

Table 11. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization: 1997 and 1992

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

Characteristics	Montana	Beaverhead	Big Horn	Blaine	Broadwater	Carbon	Carter
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	24 279	360	530	541	219	623	305
1992..	22 821	345	485	514	205	599	308
acres, 1997..	58 607 778	1 152 008	2 770 118	2 257 722	452 744	735 910	1 589 372
1992..	59 642 536	1 342 484	3 002 378	2 338 866	449 970	598 694	1 619 482
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	17 854	272	372	396	173	466	225
1992..	17 100	236	361	391	157	460	218
acres, 1997..	9 399 718	142 516	229 122	301 302	80 498	101 117	125 770
1992..	8 199 296	144 355	218 906	256 244	65 737	89 241	89 170
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	12 569	240	205	274	122	348	136
1992..	10 763	211	185	237	125	317	119
acres, 1997..	16 675 050	639 845	841 290	1 030 454	190 262	324 096	449 561
1992..	14 788 515	509 158	797 511	725 382	210 880	131 169	328 510
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	8 036	183	99	170	91	234	89
1992..	6 907	138	105	147	90	214	64
acres, 1997..	2 171 817	81 021	25 363	89 907	29 802	29 791	36 900
1992..	1 727 998	75 796	44 056	54 338	26 739	22 517	16 007
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	8 826	91	235	200	76	194	125
1992..	9 039	102	218	204	65	207	149
acres, 1997..	36 465 040	474 460	1 645 563	1 062 716	243 069	361 844	960 472
1992..	38 549 948	810 179	1 821 393	1 325 475	231 688	404 743	1 096 821
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	21 690 158	350 284	743 720	629 292	174 192	230 442	629 784
1992..	23 123 040	478 335	1 016 827	778 024	136 428	262 197	696 352
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	14 774 882	124 176	901 843	433 424	68 877	131 402	330 688
1992..	15 426 908	331 844	804 566	547 451	95 260	142 546	400 469
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	7 827	74	218	178	64	172	111
1992..	8 001	87	193	189	55	188	132
acres, 1997..	6 104 172	56 802	147 772	159 017	40 922	58 628	77 755
1992..	5 323 628	63 565	133 212	150 619	35 254	53 634	63 088
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	2 884	29	90	67	21	81	44
1992..	3 019	32	82	73	15	75	40
acres, 1997..	5 467 688	37 703	283 265	164 552	19 413	49 970	179 339
1992..	6 304 073	23 147	383 474	288 009	7 402	62 782	194 151
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	1 991	15	55	48	18	60	25
1992..	2 192	11	63	55	12	58	22
acres, 1997..	1 123 729	4 693	55 987	52 378	9 774	12 698	11 115
1992..	1 147 670	4 994	41 638	51 287	3 744	13 090	10 075
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	17 907	277	369	387	160	495	235
1992..	16 982	248	355	349	153	485	233
Not on farm operated							
1997..	4 615	64	104	110	38	92	51
1992..	4 103	66	77	102	33	76	59
Not reported							
1997..	1 757	19	57	44	21	36	19
1992..	1 736	31	53	63	19	38	16
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	15 703	223	357	405	151	386	249
1992..	16 006	239	370	409	153	435	261
Other							
1997..	8 576	137	173	136	68	237	56
1992..	6 815	106	115	105	52	164	47
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	11 320	156	262	286	90	274	171
1992..	11 176	168	253	260	103	281	178
Any							
1997..	11 280	180	222	207	111	310	115
1992..	9 838	148	185	197	84	277	105
1 to 49 days							
1997..	1 969	24	25	48	24	49	41
1992..	1 856	18	38	51	15	56	38
50 to 99 days							
1997..	891	10	20	12	5	33	7
1992..	809	10	22	19	3	32	7
100 to 149 days							
1997..	815	16	15	20	9	23	9
1992..	733	6	13	11	4	22	10
150 to 199 days							
1997..	1 283	19	22	29	8	32	9
1992..	1 179	16	20	21	9	45	6
200 days or more							
1997..	6 322	111	140	98	65	173	49
1992..	5 261	98	92	95	53	122	44
Not reported							
1997..	1 679	24	46	48	18	39	19
1992..	1 807	29	47	57	18	41	25
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	1 200	25	33	26	20	32	7
1992..	1 196	14	28	29	16	35	15
3 or 4 years							
1997..	1 533	19	43	32	16	40	14
1992..	1 499	22	27	29	18	55	11
5 to 9 years							
1997..	3 502	49	75	62	40	112	31
1992..	3 048	57	79	56	17	83	36
10 years or more							
1997..	14 304	217	265	336	102	343	195
1992..	13 583	200	263	304	121	334	206
Average years on present farm							
1997..	20.5	18.8	19.3	22.4	17.1	19.2	23.4
1992..	20.1	19.0	20.3	21.2	20.2	19.2	22.7
Not reported							
1997..	3 740	50	114	85	41	96	58
1992..	3 495	52	88	96	33	92	40

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Characteristics	Cascade	Chouteau	Custer	Daniels	Dawson	Deer Lodge	Fallon
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	903	750	405	363	502	83	309
1992..	792	737	380	325	451	70	302
acres, 1997..	1 441 261	2 211 635	1 897 536	764 544	1 417 310	101 657	952 884
1992..	1 424 228	2 277 936	2 085 181	761 459	1 334 041	135 126	944 497
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	637	616	279	275	375	62	224
1992..	562	614	277	275	381	50	220
acres, 1997..	290 209	709 196	85 708	268 612	239 270	13 139	127 642
1992..	254 290	554 420	91 981	205 793	206 698	14 547	95 307
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	563	252	216	100	204	54	150
1992..	459	204	174	97	146	41	132
acres, 1997..	581 617	478 636	481 516	90 129	259 914	57 705	191 877
1992..	384 956	423 682	431 436	152 813	265 383	48 492	171 969
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	363	167	130	56	111	40	89
1992..	277	140	106	73	94	26	72
acres, 1997..	83 427	131 475	24 493	23 011	32 584	(D)	38 315
1992..	49 485	101 745	18 256	34 213	29 953	(D)	21 170
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	251	359	128	213	222	23	129
1992..	241	374	157	178	230	22	139
acres, 1997..	705 956	1 397 177	1 262 797	627 993	1 036 249	38 042	693 579
1992..	881 025	1 495 074	1 450 803	562 365	923 959	80 754	728 108
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	406 263	754 265	839 149	308 792	617 335	22 825	443 401
1992..	535 565	847 178	968 666	283 298	546 460	50 934	454 922
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	299 693	642 912	423 648	319 201	418 914	15 217	250 178
1992..	345 460	647 896	482 137	279 067	377 499	29 820	273 186
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	209	331	115	188	213	19	118
1992..	213	345	130	160	225	21	128
acres, 1997..	168 043	437 065	52 905	224 821	178 348	2 912	85 126
1992..	165 783	340 236	59 985	151 457	156 055	7 823	67 320
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	89	139	61	50	76	6	30
1992..	92	159	49	50	75	7	31
acres, 1997..	153 688	335 822	153 223	46 422	121 147	5 910	67 428
1992..	158 247	359 180	202 942	46 281	144 699	5 880	44 420
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	65	118	34	31	51	3	17
1992..	72	129	41	42	62	3	20
acres, 1997..	38 739	140 656	8 310	20 780	28 338	(D)	4 201
1992..	39 022	112 439	13 740	20 123	20 690	(D)	6 817
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	670	513	310	196	306	66	210
1992..	596	510	269	194	287	49	208
Not on farm operated							
1997..	166	182	74	139	151	11	79
1992..	144	176	80	96	131	12	57
Not reported							
1997..	67	55	21	28	45	6	20
1992..	52	51	31	35	33	9	37
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	519	623	256	262	356	44	216
1992..	519	650	256	279	358	37	236
Other							
1997..	384	127	149	101	146	39	93
1992..	273	87	124	46	93	33	66
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	371	470	183	201	250	29	157
1992..	376	486	195	180	229	28	163
Any							
1997..	478	223	209	117	209	48	133
1992..	365	191	159	112	181	40	110
1 to 49 days							
1997..	82	68	47	35	38	4	25
1992..	64	52	34	41	48	4	20
50 to 99 days							
1997..	27	17	15	10	19	3	15
1992..	15	30	8	11	16	1	14
100 to 149 days							
1997..	28	28	13	3	14	3	11
1992..	27	24	12	5	10	2	10
150 to 199 days							
1997..	47	28	15	10	25	3	8
1992..	46	10	9	15	16	5	13
200 days or more							
1997..	294	82	119	59	113	35	74
1992..	213	75	96	40	91	28	53
Not reported							
1997..	54	57	13	45	43	6	19
1992..	51	60	26	33	41	2	29
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	35	24	41	9	31	4	18
1992..	46	47	36	13	24	3	13
3 or 4 years							
1997..	60	31	25	17	26	4	20
1992..	51	37	31	5	26	4	13
5 to 9 years							
1997..	141	74	92	31	64	11	33
1992..	108	92	53	33	39	8	25
10 years or more							
1997..	517	508	193	228	299	46	178
1992..	472	465	202	218	299	36	177
Average years on present farm							
1997..	19.8	23.0	16.6	26.8	22.5	19.8	22.6
1992..	19.9	21.0	18.9	26.6	21.7	21.6	23.5
Not reported							
1997..	150	113	54	78	82	18	60
1992..	115	96	58	56	63	19	74

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Characteristics	Fergus	Flathead	Gallatin	Garfield	Glacier	Golden Valley	Granite
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	816	898	835	244	425	118	117
1992..	804	813	789	263	376	121	138
acres, 1997..	2 248 705	216 303	759 944	2 163 270	1 622 574	638 049	268 413
1992..	2 232 575	277 050	699 409	2 000 266	1 730 537	636 514	349 938
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	636	688	603	179	260	86	86
1992..	631	603	577	166	264	89	96
acres, 1997..	408 354	79 193	160 648	146 210	276 129	58 440	30 736
1992..	350 321	75 869	157 782	118 333	251 870	34 746	30 732
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	374	635	457	103	156	49	69
1992..	342	561	408	109	108	40	72
acres, 1997..	492 666	78 281	195 871	600 885	690 606	82 125	123 187
1992..	470 882	84 847	129 167	451 126	849 592	51 120	97 076
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	259	465	293	66	55	24	46
1992..	235	389	267	57	58	20	39
acres, 1997..	93 074	22 203	36 879	45 034	43 036	19 442	13 912
1992..	83 881	23 243	34 826	28 042	33 805	2 619	7 814
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	321	202	254	111	198	58	39
1992..	337	202	265	115	193	63	51
acres, 1997..	1 519 236	95 387	462 770	1 411 621	809 864	491 134	127 577
1992..	1 448 664	180 197	495 319	1 368 547	747 834	451 440	210 898
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	871 016	42 062	284 588	938 899	384 058	335 982	89 457
1992..	900 174	50 475	303 570	923 932	359 615	321 381	128 411
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	648 220	53 325	178 182	472 722	425 806	155 152	38 120
1992..	548 490	129 722	191 749	444 615	388 219	130 059	82 487
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	295	179	226	99	165	53	35
1992..	307	177	228	91	154	55	48
acres, 1997..	269 128	48 720	99 014	89 351	204 029	32 392	13 824
1992..	220 222	47 485	95 493	76 638	177 905	24 328	19 444
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	121	61	124	30	71	11	9
1992..	125	50	116	39	75	18	15
acres, 1997..	236 803	42 635	101 303	150 764	122 104	64 790	17 649
1992..	313 029	12 006	74 923	180 593	133 111	133 954	41 964
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	82	44	84	14	40	9	5
1992..	89	37	82	18	52	14	9
acres, 1997..	46 152	8 270	24 755	11 825	29 064	6 606	3 000
1992..	46 218	5 141	27 463	13 653	40 160	7 799	3 474
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	621	735	653	180	283	89	95
1992..	614	671	637	183	245	90	115
Not on farm operated							
1997..	150	106	133	37	100	17	16
1992..	124	89	109	49	88	14	12
Not reported							
1997..	45	57	49	27	42	12	6
1992..	66	53	43	31	43	17	11
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	571	387	456	223	274	90	91
1992..	626	369	516	221	264	104	107
Other							
1997..	245	511	379	21	151	28	26
1992..	178	444	273	42	112	17	31
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	436	315	366	150	184	74	57
1992..	474	277	366	153	178	73	74
Any							
1997..	334	530	433	69	222	34	51
1992..	266	478	363	79	165	31	56
1 to 49 days							
1997..	63	67	65	31	33	4	17
1992..	53	38	69	21	31	9	12
50 to 99 days							
1997..	34	39	23	12	21	4	6
1992..	23	23	22	10	10	4	2
100 to 149 days							
1997..	23	42	20	6	21	5	3
1992..	25	31	22	12	10	4	4
150 to 199 days							
1997..	34	84	43	6	33	1	4
1992..	29	77	28	7	26	5	13
200 days or more							
1997..	180	298	282	14	114	20	21
1992..	136	309	222	29	88	9	25
Not reported							
1997..	46	53	36	25	19	10	9
1992..	64	58	60	31	33	17	8
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	43	43	46	13	15	4	4
1992..	36	36	49	12	14	6	12
3 or 4 years							
1997..	48	62	53	12	30	7	12
1992..	43	72	56	16	30	5	6
5 to 9 years							
1997..	119	164	126	26	54	14	19
1992..	103	105	118	24	61	10	9
10 years or more							
1997..	511	498	508	139	241	77	66
1992..	501	501	461	154	201	75	91
Average years on present farm							
1997..	21.1	18.8	19.1	23.3	19.3	24.9	21.2
1992..	20.6	18.6	18.4	23.2	19.4	24.5	20.9
Not reported							
1997..	95	131	102	54	85	16	16
1992..	121	99	105	57	70	25	20

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Characteristics	Hill	Jefferson	Judith Basin	Lake	Lewis and Clark	Liberty	Lincoln
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	692	266	329	1 011	502	280	252
1992..	641	236	328	948	438	274	219
acres, 1997..	1 642 562	364 153	834 711	596 726	822 066	915 451	46 167
1992..	1 644 001	367 482	868 064	631 377	883 479	951 780	50 220
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	546	166	261	750	358	237	188
1992..	529	155	257	719	304	247	156
acres, 1997..	521 496	32 607	201 215	89 945	63 161	308 498	11 109
1992..	467 994	31 729	159 838	80 614	55 277	286 085	8 219
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	270	176	129	661	381	100	189
1992..	204	138	134	605	291	87	169
acres, 1997..	416 750	141 835	197 400	278 262	232 897	196 010	29 239
1992..	393 171	121 168	206 871	365 196	181 519	191 280	26 895
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	166	97	85	481	262	73	138
1992..	147	84	90	444	188	70	114
acres, 1997..	106 208	12 661	34 503	24 619	20 643	86 690	7 134
1992..	85 007	9 127	32 603	23 561	14 234	67 716	4 067
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	304	78	150	294	105	125	48
1992..	327	74	151	273	116	136	39
acres, 1997..	1 028 943	195 875	550 847	212 617	577 440	585 197	12 069
1992..	1 064 434	219 021	609 241	230 467	646 324	655 661	20 168
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	594 172	122 359	307 588	96 959	398 778	316 340	6 571
1992..	604 603	138 923	372 937	117 966	443 595	402 623	7 412
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	434 771	73 516	243 259	115 658	178 662	248 857	5 498
1992..	459 831	80 098	236 304	112 501	202 729	253 038	12 756
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	282	62	145	244	88	117	42
1992..	287	56	141	232	92	134	34
acres, 1997..	332 186	18 099	148 003	61 136	41 930	163 960	2 965
1992..	314 080	19 806	115 599	50 567	34 150	178 339	3 225
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	118	12	50	56	16	55	15
1992..	110	24	43	70	31	51	11
acres, 1997..	196 869	26 443	86 464	105 847	11 729	154 244	4 859
1992..	186 396	27 293	51 952	35 714	55 636	104 839	3 157
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	98	7	31	25	8	47	8
1992..	95	15	26	43	24	43	8
acres, 1997..	83 102	1 847	18 709	4 190	588	57 848	1 010
1992..	68 907	2 796	11 636	6 486	6 893	40 030	927
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	434	217	231	833	414	187	204
1992..	426	186	254	753	358	194	189
Not on farm operated							
1997..	194	36	56	138	50	71	33
1992..	157	36	54	125	55	59	15
Not reported							
1997..	64	13	42	40	38	22	15
1992..	58	14	20	70	25	21	15
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	496	128	265	526	211	244	102
1992..	499	125	268	522	207	253	99
Other							
1997..	196	138	64	485	291	36	150
1992..	142	111	60	426	231	21	120
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	364	101	183	409	179	181	80
1992..	350	79	183	380	164	178	84
Any							
1997..	287	152	113	562	302	70	162
1992..	243	143	117	490	240	72	126
1 to 49 days							
1997..	55	10	30	62	28	18	22
1992..	42	12	35	70	12	25	12
50 to 99 days							
1997..	30	13	10	41	29	12	19
1992..	29	10	12	25	10	6	7
100 to 149 days							
1997..	18	12	8	29	11	11	10
1992..	26	15	14	19	11	9	10
150 to 199 days							
1997..	28	18	15	78	23	5	15
1992..	18	12	13	89	20	6	17
200 days or more							
1997..	156	99	50	352	211	24	96
1992..	128	94	43	287	187	26	80
Not reported							
1997..	41	13	33	40	21	29	10
1992..	48	14	28	78	34	24	9
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	31	17	6	49	39	3	9
1992..	21	14	11	39	23	16	9
3 or 4 years							
1997..	41	18	14	89	34	8	15
1992..	35	22	18	76	42	14	10
5 to 9 years							
1997..	76	53	40	189	105	32	32
1992..	83	36	42	139	79	35	40
10 years or more							
1997..	427	146	207	569	256	189	152
1992..	396	122	211	566	233	165	124
Average years on present farm							
1997..	21.4	17.6	22.6	17.8	16.9	23.1	20.0
1992..	21.0	16.1	21.3	18.3	16.6	21.7	17.9
Not reported							
1997..	117	32	62	115	68	48	44
1992..	106	42	46	128	61	44	36

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Characteristics	McCone	Madison	Meagher	Mineral	Missoula	Musselshell	Park
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	430	460	142	71	482	232	420
1992..	415	418	134	67	450	253	385
acres, 1997..	1 312 704	1 079 502	940 071	16 329	262 419	952 670	749 103
1992..	1 290 134	1 271 160	912 154	19 158	248 215	1 031 872	777 803
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	344	315	99	46	300	149	299
1992..	337	298	93	38	287	149	279
acres, 1997..	263 965	97 920	75 410	3 243	25 171	76 069	76 356
1992..	239 962	94 767	70 950	2 836	22 845	67 984	69 419
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	202	299	73	49	362	120	249
1992..	171	242	59	44	303	124	221
acres, 1997..	328 536	444 136	240 507	8 944	114 238	287 276	240 906
1992..	277 170	408 955	168 594	(D)	(D)	152 786	275 520
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	141	193	42	30	211	64	166
1992..	122	153	30	26	186	60	153
acres, 1997..	74 603	42 622	(D)	(D)	11 129	17 185	24 227
1992..	59 481	32 846	12 499	1 791	8 781	12 108	24 605
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	175	120	56	15	100	95	130
1992..	186	130	61	13	117	105	121
acres, 1997..	876 552	482 218	685 020	5 991	61 538	611 201	454 790
1992..	927 645	685 963	725 602	7 630	113 229	684 186	442 431
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	546 012	314 136	449 033	2 946	28 253	405 538	321 963
1992..	569 656	452 445	355 893	4 451	45 539	427 031	300 893
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	330 540	168 082	235 987	3 045	33 285	205 663	132 827
1992..	357 989	233 518	369 709	3 179	67 690	257 155	141 538
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	163	96	52	14	76	76	102
1992..	172	117	55	7	87	76	98
acres, 1997..	166 942	46 938	52 523	1 637	12 291	57 898	40 777
1992..	159 620	51 066	56 430	686	12 899	19 946	35 632
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	53	41	13	7	20	17	41
1992..	58	46	14	10	30	24	43
acres, 1997..	107 616	153 148	14 544	1 394	86 643	54 193	53 407
1992..	85 319	176 242	17 958	(D)	(D)	194 900	59 852
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	40	26	5	2	13	9	31
1992..	43	28	8	5	14	13	28
acres, 1997..	22 420	8 360	(D)	(D)	1 751	986	11 352
1992..	20 861	10 855	2 021	359	1 165	35 930	9 182
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	273	371	108	57	413	177	320
1992..	261	325	92	53	375	203	305
Not on farm operated							
1997..	127	68	22	8	46	42	68
1992..	110	64	32	9	56	34	61
Not reported							
1997..	30	21	12	6	23	13	32
1992..	44	29	10	5	19	16	19
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	334	316	108	40	171	149	256
1992..	324	299	105	32	182	166	250
Other							
1997..	96	144	34	31	311	83	164
1992..	91	119	29	35	268	87	135
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	220	242	81	24	154	105	174
1992..	227	209	87	22	119	120	179
Any							
1997..	175	189	53	42	306	109	207
1992..	149	178	36	40	300	115	180
1 to 49 days							
1997..	42	35	13	7	18	21	30
1992..	29	33	14	4	29	22	33
50 to 99 days							
1997..	17	21	6	7	19	7	21
1992..	23	9	—	4	18	10	11
100 to 149 days							
1997..	13	14	4	2	21	9	17
1992..	12	13	1	1	18	11	13
150 to 199 days							
1997..	19	25	5	4	33	10	23
1992..	13	24	5	11	38	16	28
200 days or more							
1997..	84	94	25	22	215	62	116
1992..	72	99	16	20	197	56	95
Not reported							
1997..	35	29	8	5	22	18	39
1992..	39	31	11	5	31	18	26
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	13	36	9	2	10	17	24
1992..	16	23	7	5	33	22	29
3 or 4 years							
1997..	23	44	5	4	23	18	32
1992..	19	37	6	5	27	15	34
5 to 9 years							
1997..	45	87	19	8	90	43	78
1992..	42	66	22	5	72	25	42
10 years or more							
1997..	280	233	87	47	298	129	231
1992..	263	237	72	45	272	147	234
Average years on present farm							
1997..	23.7	18.1	20.6	21.3	19.1	18.4	18.1
1992..	24.1	18.0	17.8	19.0	17.7	18.5	19.0
Not reported							
1997..	69	60	22	10	61	25	55
1992..	75	55	27	7	46	44	46

Table 11. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization: 1997 and 1992—Con.

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

Characteristics	Petroleum	Phillips	Pondera	Powder River	Powell	Prairie	Ravalli
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	88	489	474	297	230	158	1 080
1992..	105	479	463	295	233	165	937
acres, 1997..	541 361	1 977 811	878 426	1 559 222	649 489	612 906	183 647
1992..	669 516	1 968 857	893 872	1 629 363	675 569	683 088	241 655
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	65	363	400	240	175	120	735
1992..	69	369	391	208	161	136	630
acres, 1997..	34 556	263 920	330 410	103 913	60 495	66 332	43 665
1992..	35 057	236 845	268 545	79 923	58 510	55 734	40 429
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	30	243	181	111	122	77	764
1992..	41	222	168	104	130	56	628
acres, 1997..	100 109	459 617	217 346	269 707	180 268	197 982	90 249
1992..	150 652	572 409	232 567	309 878	145 051	175 735	93 934
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	21	146	133	84	87	52	487
1992..	19	147	117	68	81	36	390
acres, 1997..	5 350	71 034	64 974	24 612	20 152	32 484	18 568
1992..	6 729	72 021	55 964	21 630	16 757	11 403	17 966
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	42	193	215	129	84	70	253
1992..	54	198	209	139	83	97	251
acres, 1997..	389 968	1 325 745	540 743	1 089 902	440 050	405 282	78 042
1992..	477 150	1 047 303	521 790	1 170 079	495 495	467 603	141 120
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	253 703	722 740	278 656	755 898	306 051	238 380	38 131
1992..	270 207	613 207	269 302	765 520	357 079	271 705	89 189
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	136 265	603 005	262 087	334 004	133 999	166 902	39 911
1992..	206 943	434 096	252 488	404 559	138 416	195 898	51 931
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	40	176	198	121	75	62	209
1992..	44	179	196	113	70	91	211
acres, 1997..	27 483	168 991	212 108	70 978	34 989	32 444	20 902
1992..	17 004	140 612	161 380	49 358	39 325	42 365	19 867
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	16	53	78	57	24	11	63
1992..	10	59	86	52	20	12	58
acres, 1997..	51 284	192 449	120 337	199 613	29 171	9 642	15 356
1992..	41 714	349 145	139 515	149 406	35 023	39 750	6 601
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	4	41	69	35	13	6	39
1992..	6	43	78	27	10	9	29
acres, 1997..	1 723	23 895	53 328	8 323	5 354	1 404	4 195
1992..	11 324	24 212	51 201	8 935	2 428	1 966	2 596
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	60	332	328	227	187	117	947
1992..	79	328	339	238	174	119	803
Not on farm operated							
1997..	24	122	98	43	24	33	74
1992..	21	104	92	31	37	31	80
Not reported							
1997..	4	35	48	27	19	8	59
1992..	5	47	32	26	22	15	54
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	65	369	374	244	137	131	521
1992..	88	373	385	249	142	141	462
Other							
1997..	23	120	100	53	93	27	559
1992..	17	106	78	46	91	24	475
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	47	257	232	161	102	96	408
1992..	63	258	238	160	96	98	346
Any							
1997..	37	193	204	105	114	52	600
1992..	36	172	192	110	112	53	529
1 to 49 days							
1997..	8	40	51	39	15	15	63
1992..	12	38	73	25	9	17	60
50 to 99 days							
1997..	4	15	23	9	8	3	38
1992..	5	19	16	8	8	1	35
100 to 149 days							
1997..	—	15	23	6	10	2	44
1992..	3	13	23	14	10	6	44
150 to 199 days							
1997..	4	25	20	11	15	5	86
1992..	5	22	21	14	17	9	68
200 days or more							
1997..	21	98	87	40	66	27	369
1992..	11	80	59	49	68	20	322
Not reported							
1997..	4	39	38	31	14	10	72
1992..	6	49	33	25	25	14	62
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	5	24	26	19	12	8	58
1992..	7	24	22	12	9	6	54
3 or 4 years							
1997..	4	30	22	21	17	9	91
1992..	4	38	17	8	17	4	79
5 to 9 years							
1997..	6	52	58	29	39	12	194
1992..	14	53	66	32	47	22	159
10 years or more							
1997..	63	307	292	176	125	103	610
1992..	65	270	291	189	117	106	519
Average years on present farm							
1997..	23.7	22.1	20.1	24.5	17.5	23.5	17.3
1992..	22.0	20.9	21.1	24.4	19.3	23.5	15.9
Not reported							
1997..	10	76	76	52	37	26	127
1992..	15	94	67	54	43	27	126

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

Characteristics	Richland	Roosevelt	Rosebud	Sanders	Sheridan	Silver Bow	Stillwater
FARMS							
Land in farms							
farms, 1997..	571	609	362	412	581	116	473
1992..	563	525	357	348	526	105	446
acres, 1997..	1 214 802	1 430 064	2 680 844	409 965	1 001 193	100 181	896 739
1992..	1 197 028	1 414 415	2 585 834	381 104	962 450	99 746	889 294
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	448	468	237	313	453	59	343
1992..	450	460	243	256	447	48	333
acres, 1997..	279 736	391 029	122 605	35 971	342 588	7 381	119 037
1992..	256 002	334 212	125 429	31 176	275 704	5 559	128 528
TENURE OF OPERATOR							
Full owners							
farms, 1997..	229	238	159	275	225	85	246
1992..	239	158	136	229	150	77	201
acres, 1997..	217 828	476 593	925 790	108 220	204 223	63 793	198 107
1992..	256 771	433 414	702 287	181 850	192 286	54 751	181 371
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	136	135	95	194	134	42	155
1992..	157	113	75	152	105	35	120
acres, 1997..	39 674	57 853	39 684	16 847	53 693	(D)	30 355
1992..	57 045	41 960	34 735	13 765	36 639	(D)	18 294
Part owners							
farms, 1997..	246	285	149	108	278	25	166
1992..	228	291	142	102	278	20	175
acres, 1997..	849 938	864 706	1 598 730	200 618	699 030	35 375	603 231
1992..	827 106	870 458	1 608 193	191 815	650 306	41 967	605 199
Owned land in farms							
acres, 1997..	466 096	419 629	1 010 117	100 850	370 716	26 715	404 494
1992..	440 417	413 033	1 104 698	88 108	366 891	17 853	369 816
Rented land in farms							
acres, 1997..	383 842	445 077	588 613	99 768	328 314	8 660	198 737
1992..	386 689	457 425	503 495	103 707	283 415	24 114	235 383
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	234	273	113	100	258	15	150
1992..	212	280	117	94	263	10	158
acres, 1997..	203 923	301 497	70 443	17 477	254 717	2 114	78 226
1992..	162 510	254 621	64 621	16 592	192 767	2 205	95 383
Tenants							
farms, 1997..	96	86	54	29	78	6	61
1992..	96	76	79	17	98	8	70
acres, 1997..	147 036	88 765	156 324	101 127	97 940	1 013	95 401
1992..	113 151	110 543	275 354	7 439	119 858	3 028	102 724
Harvested cropland							
farms, 1997..	78	60	29	19	61	2	38
1992..	81	67	51	10	79	3	55
acres, 1997..	36 139	31 679	12 478	1 647	34 178	(D)	10 456
1992..	36 447	37 631	26 073	819	46 298	(D)	14 851
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS							
Operators by place of residence:							
On farm operated							
1997..	400	383	253	349	387	101	356
1992..	391	380	242	295	383	88	348
Not on farm operated							
1997..	116	176	75	46	172	12	83
1992..	133	115	87	31	112	12	67
Not reported							
1997..	55	50	34	17	22	3	34
1992..	39	30	28	22	31	5	31
Operators by principal occupation:							
Farming							
1997..	411	416	265	218	441	51	300
1992..	440	401	261	194	447	45	310
Other							
1997..	160	193	97	194	140	65	173
1992..	123	124	96	154	79	60	136
Operators by days worked off farm:							
None							
1997..	282	295	177	156	326	52	197
1992..	286	286	180	147	280	43	210
Any							
1997..	242	268	153	232	230	60	240
1992..	214	215	139	176	217	59	201
1 to 49 days							
1997..	47	59	25	24	52	3	42
1992..	55	39	25	20	70	4	35
50 to 99 days							
1997..	15	16	9	20	28	4	15
1992..	26	33	9	8	26	1	28
100 to 149 days							
1997..	21	19	11	20	21	2	14
1992..	19	13	5	15	20	7	11
150 to 199 days							
1997..	43	28	15	40	25	12	26
1992..	22	20	18	36	17	10	31
200 days or more							
1997..	116	146	93	128	104	39	143
1992..	92	110	82	97	84	37	96
Not reported							
1997..	47	46	32	24	25	4	36
1992..	63	24	38	25	29	3	35
Operators by years on present farm:							
2 years or less							
1997..	29	18	17	22	24	—	29
1992..	28	26	23	16	21	6	22
3 or 4 years							
1997..	26	26	16	23	28	5	37
1992..	32	36	24	16	25	5	49
5 to 9 years							
1997..	86	47	60	71	42	20	85
1992..	65	54	64	48	58	7	57
10 years or more							
1997..	327	399	190	259	422	70	254
1992..	350	341	188	226	350	76	241
Average years on present farm							
1997..	21.3	23.9	20.2	20.2	26.9	22.4	19.9
1992..	23.6	22.0	19.2	20.5	23.9	21.9	19.8
Not reported							
1997..	103	119	79	37	65	21	68
1992..	88	68	58	42	72	11	77

Table 11. Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization: 1997 and 1992—Con.

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

Characteristics	Sweet Grass	Teton	Toole	Treasure	Valley	Wheatland	Wibaux	Yellowstone
FARMS								
Land in farms								
farms, 1997..	301	557	382	110	655	144	178	1 097
1992..	295	556	358	113	624	146	165	994
acres, 1997..	839 345	1 116 889	1 090 966	605 527	1 786 617	833 757	475 427	1 526 007
1992..	837 904	1 178 885	1 063 086	599 014	1 688 070	850 599	490 988	1 454 669
Harvested cropland								
farms, 1997..	202	432	287	80	511	109	137	709
1992..	194	462	291	80	493	104	126	673
acres, 1997..	59 141	343 501	313 441	30 103	363 236	105 095	71 295	192 292
1992..	52 028	297 523	270 204	29 709	309 203	88 372	63 291	192 452
TENURE OF OPERATOR								
Full owners								
farms, 1997..	165	245	118	44	283	67	68	627
1992..	137	207	95	33	241	61	59	512
acres, 1997..	271 189	166 454	155 471	115 942	403 868	195 693	96 695	522 447
1992..	228 694	172 383	130 514	61 870	477 779	151 517	66 432	259 843
Harvested cropland								
farms, 1997..	97	149	63	28	177	45	45	352
1992..	74	143	67	17	153	35	39	286
acres, 1997..	22 047	55 101	43 386	6 978	71 731	26 185	11 036	61 612
1992..	14 315	47 802	33 981	3 128	61 597	16 663	6 610	33 530
Part owners								
farms, 1997..	101	250	201	35	291	63	80	338
1992..	123	265	193	52	290	59	77	352
acres, 1997..	523 324	845 458	767 035	427 681	1 274 794	569 549	339 989	848 046
1992..	576 011	865 772	769 161	487 199	1 047 906	612 413	360 952	967 662
Owned land in farms								
acres, 1997..	388 362	470 530	424 485	224 570	662 929	423 679	183 700	513 273
1992..	428 154	548 015	452 572	268 398	548 086	432 931	193 542	527 606
Rented land in farms								
acres, 1997..	134 962	374 928	342 550	203 111	611 865	145 870	156 289	334 773
1992..	147 857	317 757	316 589	218 801	499 820	179 482	167 410	440 056
Harvested cropland								
farms, 1997..	86	230	175	31	269	56	73	262
1992..	100	247	171	47	266	54	73	291
acres, 1997..	33 093	248 556	229 516	17 008	252 428	75 185	50 760	107 475
1992..	35 033	204 984	194 273	23 742	208 591	63 190	48 174	125 440
Tenants								
farms, 1997..	35	62	63	31	81	14	30	132
1992..	35	84	70	28	93	26	29	130
acres, 1997..	44 832	104 977	168 460	61 904	107 955	68 515	38 743	155 514
1992..	33 199	140 730	163 411	49 945	162 385	86 669	63 604	227 164
Harvested cropland								
farms, 1997..	19	53	49	21	65	8	19	95
1992..	20	72	53	16	74	15	14	96
acres, 1997..	4 001	39 844	40 539	6 117	39 077	3 725	9 499	23 205
1992..	2 680	44 737	41 950	2 839	39 015	8 519	8 507	33 482
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated								
1997..	247	407	250	70	413	96	119	789
1992..	226	419	239	76	403	87	108	752
Not on farm operated								
1997..	32	112	102	31	168	34	51	208
1992..	49	96	102	28	153	44	43	174
Not reported								
1997..	22	38	30	9	74	14	8	100
1992..	20	41	17	9	68	15	14	68
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming								
1997..	211	406	285	80	475	112	119	587
1992..	215	437	299	93	475	108	122	579
Other								
1997..	90	151	97	30	180	32	59	510
1992..	80	119	59	20	149	38	43	415
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None								
1997..	146	283	203	64	293	76	86	402
1992..	139	301	213	58	326	74	88	410
Any								
1997..	136	232	152	39	275	59	79	614
1992..	132	216	126	45	231	61	64	517
1 to 49 days								
1997..	29	71	39	6	55	19	14	72
1992..	25	69	40	14	53	19	14	56
50 to 99 days								
1997..	9	7	18	2	22	1	5	36
1992..	17	31	18	—	22	2	7	33
100 to 149 days								
1997..	13	9	6	5	25	6	9	43
1992..	17	12	7	3	10	2	3	39
150 to 199 days								
1997..	19	26	13	5	28	7	3	66
1992..	10	19	9	2	30	7	5	61
200 days or more								
1997..	66	119	76	21	145	26	48	397
1992..	63	85	52	26	116	31	35	328
Not reported								
1997..	19	42	27	7	87	9	13	81
1992..	24	39	19	10	67	11	13	67
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less								
1997..	11	39	15	5	26	11	9	55
1992..	24	24	17	8	27	3	5	60
3 or 4 years								
1997..	25	26	17	7	42	8	16	98
1992..	25	35	17	12	31	6	11	91
5 to 9 years								
1997..	61	79	36	17	49	13	18	194
1992..	55	69	55	18	64	26	25	146
10 years or more								
1997..	162	352	261	64	402	78	104	566
1992..	141	352	222	57	385	76	98	555
Average years on present farm								
1997..	18.2	20.3	23.6	17.4	23.0	21.0	22.8	18.1
1992..	16.0	20.4	22.2	17.7	21.5	19.8	21.7	18.5
Not reported								
1997..	42	61	53	17	136	34	31	184
1992..	50	76	47	18	117	35	26	142

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

Characteristics	Montana	Beaverhead	Big Horn	Blaine	Broadwater	Carbon	Carter
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997.. 240	2	9	7	3	2	1
	1992.. 284	1	6	11	2	10	6
25 to 34 years	1997.. 1 402	22	38	32	18	43	25
	1992.. 2 054	16	51	53	17	54	28
35 to 44 years	1997.. 5 138	71	109	122	49	126	53
	1992.. 5 006	70	103	118	43	137	67
45 to 54 years	1997.. 6 277	100	127	131	61	178	72
	1992.. 5 186	92	109	131	50	112	61
55 to 59 years	1997.. 2 769	47	70	69	25	61	35
	1992.. 2 280	37	45	35	14	64	33
60 to 64 years	1997.. 2 328	36	49	51	18	68	38
	1992.. 2 494	36	52	55	16	66	36
65 to 69 years	1997.. 2 183	25	46	52	14	46	28
	1992.. 2 123	31	34	35	20	63	24
70 years and over	1997.. 3 942	57	82	77	31	99	53
	1992.. 3 394	62	85	76	43	93	53
Average age	1997.. 54.0	54.0	53.5	53.5	52.3	53.7	55.0
	1992.. 52.9	55.1	52.9	51.7	53.9	53.0	53.3
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997.. 21 951	333	475	491	200	572	275
	1992.. 20 995	305	443	476	190	555	272
	acres, 1997.. 55 860 330	1 130 074	2 657 773	2 200 277	411 199	699 095	1 485 807
	1992.. 56 760 584	1 253 376	2 876 381	2 284 993	396 009	557 337	1 514 196
Female	farms, 1997.. 2 328	27	55	50	19	51	30
	1992.. 1 826	40	42	38	15	44	36
	acres, 1997.. 2 747 448	21 934	112 345	57 445	41 545	36 815	103 565
	1992.. 2 881 952	89 108	125 997	53 873	53 961	41 357	105 286
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 18 751	214	405	404	177	519	226
	1992.. 17 723	209	374	409	159	506	235
	acres, 1997.. 29 000 090	282 922	1 362 036	1 054 877	259 614	469 565	947 992
	1992.. 29 917 236	306 385	1 110 785	1 116 677	267 742	429 681	1 045 686
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 2 065	46	62	42	19	61	35
	1992.. 2 046	50	45	35	28	49	32
	acres, 1997.. 7 792 104	129 424	325 849	210 460	59 366	106 501	230 176
	1992.. 7 180 806	246 069	183 530	228 654	(D)	67 054	154 720
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997.. 2 998	87	41	75	20	39	37
	1992.. 2 669	75	49	59	16	39	37
	acres, 1997.. 16 321 757	652 780	375 952	454 923	127 063	(D)	377 780
	1992.. 17 074 602	541 871	1 110 275	523 082	108 128	88 637	390 695
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 123	4	5	3	1	—	—
	1992.. 129	5	6	2	2	3	—
	acres, 1997.. 588 569	(D)	34 887	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1992.. 849 452	191 299	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 342	9	17	17	2	4	7
	1992.. 254	6	11	9	—	2	4
	acres, 1997.. 4 905 258	(D)	671 394	(D)	(D)	(D)	33 424
	1992.. 4 620 440	56 860	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	28 381

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Characteristics	Cascade	Chouteau	Custer	Daniels	Dawson	Deer Lodge	Fallon
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997.. 12	2	13	6	3	2	4
	1992.. 7	9	10	5	7	1	5
25 to 34 years	1997.. 36	56	35	18	32	4	28
	1992.. 61	80	40	31	50	5	30
35 to 44 years	1997.. 165	185	95	65	123	8	52
	1992.. 147	196	79	52	104	13	62
45 to 54 years	1997.. 241	198	106	63	113	25	81
	1992.. 189	155	76	62	94	24	59
55 to 59 years	1997.. 106	63	46	43	51	19	31
	1992.. 105	85	38	43	38	5	25
60 to 64 years	1997.. 102	78	29	43	48	6	33
	1992.. 96	65	46	47	44	1	34
65 to 69 years	1997.. 96	52	35	46	38	5	18
	1992.. 59	73	31	29	49	10	32
70 years and over	1997.. 145	116	46	79	94	14	62
	1992.. 128	74	60	56	65	11	55
Average age	1997.. 55.1	53.1	51.0	56.9	54.0	55.3	53.8
	1992.. 54.1	50.7	52.9	54.7	52.1	53.1	53.9
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997.. 808	701	373	319	467	76	276
	1992.. 716	692	356	300	428	63	285
	acres, 1997.. 1 395 028	2 110 331	1 845 751	726 705	1 336 763	97 851	889 966
	1992.. 1 372 881	2 170 859	2 039 045	712 806	1 277 628	128 259	903 106
Female	farms, 1997.. 95	49	32	44	35	7	33
	1992.. 76	45	24	25	23	7	17
	acres, 1997.. 46 233	101 304	51 785	37 839	80 547	3 806	62 918
	1992.. 51 347	107 077	46 136	48 653	56 413	6 867	41 391
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 708	435	332	291	361	66	242
	1992.. 614	456	300	261	346	56	227
	acres, 1997.. 759 746	1 021 307	996 627	533 538	727 534	45 077	596 335
	1992.. 690 418	1 195 752	944 921	517 641	799 745	63 698	543 722
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 96	84	24	33	29	7	29
	1992.. 95	72	27	23	23	6	36
	acres, 1997.. 226 559	313 947	349 343	76 175	137 117	12 011	113 022
	1992.. 229 977	274 561	285 059	67 409	81 916	28 738	103 396
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997.. 90	220	44	33	105	7	35
	1992.. 73	196	42	39	75	7	38
	acres, 1997.. 426 839	845 629	479 778	142 906	461 979	(D)	(D)
	1992.. 473 663	766 612	742 875	(D)	379 806	(D)	(D)
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 4	5	2	1	4	—	—
	1992.. 3	3	4	—	2	—	—
	acres, 1997.. (D)	22 615	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 5	6	3	5	3	3	3
	1992.. 7	10	7	2	5	1	1
	acres, 1997.. (D)	8 137	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Characteristics	Fergus	Flathead	Gallatin	Garfield	Glacier	Golden Valley	Granite
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997.. 11	4	9	1	12	6	—
	1992.. 11	1	6	1	2	—	2
25 to 34 years	1997.. 51	23	37	21	27	2	6
	1992.. 73	46	65	28	46	8	6
35 to 44 years	1997.. 157	158	183	47	105	22	24
	1992.. 188	160	200	49	74	20	27
45 to 54 years	1997.. 233	276	228	54	111	29	30
	1992.. 185	217	191	52	90	28	38
55 to 59 years	1997.. 104	124	122	26	44	11	15
	1992.. 72	88	56	28	32	8	8
60 to 64 years	1997.. 67	89	62	25	46	9	7
	1992.. 84	101	68	20	46	17	9
65 to 69 years	1997.. 77	87	59	21	29	19	11
	1992.. 78	79	89	35	44	16	16
70 years and over	1997.. 116	137	135	49	51	20	24
	1992.. 113	121	114	50	42	24	32
Average age	1997.. 53.4	55.3	53.7	55.1	51.3	54.6	55.6
	1992.. 52.3	54.6	52.6	54.6	52.2	55.9	55.7
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997.. 759	775	750	230	378	111	103
	1992.. 739	736	726	247	341	117	126
	acres, 1997.. 2 092 513	203 613	742 072	2 015 861	1 557 312	624 575	260 479
	1992.. 2 129 313	269 946	687 242	1 870 390	1 657 188	625 744	316 245
Female	farms, 1997.. 57	123	85	14	47	7	14
	1992.. 65	77	63	16	35	4	12
	acres, 1997.. 156 192	12 690	17 872	147 409	65 262	13 474	7 934
	1992.. 103 262	7 104	12 167	129 876	73 349	10 770	33 693
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 689	797	682	164	341	84	85
	1992.. 660	736	649	173	303	88	99
	acres, 1997.. 1 408 268	168 564	433 520	992 623	708 885	285 568	122 774
	1992.. 1 455 198	234 376	369 733	931 923	702 265	366 985	175 008
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 76	45	76	23	21	12	17
	1992.. 86	46	64	24	18	14	15
	acres, 1997.. 394 940	17 154	89 726	163 532	132 248	50 502	62 316
	1992.. 382 413	22 613	86 052	189 560	86 691	80 072	76 731
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997.. 40	37	65	56	47	21	15
	1992.. 52	23	65	58	41	19	21
	acres, 1997.. 210 851	17 821	207 868	(D)	222 679	(D)	83 323
	1992.. 282 599	15 556	229 568	816 637	172 225	189 457	97 688
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 3	3	2	—	1	—	—
	1992.. 1	5	6	1	3	—	2
	acres, 1997.. (D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	—	—
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 8	16	10	1	15	1	—
	1992.. 5	3	5	7	11	—	1
	acres, 1997.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)

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Characteristics	Hill	Jefferson	Judith Basin	Lake	Lewis and Clark	Liberty	Lincoln
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997.. 8	—	6	3	3	1	1
	1992.. 14	4	5	8	—	1	—
25 to 34 years	1997.. 43	21	22	54	15	13	3
	1992.. 68	23	43	62	27	41	7
35 to 44 years	1997.. 190	48	79	202	107	77	47
	1992.. 184	46	72	162	97	60	41
45 to 54 years	1997.. 182	82	72	245	137	61	73
	1992.. 116	65	80	227	102	64	56
55 to 59 years	1997.. 61	33	47	134	56	35	33
	1992.. 58	19	19	103	57	24	27
60 to 64 years	1997.. 55	16	22	95	61	24	26
	1992.. 80	24	48	121	51	34	29
65 to 69 years	1997.. 60	19	32	109	53	29	28
	1992.. 46	17	18	109	42	21	28
70 years and over	1997.. 93	47	49	169	70	40	41
	1992.. 75	38	43	156	62	29	31
Average age	1997.. 52.1	54.1	53.4	55.0	54.6	53.5	56.0
	1992.. 50.6	52.4	51.3	54.9	54.1	50.6	55.5
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997.. 647	224	302	905	436	262	222
	1992.. 614	223	303	883	378	255	191
	acres, 1997.. 1 586 831	345 179	793 525	567 037	760 526	888 036	42 060
	1992.. 1 595 749	365 555	826 670	609 424	805 649	913 522	46 946
Female	farms, 1997.. 45	42	27	106	66	18	30
	1992.. 27	13	25	65	60	19	28
	acres, 1997.. 55 731	18 974	41 186	29 689	61 540	27 415	4 107
	1992.. 48 252	1 927	41 394	21 953	77 830	38 258	3 274
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 405	217	252	890	440	122	222
	1992.. 427	186	261	825	376	125	192
	acres, 1997.. 608 249	194 943	525 769	240 425	373 321	241 084	37 016
	1992.. 786 231	184 742	518 802	275 336	388 087	267 886	40 120
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 75	29	31	52	24	32	19
	1992.. 55	32	25	66	33	38	17
	acres, 1997.. 242 065	57 346	123 015	(D)	43 577	206 328	(D)
	1992.. 236 733	86 356	159 310	(D)	57 831	154 429	(D)
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997.. 197	15	36	47	32	119	8
	1992.. 144	14	32	45	24	105	9
	acres, 1997.. 612 234	96 277	160 213	31 314	391 684	439 388	4 596
	1992.. 456 732	66 148	161 102	33 105	428 731	500 398	5 392
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 4	2	2	2	1	3	2
	1992.. 6	3	2	3	4	2	—
	acres, 1997.. 29 230	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 11	3	8	20	5	4	1
	1992.. 9	1	8	9	1	4	1
	acres, 1997.. 150 784	(D)	(D)	271 689	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	262 454	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Characteristics	McCone	Madison	Meagher	Mineral	Missoula	Musselshell	Park
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997.. 6	5	2	—	2	1	4
	1992.. 6	6	—	—	2	5	5
25 to 34 years	1997.. 27	21	5	6	13	14	14
	1992.. 43	39	7	4	25	19	24
35 to 44 years	1997.. 98	79	34	9	83	39	84
	1992.. 96	70	34	14	81	68	84
45 to 54 years	1997.. 95	107	30	24	135	79	107
	1992.. 71	111	28	12	131	56	91
55 to 59 years	1997.. 53	59	18	8	64	33	59
	1992.. 40	56	12	6	39	23	40
60 to 64 years	1997.. 42	54	14	5	52	18	47
	1992.. 55	44	25	13	46	16	46
65 to 69 years	1997.. 46	42	17	9	50	11	33
	1992.. 51	42	7	7	48	27	39
70 years and over	1997.. 63	93	22	10	83	37	72
	1992.. 53	50	21	11	78	39	56
Average age	1997.. 53.4	56.0	54.4	54.4	56.1	53.8	55.0
	1992.. 52.7	53.2	54.4	55.1	54.8	52.4	53.6
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997.. 387	415	127	64	416	208	370
	1992.. 380	386	122	59	392	221	354
	acres, 1997.. 1 221 195	1 030 966	879 188	(D)	252 005	911 703	694 701
	1992.. 1 241 358	1 226 704	835 936	17 155	231 742	993 190	740 639
Female	farms, 1997.. 43	45	15	7	66	24	50
	1992.. 35	32	12	8	58	32	31
	acres, 1997.. 91 509	48 536	60 883	(D)	10 414	40 967	54 402
	1992.. 48 776	44 456	76 218	2 003	16 473	38 682	37 164
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 298	344	101	62	421	180	312
	1992.. 280	294	94	58	395	198	278
	acres, 1997.. 717 414	370 553	464 348	10 656	95 177	465 230	302 073
	1992.. 689 935	404 667	511 496	13 744	116 271	486 830	325 466
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 19	39	13	6	37	19	44
	1992.. 21	41	14	3	38	26	45
	acres, 1997.. 69 439	183 478	141 361	(D)	48 028	125 237	196 576
	1992.. 38 867	213 013	67 778	(D)	45 451	144 444	103 816
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997.. 105	61	23	3	19	29	54
	1992.. 107	66	21	5	11	25	50
	acres, 1997.. 516 781	338 907	267 238	(D)	17 684	314 766	212 206
	1992.. 543 816	364 500	305 920	4 590	16 897	347 357	298 933
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 3	6	2	—	1	1	4
	1992.. 2	7	2	—	2	1	4
	acres, 1997.. (D)	33 856	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	23 439
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 5	10	3	—	4	3	6
	1992.. 5	10	3	1	4	3	8
	acres, 1997.. (D)	152 708	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	14 809
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Characteristics	Petroleum	Phillips	Pondera	Powder River	Powell	Prairie	Ravalli
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997..	2	8	3	—	6	2
	1992..	6	10	8	2	2	3
25 to 34 years	1997..	6	33	39	19	9	5
	1992..	13	67	64	26	23	15
35 to 44 years	1997..	19	126	126	44	56	41
	1992..	20	99	111	68	51	39
45 to 54 years	1997..	21	105	136	79	59	47
	1992..	22	86	106	44	58	44
55 to 59 years	1997..	14	38	43	30	25	13
	1992..	11	63	45	32	27	7
60 to 64 years	1997..	8	58	43	34	33	10
	1992..	11	59	42	34	22	19
65 to 69 years	1997..	10	39	24	28	25	11
	1992..	10	40	40	31	12	13
70 years and over	1997..	10	88	55	60	23	25
	1992..	16	59	45	52	38	26
Average age	1997..	53.4	53.6	50.8	55.6	53.7	52.7
	1992..	52.4	51.4	49.4	53.7	52.8	52.0
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997..	86	450	447	281	210	146
	1992..	101	451	436	275	212	153
	acres, 1997..	(D)	1 900 938	832 679	1 512 316	619 056	598 588
	1992..	654 276	1 723 721	863 866	1 586 010	644 670	668 182
	farms, 1997..	2	39	27	16	20	12
	1992..	4	28	27	20	21	12
	acres, 1997..	(D)	76 873	45 747	46 906	30 433	14 318
	1992..	15 240	245 136	30 006	43 353	30 899	14 906
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997..	60	365	295	218	170	109
	1992..	74	357	303	214	188	130
	acres, 1997..	234 524	866 391	365 006	740 360	267 649	326 034
	1992..	320 814	929 537	415 576	823 445	285 532	445 546
Partnership	farms, 1997..	15	38	39	29	35	18
	1992..	20	45	48	22	25	11
	acres, 1997..	119 501	152 082	116 678	262 154	141 829	45 557
	1992..	192 762	(D)	118 117	171 370	106 682	37 579
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997..	11	71	134	45	13	28
	1992..	10	62	105	52	14	24
	acres, 1997..	(D)	659 553	313 725	541 488	188 213	(D)
	1992..	(D)	509 814	266 266	603 488	(D)	199 963
Other than family held	farms, 1997..	—	6	4	3	5	—
	1992..	—	5	1	2	—	—
	acres, 1997..	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	5 800	—
	1992..	—	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	—
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997..	2	9	2	2	7	3
	1992..	1	10	6	5	6	—
	acres, 1997..	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	45 998	(D)
	1992..	(D)	315 183	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Characteristics	Richland	Roosevelt	Rosebud	Sanders	Sheridan	Silver Bow	Stillwater
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—							
Con.							
Operators by age group:							
Under 25 years	1997.. 13	6	5	2	5	—	—
	1992.. 12	4	3	2	8	—	7
25 to 34 years	1997.. 44	36	22	22	38	2	28
	1992.. 49	56	31	19	59	5	29
35 to 44 years	1997.. 144	118	73	82	112	22	98
	1992.. 139	138	70	57	124	19	96
45 to 54 years	1997.. 140	153	75	113	124	31	122
	1992.. 112	105	80	99	95	20	101
55 to 59 years	1997.. 61	60	44	53	47	15	49
	1992.. 53	50	42	38	44	18	51
60 to 64 years	1997.. 38	56	33	41	54	17	47
	1992.. 42	44	39	39	69	17	49
65 to 69 years	1997.. 40	57	32	39	74	12	41
	1992.. 41	56	33	37	47	8	39
70 years and over	1997.. 91	123	78	60	127	17	88
	1992.. 115	72	59	57	80	18	74
Average age	1997.. 52.0	55.0	55.2	54.4	56.0	55.9	55.1
	1992.. 52.7	51.7	53.9	54.9	52.1	55.9	53.6
Operators by sex:							
Male	farms, 1997.. 533	551	328	353	538	102	441
	1992.. 531	486	327	302	507	93	405
	acres, 1997.. 1 182 582	1 373 799	2 450 750	378 439	949 982	98 992	858 276
	1992.. 1 146 424	1 357 333	2 337 281	320 555	941 638	94 363	842 007
Female	farms, 1997.. 38	58	34	59	43	14	32
	1992.. 32	39	30	46	19	12	41
	acres, 1997.. 32 220	56 265	230 094	31 526	51 211	1 189	38 463
	1992.. 50 604	57 082	248 553	60 549	20 812	5 383	47 287
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 422	479	265	363	439	98	370
	1992.. 404	440	253	307	400	89	336
	acres, 1997.. 756 417	831 773	1 157 957	266 542	635 815	50 867	471 665
	1992.. 768 652	860 958	955 749	214 761	588 859	51 458	470 231
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 50	52	41	17	44	12	40
	1992.. 75	38	31	19	47	10	52
	acres, 1997.. 127 198	115 634	522 409	(D)	85 994	17 782	115 065
	1992.. 181 160	101 833	354 396	16 097	96 216	15 696	141 104
Corporation:							
Family held	farms, 1997.. 88	56	50	24	90	6	54
	1992.. 77	39	64	17	77	4	52
	acres, 1997.. 282 693	(D)	753 511	34 081	261 899	31 532	304 785
	1992.. 210 481	199 014	938 394	62 119	(D)	(D)	257 523
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 4	—	2	3	—	—	3
	1992.. 2	1	2	3	—	1	4
	acres, 1997.. (D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	—	560
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 7	22	4	5	8	—	6
	1992.. 5	7	7	2	2	1	2
	acres, 1997.. (D)	(D)	(D)	91 847	17 485	—	4 664
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

Table 11. **Tenure and Characteristics of Operator and Type of Organization: 1997 and 1992—Con.**

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

Characteristics	Sweet Grass	Teton	Toole	Treasure	Valley	Wheatland	Wibaux	Yellowstone
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS—								
Con.								
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	1997.. 5	7	1	—	12	1	—	11
	1992.. —	12	5	1	14	5	4	15
25 to 34 years	1997.. 15	44	30	11	52	11	18	54
	1992.. 28	69	47	14	69	16	25	71
35 to 44 years	1997.. 58	155	91	29	123	34	34	273
	1992.. 80	155	91	28	147	26	29	225
45 to 54 years	1997.. 82	144	75	29	161	46	38	302
	1992.. 63	107	64	18	132	43	36	267
55 to 59 years	1997.. 34	37	40	9	50	9	20	126
	1992.. 34	54	39	11	52	8	18	99
60 to 64 years	1997.. 35	56	37	5	62	9	25	93
	1992.. 33	54	24	21	65	14	17	99
65 to 69 years	1997.. 27	41	32	14	66	8	15	98
	1992.. 19	43	22	8	59	6	15	84
70 years and over	1997.. 45	73	76	13	129	26	28	140
	1992.. 38	62	66	12	86	28	21	134
Average age	1997.. 54.4	51.3	54.5	52.2	54.2	52.8	54.0	52.8
	1992.. 51.8	49.9	51.7	51.1	51.6	52.2	51.2	52.4
Operators by sex:								
Male	farms, 1997.. 273	518	347	105	599	129	160	981
	1992.. 273	526	336	103	579	131	153	912
	acres, 1997.. 782 070	1 080 764	1 046 978	602 344	1 723 450	776 619	453 445	1 476 637
	1992.. 799 950	1 145 937	1 025 094	571 079	1 649 094	787 307	474 458	1 407 236
Female	farms, 1997.. 28	39	35	5	56	15	18	116
	1992.. 22	30	22	10	45	15	12	82
	acres, 1997.. 57 275	36 125	43 988	3 183	63 167	57 138	21 982	49 370
	1992.. 37 954	32 948	37 992	27 935	38 976	63 292	16 530	47 433
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	farms, 1997.. 240	422	218	71	529	110	144	901
	1992.. 232	414	233	78	505	110	135	815
	acres, 1997.. 497 065	537 130	444 055	191 181	885 901	357 863	306 813	856 111
	1992.. 513 024	579 157	514 462	171 298	969 230	352 434	323 892	915 938
Partnership	farms, 1997.. 30	48	50	13	51	11	12	90
	1992.. 34	69	37	9	59	11	13	78
	acres, 1997.. 195 920	117 685	180 773	(D)	229 693	110 050	52 581	285 896
	1992.. 80 965	208 621	208 714	55 603	(D)	121 795	32 076	220 846
Corporation:								
Family held	farms, 1997.. 23	79	109	21	63	19	19	94
	1992.. 25	66	82	24	50	19	17	84
	acres, 1997.. 130 053	431 427	458 848	202 769	323 426	261 624	(D)	291 056
	1992.. 229 877	367 470	321 320	(D)	346 335	259 312	135 020	284 843
Other than family held	farms, 1997.. 4	4	3	1	—	2	—	4
	1992.. 2	2	2	—	1	4	—	8
	acres, 1997.. (D)	2 207	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	—	(D)
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	—	(D)	(D)	—	21 806
Other—cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 1997.. 4	4	2	4	12	2	3	8
	1992.. 2	5	4	2	9	2	—	9
	acres, 1997.. (D)	28 440	(D)	149 871	347 597	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1992.. (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	188 187	(D)	—	11 236