 463	1 858	3 154
Harvested cropland ----- farms ..	776	841	986	21	11	21
acres..	348 001	312 687	335 977	3 026	1 605	2 809
Tenants ----- farms ..	238	284	391	5	6	5
acres..	64 191	66 876	68 643	(D)	81	584
Harvested cropland ----- farms ..	205	258	350	5	4	5
acres..	59 811	57 356	61 978	(D)	69	484
Percent of tenancy -----percent ..	9.0	9.6	11.7	10.9	11.5	8.5
<b>Operators by place of residence:</b>						
On farm operated -----	1 956	2 175	2 405	27	32	36
Not on farm operated -----	436	481	506	14	8	10
Not reported -----	241	310	427	5	12	13
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>						
Farming -----	1 578	1 774	1 956	26	33	27
Other -----	1 055	1 192	1 382	20	19	32
<b>Operators by days worked off farm:</b>						
None -----	1 153	1 263	1 367	18	21	19
Any -----	1 287	1 426	1 629	26	26	30
1 to 49 days -----	135	166	185	5	4	5
50 to 99 days -----	87	88	70	5	—	—
100 to 149 days -----	80	81	100	—	9	6
150 to 199 days -----	136	136	145	3	—	—
200 days or more -----	849	955	1 129	13	8	19
Not reported -----	193	277	342	2	5	10
<b>Operators by years on present farm:</b>						
2 years or less -----	113	176	177	—	2	6
3 or 4 years -----	123	189	304	—	1	1
5 to 9 years -----	390	398	499	7	7	4
10 years or more -----	1 522	1 588	1 559	26	27	23
Average years on present farm -----	19.8	19.3	18.1	21.8	23.0	19.0
Not reported -----	485	615	799	13	15	25
<b>Operators by age group:</b>						
Under 25 years -----	26	40	114	—	—	—
25 to 34 years -----	261	374	404	1	—	1
35 to 44 years -----	497	620	650	3	11	10
45 to 49 years -----	320	328	768	10	4	15
50 to 54 years -----	337	321	7	8	5	—
55 to 59 years -----	292	326	816	7	8	17
60 to 64 years -----	299	348	6	6	5	—
65 to 69 years -----	270	269	586	6	4	16
70 years and over -----	331	340	5	5	15	—
Average age -----	52.7	51.5	50.6	55.8	58.4	57.0
<b>Operators by sex:</b>						
Male ----- farms ..	2 346	2 676	3 088	41	41	58
acres..	565 832	590 036	637 092	(D)	3 240	(D)
Female ----- farms ..	287	290	250	5	11	1
acres..	23 357	18 209	18 373	(D)	414	(D)
<b>Operators of Spanish origin (see text) -----farms ..</b>						
acres..	13	9	3	3	3	1
Operators not of Spanish origin -----farms ..	1 038	2 450	451	(D)	109	(D)
Spanish origin not reported -----farms ..	1 912	1 979	(NA)	21	23	(NA)
acres..	708	978	(NA)	22	26	(NA)
<b>Type of organization:</b>						
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) ----- farms ..	2 226	2 553	2 830	42	51	57
acres..	379 091	400 071	420 540	4 552	(D)	(D)
Partnership ----- farms ..	213	216	302	4	—	2
acres..	66 523	62 666	82 369	163	—	(D)
Corporation ----- farms ..	181	181	190	—	1	—
acres..	140 844	142 784	146 858	—	(D)	—
Family held:						
More than 10 stockholders -----farms ..	8	4	5	—	1	—
acres..	(D)	2 453	2 904	—	(D)	—
10 or less stockholders -----farms ..	164	169	169	—	—	—
acres..	(D)	139 403	137 570	—	—	—
Other than family held:						
More than 10 stockholders -----farms ..	—	1	1	—	—	—
acres..	—	(D)	(D)	—	—	—
10 or less stockholders -----farms ..	9	7	15	—	—	—
acres..	2 184	(D)	(D)	—	—	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ----- farms ..	13	16	16	—	—	—
acres..	2 731	2 724	5 698	—	—	—

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