

Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997

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

Item	Minnesota	Aitkin	Anoka	Becker	Beltrami	Benton	Big Stone	Blue Earth	
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002 80,839	674	552	1,254	746	965	446	1,125	
	1997 78,755	674	545	1,210	733	892	448	1,082	
	acres, 2002 27,512,270	174,364	60,387	416,554	232,735	195,949	274,038	405,564	
	1997 27,560,621	192,152	60,176	442,673	245,736	185,370	273,209	409,560	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 57,323	561	381	810	583	740	330	832	
	1997 62,760	581	390	892	585	747	376	908	
	acres, 2002 19,398,309	61,914	34,894	233,827	78,231	125,950	225,309	355,277	
	1997 19,794,078	63,946	33,275	260,847	84,151	118,946	223,347	360,986	
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002 51,312	502	424	940	527	664	217	576	
	1997 44,869	464	403	793	492	572	181	464	
	acres, 2002 9,926,985	97,062	31,185	220,817	117,876	84,222	83,684	97,791	
	1997 9,334,344	102,019	27,241	189,002	119,896	72,665	71,360	95,229	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 29,436	396	260	514	393	456	114	297	
	1997 30,207	382	268	487	363	437	115	306	
	acres, 2002 4,967,619	24,898	13,156	94,822	31,197	41,278	59,763	66,462	
	1997 4,955,665	26,649	10,365	76,523	30,525	35,870	51,244	70,394	
Part owners	farms, 2002 24,073	159	113	278	204	271	181	417	
	1997 26,384	200	117	365	223	269	197	469	
	acres, 2002 15,479,719	73,592	28,090	182,378	112,927	104,623	167,696	260,927	
	1997 15,724,278	89,396	28,770	236,075	123,305	104,305	174,916	267,275	
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 6,682,274	45,384	15,152	89,937	67,267	57,986	67,691	93,221	
	1997 7,153,632	52,518	14,773	117,793	75,249	63,733	74,712	98,815	
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 8,797,445	28,208	12,938	92,441	45,660	46,637	100,005	167,706	
	1997 8,570,646	36,878	13,997	118,282	48,056	40,572	100,204	168,460	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 22,978	158	110	263	181	258	173	409	
	1997 25,653	193	104	357	210	264	196	463	
	acres, 2002 12,549,071	33,916	20,882	128,346	46,142	79,537	144,934	243,629	
	1997 12,632,954	36,991	19,566	169,319	52,501	77,133	148,714	245,673	
Tenants	farms, 2002 5,454	13	15	36	15	30	48	132	
	1997 7,502	10	25	52	18	51	70	149	
	acres, 2002 2,105,566	3,710	1,112	13,359	1,932	7,104	22,658	46,846	
	1997 2,501,999	737	4,165	17,596	2,535	8,400	26,933	47,056	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 4,909	7	11	33	9	26	43	126	
	1997 6,900	6	18	48	12	46	65	139	
	acres, 2002 1,881,619	3,100	856	10,659	892	5,135	20,612	45,186	
	1997 2,205,459	306	3,344	15,005	1,125	5,943	23,389	44,919	
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	114,218	1,035	817	1,778	1,101	1,435	590	1,533
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator	53,372	375	341	816	461	545	319	796	
2 operators	23,568	256	170	384	251	385	111	271	
3 operators	2,666	31	31	35	15	27	15	43	
4 operators	804	10	7	11	7	5	1	12	
5 or more operators	429	2	3	8	12	3	-	3	
Total women operators	number	26,526	327	229	440	308	412	102	282
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator	23,917	290	197	408	277	370	94	252	
2 operators	1,017	17	16	13	8	17	4	11	
3 operators	141	1	-	2	5	-	-	2	
4 operators	21	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	
5 or more operators	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002 74,469	601	467	1,133	669	888	425	1,053	
	1997 74,550	618	460	1,149	675	853	430	1,039	
	acres, 2002 26,555,759	163,056	56,392	395,027	221,487	190,059	269,612	399,216	
	1997 26,842,118	182,854	54,217	424,057	235,664	182,206	267,413	405,730	
Female	farms, 2002 6,370	73	85	121	77	77	21	72	
	1997 4,205	56	85	61	58	39	18	43	
	acres, 2002 956,511	11,308	3,995	21,527	11,248	5,890	4,426	6,348	
	1997 718,503	9,298	5,959	18,616	10,072	3,164	5,796	3,830	
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002 50,808	330	258	667	397	567	344	775	
	1997 45,109	264	179	625	330	456	315	700	
Other	2002 30,031	344	294	587	349	398	102	350	
	1997 33,646	410	366	585	403	436	133	382	
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002 66,996	599	486	1,019	673	904	344	931	
	1997 60,162	526	422	983	609	736	311	820	
Not on farm operated	2002 13,843	75	66	235	73	61	102	194	
	1997 11,582	99	73	148	67	68	82	139	
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002 35,659	218	210	574	247	422	244	507	
	1997 31,161	202	151	470	210	320	200	437	
Any	2002 45,180	456	342	680	499	543	202	618	
	1997 41,633	441	374	684	467	514	203	531	
1 to 49 days	2002 5,360	55	30	81	53	44	36	80	
	1997 5,245	43	20	107	40	45	39	73	
50 to 99 days	2002 2,818	28	16	37	35	16	11	56	
	1997 2,583	17	21	38	22	14	21	28	
100 to 199 days	2002 6,275	67	55	86	80	76	25	62	
	1997 (NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
200 days or more	2002 30,727	306	241	476	331	407	130	420	
	1997 26,369	278	259	405	284	364	110	327	

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Item		Brown	Carlton	Carver	Cass	Chippewa	Chisago	Clay	Clearwater
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	1,047	607	820	646	694	943	877	627
	1997	1,064	612	831	677	629	860	943	630
acres, 2002	2002	348,187	114,291	171,913	197,153	339,652	116,948	600,600	226,452
	1997	350,319	120,612	159,012	207,438	319,030	131,305	607,129	232,333
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	833	483	645	528	477	714	590	443
	1997	939	550	715	534	534	686	699	514
acres, 2002	2002	292,867	41,141	135,300	65,923	275,276	64,296	486,830	82,691
	1997	305,923	43,635	120,811	64,834	287,036	73,040	495,085	81,597
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002	537	412	514	475	381	693	483	453
	1997	456	413	494	454	259	554	447	404
acres, 2002	2002	112,455	61,299	56,435	113,614	108,270	54,917	153,687	121,836
	1997	112,550	67,334	53,561	109,220	75,048	46,410	156,492	124,796
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	349	308	341	370	188	483	207	284
	1997	357	359	383	331	169	395	225	306
acres, 2002	2002	84,077	16,268	37,292	36,643	74,963	22,501	96,183	33,545
	1997	94,450	19,127	32,820	31,740	63,178	15,459	96,865	39,202
Part owners	farms, 2002	386	184	248	163	241	228	312	154
	1997	419	190	264	202	271	260	353	196
acres, 2002	2002	203,847	52,394	102,417	82,112	194,556	57,597	392,465	100,130
	1997	192,018	51,215	90,569	92,151	203,595	75,860	376,745	100,893
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	82,061	30,233	45,339	44,053	62,740	28,951	139,613	59,605
	1997	83,151	31,703	47,276	53,176	74,564	42,620	148,201	64,837
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	121,786	22,161	57,078	38,059	131,816	28,646	252,852	40,525
	1997	108,867	19,512	43,293	38,975	129,031	33,240	228,544	36,056
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	372	171	247	150	220	214	305	143
	1997	412	183	261	189	267	250	344	181
acres, 2002	2002	180,346	24,559	86,349	28,287	166,419	38,911	338,730	45,943
	1997	169,166	23,008	75,214	31,251	185,840	50,434	329,091	39,033
Tenants	farms, 2002	124	11	58	8	72	22	82	20
	1997	189	9	73	21	99	46	143	30
acres, 2002	2002	31,885	598	13,061	1,427	36,826	4,434	54,448	4,486
	1997	45,751	2,063	14,882	6,067	40,387	9,035	73,892	6,644
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	112	4	57	8	69	17	78	16
	1997	170	8	71	14	98	41	130	27
acres, 2002	2002	28,444	314	11,659	993	33,894	2,884	51,917	3,203
	1997	42,307	1,500	12,777	1,843	38,018	7,147	69,129	3,362
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	1,435	935	1,233	980	881	1,422	1,212	893
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		735	352	489	358	530	544	609	405
2 operators		268	207	284	255	145	350	220	202
3 operators		30	35	27	26	17	28	32	12
4 operators		6	3	10	4	1	15	13	3
5 or more operators		8	10	10	3	1	6	3	5
Total women operators	number	229	296	322	301	146	448	244	228
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		205	243	274	271	144	397	201	209
2 operators		8	19	24	15	1	21	20	8
3 operators		-	5	-	-	-	3	1	1
4 operators		2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	1,015	530	758	587	645	800	798	578
	1997	1,048	554	791	618	610	792	891	598
	acres, 2002	343,207	106,577	166,825	184,637	334,093	108,722	592,217	211,959
	1997	348,144	111,552	154,157	195,606	316,565	124,879	598,988	225,032
Female	farms, 2002	32	77	62	59	49	143	79	49
	1997	16	58	40	59	19	68	52	32
	acres, 2002	4,980	7,714	5,088	12,516	5,559	8,226	8,383	14,493
	1997	2,175	9,060	4,855	11,832	2,465	6,426	8,141	7,301
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	809	318	520	365	471	457	566	341
	1997	777	237	484	310	456	300	632	303
Other	2002	238	289	300	281	223	486	311	286
	1997	287	375	347	367	173	560	311	327
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002	886	581	749	584	511	862	632	530
	1997	784	556	683	584	438	728	653	510
Not on farm operated	2002	161	26	71	62	183	81	245	97
	1997	153	30	81	45	109	82	189	77
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002	523	223	375	246	350	300	408	223
	1997	505	164	334	199	261	255	415	205
Any	2002	524	384	445	400	344	643	469	404
	1997	450	418	425	449	295	569	447	392
1 to 49 days	2002	62	16	62	49	63	43	77	37
	1997	68	26	62	41	52	33	76	27
50 to 99 days	2002	41	12	8	19	28	54	32	19
	1997	44	23	15	22	42	21	37	27
100 to 199 days	2002	89	71	50	59	33	67	55	87
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	332	285	325	273	220	479	305	261
	1997	249	281	295	301	151	434	250	233

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Item		Cook	Cottonwood	Crow Wing	Dakota	Dodge	Douglas	Faribault	Fillmore
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	20	832	755	997	697	1,177	909	1,600
	1997	13	807	681	962	716	1,138	894	1,625
	acres, 2002	3,269	374,717	144,743	235,763	233,375	272,631	432,088	441,153
	1997	(D)	380,808	145,737	226,753	253,543	288,538	418,700	432,804
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	12	623	516	711	527	725	719	1,157
	1997	13	675	522	760	581	766	804	1,241
	acres, 2002	619	326,562	45,905	191,924	201,727	158,312	397,311	293,418
	1997	578	318,416	46,208	185,150	220,119	167,721	386,960	273,450
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002	12	383	598	645	423	869	395	1,070
	1997	10	294	492	575	395	754	309	1,055
	acres, 2002	1,142	89,469	88,655	78,458	65,249	133,387	91,602	183,495
	1997	(D)	97,318	78,597	75,592	76,350	130,244	80,121	199,894
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	8	190	376	393	265	441	222	652
	1997	10	178	346	393	271	404	225	701
	acres, 2002	107	62,333	20,284	51,097	47,259	48,356	76,458	97,815
	1997	125	63,984	19,695	49,770	58,312	47,821	69,155	103,098
Part owners	farms, 2002	8	347	151	268	220	265	388	442
	1997	3	375	179	270	251	314	435	424
	acres, 2002	2,127	253,974	55,137	137,283	142,746	132,127	289,086	235,220
	1997	1,263	236,969	66,703	124,220	152,012	143,215	283,922	199,558
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	1,417	96,687	32,491	52,882	60,460	69,759	95,997	121,032
	1997	(D)	90,277	40,636	55,820	66,458	87,822	93,530	107,841
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	710	157,287	22,646	84,401	82,286	62,368	193,089	114,188
	1997	(D)	146,692	26,067	68,400	85,554	55,393	190,392	91,717
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	4	341	135	238	211	252	379	431
	1997	3	368	169	260	247	300	429	414
	acres, 2002	512	234,330	25,061	122,184	129,989	105,409	271,095	177,144
	1997	453	212,103	26,284	111,779	138,562	108,025	266,773	144,196
Tenants	farms, 2002	-	102	6	84	54	43	126	88
	1997	-	138	10	117	70	150	150	146
	acres, 2002	-	31,274	951	20,022	25,380	7,117	51,400	22,438
	1997	-	46,521	437	26,941	25,181	15,079	54,657	33,352
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	-	92	5	80	51	32	118	74
	1997	-	129	7	107	63	62	150	126
	acres, 2002	-	29,899	560	18,643	24,479	4,547	49,758	18,459
	1997	-	42,329	229	23,601	23,245	11,875	51,032	26,156
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	35	1,142	1,109	1,434	1,020	1,604	1,223	2,308
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		7	577	476	663	444	806	650	1,026
2 operators		11	210	244	264	204	335	225	480
3 operators		2	36	16	46	31	22	23	66
4 operators		-	8	9	19	16	12	6	22
5 or more operators		-	1	10	5	2	2	5	6
Total women operators	number	11	209	345	332	226	372	251	536
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		11	195	282	287	203	353	235	478
2 operators		-	7	18	19	10	8	8	24
3 operators		-	-	9	1	1	1	-	2
4 operators		-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	16	773	660	890	669	1,084	845	1,494
	1997	12	779	621	876	690	1,077	867	1,540
	acres, 2002	2,415	365,536	132,954	227,700	230,971	262,385	425,183	428,419
	1997	(D)	373,047	138,420	221,214	251,990	279,855	410,867	421,251
Female	farms, 2002	4	59	95	107	28	93	64	106
	1997	1	28	60	86	26	61	27	85
	acres, 2002	854	9,181	11,789	8,063	2,404	10,246	6,905	12,734
	1997	(D)	7,761	7,317	5,539	1,553	8,683	7,833	11,553
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	9	602	378	594	439	663	683	1,034
	1997	2	566	277	458	415	620	670	977
Other	2002	11	230	377	403	258	514	226	566
	1997	11	241	404	504	301	518	224	648
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002	19	659	678	835	605	903	696	1,324
	1997	11	571	596	720	558	825	634	1,174
Not on farm operated	2002	1	173	77	162	92	274	213	276
	1997	2	162	50	169	91	200	173	279
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002	7	391	294	385	293	552	492	729
	1997	1	349	215	301	287	487	394	670
Any	2002	13	441	461	612	404	625	417	871
	1997	12	380	422	585	381	568	409	784
1 to 49 days	2002	-	91	45	48	64	52	58	90
	1997	5	72	33	36	53	51	91	98
50 to 99 days	2002	5	28	32	36	23	61	64	38
	1997	-	35	9	46	12	33	46	43
100 to 199 days	2002	-	96	65	82	37	60	87	113
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	8	226	319	446	280	452	208	630
	1997	4	202	297	405	259	404	193	498

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Item		Freeborn	Goodhue	Grant	Hennepin	Houston	Hubbard	Isanti	Itasca
FARMS									
Land in farms	..... farms, 2002	1,172	1,679	606	626	1,031	535	952	494
	..... 1997	1,193	1,582	510	641	998	503	858	476
	..... acres, 2002	394,408	384,108	317,464	65,426	253,600	140,004	138,608	120,176
	..... 1997	376,923	396,367	301,040	71,864	301,114	145,512	152,216	115,380
Harvested cropland	..... farms, 2002	833	1,206	322	453	708	398	663	383
	..... 1997	955	1,260	351	504	784	370	672	399
	..... acres, 2002	336,949	281,211	251,848	44,202	119,661	56,755	83,139	37,707
	..... 1997	331,265	286,479	247,183	49,971	153,979	56,436	92,216	41,552
TENURE									
Full owners	..... farms, 2002	617	1,078	396	474	744	399	720	335
	..... 1997	574	943	274	434	661	350	570	309
	..... acres, 2002	106,696	141,002	98,803	28,072	135,650	74,998	59,194	63,993
	..... 1997	87,572	144,814	92,320	25,231	131,475	66,369	52,593	49,989
Harvested cropland	..... farms, 2002	310	657	126	311	440	276	437	236
	..... 1997	358	653	128	315	471	221	402	247
	..... acres, 2002	76,398	77,660	61,548	12,981	45,224	20,474	22,609	12,038
	..... 1997	64,955	82,869	58,096	12,246	47,453	13,849	18,763	12,111
Part owners	..... farms, 2002	420	470	174	123	238	128	219	153
	..... 1997	430	490	184	155	279	146	257	162
	..... acres, 2002	247,244	216,155	202,985	32,505	103,267	63,404	74,074	(D)
	..... 1997	249,725	218,272	191,330	37,761	154,411	76,838	96,164	63,171
Owned land in farms	..... acres, 2002	91,298	102,699	82,346	11,761	64,938	31,842	35,414	30,397
	..... 1997	104,747	109,410	83,010	16,852	92,612	37,143	43,051	34,568
Rented land in farms	..... acres, 2002	155,946	113,456	120,639	20,744	38,329	31,562	38,660	(D)
	..... 1997	144,978	108,862	108,320	20,909	61,799	39,695	53,113	28,603
Harvested cropland	..... farms, 2002	403	440	162	117	233	114	213	141
	..... 1997	423	477	179	140	267	142	245	148
	..... acres, 2002	223,638	179,387	175,697	27,330	65,157	35,762	55,788	24,869
	..... 1997	230,135	173,797	172,758	30,279	96,318	41,090	70,447	(D)
Tenants	..... farms, 2002	135	131	36	29	49	8	13	6
	..... 1997	189	149	52	52	58	7	31	5
	..... acres, 2002	40,468	26,951	15,676	4,849	14,683	1,602	5,340	(D)
	..... 1997	39,626	33,281	17,390	8,872	15,228	2,305	3,459	2,220
Harvested cropland	..... farms, 2002	120	109	34	25	35	7	13	6
	..... 1997	174	130	44	49	46	7	25	4
	..... acres, 2002	36,913	24,164	14,603	3,891	9,280	519	4,742	800
	..... 1997	36,175	29,813	16,329	7,446	10,208	1,497	3,006	(D)
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	..... number	1,623	2,414	775	919	1,442	764	1,387	779
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator	.....	793	1,072	466	391	680	335	579	251
2 operators	.....	329	522	121	196	306	176	331	218
3 operators	.....	33	52	14	29	33	20	31	16
4 operators	.....	13	24	2	6	9	3	8	3
5 or more operators	.....	4	9	3	4	3	1	3	6
Total women operators	..... number	308	589	137	283	339	214	426	267
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator	.....	286	508	121	233	317	194	382	236
2 operators	.....	8	32	6	22	11	7	17	11
3 operators	.....	2	3	-	2	-	2	2	3
4 operators	.....	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-
5 or more operators	.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	..... farms, 2002	1,108	1,546	571	509	936	492	847	425
	..... 1997	1,150	1,498	492	566	932	455	761	439
	..... acres, 2002	381,398	375,515	306,676	60,934	230,731	129,045	132,973	109,026
	..... 1997	371,686	388,196	298,930	67,943	287,889	135,977	146,370	110,490
Female	..... farms, 2002	64	133	35	117	95	43	105	69
	..... 1997	43	84	18	75	66	48	97	37
	..... acres, 2002	13,010	8,593	10,788	4,492	22,869	10,959	5,635	11,150
	..... 1997	5,237	8,171	2,110	3,921	13,225	9,535	5,846	4,890
Primary occupation:									
Farming	..... 2002	761	1,010	407	319	636	261	465	240
	..... 1997	727	848	328	248	576	179	328	161
Other	..... 2002	411	669	199	307	395	274	487	254
	..... 1997	466	734	182	393	422	324	566	315
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	..... 2002	934	1,432	479	511	911	467	877	459
	..... 1997	882	1,251	334	516	772	397	739	417
Not on farm operated	..... 2002	238	247	127	115	120	68	75	35
	..... 1997	197	215	102	84	143	67	61	32
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	..... 2002	479	648	318	276	484	181	303	158
	..... 1997	469	565	234	186	434	144	216	125
Any	..... 2002	693	1,031	288	350	547	354	649	336
	..... 1997	610	912	221	427	499	332	598	326
1 to 49 days	..... 2002	72	82	33	43	52	25	48	25
	..... 1997	86	91	42	31	58	32	52	20
50 to 99 days	..... 2002	47	45	16	26	27	13	10	21
	..... 1997	28	60	18	26	30	25	30	11
100 to 199 days	..... 2002	69	157	31	34	80	77	93	78
	..... 1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more 2002	505	747	208	247	388	239	498	212
 1997	398	613	114	299	346	207	434	195

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Jackson	Kanabec	Kandiyohi	Kittson	Koochiching	Lac qui Parle	Lake	Lake of the Woods
FARMS								
Land in farms	farms, 2002 989	796	1,286	659	258	910	46	266
	1997 982	716	1,225	635	243	809	45	237
	acres, 2002 398,068	158,736	407,905	555,561	74,318	435,002	4,807	152,491
	1997 382,192	152,157	394,915	581,505	88,075	408,033	4,906	158,907
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 764	600	797	353	211	634	34	148
	1997 826	598	876	427	201	665	30	183
	acres, 2002 349,930	68,892	308,266	331,662	24,470	348,288	1,818	47,205
	1997 338,927	59,111	300,404	382,538	27,565	333,522	1,429	70,680
TENURE								
Full owners	farms, 2002 442	586	885	426	186	459	32	182
	1997 369	484	789	310	159	340	30	154
	acres, 2002 92,909	81,592	144,963	208,549	39,615	116,762	3,103	92,558
	1997 79,603	70,027	140,205	168,567	46,502	102,286	3,120	76,743
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 238	408	415	129	139	209	20	93
	1997 237	385	455	120	124	208	18	102
	acres, 2002 70,404	23,332	72,755	68,998	(D)	74,909	962	25,442
	1997 61,028	20,513	78,338	67,074	11,758	70,715	551	22,481
Part owners	farms, 2002 406	200	336	185	71	352	14	75
	1997 418	213	342	250	78	349	15	83
	acres, 2002 260,374	76,305	241,410	295,225	(D)	284,232	1,704	58,149
	1997 238,101	73,113	224,959	370,631	39,253	263,576	1,786	82,164
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 95,542	44,409	99,885	124,587	21,225	108,546	767	35,548
	1997 89,387	45,287	98,409	158,519	23,323	106,879	655	45,495
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 164,832	31,896	141,525	170,638	(D)	175,686	937	22,601
	1997 148,714	27,826	126,550	212,112	15,930	156,697	1,131	36,669
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 392	184	325	177	71	332	14	49
	1997 410	199	334	242	74	346	12	81
	acres, 2002 237,753	45,103	215,035	217,205	14,839	241,700	856	20,843
	1997 218,357	35,623	196,099	280,341	15,647	224,976	878	48,199
Tenants	farms, 2002 141	10	65	48	1	99	-	9
	1997 195	19	94	75	6	120	-	-
	acres, 2002 44,785	839	21,532	51,787	(D)	34,008	-	1,784
	1997 64,488	9,017	29,751	42,307	2,320	42,171	-	-
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 134	8	57	47	1	93	-	6
	1997 179	14	87	65	3	111	-	-
	acres, 2002 41,773	457	20,476	45,459	(D)	31,679	-	920
	1997 59,542	2,975	25,967	35,123	160	37,831	-	-
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS								
Total operators	number 1,352	1,164	1,825	875	378	1,209	65	404
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	704	468	860	487	163	684	31	158
2 operators	238	297	355	146	79	182	11	87
3 operators	33	23	49	18	11	30	4	16
4 operators	5	7	12	5	3	6	-	3
5 or more operators	9	1	10	3	2	8	-	2
Total women operators	number 238	317	408	188	93	182	12	97
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	206	305	359	166	83	168	12	93
2 operators	13	6	18	8	5	4	-	2
3 operators	2	-	1	2	-	2	-	-
4 operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Sex of operator:								
Male	farms, 2002 946	745	1,190	563	230	868	46	241
	1997 948	664	1,143	593	226	780	44	225
	acres, 2002 390,707	153,333	395,591	530,274	70,020	428,347	4,807	147,435
	1997 376,242	141,247	383,341	559,433	82,403	399,356	(D)	156,675
Female	farms, 2002 43	51	96	96	28	42	-	25
	1997 34	52	82	42	17	29	1	12
	acres, 2002 7,361	5,403	12,314	25,287	4,298	6,655	-	5,056
	1997 5,950	10,910	11,574	22,072	5,672	8,677	(D)	2,232
Primary occupation:								
Farming	2002 732	397	753	371	106	663	24	134
	1997 680	294	667	376	90	593	13	96
Other	2002 257	399	533	288	152	247	22	132
	1997 302	422	558	259	153	216	32	141
Place of residence ¹ :								
On farm operated	2002 801	742	1,020	403	229	635	41	221
	1997 699	613	900	399	196	560	39	167
Not on farm operated	2002 188	54	266	256	29	275	5	45
	1997 196	60	206	176	26	156	6	41
Days worked off farm ¹ :								
None	2002 440	271	623	324	80	465	20	96
	1997 441	184	465	237	59	382	14	71
Any	2002 549	525	663	335	178	445	26	170
	1997 454	496	670	347	173	325	31	151
1 to 49 days	2002 85	37	73	58	3	86	2	16
	1997 80	33	97	59	8	67	4	12
50 to 99 days	2002 48	40	38	22	5	46	-	13
	1997 33	14	48	34	10	19	2	7
100 to 199 days	2002 65	69	92	67	30	53	1	19
	1997 (NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002 351	379	460	188	140	260	23	122
	1997 251	351	437	172	97	173	23	105

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Le Sueur	Lincoln	Lyon	McLeod	Mahnomen	Marshall	Martin	Meeker
FARMS								
Land in farms	974	761	949	987	363	1,409	954	1,141
1997	934	755	949	1,055	383	1,307	998	1,079
acres, 2002	238,076	271,345	404,004	262,724	194,854	934,932	422,758	340,552
1997	217,338	275,950	400,808	256,398	219,476	921,143	424,254	304,171
Harvested cropland	596	467	678	786	241	754	777	730
1997	650	537	749	894	317	864	885	810
acres, 2002	181,878	196,797	340,258	223,521	119,820	547,457	387,332	258,724
1997	161,855	180,735	334,464	211,605	153,498	615,750	389,646	233,592
TENURE								
Full owners	635	509	487	556	223	937	398	786
1997	566	428	432	605	187	718	355	674
acres, 2002	73,002	108,736	123,303	61,480	88,607	372,177	90,070	127,020
1997	71,939	89,326	113,297	83,647	66,867	293,181	87,649	127,714
Harvested cropland	276	225	240	371	103	316	243	385
1997	301	224	246	455	127	301	254	433
acres, 2002	34,818	60,667	86,803	41,309	38,998	112,948	76,707	71,618
1997	35,894	40,711	82,355	61,427	31,076	109,802	77,261	83,051
Part owners	286	192	361	348	119	374	407	306
1997	302	240	387	360	149	448	438	334
acres, 2002	150,150	135,466	243,997	173,112	97,355	483,521	281,192	200,730
1997	134,860	159,486	245,657	151,837	128,942	525,078	268,288	160,873
Owned land in farms	63,610	60,551	103,309	77,698	51,059	203,944	96,264	91,800
1997	62,866	75,440	98,085	67,892	70,004	238,142	96,021	77,292
Rented land in farms	86,540	74,915	140,688	95,414	46,296	279,577	184,928	108,930
1997	71,994	84,046	147,572	83,945	58,936	286,936	172,267	83,581
Harvested cropland	271	186	347	342	118	355	395	298
1997	293	237	381	353	430	435	435	319
acres, 2002	132,882	114,110	218,434	155,365	73,703	369,268	261,088	175,339
1997	116,716	119,545	215,033	130,010	100,769	418,732	248,503	136,652
Tenants	53	60	101	83	21	98	149	49
1997	66	87	130	90	47	141	205	71
acres, 2002	14,924	27,143	36,704	28,132	8,892	79,234	51,496	12,802
1997	10,539	27,138	41,854	20,914	23,667	102,884	68,317	15,584
Harvested cropland	49	56	91	73	20	83	139	47
1997	56	76	122	86	46	133	196	58
acres, 2002	14,178	22,020	35,021	26,847	7,119	65,241	49,537	11,767
1997	9,245	20,479	37,076	20,168	21,653	87,216	63,882	13,889
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS								
Total operators	1,314	1,019	1,251	1,356	497	1,861	1,303	1,595
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	702	545	702	660	250	1,036	656	762
2 operators	226	185	210	295	97	325	253	325
3 operators	37	22	24	27	12	33	39	39
4 operators	3	7	10	3	3	8	6	12
5 or more operators	6	2	3	2	1	7	-	3
Total women operators	254	223	205	288	117	365	233	380
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	240	206	201	272	111	334	215	346
2 operators	1	7	2	3	3	11	9	17
3 operators	4	1	-	2	-	3	-	-
4 operators	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Sex of operator:								
Male	909	695	908	924	340	1,274	909	1,034
1997	879	726	927	1,017	361	1,246	969	1,011
acres, 2002	230,300	262,551	395,919	257,140	188,328	882,255	409,321	332,518
1997	211,187	271,297	395,006	253,202	209,732	902,651	415,493	294,943
Female	65	66	41	63	23	135	45	107
1997	55	29	22	38	22	61	29	68
acres, 2002	7,776	8,794	8,085	5,584	6,526	52,677	13,437	8,034
1997	6,151	4,653	5,802	3,196	9,744	18,492	8,761	9,228
Primary occupation:								
Farming	584	505	706	690	240	886	741	704
1997	479	482	652	658	275	749	689	631
Other	390	256	243	297	123	523	213	437
1997	455	273	297	397	108	558	309	448
Place of residence ¹ :								
On farm operated	797	557	722	872	298	962	745	948
1997	680	499	682	845	284	830	704	810
Not on farm operated	177	204	227	115	65	447	209	193
1997	154	171	144	132	62	368	208	157
Days worked off farm ¹ :								
None	421	434	497	459	170	656	465	523
1997	359	343	435	423	138	508	424	411
Any	553	327	452	528	193	753	489	618
1997	511	342	407	545	205	717	462	558
1 to 49 days	73	54	100	57	37	131	62	83
1997	47	47	88	88	34	126	79	80
50 to 99 days	30	17	33	49	17	54	31	41
1997	39	32	21	27	28	54	35	30
100 to 199 days	96	44	50	69	31	112	80	65
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	354	212	269	353	108	456	316	429
1997	332	197	241	362	97	420	282	334

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Mille Lacs	Morrison	Mower	Murray	Nicollet	Nobles	Norman	Olmsted
FARMS								
Land in farms	847	1,924	1,088	911	730	1,043	660	1,395
1997	799	1,958	1,166	849	741	1,029	726	1,399
acres, 2002	132,369	452,120	412,145	407,488	257,101	404,307	527,283	313,020
1997	149,832	456,837	407,685	387,758	253,483	393,866	530,516	303,388
Harvested cropland	680	1,510	835	696	595	813	452	912
1997	677	1,638	972	738	670	899	536	1,007
acres, 2002	65,093	216,309	371,272	353,805	224,036	353,112	391,763	219,914
1997	73,793	203,319	363,090	334,974	230,070	354,283	413,329	202,304
TENURE								
Full owners	599	1,359	650	439	361	467	373	955
1997	508	1,329	624	332	317	359	355	914
acres, 2002	62,160	221,124	153,610	102,562	72,904	106,035	157,201	124,137
1997	67,872	243,762	124,477	91,617	70,898	80,246	164,630	118,317
Harvested cropland	444	975	402	235	239	264	174	510
1997	397	1,029	445	238	250	250	173	559
acres, 2002	21,064	81,835	129,166	77,037	53,234	82,948	79,986	66,616
1997	26,159	89,503	101,388	75,293	60,163	69,622	97,636	56,920
Part owners	231	527	342	380	280	408	219	347
1997	254	552	401	370	297	448	274	358
acres, 2002	66,699	226,167	216,104	261,420	158,137	248,829	316,306	160,327
1997	78,056	198,116	237,479	243,892	147,626	245,813	315,120	156,647
Owned land in farms	37,463	145,277	73,296	93,287	63,197	82,751	118,827	81,470
1997	46,561	138,160	89,660	97,679	64,359	85,398	137,664	83,054
Rented land in farms	29,236	80,890	142,808	168,133	94,940	166,078	197,479	78,857
1997	31,495	59,956	147,819	146,213	83,267	160,415	177,456	73,593
Harvested cropland	220	501	338	376	273	391	212	326
1997	245	537	390	366	294	434	267	339
acres, 2002	40,958	131,134	200,224	235,293	146,905	225,013	263,911	128,399
1997	44,935	103,365	219,228	212,291	136,542	221,623	268,397	121,695
Tenants	17	38	96	92	89	168	68	93
1997	37	77	141	147	127	222	97	127
acres, 2002	3,510	4,829	42,431	43,506	26,060	49,443	53,776	28,556
1997	3,904	14,959	45,729	52,249	34,959	67,807	50,766	28,424
Harvested cropland	16	34	95	85	83	158	66	76
1997	35	72	137	134	126	215	96	109
acres, 2002	3,071	3,340	41,882	41,475	23,897	45,151	47,866	24,899
1997	2,699	10,451	42,474	47,390	33,365	63,038	47,296	23,689
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS								
Total operators	1,212	2,845	1,567	1,206	1,046	1,417	894	1,924
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	534	1,153	688	663	485	746	487	940
2 operators	287	665	344	216	200	245	138	402
3 operators	14	77	41	23	25	35	22	37
4 operators	6	18	9	5	16	9	7	13
5 or more operators	6	11	6	4	4	8	6	3
Total women operators	327	801	323	217	186	221	169	437
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	310	705	307	193	165	210	137	403
2 operators	7	37	5	9	9	4	10	14
3 operators	1	4	2	2	1	1	-	2
4 operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Sex of operator:								
Male	763	1,786	1,048	860	712	1,018	615	1,283
1997	734	1,854	1,131	828	732	1,000	676	1,320
acres, 2002	122,062	424,486	402,128	397,180	252,898	399,320	508,402	305,529
1997	143,128	440,112	401,243	385,035	249,804	386,682	504,787	297,477
Female	84	138	40	51	18	25	45	112
1997	65	104	35	21	9	29	50	79
acres, 2002	10,307	27,634	10,017	10,308	4,203	4,987	18,881	7,491
1997	6,704	16,725	6,442	2,723	3,679	7,184	25,729	5,911
Primary occupation:								
Farming	448	1,265	796	665	536	854	448	775
1997	364	1,057	729	656	507	748	476	666
Other	399	659	292	246	194	189	212	620
1997	435	901	437	193	234	281	250	733
Place of residence ¹ :								
On farm operated	784	1,772	889	714	628	843	481	1,202
1997	677	1,644	871	613	586	744	479	1,092
Not on farm operated	63	152	199	197	102	200	179	193
1997	64	171	200	129	89	184	158	192
Days worked off farm ¹ :								
None	289	829	462	451	322	495	342	559
1997	244	770	500	427	314	441	322	502
Any	558	1,095	626	460	408	548	318	836
1997	500	1,049	565	318	360	476	346	813
1 to 49 days	45	132	73	90	60	82	59	73
1997	55	83	71	60	64	102	79	67
50 to 99 days	34	51	50	51	29	29	48	34
1997	17	54	33	32	25	41	35	30
100 to 199 days	91	170	52	78	65	79	46	124
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	388	742	451	241	254	358	165	605
1997	343	687	376	168	209	263	142	581

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Otter Tail	Pennington	Pine	Pipestone	Polk	Pope	Ramsey	Red Lake	
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	3,013	610	1,199	703	1,518	924	36	378
	1997	2,899	602	1,089	696	1,501	880	64	424
	acres, 2002	880,525	331,574	254,858	249,432	1,111,199	350,160	1,050	226,944
	1997	910,179	378,589	279,296	239,922	1,180,478	345,689	(D)	237,605
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	1,816	318	938	491	884	554	28	216
	1997	2,085	418	949	565	1,145	659	44	267
	acres, 2002	480,798	176,235	98,191	185,056	792,010	237,416	212	141,044
	1997	530,192	234,264	104,503	188,711	907,535	236,401	688	150,248
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002	2,149	449	838	381	884	677	27	254
	1997	1,867	392	666	310	696	572	49	273
	acres, 2002	378,049	150,927	125,336	90,611	290,755	157,651	963	109,314
	1997	361,966	130,313	125,432	51,824	260,836	135,920	(D)	104,431
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	1,017	177	599	202	286	326	21	100
	1997	1,099	221	539	196	368	354	31	123
	acres, 2002	122,770	46,743	33,679	58,285	98,561	77,680	(D)	50,653
	1997	140,976	47,938	30,830	36,866	126,722	63,900	638	46,604
Part owners	farms, 2002	758	129	335	253	504	202	3	101
	1997	907	177	389	275	591	247	6	121
	acres, 2002	454,503	154,649	124,422	136,097	711,054	173,698	50	104,254
	1997	511,906	210,249	146,423	151,531	750,211	175,352	59	120,399
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	243,262	68,045	75,327	50,824	254,268	86,779	35	50,143
	1997	268,921	88,993	90,546	63,360	265,510	94,007	(D)	57,612
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	211,241	86,604	49,095	85,273	456,786	86,919	15	54,111
	1997	242,985	121,256	55,877	88,171	484,701	81,345	(D)	62,787
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	707	114	324	227	479	194	3	94
	1997	872	167	376	267	574	246	4	119
	acres, 2002	316,462	107,713	61,978	107,493	595,786	143,857	37	79,631
	1997	360,433	154,767	68,778	121,656	627,839	141,393	(D)	92,711
Tenants	farms, 2002	106	32	26	69	130	45	6	23
	1997	125	33	34	111	214	61	9	30
	acres, 2002	47,973	25,998	5,100	22,724	109,390	18,811	37	13,376
	1997	36,307	38,027	7,441	36,567	169,431	34,417	28	12,775
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	92	27	15	62	119	34	4	22
	1997	114	30	34	102	203	59	9	25
	acres, 2002	41,566	21,779	2,534	19,278	97,863	15,879	(D)	10,760
	1997	28,783	31,559	4,895	30,189	152,974	31,108	(D)	10,933
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	4,299	809	1,790	929	2,100	1,315	74	501
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		1,983	445	698	507	1,031	598	15	275
2 operators		870	142	442	173	416	286	11	96
3 operators		97	16	38	19	57	22	4	4
4 operators		37	5	17	3	9	12	5	2
5 or more operators		26	2	4	1	5	6	1	1
Total women operators	number	1,040	176	581	178	405	265	26	100
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		919	172	505	172	377	253	13	93
2 operators		42	2	31	3	12	6	5	1
3 operators		7	-	3	-	-	-	1	-
4 operators		4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	2,777	553	1,053	675	1,368	872	32	354
	1997	2,762	560	993	674	1,425	827	46	399
	acres, 2002	846,604	313,570	232,255	244,443	1,064,199	342,316	1,021	219,018
	1997	889,257	367,454	262,888	236,432	1,147,793	337,220	(D)	230,651
Female	farms, 2002	236	57	146	28	150	52	4	24
	1997	137	42	96	22	76	53	18	25
	acres, 2002	33,921	18,004	22,603	4,989	47,000	7,844	29	7,926
	1997	20,922	11,135	16,408	3,490	32,685	8,469	(D)	6,954
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	1,721	393	615	492	959	598	21	245
	1997	1,615	337	482	487	959	527	28	213
Other	2002	1,292	217	584	211	559	326	15	133
	1997	1,284	265	607	209	542	353	36	211
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002	2,409	431	1,105	568	1,055	748	22	268
	1997	2,225	415	934	527	986	630	29	272
Not on farm operated	2002	604	179	94	135	463	176	14	110
	1997	443	137	99	98	374	155	22	97
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002	1,341	296	424	306	732	446	15	175
	1997	1,292	252	383	284	673	361	36	155
Any	2002	1,672	314	775	397	786	478	21	203
	1997	1,433	312	659	342	727	435	24	241
1 to 49 days	2002	257	37	68	53	127	73	-	20
	1997	156	48	50	74	135	68	2	34
50 to 99 days	2002	104	21	49	32	46	37	4	13
	1997	96	12	27	27	63	28	5	20
100 to 199 days	2002	226	43	122	57	123	54	5	31
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	1,085	213	536	255	490	314	12	139
	1997	933	188	445	199	370	276	13	144

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Redwood	Renville	Rice	Rock	Roseau	St. Louis	Scott	Sherburne	
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	1,198	1,164	1,296	721	1,238	978	1,004	677
	1997	1,163	1,124	1,290	708	1,215	861	896	588
	acres, 2002	545,248	664,056	248,818	299,090	702,918	175,076	130,889	125,798
	1997	503,690	603,911	256,572	278,544	711,732	187,502	120,442	113,104
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	936	913	840	590	701	760	719	480
	1997	1,006	1,012	938	613	796	706	729	466
	acres, 2002	486,914	597,922	178,957	254,817	257,026	66,379	97,847	83,385
	1997	451,426	552,731	184,118	244,931	418,428	75,074	91,448	68,882
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002	550	500	857	349	918	706	699	523
	1997	386	414	846	296	858	540	554	417
	acres, 2002	133,294	157,555	81,234	88,868	350,998	87,964	47,972	51,261
	1997	103,862	149,820	102,669	68,274	350,217	75,443	41,543	49,041
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	299	279	429	228	407	500	430	331
	1997	260	318	515	217	457	404	401	299
	acres, 2002	97,432	126,017	37,121	70,256	95,753	24,764	26,960	22,461
	1997	86,017	126,182	52,449	57,898	146,934	18,539	26,124	22,365
Part owners	farms, 2002	505	465	360	291	277	259	260	129
	1997	540	468	348	281	299	304	275	155
	acres, 2002	353,922	399,512	150,469	182,124	316,442	86,243	77,535	62,158
	1997	318,957	367,862	133,951	169,805	340,928	109,504	68,616	61,825
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	113,823	125,359	68,457	55,191	173,315	51,489	32,958	33,878
	1997	120,293	118,874	63,906	49,867	177,244	62,997	29,434	33,859
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	240,099	274,153	82,012	126,933	143,127	34,754	44,577	28,280
	1997	198,664	248,988	70,045	119,938	163,684	46,507	39,182	27,966
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	500	446	334	285	256	249	249	124
	1997	528	466	340	277	289	289	263	154
	acres, 2002	333,989	371,504	126,204	160,336	143,911	41,061	66,402	48,768
	1997	291,350	344,747	114,696	150,885	254,759	55,318	56,381	45,051
Tenants	farms, 2002	143	199	79	81	43	13	45	25
	1997	237	242	96	131	58	17	67	16
	acres, 2002	58,032	106,989	17,115	28,098	35,478	869	5,382	12,379
	1997	80,871	86,229	19,952	40,465	20,587	2,555	10,283	2,238
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	137	188	77	77	38	11	40	25
	1997	218	228	83	119	50	13	65	13
	acres, 2002	55,493	100,401	15,632	24,225	17,362	554	4,485	12,156
	1997	74,059	81,802	16,973	36,148	16,735	1,217	8,943	1,466
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	1,630	1,597	1,855	998	1,685	1,471	1,431	1,054
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		870	821	827	486	860	550	641	373
2 operators		272	284	418	203	324	380	324	260
3 operators		30	41	36	26	43	35	27	24
4 operators		15	12	7	2	8	9	9	13
5 or more operators		11	6	8	4	3	4	3	7
Total women operators	number	259	271	468	186	373	488	416	338
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		237	248	415	177	339	428	347	305
2 operators		8	10	20	3	17	27	26	3
3 operators		2	1	3	1	-	2	4	9
4 operators		-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	1,144	1,099	1,187	698	1,137	817	883	565
	1997	1,132	1,085	1,219	686	1,160	761	831	550
	acres, 2002	533,111	651,304	239,019	292,721	660,707	155,826	125,845	121,534
	1997	498,133	592,439	251,610	273,837	677,776	177,270	117,219	110,306
Female	farms, 2002	54	65	109	23	101	161	121	112
	1997	31	39	71	22	55	100	65	38
	acres, 2002	12,137	12,752	9,799	6,369	42,211	19,250	5,044	4,264
	1997	5,557	11,472	4,962	4,707	33,956	10,232	3,223	2,798
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	972	901	684	546	677	510	494	356
	1997	916	843	568	477	562	267	340	236
Other	2002	226	263	612	175	561	468	510	321
	1997	247	281	722	231	653	594	556	352
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002	923	916	1,085	620	987	909	893	611
	1997	842	788	981	561	844	767	738	481
Not on farm operated	2002	275	248	211	101	251	69	111	66
	1997	196	218	189	96	245	59	91	57
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002	625	576	506	322	501	394	353	229
	1997	558	512	424	314	401	230	257	191
Any	2002	573	588	790	399	737	584	651	448
	1997	485	508	800	337	724	604	587	367
1 to 49 days	2002	121	108	68	68	87	52	32	31
	1997	122	114	72	54	68	37	43	21
50 to 99 days	2002	44	65	38	20	38	31	10	19
	1997	65	52	33	19	22	15	25	11
100 to 199 days	2002	97	104	83	51	76	67	73	65
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	311	311	601	260	536	434	536	333
	1997	208	246	568	204	519	429	440	280

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Item	Sibley	Stearns	Steele	Stevens	Swift	Todd	Traverse	Wabasha	
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	963	3,152	899	556	807	1,825	452	999
	1997	987	3,135	803	524	774	1,901	410	1,003
	acres, 2002	339,445	681,350	281,847	313,292	415,844	370,272	343,999	267,058
	1997	316,722	657,581	235,872	315,360	409,202	406,162	344,484	256,970
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	781	2,380	578	354	533	1,367	309	714
	1997	892	2,583	639	408	648	1,550	349	794
	acres, 2002	293,803	453,031	238,805	267,238	336,294	183,200	305,913	166,005
	1997	275,958	421,999	206,967	279,368	340,473	197,243	313,750	157,605
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002	504	2,222	576	282	483	1,352	213	647
	1997	487	2,192	416	240	377	1,321	134	627
	acres, 2002	98,167	337,412	99,555	63,454	153,314	192,653	70,608	117,294
	1997	102,127	355,880	63,792	75,412	111,088	212,346	66,064	126,576
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	350	1,501	271	105	219	922	81	392
	1997	398	1,667	266	134	255	1,003	74	433
	acres, 2002	74,845	184,358	70,407	41,538	102,195	69,169	52,523	59,438
	1997	81,510	199,680	45,763	55,759	76,660	81,460	56,694	64,903
Part owners	farms, 2002	341	796	253	203	251	433	171	299
	1997	352	768	295	207	307	517	201	289
	acres, 2002	195,607	305,589	171,944	202,266	227,217	168,257	227,350	132,584
	1997	167,543	267,646	156,604	186,069	256,190	184,990	216,055	115,430
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	79,795	174,834	61,477	81,337	100,134	103,196	85,388	74,228
	1997	75,702	167,214	69,353	79,693	112,490	120,853	79,139	66,959
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	115,812	130,755	110,467	120,929	127,083	65,061	141,962	58,356
	1997	91,841	100,432	87,251	106,376	143,700	64,137	136,916	48,471
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	322	767	245	193	243	413	162	281
	1997	352	757	289	203	303	497	201	281
	acres, 2002	175,702	238,217	158,896	180,904	202,092	106,489	209,158	93,816
	1997	151,427	196,241	146,388	173,295	227,185	110,624	202,840	80,407
Tenants	farms, 2002	118	134	70	71	73	40	68	53
	1997	148	175	92	77	90	63	75	87
	acres, 2002	45,671	38,349	10,348	47,572	35,313	9,362	46,041	17,180
	1997	47,052	34,055	15,476	53,879	41,924	8,826	62,365	14,964
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	109	112	62	56	71	32	66	41
	1997	142	159	84	71	90	50	74	80
	acres, 2002	43,256	30,456	9,502	44,796	32,007	7,542	44,232	12,751
	1997	43,021	26,078	14,816	50,314	36,628	5,159	54,216	12,295
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	1,380	4,696	1,277	829	1,083	2,575	610	1,471
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		625	1,908	605	369	593	1,167	322	622
2 operators		287	1,042	236	139	176	590	115	315
3 operators		35	123	39	31	20	54	9	42
4 operators		8	63	15	7	14	10	4	12
5 or more operators		8	16	4	10	4	4	2	8
Total women operators	number	284	1,221	283	153	206	703	101	344
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		258	1,083	241	144	190	668	89	320
2 operators		13	51	16	3	8	16	1	12
3 operators		-	12	2	1	-	1	2	-
4 operators		-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	922	2,963	831	519	744	1,675	421	922
	1997	964	2,988	767	508	749	1,792	387	942
	acres, 2002	333,886	658,984	278,219	308,198	397,751	348,467	339,532	257,835
	1997	312,891	637,289	230,048	313,673	398,571	389,379	333,570	246,519
Female	farms, 2002	41	189	68	37	63	150	31	77
	1997	23	147	36	16	25	109	23	61
	acres, 2002	5,559	22,366	3,628	5,094	18,093	21,805	4,467	9,223
	1997	3,831	20,292	5,824	1,687	10,631	16,783	10,914	10,451
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	717	2,128	577	387	599	1,109	325	687
	1997	660	1,999	475	367	527	989	321	601
Other	2002	246	1,024	322	169	208	716	127	312
	1997	327	1,136	328	157	247	912	89	402
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002	812	2,764	715	443	580	1,610	316	851
	1997	755	2,549	612	373	534	1,577	277	798
Not on farm operated	2002	151	388	184	113	227	215	136	148
	1997	123	335	106	93	157	188	87	116
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002	457	1,560	421	290	418	753	273	459
	1997	401	1,554	315	249	338	745	197	438
Any	2002	506	1,592	478	266	389	1,072	179	540
	1997	472	1,376	423	234	353	1,052	166	486
1 to 49 days	2002	51	138	51	49	66	96	34	41
	1997	49	161	47	46	70	94	38	52
50 to 99 days	2002	40	77	19	11	33	44	20	37
	1997	38	68	15	12	42	67	20	24
100 to 199 days	2002	72	219	51	27	60	160	25	66
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	343	1,158	357	179	230	772	100	396
	1997	298	879	294	131	169	723	78	334

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Item		Wadena	Waseca	Washington	Watonwan	Wilkin	Winona	Wright	Yellow Medicine
FARMS									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	734	759	810	601	414	1,125	1,646	989
	1997	694	735	739	590	466	1,103	1,541	904
acres, 2002	165,519	231,328	96,089	271,521	424,508	310,976	265,605	447,696	420,068
	1997	188,331	243,634	92,683	260,057	483,592	299,386	258,783	420,068
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	515	551	571	465	311	850	1,203	688
	1997	544	608	561	511	397	917	1,260	745
acres, 2002	67,876	200,270	59,921	243,337	382,261	181,548	188,139	377,861	352,962
	1997	76,183	211,602	58,171	233,563	435,854	166,089	181,086	352,962
TENURE									
Full owners	farms, 2002	548	419	570	272	183	757	1,103	532
	1997	494	348	502	233	171	662	960	382
acres, 2002	92,733	66,810	32,714	61,352	79,483	151,886	99,673	127,931	108,540
	1997	106,148	60,324	34,083	67,401	111,676	132,237	89,082	108,540
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	344	220	368	151	88	501	699	240
	1997	359	234	348	160	108	496	698	235
acres, 2002	26,283	48,606	10,092	49,735	55,570	65,607	49,027	91,167	79,533
	1997	31,227	46,469	11,949	55,702	88,585	57,900	43,457	79,533
Part owners	farms, 2002	165	266	190	237	180	311	459	368
	1997	186	279	205	250	219	350	470	397
acres, 2002	70,405	143,164	54,611	177,291	314,250	146,255	148,120	278,627	269,940
	1997	77,661	153,918	55,048	156,826	334,462	146,667	147,676	269,940
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	42,293	61,351	24,959	63,377	112,957	80,498	62,134	106,198
	1997	47,871	63,503	23,869	57,668	137,081	91,697	71,198	100,092
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	28,112	81,813	29,652	113,914	201,293	65,757	85,986	172,429
	1997	29,790	90,415	31,179	99,158	197,381	54,970	76,478	169,848
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	158	257	167	231	174	301	434	364
	1997	175	273	188	249	217	338	460	392
acres, 2002	40,493	131,036	43,082	163,950	297,465	105,312	123,178	248,507	234,514
	1997	42,600	137,969	44,204	144,958	311,245	92,436	117,631	234,514
Tenants	farms, 2002	21	74	50	92	51	57	84	89
	1997	14	108	32	107	76	91	111	125
acres, 2002	2,381	21,354	8,764	32,878	30,775	12,835	17,812	41,138	41,588
	1997	4,522	29,392	3,552	35,830	37,454	20,482	22,025	41,588
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	13	74	36	83	49	48	70	84
	1997	10	101	25	102	72	83	102	118
acres, 2002	1,100	20,628	6,747	29,652	29,226	10,629	15,934	38,187	38,915
	1997	2,356	27,164	2,018	32,903	36,024	15,753	19,998	38,915
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS									
Total operators	number	1,010	1,023	1,230	794	570	1,666	2,350	1,279
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		499	533	486	442	289	687	1,044	746
2 operators		204	202	271	135	102	361	538	215
3 operators		26	20	33	15	16	59	38	22
4 operators		3	-	12	8	6	14	18	1
5 or more operators		2	4	8	1	1	4	8	5
Total women operators	number	252	194	378	135	83	373	588	218
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		236	189	325	123	77	342	533	199
2 operators		8	1	5	6	3	14	26	4
3 operators		-	1	9	-	-	1	1	2
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	675	727	697	578	393	1,055	1,468	946
	1997	653	713	635	576	456	1,057	1,453	885
acres, 2002	154,567	227,525	92,167	266,356	421,528	299,548	253,034	438,871	438,871
	1997	180,312	239,882	87,603	257,607	481,234	289,862	253,888	416,526
Female	farms, 2002	59	32	113	23	21	70	178	43
	1997	41	22	104	14	10	46	88	19
acres, 2002	10,952	3,803	3,922	5,165	2,980	11,428	12,571	8,825	8,825
	1997	8,019	3,752	5,080	2,450	2,358	9,524	4,895	3,542
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	381	517	393	468	315	746	898	668
	1997	345	460	304	432	366	711	727	629
Other	2002	353	242	417	133	99	379	748	321
	1997	349	275	435	158	100	392	814	275
Place of residence ¹ :									
On farm operated	2002	619	632	723	496	317	950	1,455	777
	1997	583	524	609	436	328	933	1,245	656
Not on farm operated	2002	115	127	87	105	97	175	191	212
	1997	64	142	72	84	82	112	182	144
Days worked off farm ¹ :									
None	2002	278	319	315	298	225	545	628	426
	1997	264	297	233	253	255	558	539	383
Any	2002	456	440	495	303	189	580	1,018	563
	1997	399	391	462	277	164	486	922	439
1 to 49 days	2002	58	43	42	43	42	47	96	74
	1997	29	60	39	64	46	61	68	90
50 to 99 days	2002	33	33	23	30	16	25	48	44
	1997	24	34	19	24	20	23	45	44
100 to 199 days	2002	93	49	76	41	25	68	111	86
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	272	315	354	189	106	440	763	359
	1997	262	235	330	139	71	334	678	220

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Minnesota	Aitkin	Anoka	Becker	Beltrami	Benton	Big Stone	Blue Earth
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.								
Years on present farm ¹ :								
2 years or less	2002 2,100	6	14	26	14	55	4	25
	1997 3,091	36	16	54	24	56	20	26
3 or 4 years	2002 4,167	28	19	87	21	47	22	44
	1997 4,090	45	23	76	37	47	26	45
5 to 9 years	2002 11,490	107	73	186	115	142	75	150
	1997 9,428	88	77	154	94	151	40	107
10 years or more	2002 63,082	533	446	955	596	721	345	906
	1997 48,989	420	341	734	450	494	271	683
Average years on present farm	2002 22.6	22.9	21.0	21.8	22.5	20.4	22.8	23.9
	1997 21.1	21.3	19.9	20.8	21.2	18.9	22.0	22.4
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 908	-	3	11	2	4	7	7
	1997 1,198	-	-	16	10	11	12	12
25 to 34 years	2002 4,968	38	11	81	33	74	39	68
	1997 7,532	53	31	108	47	107	51	104
35 to 44 years	2002 17,651	97	113	261	146	270	118	263
	1997 19,968	132	122	310	164	255	135	300
45 to 54 years	2002 22,558	200	160	348	199	287	119	359
	1997 19,017	160	153	275	176	212	88	280
55 to 59 years	2002 9,345	73	73	139	93	93	43	109
	1997 8,626	82	74	121	72	90	44	112
60 to 64 years	2002 8,638	96	74	109	102	83	30	109
	1997 7,598	83	59	128	81	78	43	94
65 to 69 years	2002 6,587	60	46	98	69	67	48	88
	1997 5,990	65	44	101	73	74	22	74
70 years and over	2002 10,184	110	72	207	102	87	42	122
	1997 8,826	99	62	151	110	65	53	106
Average age	2002 52.9	55.4	54.8	53.8	54.7	50.5	51.2	52.2
	1997 51.0	54.1	52.9	51.6	53.6	49.2	49.1	50.1
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 73,018	645	489	1,150	696	878	389	1,000
	1997 69,320	626	469	1,079	667	812	388	965
	acres, 2002 21,535,902	152,502	42,848	337,544	196,168	150,857	(D)	326,405
	1997 21,406,189	174,803	38,101	355,586	201,549	150,310	221,238	333,632
Partnership	farms, 2002 5,056	15	26	72	39	62	28	76
	1997 6,486	40	37	105	55	64	33	71
	acres, 2002 3,793,850	9,694	5,868	55,069	32,541	32,318	23,598	49,424
	1997 3,741,576	11,871	14,663	67,662	30,794	23,918	23,017	46,853
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 2,163	8	31	23	3	16	22	44
	1997 2,331	4	35	20	7	15	23	39
	acres, 2002 1,987,076	9,996	11,631	19,612	1,953	11,851	31,101	29,326
	1997 2,184,117	(D)	7,324	18,441	12,921	(D)	28,485	27,626
Other than family held	farms, 2002 179	1	6	-	4	1	5	3
	1997 252	3	4	2	3	-	1	2
	acres, 2002 42,582	(D)	40	-	453	(D)	132	(D)
	1997 103,697	2,908	88	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 423	5	-	9	4	8	2	2
	1997 366	1	-	4	1	1	3	5
	acres, 2002 152,860	(D)	-	4,329	1,620	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997 125,042	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item		Brown	Carlton	Carver	Cass	Chippewa	Chisago	Clay	Clearwater
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.									
Years on present farm ¹ :									
2 years or less	2002	10	20	20	11	25	21	19	17
	1997	48	23	11	25	23	31	31	32
3 or 4 years	2002	70	33	33	30	28	57	41	25
	1997	37	33	46	59	26	62	42	34
5 to 9 years	2002	102	87	130	132	55	163	110	94
	1997	118	73	101	94	64	137	81	82
10 years or more	2002	865	467	637	473	586	702	707	491
	1997	639	403	533	405	402	525	597	388
Average years on present farm	2002	24.8	22.3	21.9	21.0	23.5	19.3	24.1	22.2
	1997	21.3	21.6	21.4	19.8	21.0	19.6	22.8	20.6
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	3	7	10	-	18	-	19	2
	1997	16	4	4	1	10	8	15	7
25 to 34 years	2002	85	30	26	19	32	42	52	26
	1997	150	45	56	50	82	60	87	43
35 to 44 years	2002	286	132	165	143	141	197	171	104
	1997	296	161	222	164	161	201	259	147
45 to 54 years	2002	260	177	271	182	200	288	250	174
	1997	247	153	218	176	166	222	199	144
55 to 59 years	2002	108	64	92	69	83	136	121	84
	1997	90	65	108	85	65	121	125	71
60 to 64 years	2002	76	51	116	94	66	120	93	98
	1997	87	69	78	75	52	74	90	63
65 to 69 years	2002	69	81	63	71	39	73	76	58
	1997	88	42	66	53	42	66	62	57
70 years and over	2002	160	65	77	68	115	87	89	81
	1997	90	73	79	73	51	108	112	98
Average age	2002	52.2	53.4	53.2	54.5	53.2	53.4	52.1	54.9
	1997	48.9	51.8	51.5	51.9	49.1	52.5	51.0	53.6
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	924	584	751	618	621	896	754	588
	1997	906	579	725	632	556	792	743	576
	acres, 2002	278,333	(D)	140,327	(D)	271,270	100,937	422,224	184,129
	1997	281,291	110,044	127,090	184,463	259,036	103,749	402,764	192,780
Partnership	farms, 2002	74	18	57	21	36	32	73	28
	1997	112	24	86	27	45	44	126	45
	acres, 2002	43,299	5,642	29,011	6,318	35,268	11,476	89,215	21,196
	1997	45,958	9,132	25,814	10,532	32,226	15,989	104,698	25,751
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	38	1	9	5	25	15	45	7
	1997	43	8	18	4	23	16	67	5
	acres, 2002	26,021	(D)	2,280	(D)	30,688	4,535	87,212	14,486
	1997	23,040	(D)	(D)	7,256	26,625	8,766	98,207	9,876
Other than family held	farms, 2002	4	-	-	-	1	-	2	2
	1997	2	-	-	5	2	4	2	2
	acres, 2002	26	-	-	-	(D)	-	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	-	-	287	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	7	4	3	2	11	-	3	2
	1997	1	1	2	9	3	4	5	2
	acres, 2002	508	(D)	295	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	4,900	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item		Cook	Cottonwood	Crow Wing	Dakota	Dodge	Douglas	Faribault	Fillmore
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.									
Years on present farm ¹ :									
2 years or less	2002	-	18	29	17	30	36	17	51
	1997	-	35	27	38	33	36	22	78
3 or 4 years	2002	1	40	38	72	28	92	41	82
	1997	2	43	37	44	43	66	29	112
5 to 9 years	2002	8	96	138	160	104	175	78	293
	1997	5	70	110	151	99	105	82	190
10 years or more	2002	11	678	550	748	535	874	773	1,174
	1997	6	532	404	582	437	729	604	977
Average years on present farm	2002	16.9	25.3	20.9	21.2	22.1	22.3	25.1	22.6
	1997	18.1	22.6	20.3	19.9	19.5	22.4	23.6	21.3
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	-	22	11	4	3	26	9	12
	1997	-	25	3	12	14	12	12	36
25 to 34 years	2002	-	60	39	43	63	56	50	108
	1997	-	107	41	72	71	72	75	157
35 to 44 years	2002	7	169	144	208	176	202	204	351
	1997	1	208	152	234	178	255	257	395
45 to 54 years	2002	3	239	185	323	175	314	256	413
	1997	6	195	161	266	192	281	210	366
55 to 59 years	2002	6	92	114	113	88	161	98	172
	1997	2	66	96	113	87	125	82	161
60 to 64 years	2002	-	83	111	118	63	115	138	182
	1997	-	75	60	76	66	112	113	136
65 to 69 years	2002	-	75	60	61	56	131	73	107
	1997	3	40	60	88	47	101	67	133
70 years and over	2002	4	92	91	127	73	172	81	255
	1997	1	91	108	101	61	180	78	241
Average age	2002	54.4	52.0	54.0	53.4	51.5	54.7	52.5	53.5
	1997	55.6	49.2	54.0	51.4	49.9	53.6	50.5	51.9
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	14	737	711	860	623	1,089	815	1,447
	1997	13	689	629	828	626	1,034	784	1,407
	acres, 2002	(D)	317,342	(D)	(D)	172,416	234,388	356,637	359,075
	1997	(D)	293,422	131,953	156,494	176,474	253,680	341,109	355,450
Partnership	farms, 2002	3	67	34	70	49	72	57	126
	1997	-	87	38	72	62	84	67	189
	acres, 2002	1,481	43,479	7,140	56,606	43,756	30,406	44,441	69,597
	1997	-	53,012	11,600	49,334	46,766	30,177	48,116	65,378
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	2	17	7	54	20	11	32	17
	1997	-	20	9	44	26	10	33	22
	acres, 2002	(D)	7,062	499	16,936	17,033	6,286	(D)	10,324
	1997	-	17,081	1,065	15,195	22,388	2,745	29,189	10,612
Other than family held	farms, 2002	-	2	1	9	-	-	1	2
	1997	-	3	3	11	1	1	7	3
	acres, 2002	-	(D)	(D)	815	-	-	(D)	(D)
	1997	-	534	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	1	9	2	4	5	5	4	8
	1997	-	8	2	7	1	9	3	4
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	170	1,551	(D)	(D)
	1997	-	16,759	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Freeborn	Goodhue	Grant	Hennepin	Houston	Hubbard	Isanti	Itasca
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.								
Years on present farm ¹ :								
2 years or less	2002 59	38	21	5	26	19	30	3
	1997 41	74	13	18	38	15	37	17
3 or 4 years	2002 63	81	37	50	56	21	66	42
	1997 58	92	23	33	44	30	56	22
5 to 9 years	2002 138	274	58	74	131	88	177	73
	1997 130	259	45	105	108	70	136	73
10 years or more	2002 912	1,286	490	497	818	407	679	376
	1997 746	928	301	412	640	307	522	297
Average years on present farm	2002 22.9	20.9	24.3	20.0	23.9	22.6	18.8	22.1
	1997 22.2	19.3	24.2	19.5	22.1	21.3	18.5	20.6
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 22	28	13	6	4	1	3	-
	1997 23	20	6	6	11	-	3	-
25 to 34 years	2002 90	112	24	9	35	8	33	24
	1997 97	175	42	26	74	19	53	23
35 to 44 years	2002 265	466	121	91	174	92	223	87
	1997 303	446	116	136	213	110	224	98
45 to 54 years	2002 299	439	148	205	300	159	283	132
	1997 299	394	107	171	271	124	235	135
55 to 59 years	2002 140	183	103	79	146	59	137	68
	1997 138	172	63	89	118	60	103	59
60 to 64 years	2002 124	173	57	75	119	78	114	57
	1997 99	125	51	82	89	53	83	54
65 to 69 years	2002 94	115	47	73	88	47	63	59
	1997 96	107	48	53	76	62	59	52
70 years and over	2002 138	163	93	88	165	91	96	67
	1997 138	143	77	78	146	75	98	55
Average age	2002 52.3	50.9	54.2	55.8	55.8	56.3	53.1	55.0
	1997 51.3	49.4	53.1	53.8	53.0	54.9	52.0	53.8
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 1,008	1,521	563	540	925	501	902	470
	1997 1,040	1,352	460	538	836	468	795	451
	acres, 2002 319,817	304,381	(D)	(D)	204,167	112,848	120,270	107,049
	1997 304,309	298,244	249,808	49,954	229,170	118,834	133,123	106,308
Partnership	farms, 2002 110	112	24	31	84	18	38	11
	1997 122	182	34	57	131	23	49	16
	acres, 2002 55,675	52,051	34,766	8,616	39,880	14,973	12,437	3,242
	1997 54,667	75,483	29,407	12,866	56,636	9,991	(D)	4,517
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 48	33	14	43	20	6	11	5
	1997 21	38	13	37	24	7	11	5
	acres, 2002 18,423	23,014	33,503	7,219	(D)	9,376	(D)	2,812
	1997 16,463	21,461	(D)	8,673	13,718	(D)	8,090	2,970
Other than family held	farms, 2002 -	5	1	9	-	-	1	2
	1997 6	5	1	5	1	1	3	1
	acres, 2002 -	(D)	(D)	313	-	-	(D)	(D)
	1997 (D)	87	(D)	188	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 6	8	4	3	2	10	-	6
	1997 4	5	2	4	6	4	-	3
	acres, 2002 493	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,807	-	(D)
	1997 (D)	1,092	(D)	183	(D)	(D)	-	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Jackson	Kanabec	Kandiyohi	Kittson	Koochiching	Lac qui Parle	Lake	Lake of the Woods
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.								
Years on present farm ¹ :								
2 years or less	2002 28	26	25	16	10	16	-	5
	1997 31	20	47	29	10	23	-	6
3 or 4 years	2002 53	55	57	46	15	30	-	13
	1997 57	77	63	34	21	36	3	14
5 to 9 years	2002 106	162	148	90	51	96	1	53
	1997 84	105	134	45	50	82	5	30
10 years or more	2002 802	553	1,056	507	182	768	45	195
	1997 641	421	781	427	124	532	34	142
Average years on present farm	2002 24.8	19.6	24.2	23.8	19.4	24.0	26.2	21.3
	1997 22.5	18.6	21.0	21.8	18.9	22.7	25.0	21.2
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 16	4	2	8	-	15	-	2
	1997 33	11	16	15	2	15	-	-
25 to 34 years	2002 68	43	66	52	16	64	2	11
	1997 101	49	95	53	15	89	3	14
35 to 44 years	2002 203	172	242	101	55	170	10	46
	1997 250	193	320	131	58	211	8	63
45 to 54 years	2002 265	218	350	171	81	276	7	85
	1997 213	199	305	185	73	178	8	59
55 to 59 years	2002 96	110	154	80	27	106	3	28
	1997 106	83	143	67	30	74	7	31
60 to 64 years	2002 149	75	157	53	33	83	6	33
	1997 114	80	134	53	19	72	2	22
65 to 69 years	2002 78	71	105	63	19	72	6	19
	1997 67	28	84	45	16	63	10	12
70 years and over	2002 114	103	210	131	27	124	12	42
	1997 98	73	128	86	30	107	7	36
Average age	2002 52.8	53.6	54.9	55.4	52.4	52.7	57.3	55.1
	1997 49.9	50.7	51.3	51.8	51.8	50.7	55.8	52.8
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 880	766	1,143	535	240	822	44	231
	1997 839	672	1,052	468	230	745	43	201
acres, 2002	318,494	(D)	324,844	336,635	(D)	390,945	(D)	(D)
	1997 305,037	132,153	296,783	330,116	79,799	365,708	(D)	107,033
Partnership	farms, 2002 71	28	92	74	15	58	-	25
	1997 94	38	119	88	7	49	1	20
acres, 2002	58,859	19,753	54,960	150,260	7,227	28,843	-	35,274
	1997 50,786	17,344	65,024	142,327	(D)	(D)	(D)	33,876
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 32	1	36	40	2	25	-	8
	1997 41	3	42	67	5	14	-	13
acres, 2002	18,096	(D)	26,707	63,719	(D)	12,971	-	14,548
	1997 23,431	(D)	29,045	105,432	2,563	13,383	-	17,545
Other than family held	farms, 2002 4	1	3	2	-	2	1	-
	1997 5	-	5	3	1	1	1	3
acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	487	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	-
	1997 (D)	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	453
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 2	-	12	8	1	3	1	2
	1997 3	3	7	9	-	-	-	-
acres, 2002	(D)	-	907	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997 (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-	-	-

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item		Le Sueur	Lincoln	Lyon	McLeod	Mahnomen	Marshall	Martin	Meeker
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.									
Years on present farm ¹ :									
2 years or less	2002	12	11	24	17	16	54	39	29
	1997	30	37	22	28	16	38	36	37
3 or 4 years	2002	50	31	53	36	11	96	16	65
	1997	46	25	40	53	17	52	37	56
5 to 9 years	2002	117	111	128	122	45	176	99	162
	1997	87	57	91	129	46	107	99	146
10 years or more	2002	795	608	744	812	291	1,083	800	885
	1997	576	481	586	671	247	869	676	639
Average years on present farm	2002	24.9	24.7	24.0	23.3	24.2	24.8	24.8	22.8
	1997	22.8	23.1	22.1	21.6	22.0	24.1	22.1	21.4
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	7	12	33	6	2	30	8	13
	1997	8	17	31	9	15	34	20	30
25 to 34 years	2002	49	43	70	52	26	109	83	66
	1997	100	83	107	93	40	133	96	106
35 to 44 years	2002	198	157	218	238	74	264	201	255
	1997	222	156	256	243	97	280	274	241
45 to 54 years	2002	230	199	229	257	75	373	275	289
	1997	203	150	198	275	73	318	263	253
55 to 59 years	2002	108	53	82	116	45	141	120	144
	1997	94	82	111	131	30	137	97	141
60 to 64 years	2002	142	63	96	128	29	162	81	124
	1997	103	82	88	120	50	124	95	99
65 to 69 years	2002	89	76	92	90	48	108	75	79
	1997	63	72	66	83	31	78	71	81
70 years and over	2002	151	158	129	100	64	222	111	171
	1997	141	113	92	101	47	203	82	128
Average age	2002	55.1	55.1	52.1	52.8	54.6	53.7	52.2	53.5
	1997	52.1	52.7	49.7	51.4	50.7	52.0	49.7	51.0
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	883	704	843	891	335	1,260	806	1,042
	1997	830	679	832	938	347	1,116	817	954
	acres, 2002	(D)	233,050	322,127	207,341	154,124	734,328	(D)	279,378
	1997	158,627	230,914	327,383	204,976	169,429	655,255	307,661	250,289
Partnership	farms, 2002	60	34	61	64	18	100	73	72
	1997	71	42	81	82	24	132	104	91
	acres, 2002	37,057	15,109	42,493	27,588	16,792	123,301	48,345	43,068
	1997	38,416	18,211	45,290	24,877	29,077	186,315	54,778	33,169
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	30	19	36	27	4	38	73	20
	1997	24	20	32	28	6	49	72	26
	acres, 2002	24,097	23,010	30,571	27,695	6,371	71,600	59,361	16,141
	1997	(D)	22,780	27,969	26,007	15,920	78,355	61,264	18,310
Other than family held	farms, 2002	-	3	4	1	-	6	2	3
	1997	4	2	2	3	2	-	3	1
	acres, 2002	-	(D)	6,716	(D)	-	4,061	(D)	(D)
	1997	140	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	1	1	5	4	6	5	-	4
	1997	5	12	2	4	4	10	2	7
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	2,097	(D)	17,567	1,642	-	(D)
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,218	(D)	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Mille Lacs	Morrison	Mower	Murray	Nicollet	Nobles	Norman	Olmsted
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.								
Years on present farm ¹ :								
2 years or less	2002 35	63	28	11	12	18	24	54
	1997 37	86	57	31	24	53	34	63
3 or 4 years	2002 45	110	32	38	23	41	23	74
	1997 53	118	62	41	25	39	39	56
5 to 9 years	2002 193	286	137	131	66	126	67	196
	1997 134	245	149	100	69	96	56	189
10 years or more	2002 574	1,465	891	731	629	858	546	1,071
	1997 463	1,181	715	499	507	674	458	874
Average years on present farm	2002 20.7	21.4	23.2	23.3	24.5	24.0	25.3	21.5
	1997 19.8	20.1	20.5	21.2	21.9	21.1	22.5	20.9
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 3	13	18	8	5	18	12	3
	1997 2	38	28	30	13	14	19	12
25 to 34 years	2002 51	175	93	98	35	82	48	72
	1997 66	233	140	123	93	123	82	107
35 to 44 years	2002 208	463	244	176	185	251	119	290
	1997 215	513	296	200	200	306	163	312
45 to 54 years	2002 234	545	294	285	216	312	161	380
	1997 198	475	267	213	196	217	170	317
55 to 59 years	2002 98	201	129	108	97	105	90	193
	1997 91	184	112	62	83	108	75	175
60 to 64 years	2002 98	175	110	62	74	86	62	186
	1997 71	191	102	66	62	102	97	165
65 to 69 years	2002 53	150	83	53	51	98	84	114
	1997 60	154	90	72	45	77	41	135
70 years and over	2002 102	202	117	121	67	91	84	157
	1997 96	170	131	83	49	82	79	176
Average age	2002 52.7	51.2	51.4	51.7	51.9	50.6	53.8	53.5
	1997 51.5	49.6	50.1	49.1	48.5	49.3	50.6	53.0
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 810	1,804	980	825	633	957	584	1,282
	1997 750	1,775	1,012	757	617	925	619	1,244
acres, 2002 116,454	393,498	328,252	341,107	(D)	334,141	370,912	242,544	238,084
	1997 133,272	390,336	324,527	326,971	188,135	333,771	386,573	238,084
Partnership	farms, 2002 23	97	84	56	55	53	46	87
	1997 42	152	128	60	76	72	73	128
acres, 2002 11,049	43,778	75,354	49,560	36,689	51,005	112,714	58,924	50,816
	1997 (D)	47,865	71,402	39,490	36,095	40,808	93,156	50,816
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 10	16	12	21	34	26	24	20
	1997 5	16	14	23	38	25	30	24
acres, 2002 4,801	14,194	6,544	15,171	26,453	(D)	39,216	10,982	14,295
	1997 2,682	11,923	7,940	19,410	28,722	18,613	47,730	14,295
Other than family held	farms, 2002 -	3	3	5	5	6	1	2
	1997 2	5	4	2	7	1	4	1
acres, 2002 -	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	335	35	(D)	(D)
	1997 (D)	(D)	407	(D)	(D)	(D)	3,057	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 4	4	9	4	3	1	5	4
	1997 -	10	8	7	3	6	-	2
acres, 2002 65	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997 -	(D)	3,409	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item		Otter Tail	Pennington	Pine	Pipestone	Polk	Pope	Ramsey	Red Lake
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.									
Years on present farm ¹ :									
2 years or less	2002	98	14	29	15	45	36	1	3
	1997	115	20	56	39	56	39	3	13
3 or 4 years	2002	190	49	69	34	68	41	-	33
	1997	145	18	76	50	69	33	2	21
5 to 9 years	2002	481	71	195	95	219	121	6	55
	1997	346	43	167	73	163	97	8	34
10 years or more	2002	2,244	476	906	559	1,186	726	29	287
	1997	1,848	411	647	414	970	545	26	261
Average years on present farm	2002	21.8	24.2	21.5	22.7	24.0	23.0	24.5	23.2
	1997	21.5	23.3	20.2	18.9	21.6	21.7	21.5	23.6
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	47	11	12	5	16	26	-	4
	1997	27	9	12	18	16	16	1	5
25 to 34 years	2002	139	29	44	62	104	68	2	18
	1997	215	44	69	107	168	88	4	45
35 to 44 years	2002	596	101	235	191	312	185	4	87
	1997	736	151	281	205	399	202	5	98
45 to 54 years	2002	814	170	387	181	410	235	15	106
	1997	674	135	261	152	362	209	21	100
55 to 59 years	2002	384	70	131	74	166	96	2	37
	1997	315	57	119	64	148	100	4	44
60 to 64 years	2002	357	57	128	59	145	100	2	38
	1997	298	50	116	51	139	82	5	32
65 to 69 years	2002	292	46	110	46	132	82	3	24
	1997	261	44	96	46	90	55	7	34
70 years and over	2002	384	126	152	85	233	132	8	64
	1997	373	112	135	53	179	128	17	66
Average age	2002	54.0	55.4	53.8	50.9	53.7	53.1	56.4	53.8
	1997	52.4	53.2	52.4	47.5	50.6	51.7	57.2	52.4
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	2,736	558	1,143	649	1,218	814	22	351
	1997	2,589	542	1,020	625	1,163	743	40	375
	acres, 2002	693,026	275,276	226,720	212,141	652,462	(D)	677	189,352
	1997	719,102	315,356	243,730	193,736	691,635	247,498	3,094	193,909
Partnership	farms, 2002	204	35	37	29	161	81	4	18
	1997	239	40	43	42	162	90	3	40
	acres, 2002	142,029	42,425	17,634	17,285	226,309	50,549	15	25,339
	1997	145,928	32,212	16,833	26,009	172,530	47,932	(D)	31,453
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	57	9	15	20	122	21	4	7
	1997	66	13	20	22	158	32	17	8
	acres, 2002	43,498	10,971	9,972	19,249	223,762	22,442	11	(D)
	1997	41,757	24,060	17,991	17,734	278,121	40,564	1,236	(D)
Other than family held	farms, 2002	1	1	-	2	1	4	1	-
	1997	2	3	1	2	3	5	1	-
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	206	(D)	-
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	15	7	4	3	16	4	5	2
	1997	3	4	5	5	15	10	3	1
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	532	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	671	(D)

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Redwood	Renville	Rice	Rock	Roseau	St. Louis	Scott	Sherburne
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.								
Years on present farm ¹ :								
2 years or less	2002 16	40	23	23	34	32	43	16
	1997 50	41	64	35	55	22	39	18
3 or 4 years	2002 44	45	75	18	76	62	53	19
	1997 49	51	62	41	62	53	64	28
5 to 9 years	2002 174	111	203	95	183	138	169	123
	1997 114	106	183	81	111	111	161	93
10 years or more	2002 964	968	995	585	945	746	739	519
	1997 744	721	768	452	752	551	481	360
Average years on present farm	2002 23.9	23.9	21.9	23.3	23.5	20.8	19.5	21.2
	1997 22.1	21.8	20.4	19.6	21.9	20.3	17.5	19.8
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 38	18	9	11	12	5	1	-
	1997 36	22	16	22	12	6	6	6
25 to 34 years	2002 114	79	56	81	74	31	57	35
	1997 140	131	127	98	105	51	94	39
35 to 44 years	2002 292	303	329	177	252	189	277	117
	1997 331	315	331	206	276	182	272	148
45 to 54 years	2002 305	323	312	195	311	316	292	209
	1997 250	267	314	170	298	259	217	172
55 to 59 years	2002 101	132	161	81	155	131	95	98
	1997 134	115	136	61	149	127	97	56
60 to 64 years	2002 119	100	145	58	143	111	112	75
	1997 101	113	125	61	102	80	87	57
65 to 69 years	2002 75	87	130	42	89	88	80	58
	1997 76	61	120	38	93	76	67	43
70 years and over	2002 154	122	154	76	202	107	90	85
	1997 95	100	121	52	180	80	56	67
Average age	2002 51.1	51.6	53.2	50.2	54.3	53.8	51.4	54.2
	1997 48.6	49.1	50.9	47.5	52.5	52.4	49.1	52.0
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 1,046	994	1,197	637	1,115	910	922	621
	1997 987	943	1,169	620	1,042	792	805	525
	acres, 2002 435,303	436,383	196,485	217,849	523,989	152,567	107,320	(D)
	1997 403,867	410,374	210,381	218,792	495,738	164,477	99,929	71,054
Partnership	farms, 2002 89	81	76	37	89	36	39	34
	1997 99	101	88	45	121	47	60	46
	acres, 2002 60,702	104,660	46,643	32,304	122,801	9,559	9,357	22,446
	1997 49,089	87,665	38,444	26,257	140,698	14,560	14,072	25,100
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 56	76	17	40	28	22	41	19
	1997 67	70	21	42	39	17	25	13
	acres, 2002 46,170	113,666	4,419	43,853	55,186	7,982	(D)	16,938
	1997 46,350	104,461	4,182	(D)	64,826	5,422	5,199	16,323
Other than family held	farms, 2002 1	8	3	-	-	3	-	-
	1997 4	8	7	-	-	3	1	-
	acres, 2002 (D)	(D)	958	-	-	342	-	-
	1997 (D)	(D)	3,177	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 6	5	3	7	6	7	2	3
	1997 6	2	5	1	10	2	5	4
	acres, 2002 (D)	(D)	313	5,084	942	4,626	(D)	(D)
	1997 (D)	(D)	388	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	627

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item		Sibley	Stearns	Steele	Stevens	Swift	Todd	Traverse	Wabasha
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.									
Years on present farm ¹ :									
2 years or less	2002	19	76	17	3	24	43	10	14
	1997	44	159	37	20	17	93	15	36
3 or 4 years	2002	55	169	52	40	42	126	9	48
	1997	50	133	29	26	42	132	11	52
5 to 9 years	2002	128	523	131	62	76	305	78	182
	1997	119	393	99	53	90	268	40	136
10 years or more	2002	761	2,384	699	451	665	1,351	355	755
	1997	595	1,919	491	321	484	1,134	270	609
Average years on present farm	2002	22.6	21.6	23.4	24.1	25.3	20.9	26.2	22.1
	1997	20.4	20.2	21.4	22.5	21.9	19.7	23.9	20.1
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	22	27	20	2	20	17	4	8
	1997	18	41	17	8	19	15	4	7
25 to 34 years	2002	66	280	57	44	39	107	53	55
	1997	111	395	85	50	90	193	54	107
35 to 44 years	2002	243	818	205	110	164	432	86	246
	1997	295	868	206	130	196	488	113	293
45 to 54 years	2002	287	881	227	198	221	562	88	303
	1997	235	647	198	137	173	480	84	242
55 to 59 years	2002	99	301	97	48	106	194	60	126
	1997	97	355	106	65	80	178	54	94
60 to 64 years	2002	86	295	75	62	90	171	62	80
	1997	91	302	67	47	79	169	33	79
65 to 69 years	2002	61	223	100	37	55	127	28	67
	1997	70	241	70	40	46	162	23	77
70 years and over	2002	99	327	118	55	112	215	71	114
	1997	70	286	54	47	91	216	45	104
Average age	2002	51.0	50.8	52.5	51.9	53.7	52.1	53.2	52.0
	1997	48.7	49.8	49.7	50.6	50.5	51.0	49.6	50.0
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	846	2,851	815	472	704	1,719	386	888
	1997	857	2,812	717	437	655	1,751	353	877
	acres, 2002	(D)	553,022	229,309	(D)	308,540	324,969	281,020	213,953
	1997	232,808	553,008	204,252	206,701	315,437	358,276	271,020	207,429
Partnership	farms, 2002	73	205	70	44	62	83	42	74
	1997	84	237	68	36	71	116	29	94
	acres, 2002	44,713	98,404	43,992	49,536	58,178	35,216	27,505	36,609
	1997	45,648	82,876	22,056	46,277	38,694	34,912	(D)	37,685
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	38	71	11	34	31	10	22	27
	1997	38	58	13	43	40	20	27	22
	acres, 2002	34,123	25,115	8,288	49,154	47,734	7,723	(D)	14,906
	1997	36,349	17,166	9,155	60,506	49,697	9,896	42,200	11,137
Other than family held	farms, 2002	4	4	2	4	3	5	-	1
	1997	5	13	4	4	3	5	-	5
	acres, 2002	50	223	(D)	115	243	1,786	-	(D)
	1997	(D)	1,805	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	516
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	2	21	1	2	7	8	2	9
	1997	3	15	1	4	5	9	-	5
	acres, 2002	(D)	4,586	(D)	(D)	1,149	578	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	2,726	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	203

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Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997 - Con.

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

Item	Wadena	Waseca	Washington	Watonwan	Wilkin	Winona	Wright	Yellow Medicine
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.								
Years on present farm ¹ :								
2 years or less	2002 10	17	24	18	7	20	34	37
	1997 38	23	20	16	22	42	40	31
3 or 4 years	2002 73	22	39	16	7	84	80	21
	1997 45	36	53	22	20	57	86	36
5 to 9 years	2002 113	62	123	60	57	133	251	112
	1997 86	81	107	56	33	147	212	83
10 years or more	2002 538	658	624	507	343	888	1,281	819
	1997 413	459	447	392	309	719	971	578
Average years on present farm	2002 19.9	23.5	21.1	25.3	25.1	22.6	21.2	23.6
	1997 19.7	22.2	19.7	22.6	23.8	21.5	20.6	21.9
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 12	3	14	3	5	12	14	15
	1997 11	18	-	18	4	21	18	28
25 to 34 years	2002 51	77	9	26	36	64	68	59
	1997 45	87	35	51	58	92	140	98
35 to 44 years	2002 131	234	150	130	102	219	362	239
	1997 157	191	163	163	122	262	354	266
45 to 54 years	2002 242	172	237	183	111	350	464	297
	1997 183	175	183	129	104	293	415	190
55 to 59 years	2002 80	73	114	51	48	135	230	96
	1997 80	69	91	70	56	117	179	96
60 to 64 years	2002 76	64	89	71	47	121	191	118
	1997 74	73	97	54	40	107	162	84
65 to 69 years	2002 61	43	96	59	23	85	134	73
	1997 46	61	55	46	28	82	119	52
70 years and over	2002 81	93	101	78	42	139	183	92
	1997 98	61	115	59	54	129	154	90
Average age	2002 52.7	50.2	55.0	53.6	51.2	53.2	53.2	51.8
	1997 52.6	49.3	54.3	50.1	50.4	51.3	51.3	49.3
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 682	697	723	545	352	987	1,508	901
	1997 634	652	642	523	395	944	1,361	803
acres, 2002	140,733	201,247	72,843	225,824	287,447	224,313	213,541	371,998
	1997 159,412	205,769	68,490	214,472	361,345	226,873	200,292	352,990
Partnership	farms, 2002 35	46	38	30	43	105	88	59
	1997 47	61	46	44	52	130	137	67
acres, 2002	17,780	21,781	7,459	32,058	108,286	72,736	38,005	55,050
	1997 20,303	28,858	7,027	30,318	(D)	59,449	46,341	45,885
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 9	11	43	19	15	22	38	22
	1997 11	14	41	15	18	22	32	23
acres, 2002	5,331	6,945	14,333	13,302	26,457	11,353	11,610	19,832
	(D)	7,282	15,730	15,075	39,885	11,051	11,238	17,957
Other than family held	farms, 2002 1	2	2	2	-	4	2	-
	1997 -	4	8	4	1	1	5	-
acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997 -	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	72	-
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 7	4	4	5	4	7	10	7
	1997 2	4	2	4	-	6	6	11
acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,318	(D)	(D)	816
	1997 (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	840	3,236

¹ Data for 1997 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.