

**Table 17. Selected Characteristics of Farms by Specified Racial Groups, Sex of Operators, and Persons of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin: 1997 and 1992**

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Characteristics	Farms operated by specified racial groups					Operators by sex		Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin <sup>1</sup>	
	Total	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other (see text)	Female	Male		
<b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>									
Farms .....	number, 1997..	2 224	2 145	46	22	11	2 880	28 438	149
	1992..	2 523	2 480	32	6	5	2 519	29 479	102
Land in farms .....	acres, 1997..	317 186	273 401	35 544	6 029	2 212	597 626	9 527 196	52 296
	1992..	329 075	303 879	(D)	1 564	(D)	480 372	9 707 990	36 333
Harvested cropland .....	farms, 1997..	1 157	1 118	20	14	5	1 289	17 909	98
	1992..	1 488	1 462	17	6	3	1 412	20 833	73
	acres, 1997..	90 555	86 701	1 466	2 256	132	103 958	4 234 752	25 185
	1992..	100 023	98 580	776	(D)	(D)	120 152	4 284 460	10 235
<b>1997 FARMS BY SIZE</b>									
1 to 9 acres .....		172	166	2	-	4	146	962	9
10 to 49 acres .....		624	608	12	3	1	603	5 260	36
50 to 139 acres .....		823	796	14	10	3	945	8 842	39
140 to 219 acres .....		305	293	9	1	2	442	4 098	15
220 to 499 acres .....		214	203	6	5	-	500	4 972	26
500 acres or more .....		86	79	3	3	1	244	4 304	24
<b>1997 OWNED AND RENTED LAND IN FARMS</b>									
Owned land in farms .....	farms..	2 015	1 941	46	21	7	2 757	26 018	129
	acres..	213 200	175 246	33 267	(D)	(D)	510 239	5 536 311	21 665
Rented or leased land in farms .....	farms..	775	752	14	5	4	469	10 341	56
	acres..	103 986	98 155	2 277	(D)	(D)	87 387	3 990 885	30 631
<b>TENURE OF OPERATOR</b>									
Full owners .....	farms, 1997..	1 449	1 393	32	17	7	2 411	18 097	93
	1992..	1 689	1 662	20	4	3	2 089	18 079	67
	acres, 1997..	169 014	134 863	(D)	(D)	(D)	453 625	3 729 439	13 876
	1992..	176 389	153 147	(D)	(D)	(D)	338 762	3 444 657	12 572
Part owners .....	farms, 1997..	566	548	14	4	-	346	7 921	36
	1992..	586	576	8	2	-	324	8 532	27
	acres, 1997..	113 449	105 765	(D)	(D)	-	106 822	4 011 959	19 886
	1992..	107 125	105 526	(D)	(D)	-	96 750	4 211 321	21 510
Tenants .....	farms, 1997..	209	204	-	1	4	123	2 420	20
	1992..	248	242	4	-	2	106	2 868	8
	acres, 1997..	34 723	32 773	(D)	(D)	(D)	37 179	1 785 798	18 534
	1992..	45 561	45 206	(D)	-	(D)	44 860	2 052 012	2 251
<b>1997 FARMS BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Individual or family (sole proprietorship) .....		2 075	2 005	41	18	11	2 598	24 854	125
Partnership .....		104	101	1	2	-	169	2 584	15
Family held corporation .....		17	14	3	-	-	66	737	4
Other than family held corporation .....		6	5	-	1	-	4	110	5
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc. ....		22	20	1	1	-	43	153	-
<b>1997 MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD</b>									
Total sales .....	farms..	2 224	2 145	46	22	11	2 880	28 438	149
	\$1,000..	36 665	30 552	2 174	3 377	562	189 043	2 938 341	19 217
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	farms..	616	595	10	9	2	583	8 880	57
	\$1,000..	15 698	14 747	(D)	(D)	(D)	27 391	1 263 974	7 609
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	farms..	1 582	1 533	29	12	8	1 689	19 459	93
	\$1,000..	20 967	15 804	(D)	(D)	(D)	161 652	1 674 367	11 608
Farms by value of sales:									
Less than \$1,000 .....		540	514	17	7	2	1 026	5 742	26
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....		559	549	10	-	-	417	4 326	21
\$2,500 to \$9,999 .....		774	758	6	8	2	746	8 595	46
\$10,000 to \$19,999 .....		155	145	6	2	2	200	2 782	10
\$20,000 to \$24,999 .....		40	37	2	-	1	58	626	3
\$25,000 or more .....		156	142	5	5	4	433	6 367	43
<b>1997 FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM</b>									
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) .....		357	346	9	2	-	729	4 858	29
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) .....		53	52	1	-	-	27	342	3
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) .....		13	11	-	2	-	63	438	5
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) .....		11	8	1	-	2	62	357	2
Other crop farming (1119) .....		180	174	1	5	-	226	3 167	13
Tobacco farming (11191) .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cotton farming (11192) .....		80	80	-	-	-	49	1 248	9
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199) .....		100	94	1	5	-	177	1 919	4
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211) .....		1 386	1 351	20	9	6	1 220	14 961	76
Cattle feedlots (11212) .....		28	28	-	-	-	29	360	1
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) .....		15	15	-	-	-	29	395	2
Hog and pig farming (1122) .....		84	80	3	-	1	14	243	2
Poultry and egg production (1123) .....		23	16	1	4	2	248	1 538	12
Sheep and goat farming (1124) .....		3	2	1	-	-	27	189	-
Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) .....		71	62	9	-	-	206	1 590	4

See footnotes at end of table.

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<b>1997 OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated .....	1 287	1 248	26	6	7	1 977	19 361	107
Not on farm operated .....	677	642	15	16	4	693	6 824	37
Not reported .....	260	255	5	—	—	210	2 253	5
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	806	784	12	4	6	1 165	11 588	75
Other .....	1 418	1 361	34	18	5	1 715	16 850	74
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None .....	736	717	8	5	6	1 500	10 054	68
Any .....	1 322	1 265	36	17	4	1 212	16 777	71
1 to 99 days .....	203	196	6	1	—	162	1 964	16
100 to 199 days .....	234	221	2	11	—	226	2 633	5
200 days or more .....	885	848	28	5	4	824	12 180	50
Not reported .....	166	163	2	—	1	168	1 607	10
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less .....	97	94	2	—	1	166	1 466	3
3 or 4 years .....	167	158	6	2	1	251	2 110	12
5 to 9 years .....	300	284	11	2	3	469	4 013	21
10 years or more .....	1 007	979	17	6	5	1 379	15 284	85
Average years on present farm .....	19.6	19.8	13.4	10.4	13.8	19.8	19.5	20.3
Not reported .....	653	630	10	12	1	615	5 565	28
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years .....	11	11	—	—	—	13	210	—
25 to 34 years .....	92	83	6	1	2	105	1 730	8
35 to 44 years .....	347	335	8	4	—	381	4 953	28
45 to 54 years .....	553	527	14	6	6	491	6 988	30
55 to 59 years .....	256	240	11	4	1	312	3 500	28
60 to 64 years .....	211	205	4	2	—	305	3 372	17
65 to 69 years .....	231	227	1	2	1	322	2 859	9
70 years and over .....	523	517	2	3	1	951	4 826	29
Average age .....	57.7	57.9	49.8	55.0	52.9	61.0	55.1	55.9
Operators by sex:								
Male .....	2 000	1 933	45	12	10	(X)	28 438	126
Female .....	224	212	1	10	1	2 880	(X)	23
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) .....	24	19	1	—	4	23	126	149
<b>1997 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS</b>								
Amount received from Commodity Credit Corporation loans .....								
farms..	47	46	1	—	—	23	743	6
\$1,000..	1 177	(D)	(D)	—	—	456	72 968	101
Government payments received .....	453	432	11	4	6	1 009	8 430	44
\$1,000..	1 236	1 128	(D)	(D)	39	4 750	89 505	628

<sup>1</sup>See chapter 1, table 16 for operators not of or not reporting Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin.