

**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	Nebraska	Adams	Antelope	Arthur	Banner	Blaine	Boone	
<b>FARMS</b>								
Land in farms	farms, 2002	49,355	561	792	76	226	106	692
	1997	54,539	661	845	84	238	119	805
	acres, 2002	45,903,116	344,309	526,896	436,252	411,153	441,119	430,712
	1997	45,853,656	354,130	499,762	458,753	459,924	440,555	453,102
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	37,143	473	635	60	122	60	552
	1997	43,198	574	682	67	165	72	652
	acres, 2002	17,336,624	259,957	334,299	24,000	74,733	29,017	270,214
	1997	17,897,591	270,315	317,078	43,775	96,656	35,624	261,515
<b>TENURE</b>								
Full owners	farms, 2002	24,191	199	393	39	132	52	318
	1997	24,700	242	365	37	113	47	363
	acres, 2002	13,765,932	64,633	196,010	180,942	157,362	107,598	141,530
	1997	12,158,958	72,251	123,759	78,042	187,055	121,201	120,580
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	14,539	130	271	24	55	24	204
	1997	16,162	173	246	27	68	24	243
	acres, 2002	4,138,475	40,020	113,697	(D)	20,635	5,863	75,831
	1997	3,997,565	48,863	68,839	9,287	33,291	7,259	64,892
Part owners	farms, 2002	18,646	258	302	31	62	34	262
	1997	20,283	251	327	31	80	45	257
	acres, 2002	27,308,269	218,728	277,789	239,680	200,595	281,123	244,616
	1997	27,534,694	207,325	304,262	307,338	208,120	276,051	212,904
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	13,037,817	70,855	125,443	151,362	100,144	200,892	108,052
	1997	13,911,300	74,035	144,779	224,184	95,475	173,018	96,640
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	14,270,452	147,873	152,346	88,318	100,451	80,231	136,564
	1997	13,623,394	133,290	159,483	83,154	112,645	103,033	116,264
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	17,458	248	287	30	48	28	256
	1997	19,278	241	305	30	71	40	244
	acres, 2002	11,010,265	169,865	183,941	(D)	42,344	19,938	166,229
	1997	11,011,391	157,631	195,608	28,698	52,137	25,174	139,576
Tenants	farms, 2002	6,518	104	97	6	32	20	112
	1997	9,556	168	153	16	45	27	185
	acres, 2002	4,828,915	60,948	53,097	15,630	53,196	52,398	44,566
	1997	6,160,004	74,554	71,741	73,373	64,749	43,303	119,618
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	5,146	95	77	6	19	8	92
	1997	7,758	160	131	10	26	8	165
	acres, 2002	2,187,884	50,072	36,661	(D)	11,754	3,216	28,154
	1997	2,888,635	63,821	52,631	5,790	11,228	3,191	57,047
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>								
Total operators	number	70,668	770	1,126	131	336	176	969
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator		31,951	391	517	38	138	50	479
2 operators		14,589	139	231	29	68	46	177
3 operators		2,047	25	32	5	18	8	22
4 operators		568	5	9	3	2	1	6
5 or more operators		200	1	3	1	-	1	8
Total women operators	number	15,877	124	245	38	98	48	170
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator		14,400	120	227	30	86	41	152
2 operators		623	2	9	2	6	2	6
3 operators		66	-	-	-	-	1	2
4 operators		7	-	-	1	-	-	-
5 or more operators		1	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Sex of operator:								
Male	farms, 2002	46,350	550	746	70	199	103	673
	1997	51,591	648	799	75	221	107	772
	acres, 2002	43,952,598	341,272	511,056	401,602	380,866	427,758	423,569
	1997	43,858,126	348,596	482,980	414,991	439,502	424,167	441,656
Female	farms, 2002	3,005	11	46	6	27	3	19
	1997	2,948	13	46	9	17	12	33
	acres, 2002	1,950,518	3,037	15,840	34,650	30,287	13,361	7,143
	1997	1,995,530	5,534	16,782	43,762	20,422	16,388	11,446
Primary occupation:								
Farming	2002	36,031	454	624	68	164	87	519
	1997	36,951	486	629	70	160	103	592
Other	2002	13,324	107	168	8	62	19	173
	1997	17,588	175	216	14	78	16	213
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :								
On farm operated	2002	37,589	434	619	66	163	92	500
	1997	35,691	414	561	58	132	86	491
Not on farm operated	2002	11,766	127	173	10	63	14	192
	1997	13,594	182	190	17	74	24	237
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :								
None	2002	25,133	336	438	49	118	58	363
	1997	25,917	337	437	41	100	54	416
Any	2002	24,222	225	354	27	108	48	329
	1997	24,049	271	323	31	121	48	317
1 to 49 days	2002	3,785	38	77	7	12	6	44
	1997	4,135	57	74	8	19	9	49
50 to 99 days	2002	1,723	9	21	2	8	4	21
	1997	1,660	16	31	3	14	5	28
100 to 199 days	2002	2,910	36	44	5	8	6	43
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	15,804	142	212	13	80	32	221
	1997	14,606	169	178	14	66	26	183

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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	Box Butte	Boyd	Brown	Buffalo	Burt	Butler	Cass
<b>FARMS</b>							
Land in farms	476	314	311	989	621	840	679
farms, 2002	540	373	368	1,153	614	851	748
acres, 2002	675,091	308,008	686,466	601,256	310,113	374,634	320,187
1997	711,799	288,286	700,708	627,842	299,443	360,716	306,944
Harvested cropland	333	235	196	746	464	652	547
farms, 2002	413	290	256	916	505	706	607
acres, 2002	221,164	83,335	103,352	290,716	256,778	280,867	256,427
1997	239,397	92,990	117,825	310,143	238,667	278,135	235,412
<b>TENURE</b>							
Full owners	222	167	132	497	312	408	393
farms, 2002	231	188	148	539	273	358	375
acres, 2002	218,368	99,762	164,048	152,442	93,922	91,940	98,920
1997	196,214	103,052	169,812	183,546	77,041	82,212	66,891
Harvested cropland	118	106	69	311	177	240	270
farms, 2002	151	124	90	374	184	242	255
acres, 2002	65,425	28,727	20,112	68,309	66,430	52,759	71,398
1997	61,782	28,224	23,942	71,662	52,106	53,149	43,594
Part owners	178	112	119	346	217	315	217
farms, 2002	205	126	151	393	251	338	245
acres, 2002	389,883	184,048	424,746	357,256	178,467	231,901	189,810
1997	411,254	160,949	426,952	337,973	181,947	221,904	184,748
Owned land in farms	177,345	87,712	207,371	154,675	50,542	88,583	65,565
acres, 2002	214,643	81,392	215,002	139,811	56,498	81,055	66,126
1997	212,538	96,336	217,375	202,581	127,925	143,318	124,245
Rented land in farms	196,611	79,557	211,950	198,162	125,449	140,849	118,622
farms, 2002	158	103	97	321	205	309	209
acres, 2002	191	123	122	360	244	330	238
1997	121,060	47,427	63,096	173,198	156,441	186,263	157,230
1997	143,581	55,660	73,003	180,887	153,504	175,629	146,107
Harvested cropland	76	35	60	146	92	117	69
farms, 2002	104	59	69	221	90	155	128
acres, 2002	66,840	24,198	97,672	91,558	37,724	50,793	31,457
1997	104,331	24,285	103,944	106,323	40,455	56,600	55,305
Harvested cropland	57	26	30	114	82	103	68
farms, 2002	71	43	44	182	77	134	114
acres, 2002	34,679	7,181	20,144	49,209	33,907	41,845	27,799
1997	34,034	9,106	20,880	57,594	33,057	49,357	45,711
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>							
Total operators	711	468	483	1,432	854	1,185	943
Farms by number of operators:							
1 operator	292	196	181	631	430	561	463
2 operators	147	99	103	296	161	231	180
3 operators	25	10	16	46	23	35	26
4 operators	11	7	9	12	4	9	9
5 or more operators	1	2	2	4	3	4	1
Total women operators	173	116	124	342	166	263	202
Farms by number of women operators:							
1 operator	157	101	104	304	138	244	172
2 operators	8	6	7	19	12	8	15
3 operators	-	1	2	-	-	1	-
4 operators	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>							
Sex of operator:							
Male	437	290	287	920	582	773	636
farms, 2002	490	342	338	1,078	597	818	714
acres, 2002	655,036	292,940	652,161	575,151	304,335	363,437	305,387
1997	674,668	274,041	663,672	608,395	296,656	355,539	301,304
Female	39	24	24	69	39	67	43
farms, 2002	50	31	30	75	17	33	34
acres, 2002	20,055	15,068	34,305	26,105	5,778	11,197	14,800
1997	37,131	14,245	37,036	19,447	2,787	5,177	5,640
Primary occupation:							
Farming	353	247	230	698	462	581	446
2002	389	255	230	763	426	573	453
1997	123	67	81	291	159	259	233
Other	151	118	138	390	188	278	295
2002							
1997							
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :							
On farm operated	367	242	232	804	459	620	537
2002	321	237	237	787	400	563	525
1997	109	72	79	185	162	220	142
Not on farm operated	171	95	88	267	150	219	154
2002							
1997							
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :							
None	260	172	161	492	312	418	342
2002	289	178	164	537	319	415	352
1997	216	142	150	497	309	422	337
Any	206	169	175	535	256	370	346
2002							
1997							
1 to 49 days	40	27	22	75	53	65	57
2002	38	35	26	106	47	60	42
1997	11	11	7	29	19	47	19
50 to 99 days	19	9	12	26	17	18	25
2002	27	17	12	67	62	35	42
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 days	138	87	109	326	175	275	219
2002	119	87	90	337	157	235	233
1997							

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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		Cedar	Chase	Cherry	Cheyenne	Clay	Colfax	Cuming	Custer
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	949	326	557	616	503	589	904	1,149
	1997	1,017	396	690	706	566	642	1,045	1,359
acres, 2002	459,952	539,607	3,777,285	803,181	373,994	244,361	365,994	1,501,959	
	1997	450,990	559,538	3,853,465	829,430	371,974	237,014	367,999	1,519,709
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	713	236	368	483	417	475	732	810
	1997	809	333	454	613	481	525	873	971
acres, 2002	323,332	212,440	334,745	314,456	282,152	198,445	302,800	307,486	
	1997	300,594	250,578	356,389	323,461	272,653	188,204	296,653	372,679
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002	527	157	273	271	170	249	368	529
	1997	498	171	304	290	178	260	416	642
acres, 2002	157,883	195,074	1,466,382	178,718	112,897	45,689	67,667	404,762	
	1997	139,328	160,049	975,513	208,671	99,383	45,960	78,768	426,360
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	315	89	153	164	113	152	225	313
	1997	329	129	158	211	119	159	275	394
acres, 2002	90,606	62,940	118,812	60,357	68,626	30,424	48,378	76,314	
	1997	79,877	71,206	90,801	70,569	54,468	35,446	50,812	87,997
Part owners	farms, 2002	316	113	208	276	250	273	413	450
	1997	361	142	268	311	239	298	444	471
acres, 2002	252,921	257,790	2,011,562	562,442	216,440	175,837	251,841	951,483	
	1997	258,187	297,881	2,557,309	537,029	198,605	165,501	234,845	946,048
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	101,135	118,142	1,346,976	258,475	77,836	58,559	93,627	440,960
	1997	105,169	134,010	1,776,828	235,340	73,794	62,555	91,269	483,790
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	151,786	139,648	664,586	303,967	138,604	117,278	158,214	510,523
	1997	153,018	163,871	780,481	301,689	124,811	102,946	143,576	462,258
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	302	108	177	258	232	264	399	381
	1997	344	139	237	305	231	289	436	425
acres, 2002	191,139	116,727	183,070	224,655	176,850	147,752	215,302	195,242	
	1997	179,159	132,246	232,807	215,293	155,456	130,243	200,653	245,789
Tenants	farms, 2002	106	56	76	69	83	67	123	170
	1997	158	83	118	105	149	84	185	246
acres, 2002	49,148	86,743	299,341	62,021	44,657	22,835	46,486	145,714	
	1997	53,475	101,608	320,643	83,730	73,986	25,553	54,386	147,301
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	96	39	38	61	72	59	108	116
	1997	136	65	59	97	131	77	162	152
acres, 2002	41,587	32,773	32,863	29,444	36,676	20,269	39,120	35,930	
	1997	41,558	47,126	32,781	37,599	62,729	22,515	45,188	38,893
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	1,337	477	911	867	746	826	1,267	1,708
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		627	201	298	407	309	402	600	688
2 operators		276	107	189	179	159	151	258	392
3 operators		31	12	49	23	23	25	35	47
4 operators		11	4	17	5	10	8	9	17
5 or more operators		4	2	4	2	2	3	2	5
Total women operators	number	281	118	247	191	150	180	223	431
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		260	112	205	177	135	153	215	381
2 operators		9	3	21	4	6	12	4	25
3 operators		1	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	905	302	499	571	485	555	879	1,085
	1997	984	375	596	659	558	620	1,026	1,271
acres, 2002	452,229	513,272	3,485,334	766,643	367,525	237,147	359,517	1,451,427	
	1997	441,979	547,035	3,332,399	799,274	369,750	235,322	362,611	1,473,520
Female	farms, 2002	44	24	58	45	18	34	25	64
	1997	33	21	94	47	8	22	19	88
acres, 2002	7,723	26,335	291,951	36,538	6,469	7,214	6,477	50,532	
	1997	9,011	12,503	521,066	30,156	2,224	1,692	5,388	46,189
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	737	246	466	462	390	442	687	874
	1997	721	273	545	515	421	435	766	943
Other	2002	212	80	91	154	113	147	217	275
	1997	296	123	145	191	145	207	279	416
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002	803	243	469	384	356	471	715	916
	1997	733	237	495	382	360	478	730	904
Not on farm operated	2002	146	83	88	232	147	118	189	233
	1997	183	111	118	266	144	113	243	336
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002	523	220	372	326	278	297	458	615
	1997	522	224	369	351	296	324	543	630
Any	2002	426	106	185	290	225	292	446	534
	1997	414	152	244	294	220	278	424	598
1 to 49 days	2002	48	26	44	59	28	60	66	85
	1997	64	24	64	58	39	39	82	120
50 to 99 days	2002	25	7	12	19	30	16	21	36
	1997	28	9	15	19	14	25	37	35
100 to 199 days	2002	51	11	23	28	21	44	46	63
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	302	62	106	184	146	172	313	350
	1997	245	94	119	149	121	186	248	364

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Item	Dakota	Dawes	Dawson	Deuel	Dixon	Dodge	Douglas	Dundy	
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	296	406	718	252	660	734	361	262
	1997	314	497	903	277	625	848	410	339
	acres, 2002	151,599	786,277	622,805	293,995	276,722	339,265	94,613	566,881
	1997	145,395	801,554	651,323	309,015	248,378	330,964	115,808	584,292
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	202	274	525	197	401	614	264	198
	1997	230	357	684	237	464	726	308	255
	acres, 2002	110,948	76,007	275,097	132,864	164,542	294,464	76,336	128,643
	1997	99,701	102,473	302,817	139,169	149,445	284,807	87,129	150,270
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002	186	230	310	114	417	310	223	122
	1997	161	282	368	104	325	329	240	157
	acres, 2002	67,597	275,716	127,468	82,943	110,056	58,550	24,461	230,580
	1997	38,498	282,693	156,230	65,527	79,149	63,644	30,094	154,672
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	99	140	187	70	187	206	135	77
	1997	92	168	218	74	191	235	151	94
	acres, 2002	40,875	28,809	55,688	34,846	42,686	45,244	14,265	44,767
	1997	18,977	32,373	64,753	29,017	31,816	50,703	17,169	43,228
Part owners	farms, 2002	85	137	302	96	191	328	89	99
	1997	112	153	332	114	203	353	96	129
	acres, 2002	68,292	426,845	418,547	170,521	144,452	234,620	53,862	289,500
	1997	89,259	403,536	396,036	196,263	138,012	212,097	65,396	371,450
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	21,702	236,749	158,185	74,685	60,608	84,086	15,770	139,159
	1997	43,434	243,280	171,443	94,604	55,243	71,862	19,917	193,986
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	46,590	190,096	260,362	95,836	83,844	150,534	38,092	150,341
	1997	45,825	160,256	224,593	101,659	82,769	140,235	45,479	177,464
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	79	107	259	89	169	319	85	91
	1997	102	139	308	111	193	346	92	125
	acres, 2002	56,082	38,538	182,129	80,246	104,926	207,275	48,102	68,502
	1997	65,634	55,368	173,544	85,482	92,445	184,341	53,405	84,336
Tenants	farms, 2002	25	39	106	42	52	96	49	41
	1997	41	62	203	59	97	166	74	53
	acres, 2002	15,710	83,716	76,790	40,531	22,214	46,095	16,290	46,801
	1997	17,638	115,325	99,057	47,225	31,217	55,223	20,318	58,170
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	24	27	79	38	45	89	44	30
	1997	36	50	158	52	80	145	65	36
	acres, 2002	13,991	8,660	37,280	17,772	16,930	41,945	13,969	15,374
	1997	15,090	14,732	64,520	24,670	25,184	49,763	16,555	22,706
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	398	608	1,068	360	898	1,018	537	381
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		209	230	441	167	450	508	232	168
2 operators		77	155	222	72	191	189	100	76
3 operators		7	16	39	9	13	29	16	11
4 operators		2	5	14	2	4	3	8	7
5 or more operators		1	-	2	2	2	5	5	-
Total women operators	number	87	192	240	84	225	179	135	85
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		82	174	218	73	215	163	108	77
2 operators		1	9	11	4	2	5	12	4
3 operators		1	-	-	1	2	2	1	-
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	269	355	673	227	592	713	328	248
	1997	280	450	863	251	595	815	376	320
	acres, 2002	149,112	706,543	612,508	272,918	263,575	337,770	(D)	552,792
	1997	138,020	764,837	639,447	283,798	242,139	324,653	112,594	576,762
Female	farms, 2002	27	51	45	25	68	21	33	14
	1997	34	47	40	26	30	33	34	19
	acres, 2002	2,487	79,734	10,297	21,077	13,147	1,495	(D)	14,089
	1997	7,375	36,717	11,876	25,217	6,239	6,311	3,214	7,530
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	192	294	533	192	452	526	196	212
	1997	170	320	652	177	403	565	200	249
Other	2002	104	112	185	60	208	208	165	50
	1997	144	177	251	100	222	283	210	90
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002	217	349	534	131	472	607	285	193
	1997	190	357	557	118	409	596	279	197
Not on farm operated	2002	79	57	184	121	188	127	76	69
	1997	88	98	247	142	154	187	95	110
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002	141	202	378	139	318	341	159	141
	1997	120	209	456	129	288	381	145	185
Any	2002	155	204	340	113	342	393	202	121
	1997	158	240	363	125	305	411	235	130
1 to 49 days	2002	21	27	62	22	39	45	17	27
	1997	13	34	70	25	54	51	24	32
50 to 99 days	2002	15	19	15	9	30	25	12	10
	1997	11	16	20	14	19	27	10	10
100 to 199 days	2002	13	20	42	13	38	56	13	18
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	106	138	221	69	235	267	160	66
	1997	114	136	216	65	192	270	178	75

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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	Fillmore	Franklin	Frontier	Furnas	Gage	Garden	Garfield	Gosper
<b>FARMS</b>								
Land in farms	499	378	318	412	1,272	253	190	242
1997	607	449	368	452	1,232	328	217	260
acres, 2002	363,915	331,093	486,623	440,776	552,316	1,072,024	293,081	262,216
1997	364,286	341,521	520,368	457,953	533,559	1,082,701	311,134	231,241
Harvested cropland	451	303	245	322	936	194	137	195
1997	542	351	300	368	961	256	151	209
acres, 2002	310,516	143,852	128,734	176,228	363,830	110,934	49,914	114,123
1997	308,306	153,870	151,832	203,835	347,378	137,527	56,725	106,122
<b>TENURE</b>								
Full owners	130	152	131	174	687	120	101	90
1997	168	186	143	178	585	147	106	91
acres, 2002	58,744	67,968	128,950	104,321	145,683	298,717	95,981	59,573
1997	61,396	79,998	131,091	96,105	131,210	277,543	95,916	48,513
Harvested cropland	93	96	93	102	377	78	59	55
1997	116	122	99	114	359	98	65	56
acres, 2002	46,737	22,479	44,181	42,759	69,952	27,825	10,643	24,524
1997	49,649	40,119	36,207	47,641	62,484	34,181	12,304	20,942
Part owners	275	164	147	181	451	107	64	101
1997	299	181	166	202	458	130	70	109
acres, 2002	258,344	230,399	312,826	280,547	354,612	715,690	148,746	171,464
1997	240,352	224,326	342,919	300,605	326,130	753,322	198,349	140,466
Owned land in farms	90,045	99,619	128,831	125,179	139,437	511,104	86,809	66,533
1997	84,515	106,607	140,064	137,539	137,458	514,983	97,269	56,269
Rented land in farms	168,299	130,780	183,995	155,368	215,175	204,586	61,937	104,931
1997	155,837	117,719	202,855	163,066	188,672	238,339	101,080	84,197
Harvested cropland	272	159	126	175	443	103	57	97
1997	295	170	156	195	445	124	65	101
acres, 2002	221,139	103,869	73,683	110,973	255,481	76,693	33,644	69,565
1997	203,517	94,121	102,149	126,666	229,917	90,342	38,515	62,604
Tenants	94	62	40	57	134	26	25	51
1997	140	82	59	72	189	51	41	60
acres, 2002	46,827	32,726	44,847	55,908	52,021	57,617	48,354	31,179
1997	62,538	37,197	46,358	61,243	76,219	51,836	16,869	42,262
Harvested cropland	86	48	26	45	116	13	21	43
1997	131	59	45	59	157	34	21	52
acres, 2002	42,640	17,504	10,870	22,496	38,397	6,416	5,627	20,034
1997	55,140	19,630	13,476	29,528	54,977	13,004	5,906	22,576
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>								
Total operators	714	543	460	574	1,746	378	298	346
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	328	248	196	275	860	148	105	155
2 operators	144	100	105	118	364	89	66	72
3 operators	18	26	14	14	38	13	15	13
4 operators	5	3	3	4	6	2	4	2
5 or more operators	4	1	-	1	4	1	-	-
Total women operators	116	110	101	107	363	102	81	81
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	109	100	89	99	348	98	73	73
2 operators	2	5	6	4	6	2	4	1
3 operators	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
4 operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Sex of operator:								
Male	492	359	310	397	1,205	230	183	233
1997	597	426	357	433	1,181	293	208	245
acres, 2002	362,635	324,040	481,061	438,558	545,047	1,047,234	277,856	254,030
1997	362,281	329,092	518,363	455,205	526,219	1,059,279	299,019	225,757
Female	7	19	8	15	67	23	7	9
1997	10	23	11	19	51	35	9	15
acres, 2002	1,280	7,053	5,562	2,218	7,269	24,790	15,225	8,186
1997	2,005	12,429	2,005	2,748	7,340	23,422	12,115	5,484
Primary occupation:								
Farming	427	284	273	325	851	194	142	203
1997	493	324	291	333	775	233	144	213
Other	72	94	45	87	421	59	48	39
1997	114	125	77	119	457	95	73	47
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :								
On farm operated	344	268	255	287	907	186	142	182
1997	381	257	260	259	844	183	154	158
Not on farm operated	155	110	63	125	365	67	48	60
1997	165	125	76	149	282	103	38	72
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :								
None	305	183	176	229	560	141	92	147
1997	355	220	210	235	547	156	96	132
Any	194	195	142	183	712	112	98	95
1997	209	188	122	179	597	138	103	102
1 to 49 days	27	43	22	39	94	25	19	22
1997	53	36	31	40	78	30	18	24
50 to 99 days	27	14	7	12	45	5	13	5
1997	21	7	8	6	50	11	12	12
100 to 199 days	32	30	15	14	89	16	9	5
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	108	108	98	118	484	66	57	63
1997	112	114	65	103	367	72	60	46

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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	Grant	Greeley	Hall	Hamilton	Harlan	Hayes	Hitchcock	Holt	
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002 73	361	595	603	346	260	299	1,166	
	1997 91	403	750	697	392	271	357	1,341	
	acres, 2002 489,926	293,114	315,787	348,178	308,814	408,290	433,525	1,481,135	
	1997 473,692	286,621	350,188	353,440	331,481	425,280	424,635	1,448,468	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 45	260	482	541	276	194	252	859	
	1997 58	312	608	625	339	210	313	979	
	acres, 2002 36,351	96,731	214,439	302,707	134,007	96,786	125,205	483,938	
	1997 39,461	97,923	242,033	301,311	169,477	111,127	154,881	487,430	
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002 41	175	250	185	143	139	139	544	
	1997 45	187	293	219	167	114	159	646	
	acres, 2002 247,730	77,596	85,175	72,767	61,414	136,344	151,845	545,402	
	1997 197,974	81,480	95,163	73,452	75,538	114,072	114,461	484,559	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 19	100	167	139	97	80	116	349	
	1997 25	114	197	162	130	65	126	404	
	acres, 2002 15,207	22,396	46,212	58,124	28,019	35,713	51,285	162,910	
	1997 19,033	22,298	43,976	57,046	40,400	23,667	44,431	139,328	
Part owners	farms, 2002 23	132	238	295	157	88	123	432	
	1997 27	141	260	295	156	113	137	448	
	acres, 2002 212,186	183,018	181,839	214,559	228,436	241,940	251,893	775,084	
	1997 219,213	170,758	178,478	198,520	211,781	270,157	249,650	779,743	
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 138,416	99,362	66,939	65,144	83,390	108,175	115,503	375,258	
	1997 147,138	99,577	69,063	68,222	85,912	123,690	135,452	411,077	
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 73,770	83,656	114,900	149,415	145,046	133,765	136,390	399,826	
	1997 72,075	71,181	109,415	130,298	125,869	146,467	114,198	368,666	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 23	124	229	288	149	86	112	387	
	1997 25	135	247	292	150	110	134	415	
	acres, 2002 19,694	60,772	133,708	189,190	98,348	55,221	65,960	259,658	
	1997 16,938	59,602	134,831	173,634	105,607	75,839	88,224	274,750	
Tenants	farms, 2002 9	54	107	123	46	33	37	190	
	1997 19	75	197	183	69	44	61	247	
	acres, 2002 30,010	32,500	48,773	60,852	18,964	30,006	29,787	160,649	
	1997 56,505	34,383	76,547	81,468	44,162	41,051	60,524	184,166	
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 3	36	86	114	30	28	24	123	
	1997 8	63	164	171	59	35	53	160	
	acres, 2002 1,450	13,563	34,519	55,393	7,640	5,852	7,960	61,370	
	1997 3,490	16,023	63,226	70,631	23,470	11,621	22,226	73,352	
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	117	501	840	861	488	387	445	1,733
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator	35	250	400	390	225	153	188	686	
2 operators	34	90	156	183	106	88	88	411	
3 operators	2	15	30	18	11	18	13	55	
4 operators	2	5	7	11	3	1	9	11	
5 or more operators	-	1	2	1	1	-	1	3	
Total women operators	number	36	102	162	168	103	97	107	458
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator	28	92	144	153	81	83	88	408	
2 operators	4	5	9	6	11	7	7	17	
3 operators	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	
4 operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002 67	330	569	592	327	238	287	1,084	
	1997 88	379	725	680	381	257	336	1,247	
	acres, 2002 412,084	274,504	311,544	347,377	299,689	383,530	421,639	1,415,143	
	1997 440,192	277,447	341,784	350,985	329,574	409,762	403,263	1,388,949	
Female	farms, 2002 6	31	26	11	19	22	12	82	
	1997 3	24	25	17	11	14	21	94	
	acres, 2002 77,842	18,610	4,243	801	9,125	24,760	11,886	65,992	
	1997 33,500	9,174	8,404	2,455	1,907	15,518	21,372	59,519	
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002 65	290	432	502	264	206	243	911	
	1997 69	290	475	515	266	195	270	900	
Other	2002 8	71	163	101	82	54	56	255	
	1997 22	113	275	182	126	76	87	441	
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002 63	272	480	488	255	191	229	912	
	1997 65	238	487	462	218	186	234	852	
Not on farm operated	2002 10	89	115	115	91	69	70	254	
	1997 19	135	173	163	128	62	89	344	
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002 45	172	298	320	172	138	167	569	
	1997 54	212	344	336	173	146	207	574	
Any	2002 28	189	297	283	174	122	132	597	
	1997 32	160	339	281	175	107	116	650	
1 to 49 days	2002 7	35	47	70	32	19	21	99	
	1997 7	38	47	59	24	29	26	124	
50 to 99 days	2002 -	18	24	37	13	11	12	65	
	1997 4	8	18	18	14	7	6	50	
100 to 199 days	2002 6	16	38	38	16	9	23	68	
	1997 (NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
200 days or more	2002 15	120	188	138	113	83	76	365	
	1997 18	92	227	157	114	55	64	371	

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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	Hooker	Howard	Jefferson	Johnson	Kearney	Keith	Keya Paha	Kimball	
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	81	600	631	571	412	363	185	362
	1997	90	680	666	522	521	405	222	359
	acres, 2002	423,838	293,537	363,575	205,371	331,283	627,842	463,280	549,646
	1997	369,454	333,756	322,943	201,489	329,072	614,205	484,104	584,408
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	20	455	499	363	367	223	145	205
	1997	34	561	541	400	450	281	174	236
	acres, 2002	14,210	138,884	231,392	90,457	263,304	165,774	77,871	144,463
	1997	14,694	169,246	205,949	97,235	250,286	176,003	82,486	152,989
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002	27	329	305	355	127	173	74	214
	1997	38	325	349	280	186	190	102	178
	acres, 2002	82,212	91,282	91,258	82,600	62,593	81,291	99,461	190,893
	1997	88,071	89,942	96,896	73,416	67,379	142,850	171,669	177,526
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	1	207	166	57	98	80	57	76
	1997	5	230	244	174	132	112	70	81
	acres, 2002	(D)	37,534	51,043	25,744	45,853	25,520	26,324	38,341
	1997	1,296	40,984	50,723	27,623	45,066	45,817	23,902	38,010
Part owners	farms, 2002	35	197	262	174	198	127	82	111
	1997	34	216	240	167	216	144	79	135
	acres, 2002	303,520	166,581	234,754	114,725	214,066	454,958	345,228	323,717
	1997	235,630	187,168	184,909	108,227	196,938	401,796	261,953	336,493
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	164,992	82,301	103,494	54,241	70,287	203,051	180,634	135,066
	1997	132,536	86,567	83,478	54,007	69,507	220,498	141,704	153,452
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	138,528	84,280	131,260	60,484	143,779	251,907	164,594	188,651
	1997	103,094	100,601	101,431	54,220	127,431	181,298	120,249	183,041
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	18	185	245	163	193	107	78	104
	1997	24	205	228	163	211	125	77	125
	acres, 2002	(D)	81,981	151,987	59,648	169,848	113,152	49,787	95,478
	1997	12,042	93,690	126,160	58,739	149,179	107,046	49,086	98,532
Tenants	farms, 2002	19	74	64	42	87	63	29	37
	1997	18	139	77	75	119	71	41	46
	acres, 2002	38,106	35,674	37,563	8,046	54,624	91,593	18,591	35,036
	1997	45,753	56,646	41,138	19,846	64,755	69,559	50,482	70,389
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	1	63	48	34	76	36	10	25
	1997	5	126	69	63	107	44	27	30
	acres, 2002	(D)	19,369	28,362	5,065	47,603	27,102	1,760	10,644
	1997	1,356	34,572	29,066	10,873	56,041	23,140	9,488	16,447
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	137	878	881	730	589	518	302	507
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		37	372	409	430	271	238	93	245
2 operators		37	195	203	126	113	102	75	95
3 operators		5	22	11	12	21	18	11	18
4 operators		-	7	7	3	6	4	4	2
5 or more operators		2	4	1	-	1	1	2	2
Total women operators	number	43	203	203	158	103	112	95	126
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		41	185	189	148	99	100	77	115
2 operators		1	6	7	5	2	6	6	4
3 operators		-	2	-	-	-	-	2	1
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	73	576	600	512	398	332	170	322
	1997	78	644	639	491	508	354	204	317
	acres, 2002	386,643	287,603	359,540	193,610	326,171	604,727	442,689	526,147
	1997	342,457	320,588	319,211	196,996	323,468	561,993	464,131	557,728
Female	farms, 2002	8	24	31	59	14	31	15	40
	1997	12	36	27	31	13	51	18	42
	acres, 2002	37,195	5,934	4,035	11,761	5,112	23,115	20,591	23,499
	1997	26,997	13,168	3,732	4,493	5,604	52,212	19,973	26,680
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	61	444	471	371	362	254	173	255
	1997	65	478	441	319	412	273	190	221
Other	2002	20	156	160	200	50	109	12	107
	1997	25	202	225	203	109	132	32	138
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002	66	461	497	385	309	223	172	234
	1997	57	472	418	311	311	220	152	182
Not on farm operated	2002	15	139	134	186	103	140	13	128
	1997	22	139	189	158	153	134	42	126
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002	44	309	313	257	257	199	113	199
	1997	41	321	311	232	312	193	127	161
Any	2002	37	291	318	314	155	164	72	163
	1997	43	312	302	240	172	163	67	166
1 to 49 days	2002	4	30	52	22	44	27	16	29
	1997	9	56	56	27	36	23	20	31
50 to 99 days	2002	5	16	28	19	20	16	13	9
	1997	1	24	10	15	9	16	13	16
100 to 199 days	2002	2	42	44	50	21	28	14	15
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	26	203	194	223	70	93	29	110
	1997	25	177	179	149	109	105	23	97

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

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Item		Knox	Lancaster	Lincoln	Logan	Loup	McPherson	Madison	Merrick
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	1,016	1,607	959	119	120	128	766	513
	1997	1,103	1,615	1,078	130	146	115	837	587
acres, 2002	599,468	448,600	1,529,011	359,069	337,542	528,642	342,167	283,026	279,238
	1997	598,394	438,416	1,416,160	325,267	334,775	436,106	337,569	279,238
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	801	1,116	622	72	85	65	588	426
	1997	866	1,242	741	88	106	68	661	488
acres, 2002	262,274	314,148	289,405	40,695	28,773	24,550	249,923	200,573	202,707
	1997	245,325	294,555	331,180	46,991	32,687	28,160	242,284	202,707
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002	505	1,085	501	61	55	56	367	223
	1997	518	982	540	59	60	43	391	250
acres, 2002	181,128	124,798	428,169	136,981	98,481	131,966	107,412	64,825	64,825
	1997	173,216	121,148	420,422	98,469	94,255	101,555	86,429	67,413
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	333	633	263	35	39	24	232	153
	1997	328	661	330	38	42	20	256	169
acres, 2002	70,282	61,682	89,848	12,426	9,777	6,134	67,285	41,548	41,548
	1997	54,298	54,888	113,905	16,797	9,886	5,269	52,740	41,577
Part owners	farms, 2002	412	410	335	38	40	55	286	217
	1997	433	468	352	45	57	56	302	228
acres, 2002	365,954	283,213	961,631	184,131	167,710	360,082	194,333	181,045	181,045
	1997	362,521	269,200	778,054	215,189	191,292	293,968	200,517	164,004
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	175,132	97,152	468,526	110,275	103,919	219,275	68,763	63,369
	1997	193,153	97,162	397,458	142,659	125,859	163,449	78,773	65,931
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	190,822	186,061	493,105	73,856	63,791	140,807	125,570	117,676
	1997	169,368	172,038	380,596	72,530	65,433	130,519	121,744	98,073
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	394	389	288	32	36	37	270	212
	1997	411	443	310	40	50	40	287	218
acres, 2002	166,366	220,274	168,628	24,223	14,847	17,365	153,027	129,121	129,121
	1997	155,273	200,230	173,478	28,122	17,842	20,886	149,722	122,221
Tenants	farms, 2002	99	112	123	20	25	17	113	73
	1997	152	165	186	26	29	16	144	109
acres, 2002	52,386	40,589	139,211	37,957	71,351	36,594	40,422	37,156	37,156
	1997	62,657	48,068	217,684	11,609	49,228	40,583	50,623	47,821
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	74	94	71	5	10	4	86	61
	1997	127	138	101	10	14	8	118	101
acres, 2002	25,626	32,192	30,929	4,046	4,149	1,051	29,611	29,904	29,904
	1997	35,754	39,437	43,797	2,072	4,959	2,005	39,822	38,909
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	1,489	2,244	1,529	189	181	219	1,027	745
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		647	1,051	498	61	71	58	543	303
2 operators		308	496	380	49	41	58	192	191
3 operators		44	46	59	6	5	5	24	16
4 operators		14	9	16	3	2	6	7	3
5 or more operators		3	5	6	-	1	1	-	-
Total women operators	number	358	578	435	59	49	72	219	172
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		327	539	392	51	43	56	201	162
2 operators		8	15	13	4	3	5	6	5
3 operators		5	3	2	-	-	2	2	-
4 operators		-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	960	1,465	875	108	111	117	723	497
	1997	1,052	1,494	994	112	137	107	805	573
	acres, 2002	580,712	435,189	1,422,378	344,616	310,654	482,055	335,408	279,625
	1997	581,201	425,157	1,311,655	313,619	327,796	396,652	328,488	276,217
Female	farms, 2002	56	142	84	11	9	11	43	16
	1997	51	121	84	18	9	8	32	14
	acres, 2002	18,756	13,411	106,633	14,453	26,888	46,587	6,759	3,401
	1997	17,193	13,259	104,505	11,648	6,979	39,454	9,081	3,021
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	779	847	646	99	98	96	544	395
	1997	790	703	638	112	115	92	528	404
Other	2002	237	760	313	20	22	32	222	118
	1997	313	912	440	18	31	23	309	183
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002	826	1,307	722	86	101	104	592	420
	1997	749	1,167	688	83	102	83	578	388
Not on farm operated	2002	190	300	237	33	19	24	174	93
	1997	262	339	259	28	29	20	183	130
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002	527	674	441	61	74	69	358	252
	1997	564	576	447	63	66	63	379	258
Any	2002	489	933	518	58	46	59	408	261
	1997	451	966	518	47	57	38	391	258
1 to 49 days	2002	69	96	58	13	9	14	56	41
	1997	78	80	61	11	19	11	69	44
50 to 99 days	2002	45	20	24	6	3	1	33	25
	1997	34	34	32	1	4	-	17	25
100 to 199 days	2002	76	94	51	6	5	7	54	33
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	299	723	385	33	29	37	265	162
	1997	259	740	339	28	25	23	249	151

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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	Morrill	Nance	Nemaha	Nuckolls	Otoe	Pawnee	Perkins	Phelps
<b>FARMS</b>								
Land in farms	farms, 2002 443	392	483	476	797	531	438	470
	1997 497	441	511	523	875	472	534	580
	acres, 2002 872,351	228,985	255,366	350,539	342,521	256,818	548,264	366,154
	1997 854,776	246,622	242,452	336,348	360,800	231,607	595,264	382,407
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 302	288	381	404	585	340	329	413
	1997 381	349	423	457	693	360	425	493
	acres, 2002 150,223	111,329	180,164	204,866	233,223	110,159	265,997	274,191
	1997 171,856	136,476	171,708	197,824	234,334	98,331	297,631	276,839
<b>TENURE</b>								
Full owners	farms, 2002 242	191	261	204	430	345	208	179
	1997 224	220	270	194	418	266	241	188
	acres, 2002 282,637	54,735	79,717	81,151	89,840	99,094	156,993	85,158
	1997 239,947	77,435	75,819	62,791	82,399	74,897	143,206	73,087
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 131	100	168	154	249	171	116	130
	1997 149	143	189	148	277	180	152	133
	acres, 2002 39,063	20,620	48,263	43,665	49,417	35,028	64,227	56,762
	1997 41,537	36,734	46,282	33,971	47,966	26,152	67,000	52,789
Part owners	farms, 2002 141	148	182	210	265	149	160	196
	1997 168	161	184	250	304	175	200	240
	acres, 2002 515,159	145,744	160,124	216,066	211,463	144,651	316,119	208,133
	1997 480,094	144,539	139,706	232,118	214,181	146,015	361,567	227,269
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 353,964	64,048	59,762	83,350	73,818	82,406	131,590	79,514
	1997 311,387	60,450	51,945	91,215	73,366	76,878	155,659	96,518
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 161,195	81,696	100,362	132,716	137,645	62,245	184,529	128,619
	1997 168,707	84,089	87,761	140,903	140,815	69,137	205,908	130,751
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 127	141	178	201	250	140	150	192
	1997 157	153	182	243	300	156	194	231
	acres, 2002 88,304	74,695	119,128	129,672	150,840	68,739	163,769	158,189
	1997 98,447	85,114	105,334	138,738	146,246	66,172	182,891	161,032
Tenants	farms, 2002 60	53	40	62	102	37	70	95
	1997 105	60	57	79	153	31	93	152
	acres, 2002 74,555	28,506	15,525	53,322	41,218	13,073	75,152	72,863
	1997 134,735	24,648	26,927	41,439	64,220	10,695	90,491	82,051
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 44	47	35	49	86	29	63	91
	1997 75	53	52	66	116	24	79	129
	acres, 2002 22,856	16,014	12,773	31,529	32,966	6,392	38,001	59,240
	1997 31,872	14,628	20,092	25,115	40,122	6,007	47,740	63,018
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>								
Total operators	number 656	530	637	649	1,079	722	636	688
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	268	273	356	326	570	380	274	289
2 operators	142	103	106	129	185	121	135	150
3 operators	29	14	16	19	32	23	26	26
4 operators	3	1	4	2	8	4	1	4
5 or more operators	1	1	1	-	2	3	2	1
Total women operators	number 184	98	129	118	215	163	142	127
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	176	92	123	114	188	150	140	125
2 operators	4	3	3	2	9	5	1	1
3 operators	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-
4 operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Sex of operator:								
Male	farms, 2002 393	370	444	466	745	475	414	461
	1997 455	416	485	511	837	448	487	561
	acres, 2002 784,576	222,713	249,063	345,650	332,889	246,246	530,277	362,784
	1997 799,791	240,414	238,746	332,742	356,255	224,615	578,968	376,757
Female	farms, 2002 50	25	39	10	52	56	24	9
	1997 42	25	26	12	38	24	47	19
	acres, 2002 87,775	6,272	6,303	4,889	9,632	10,572	17,987	3,370
	1997 54,985	6,208	3,706	3,606	4,545	6,992	16,296	5,650
Primary occupation:								
Farming	2002 310	272	356	352	521	356	342	379
	1997 347	334	339	361	582	278	386	477
Other	2002 133	120	127	124	276	175	96	91
	1997 150	107	172	162	293	194	148	103
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :								
On farm operated	2002 342	271	350	343	625	351	271	340
	1997 307	272	326	326	558	308	267	378
Not on farm operated	2002 101	121	133	133	172	180	167	130
	1997 132	115	156	153	244	120	192	142
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :								
None	2002 221	206	256	226	397	270	219	252
	1997 242	214	243	236	428	212	258	340
Any	2002 222	186	227	250	400	261	219	218
	1997 222	166	218	251	380	217	225	184
1 to 49 days	2002 30	31	43	41	56	51	44	68
	1997 32	25	40	33	53	34	57	46
50 to 99 days	2002 20	17	20	28	26	6	11	15
	1997 26	21	11	26	31	3	17	29
100 to 199 days	2002 24	23	36	28	49	22	31	13
	1997 (NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002 148	115	128	153	269	182	133	122
	1997 122	91	123	147	248	146	110	86

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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		Pierce	Platte	Polk	Red Willow	Richardson	Rock	Saline	Sarpy
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	697	1,000	527	380	732	271	728	355
	1997	761	1,083	633	471	767	328	773	401
acres, 2002	332,550	434,529	264,455	429,109	320,783	628,839	344,736	105,173	105,173
	1997	315,287	429,401	267,816	451,454	322,178	617,026	325,692	104,944
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	546	811	465	276	517	175	597	272
	1997	601	885	547	366	623	220	658	341
acres, 2002	246,318	334,622	209,238	138,404	196,279	118,717	253,769	85,788	85,788
	1997	221,886	335,972	213,124	192,639	202,957	136,891	240,255	86,081
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002	339	407	204	187	433	115	302	221
	1997	373	409	235	212	408	152	321	235
acres, 2002	98,210	100,712	53,826	159,734	116,039	116,734	64,542	25,061	25,061
	1997	87,756	97,087	44,374	129,169	94,409	120,014	57,131	25,191
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	229	254	155	113	238	49	187	145
	1997	245	247	162	134	285	69	222	179
acres, 2002	68,308	66,139	37,276	58,077	54,208	22,045	35,116	17,687	17,687
	1997	52,262	63,647	31,475	53,032	49,676	28,884	32,038	19,007
Part owners	farms, 2002	263	456	243	142	239	111	324	97
	1997	269	481	285	182	270	119	310	102
acres, 2002	195,102	298,207	168,981	236,745	181,600	451,546	248,028	62,504	62,504
	1997	185,520	275,106	179,470	255,709	191,517	397,391	224,260	54,205
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	74,660	121,089	57,042	100,861	73,422	227,393	92,058	15,243
	1997	78,740	107,281	62,110	132,367	73,378	201,221	89,127	15,792
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	120,442	177,118	111,939	135,884	108,178	224,153	155,970	47,261
	1997	106,780	167,825	117,360	123,342	118,139	196,170	135,133	38,413
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	244	443	238	127	228	97	320	94
	1997	260	466	276	174	256	109	303	100
acres, 2002	149,004	239,124	135,974	69,844	126,309	80,771	194,246	52,591	52,591
	1997	140,252	230,029	143,542	109,506	128,629	76,872	171,519	46,077
Tenants	farms, 2002	95	137	80	51	60	45	102	37
	1997	119	193	113	77	89	57	142	64
acres, 2002	39,238	35,610	41,648	32,630	23,144	60,559	32,166	17,608	17,608
	1997	42,011	57,208	43,972	66,576	36,252	99,621	44,301	25,548
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	73	114	72	36	51	29	90	33
	1997	96	172	109	58	82	42	133	62
acres, 2002	29,006	29,359	35,988	10,483	15,762	15,901	24,407	15,510	15,510
	1997	29,372	42,296	38,107	30,101	24,652	31,135	36,698	20,997
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	1,019	1,447	766	538	987	431	1,005	495
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		435	643	335	246	516	147	507	240
2 operators		220	291	157	116	183	95	177	99
3 operators		31	50	25	12	28	23	36	13
4 operators		4	13	8	6	4	5	5	2
5 or more operators		7	3	2	-	1	1	3	1
Total women operators	number	239	290	144	120	178	122	190	103
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		231	275	132	108	157	106	184	89
2 operators		4	6	6	6	9	8	3	5
3 operators		-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	668	962	514	370	686	251	700	336
	1997	724	1,048	615	438	716	311	760	376
acres, 2002	327,086	427,558	262,533	423,626	314,205	608,336	341,692	102,167	102,167
	1997	307,414	419,543	263,878	443,783	314,193	603,554	321,925	101,707
Female	farms, 2002	29	38	13	10	46	20	28	19
	1997	37	35	18	33	51	17	13	25
acres, 2002	5,464	6,971	1,922	5,483	6,578	20,503	3,044	3,006	3,006
	1997	7,873	9,858	3,938	7,671	7,985	13,472	3,767	3,237
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	522	791	417	276	440	223	549	188
	1997	499	740	480	317	411	237	497	225
Other	2002	175	209	110	104	292	48	179	167
	1997	262	343	153	154	356	91	276	176
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002	583	771	390	258	501	195	550	285
	1997	530	754	407	294	444	178	521	279
Not on farm operated	2002	114	229	137	122	231	76	178	70
	1997	161	215	169	128	265	117	190	84
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002	332	510	270	185	326	158	371	167
	1997	351	496	334	218	334	142	360	166
Any	2002	365	490	257	195	406	113	357	188
	1997	349	473	252	198	396	149	353	197
1 to 49 days	2002	45	79	45	27	51	23	49	20
	1997	64	89	55	26	48	30	56	28
50 to 99 days	2002	27	38	25	7	26	13	21	8
	1997	19	44	19	8	14	8	23	9
100 to 199 days	2002	51	61	34	22	51	11	38	21
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	242	312	153	139	278	66	249	139
	1997	206	287	134	131	296	95	216	130

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

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Item		Saunders	Scotts Bluff	Seward	Sheridan	Sherman	Sioux	Stanton	Thayer
<b>FARMS</b>									
Land in farms	farms, 2002	1,157	780	862	613	448	318	655	558
	1997	1,260	846	895	686	512	352	654	599
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	458,329	427,400	364,178	1,485,895	316,260	1,103,122	243,223	380,447
	1997	448,954	449,694	330,088	1,468,046	328,930	1,092,253	233,266	376,855
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	936	572	669	393	348	191	431	466
	1997	1,090	675	725	492	403	234	486	504
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	372,650	174,454	277,726	162,103	98,478	59,368	150,236	265,719
	1997	359,597	187,824	257,819	211,468	117,509	67,788	146,787	261,651
<b>TENURE</b>									
Full owners	farms, 2002	577	453	441	369	225	152	368	228
	1997	584	451	410	369	266	145	321	217
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	111,552	149,748	78,801	682,788	90,541	381,704	80,916	81,916
	1997	112,815	169,593	65,823	411,054	126,315	180,580	63,269	69,735
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	374	293	262	190	152	84	178	155
	1997	445	319	266	221	191	80	178	148
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	71,811	50,259	49,590	56,071	25,178	20,357	33,636	51,489
	1997	73,258	55,261	41,555	59,566	40,610	10,445	26,029	44,148
Part owners	farms, 2002	474	218	305	172	161	127	211	246
	1997	508	251	307	213	168	123	233	279
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	306,114	206,475	234,102	612,198	188,064	656,003	136,440	253,980
	1997	279,852	208,947	198,499	811,464	175,528	718,683	134,959	262,687
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	99,118	89,382	78,069	333,326	88,810	422,473	50,436	104,488
	1997	97,915	78,331	67,020	532,282	86,140	450,931	56,706	114,968
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	206,996	117,093	156,033	278,872	99,254	233,530	86,004	149,492
	1997	181,937	130,616	131,479	279,182	89,388	267,752	78,253	147,719
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	466	200	297	152	150	89	190	243
	1997	492	229	298	198	161	100	227	274
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	265,628	92,611	185,196	86,806	60,865	33,647	97,429	181,222
	1997	236,804	96,830	160,608	119,596	64,316	41,112	94,656	183,095
Tenants	farms, 2002	106	109	116	72	62	39	76	84
	1997	168	144	178	104	78	84	100	103
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	40,663	71,177	51,275	190,909	37,655	65,415	25,867	44,551
	1997	56,287	71,154	65,766	245,528	27,087	192,990	35,038	44,433
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	96	79	110	51	46	18	63	68
	1997	153	127	161	73	51	54	81	82
Harvested cropland	acres, 2002	35,211	31,584	42,940	19,226	12,435	5,364	19,171	33,008
	1997	49,535	35,733	55,656	32,306	12,583	16,231	26,102	34,408
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>									
Total operators	number	1,604	1,157	1,169	934	634	512	876	802
Farms by number of operators:									
1 operator		801	486	606	361	283	166	463	381
2 operators		293	242	221	201	149	126	172	137
3 operators		46	29	23	36	12	19	12	27
4 operators		12	17	10	12	3	3	7	5
5 or more operators		5	6	2	3	1	4	1	8
Total women operators	number	318	267	221	275	130	152	193	155
Farms by number of women operators:									
1 operator		285	219	209	244	122	134	185	141
2 operators		15	18	6	8	4	9	4	7
3 operators		1	4	-	5	-	-	-	-
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>									
Sex of operator:									
Male	farms, 2002	1,114	724	822	535	432	290	598	533
	1997	1,208	797	868	617	484	322	608	571
Male	acres, 2002	453,038	407,232	358,981	1,369,087	311,528	1,037,462	233,356	372,937
	1997	439,427	442,103	328,083	1,369,585	325,221	1,037,712	225,289	369,085
Female	farms, 2002	43	56	40	78	16	28	57	25
	1997	52	49	27	69	28	30	46	28
Female	acres, 2002	5,291	20,168	5,197	116,808	4,732	65,660	9,867	7,510
	1997	9,527	7,591	2,005	98,461	3,709	54,541	7,977	7,770
Primary occupation:									
Farming	2002	807	507	581	463	346	251	441	434
	1997	821	562	534	478	357	255	402	453
Other	2002	350	273	281	150	102	67	214	124
	1997	439	284	361	208	155	97	252	146
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :									
On farm operated	2002	941	635	675	493	316	254	462	416
	1997	888	597	641	446	332	245	423	362
Not on farm operated	2002	216	145	187	120	132	64	193	142
	1997	254	182	182	148	125	79	177	173
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :									
None	2002	571	378	399	352	233	180	294	342
	1997	576	389	349	325	244	174	289	323
Any	2002	586	402	463	261	215	138	361	216
	1997	574	415	485	285	216	158	326	214
1 to 49 days	2002	68	54	90	27	31	31	47	42
	1997	97	92	83	61	32	21	38	50
50 to 99 days	2002	54	43	26	12	15	7	11	10
	1997	31	33	24	23	17	16	19	14
100 to 199 days	2002	66	39	41	45	36	22	36	27
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	398	266	306	177	133	78	267	137
	1997	369	228	322	155	131	85	220	121

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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	Thomas	Thurston	Valley	Washington	Wayne	Webster	Wheeler	York
<b>FARMS</b>								
Land in farms	farms, 2002 79	438	419	760	623	449	194	617
	1997 91	407	464	749	651	458	194	747
	acres, 2002 348,802	214,181	314,661	242,419	281,408	318,325	338,136	353,762
	1997 368,749	193,430	334,058	225,813	264,166	318,898	292,417	363,229
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 32	286	323	588	464	324	143	548
	1997 48	309	386	619	488	358	147	668
	acres, 2002 9,388	167,507	107,960	194,705	216,373	131,970	82,508	307,585
	1997 12,078	150,515	125,761	181,105	203,369	140,670	89,771	312,506
<b>TENURE</b>								
Full owners	farms, 2002 40	224	233	419	315	221	88	192
	1997 44	164	239	377	295	209	91	223
	acres, 2002 149,847	49,093	111,266	69,658	72,495	79,966	84,700	59,278
	1997 145,671	41,887	128,048	64,239	59,683	86,404	77,940	55,868
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 16	85	154	264	173	122	57	144
	1997 20	82	173	265	157	130	57	174
	acres, 2002 (D) 4,887	26,135	30,895	48,499	42,566	23,394	24,231	47,278
	1997 4,887	22,990	42,797	44,783	34,223	30,148	27,678	44,146
Part owners	farms, 2002 28	155	139	252	245	164	72	315
	1997 28	154	160	260	239	159	70	341
	acres, 2002 169,265	146,162	173,635	142,516	177,881	182,045	190,711	249,678
	1997 191,482	117,183	157,407	121,253	160,045	177,858	171,394	236,977
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 90,413	43,035	82,471	59,277	62,329	80,817	104,171	83,566
	1997 113,773	44,320	79,905	46,869	53,767	85,893	106,519	78,317
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 78,852	103,127	91,164	83,239	115,552	101,228	86,540	166,112
	1997 77,709	72,863	77,502	74,384	106,278	91,965	64,875	158,660
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 15	149	132	242	237	157	66	304
	1997 21	154	158	253	229	153	65	329
	acres, 2002 6,051	125,431	64,457	120,811	146,389	81,040	46,472	219,952
	1997 6,811	96,767	62,045	100,555	130,385	80,192	46,432	207,877
Tenants	farms, 2002 11	59	47	89	63	64	34	110
	1997 19	89	65	112	117	90	33	183
	acres, 2002 29,690	18,926	29,760	30,245	31,032	56,314	62,725	44,806
	1997 31,596	34,360	48,603	40,321	44,438	54,636	43,083	70,384
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1	52	37	82	54	45	20	100
	1997 7	73	55	101	102	75	25	165
	acres, 2002 (D) 380	15,941	12,608	25,395	27,418	27,536	11,805	40,355
	1997 380	30,758	20,919	35,767	38,761	30,330	15,661	60,483
<b>2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS</b>								
Total operators	number 128	562	631	1,107	863	613	314	890
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	36	325	247	498	416	308	103	393
2 operators	39	103	148	210	181	123	68	192
3 operators	2	9	11	32	20	14	19	21
4 operators	2	1	10	10	5	3	3	7
5 or more operators	-	-	3	10	1	1	1	4
Total women operators	number 41	103	162	259	198	141	83	181
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	35	97	150	214	184	131	81	164
2 operators	3	3	6	21	7	5	1	5
3 operators	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
4 operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Sex of operator:								
Male	farms, 2002 76	411	399	690	588	418	176	595
	1997 82	391	436	696	613	427	183	720
	acres, 2002 (D) 341,783	209,938	311,686	234,877	276,748	310,601	319,918	345,862
	1997 341,783	187,205	312,065	221,858	255,583	308,647	278,625	356,735
Female	farms, 2002 3	27	20	70	35	31	18	22
	1997 9	16	28	53	38	31	11	27
	acres, 2002 (D) 26,966	4,243	2,975	7,542	4,660	7,724	18,218	7,900
	1997 26,966	6,225	21,993	3,955	8,583	10,251	13,792	6,494
Primary occupation:								
Farming	2002 59	313	324	489	453	301	147	480
	1997 60	249	351	428	443	284	134	579
Other	2002 20	125	95	271	170	148	47	137
	1997 31	158	113	321	208	174	60	168
Place of residence <sup>1</sup> :								
On farm operated	2002 65	300	336	621	486	301	141	475
	1997 59	252	320	574	474	259	114	527
Not on farm operated	2002 14	138	83	139	137	148	53	142
	1997 22	103	102	129	116	149	71	160
Days worked off farm <sup>1</sup> :								
None	2002 38	225	199	325	299	216	103	325
	1997 34	182	239	312	312	212	89	378
Any	2002 41	213	220	435	324	233	91	292
	1997 48	190	181	392	274	218	92	303
1 to 49 days	2002 8	25	43	45	49	38	17	67
	1997 9	26	33	45	51	17	14	92
50 to 99 days	2002 1	6	24	26	21	17	7	35
	1997 8	11	10	22	23	23	11	32
100 to 199 days	2002 9	30	28	63	15	29	14	25
	1997 (NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002 23	152	125	301	239	149	53	165
	1997 22	127	112	270	168	141	50	136

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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		Nebraska	Adams	Antelope	Arthur	Banner	Blaine	Boone
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>								
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :								
2 years or less	2002	1,148	8	20	3	3	3	8
	1997	2,431	31	56	4	11	7	46
3 or 4 years	2002	2,331	19	24	3	21	10	16
	1997	2,824	46	36	10	11	10	30
5 to 9 years	2002	6,351	71	85	13	22	20	73
	1997	5,958	86	75	6	36	16	74
10 years or more	2002	39,525	463	663	57	180	73	595
	1997	33,411	393	519	42	131	62	514
Average years on present farm	2002	24.5	23.8	25.6	22.3	26.4	24.0	24.3
	1997	22.3	20.4	21.8	20.3	21.9	22.5	22.6
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002	403	4	7	-	3	-	7
	1997	1,009	20	19	-	3	2	20
25 to 34 years	2002	3,370	68	37	5	7	7	64
	1997	4,831	73	73	5	11	3	90
35 to 44 years	2002	9,713	132	167	19	32	18	141
	1997	12,385	165	226	15	49	33	210
45 to 54 years	2002	13,633	165	230	15	63	32	222
	1997	12,634	158	190	16	66	24	164
55 to 59 years	2002	5,314	37	98	5	29	10	50
	1997	5,253	70	65	8	26	11	64
60 to 64 years	2002	4,797	59	74	12	12	6	77
	1997	5,305	67	73	11	17	13	70
65 to 69 years	2002	4,148	41	51	4	15	11	50
	1997	4,773	39	70	8	24	10	48
70 years and over	2002	7,977	55	128	16	65	22	81
	1997	8,349	69	129	21	42	23	139
Average age	2002	53.9	50.4	53.6	54.8	58.2	55.8	51.7
	1997	52.5	49.8	51.7	57.2	54.6	54.4	51.2
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Family or individual	farms, 2002	42,835	485	683	54	170	83	603
	1997	44,985	543	725	59	166	92	671
	acres, 2002	32,254,161	261,868	400,146	178,931	275,575	218,654	318,537
	1997	30,757,164	262,375	360,237	190,824	288,706	264,636	317,321
Partnership	farms, 2002	3,080	22	38	8	22	13	55
	1997	4,736	37	39	6	23	19	93
	acres, 2002	5,895,833	17,855	50,040	70,458	56,999	90,098	87,116
	1997	5,813,698	21,031	42,254	67,997	37,212	39,501	60,981
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002	2,950	47	64	11	31	10	26
	1997	4,177	72	77	18	38	8	37
	acres, 2002	6,929,362	60,192	72,944	185,913	75,679	132,367	23,255
	1997	8,440,306	68,314	92,714	(D)	119,938	136,418	74,405
Other than family held	farms, 2002	115	7	2	-	-	-	3
	1997	219	2	1	-	-	-	3
	acres, 2002	232,819	4,394	(D)	-	-	-	360
	1997	303,692	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	375	-	5	3	3	-	5
	1997	422	7	3	1	9	-	1
	acres, 2002	590,941	-	(D)	950	2,900	-	1,444
	1997	538,796	(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		Box Butte	Boyd	Brown	Buffalo	Burt	Butler	Cass
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>								
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :								
2 years or less	2002	15	6	10	20	13	9	10
	1997	29	15	27	42	31	30	19
3 or 4 years	2002	31	8	23	46	33	58	37
	1997	31	24	20	65	37	37	38
5 to 9 years	2002	77	38	56	138	76	89	86
	1997	62	30	52	154	62	71	67
10 years or more	2002	353	262	222	785	499	684	546
	1997	319	231	191	707	374	564	486
Average years on present farm	2002	24.4	26.7	21.4	23.0	25.6	25.4	24.5
	1997	21.8	23.0	18.8	20.8	22.9	23.6	23.4
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002	4	1	2	8	4	5	6
	1997	6	3	8	12	11	7	7
25 to 34 years	2002	29	24	27	65	27	56	29
	1997	33	39	42	105	41	98	42
35 to 44 years	2002	92	57	61	198	121	188	112
	1997	124	78	67	258	149	189	117
45 to 54 years	2002	141	81	84	288	157	215	183
	1997	109	95	75	326	127	202	230
55 to 59 years	2002	40	42	33	127	57	81	104
	1997	61	44	47	97	70	85	72
60 to 64 years	2002	42	37	32	85	81	77	63
	1997	52	25	39	84	74	75	83
65 to 69 years	2002	44	16	25	70	64	89	66
	1997	45	29	26	111	64	81	76
70 years and over	2002	84	56	47	148	110	129	116
	1997	110	60	64	160	78	114	121
Average age	2002	54.2	54.6	53.2	53.4	55.6	53.7	55.4
	1997	54.8	52.8	53.1	52.2	52.7	51.7	54.5
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Family or individual	farms, 2002	417	284	270	840	526	751	586
	1997	454	327	292	934	475	693	642
	acres, 2002	570,705	247,445	(D)	435,836	(D)	289,482	(D)
	1997	567,049	231,751	460,618	423,817	193,739	264,486	228,921
Partnership	farms, 2002	23	21	21	57	43	48	37
	1997	46	33	46	98	65	110	46
	acres, 2002	36,676	35,499	103,863	79,190	38,196	43,133	27,767
	1997	76,207	34,273	163,816	80,675	42,045	55,834	31,593
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002	28	9	16	79	43	38	49
	1997	34	11	23	101	69	45	52
	acres, 2002	60,502	25,064	70,037	83,392	51,728	41,459	46,026
	1997	61,123	20,761	69,494	116,276	62,347	39,966	39,467
Other than family held	farms, 2002	4	-	1	3	1	-	1
	1997	4	1	1	5	2	1	4
	acres, 2002	4,305	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,426	(D)	(D)	5,571
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	4	-	3	10	8	3	6
	1997	2	1	6	15	3	2	4
	acres, 2002	2,903	-	(D)	(D)	908	560	797
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	5,648	(D)	(D)	1,392

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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		Cedar	Chase	Cherry	Cheyenne	Clay	Colfax	Cuming	Custer
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>									
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :									
2 years or less	2002	12	-	6	20	12	17	23	25
	1997	34	14	36	19	24	12	55	91
3 or 4 years	2002	34	12	31	30	22	29	33	63
	1997	49	19	42	23	42	28	39	64
5 to 9 years	2002	110	35	84	65	69	55	87	126
	1997	124	39	81	69	51	56	122	168
10 years or more	2002	793	279	436	501	400	488	761	935
	1997	633	231	385	460	353	437	649	795
Average years on present farm	2002	24.6	26.9	24.3	26.1	23.2	24.7	25.2	24.2
	1997	21.6	23.4	22.8	25.1	20.7	23.1	22.9	21.3
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	9	-	4	1	10	6	3	12
	1997	17	9	7	5	16	14	27	32
25 to 34 years	2002	78	20	33	23	39	49	67	102
	1997	114	40	57	35	49	71	121	139
35 to 44 years	2002	220	59	85	77	120	149	245	229
	1997	333	79	109	137	160	165	262	285
45 to 54 years	2002	295	101	139	178	173	155	219	279
	1997	213	93	143	159	157	135	216	288
55 to 59 years	2002	82	30	66	62	48	51	91	117
	1997	79	36	87	61	55	74	84	149
60 to 64 years	2002	76	24	68	63	48	55	69	115
	1997	78	40	81	61	53	58	105	128
65 to 69 years	2002	60	34	54	69	28	49	67	95
	1997	72	34	67	92	23	55	82	144
70 years and over	2002	129	58	108	143	37	75	143	200
	1997	111	65	139	156	53	70	148	194
Average age	2002	51.6	55.2	56.1	58.1	50.0	51.6	52.6	53.7
	1997	49.3	52.2	55.9	56.7	49.1	50.4	50.9	52.2
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	857	256	439	518	413	527	787	1,023
	1997	881	292	495	534	433	548	834	1,152
	acres, 2002	386,188	(D)	2,107,069	562,825	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,188,870
	1997	373,757	340,906	1,969,247	555,878	231,439	179,609	264,270	1,138,269
Partnership	farms, 2002	61	27	48	52	34	39	62	68
	1997	89	36	71	81	47	55	107	113
	acres, 2002	55,074	84,102	735,939	124,661	28,641	28,025	44,034	149,066
	1997	53,697	72,925	712,723	124,686	31,671	(D)	44,419	182,919
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	26	39	57	37	51	21	42	51
	1997	39	62	93	78	75	37	83	74
	acres, 2002	16,030	104,893	801,029	110,178	55,224	21,175	37,240	156,935
	1997	20,956	140,397	1,040,938	141,463	65,920	31,771	57,202	180,377
Other than family held	farms, 2002	3	1	1	1	2	2	10	-
	1997	4	1	4	3	7	2	13	1
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	778	-
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	2	3	12	8	3	-	3	7
	1997	4	5	27	10	4	-	8	19
	acres, 2002	(D)	836	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	7,088
	1997	(D)	(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		Dakota	Dawes	Dawson	Deuel	Dixon	Dodge	Douglas	Dundy
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>									
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :									
2 years or less	2002	11	13	20	20	14	11	9	2
	1997	6	22	51	11	37	32	17	17
3 or 4 years	2002	9	24	42	5	25	42	28	9
	1997	24	25	59	19	25	39	24	12
5 to 9 years	2002	46	55	101	34	106	78	44	28
	1997	25	65	115	27	58	79	55	36
10 years or more	2002	230	314	555	193	515	603	280	223
	1997	187	289	503	185	400	578	251	219
Average years on present farm	2002	24.7	23.4	22.3	27.1	25.0	25.0	21.2	27.0
	1997	23.1	21.8	21.1	25.1	21.9	22.5	19.5	24.0
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	-	2	8	2	4	6	2	2
	1997	2	7	17	4	13	14	5	4
25 to 34 years	2002	23	16	58	6	40	46	19	9
	1997	23	14	105	16	50	57	18	21
35 to 44 years	2002	49	63	142	29	130	111	75	36
	1997	67	94	201	41	147	208	96	67
45 to 54 years	2002	75	115	234	53	165	235	112	84
	1997	72	120	208	53	150	205	111	103
55 to 59 years	2002	34	38	73	39	71	95	44	28
	1997	20	50	88	32	68	108	60	26
60 to 64 years	2002	25	37	63	33	84	111	42	31
	1997	28	44	80	36	70	87	31	26
65 to 69 years	2002	24	43	48	24	53	54	19	13
	1997	35	50	70	23	39	67	29	24
70 years and over	2002	66	92	92	66	113	76	48	59
	1997	67	118	134	72	88	102	60	68
Average age	2002	56.0	57.1	52.3	59.6	55.2	53.4	53.1	57.4
	1997	55.0	56.7	51.6	57.7	52.0	51.9	53.3	54.0
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	259	361	551	211	590	637	308	209
	1997	264	418	659	211	527	682	326	258
	acres, 2002	(D)	609,546	(D)	(D)	221,185	257,540	(D)	(D)
	1997	111,841	538,050	419,829	218,581	202,883	236,753	76,133	387,962
Partnership	farms, 2002	26	25	46	15	45	38	27	28
	1997	27	46	76	33	61	63	37	32
	acres, 2002	17,458	81,451	53,449	19,614	46,384	40,144	15,016	125,711
	1997	15,921	114,395	42,142	24,414	31,068	28,391	24,081	65,448
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	10	15	114	21	16	54	22	22
	1997	16	22	155	27	22	92	45	46
	acres, 2002	13,725	90,174	166,527	51,365	6,943	40,826	8,848	78,813
	1997	15,007	126,901	183,494	57,428	8,885	63,025	(D)	(D)
Other than family held	farms, 2002	-	2	5	3	2	-	-	-
	1997	2	1	12	4	4	6	-	-
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	3,530	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	1	3	2	2	7	5	3	3
	1997	5	10	1	2	11	5	2	3
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	755	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	(D)	(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	Fillmore	Franklin	Frontier	Furnas	Gage	Garden	Garfield	Gosper
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>								
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :								
2 years or less	2002 17	5	9	6	28	7	6	6
	1997 21	15	23	24	46	18	12	9
3 or 4 years	2002 16	14	11	14	73	11	10	11
	1997 19	15	7	33	60	26	8	11
5 to 9 years	2002 53	38	29	56	154	36	27	24
	1997 54	59	32	42	113	24	20	29
10 years or more	2002 413	321	269	336	1,017	199	147	201
	1997 390	266	242	278	812	191	127	168
Average years on present farm	2002 25.8	26.0	26.8	26.3	25.4	24.6	23.0	26.5
	1997 24.7	21.3	25.1	22.6	24.0	22.7	23.3	23.0
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 4	5	3	2	1	-	6	-
	1997 14	6	5	15	17	3	3	5
25 to 34 years	2002 44	30	19	36	71	6	11	25
	1997 52	61	25	46	87	19	12	26
35 to 44 years	2002 106	66	56	83	258	32	30	44
	1997 156	99	84	95	289	55	38	62
45 to 54 years	2002 156	105	88	94	346	85	43	66
	1997 144	106	86	119	289	75	53	54
55 to 59 years	2002 44	52	45	57	144	29	21	25
	1997 76	51	42	22	134	36	23	26
60 to 64 years	2002 51	39	27	30	140	29	28	20
	1997 45	52	34	46	136	49	36	30
65 to 69 years	2002 37	27	32	29	129	24	22	23
	1997 47	28	36	42	119	20	21	23
70 years and over	2002 57	54	48	81	183	48	29	39
	1997 73	46	56	67	161	71	31	34
Average age	2002 51.8	53.4	54.3	53.9	54.3	57.6	54.7	53.5
	1997 50.9	50.3	53.4	51.5	52.6	56.4	54.5	51.4
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 418	314	271	364	1,159	202	167	176
	1997 458	354	321	353	1,059	260	179	191
	acres, 2002 (D)	218,481	391,036	346,003	466,673	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997 237,194	221,051	430,726	319,088	424,711	424,172	177,505	148,278
Partnership	farms, 2002 32	45	32	24	63	23	11	15
	1997 81	60	22	46	103	28	17	15
	acres, 2002 51,752	71,220	(D)	39,827	53,299	116,012	25,487	14,852
	1997 64,574	55,039	45,164	44,330	66,957	78,921	70,568	15,594
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 45	19	13	24	31	23	11	49
	1997 63	33	22	46	49	30	17	53
	acres, 2002 47,947	41,392	27,961	54,946	27,138	340,955	75,175	81,197
	1997 57,750	(D)	41,320	75,338	36,095	488,658	61,339	(D)
Other than family held	farms, 2002 1	-	-	-	6	1	-	-
	1997 5	-	-	2	10	3	-	-
	acres, 2002 (D)	-	-	-	819	(D)	-	-
	1997 4,768	-	-	(D)	1,008	(D)	-	-
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 3	-	2	-	13	4	1	2
	1997 -	2	3	5	11	7	4	1
	acres, 2002 1,708	-	(D)	-	4,387	5,014	(D)	(D)
	1997 -	(D)	3,158	(D)	4,788	(D)	1,722	(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	Grant	Greeley	Hall	Hamilton	Harlan	Hayes	Hitchcock	Holt	
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>									
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :									
2 years or less	2002	-	10	12	21	18	11	6	26
	1997	10	22	29	20	17	10	15	78
3 or 4 years	2002	2	11	21	25	20	12	20	46
	1997	6	24	34	45	20	10	8	76
5 to 9 years	2002	17	38	76	64	42	23	33	174
	1997	13	42	95	77	40	23	26	154
10 years or more	2002	54	302	486	493	266	214	240	920
	1997	37	250	431	434	246	180	244	755
Average years on present farm	2002	23.8	25.6	22.8	23.0	25.7	25.9	27.5	24.1
	1997	19.0	23.4	20.8	21.0	23.3	24.5	28.4	20.8
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	-	4	3	1	11	4	-	10
	1997	-	16	19	6	14	2	1	22
25 to 34 years	2002	3	22	61	41	26	9	22	75
	1997	7	39	77	61	30	21	17	129
35 to 44 years	2002	17	60	123	143	58	40	47	267
	1997	26	75	182	213	87	59	63	301
45 to 54 years	2002	26	102	167	200	94	82	79	304
	1997	20	88	172	181	105	67	81	294
55 to 59 years	2002	4	37	60	71	37	30	26	123
	1997	7	30	71	65	32	20	33	120
60 to 64 years	2002	5	35	67	62	28	19	29	100
	1997	6	40	93	68	30	34	31	107
65 to 69 years	2002	7	37	49	46	36	28	22	95
	1997	10	51	56	36	28	27	45	115
70 years and over	2002	11	64	65	39	56	48	74	192
	1997	15	64	80	67	66	41	86	253
Average age	2002	53.1	54.7	51.8	51.2	53.7	55.9	56.8	53.4
	1997	52.8	52.9	50.9	50.0	52.2	53.7	57.4	53.0
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	55	329	496	486	298	207	245	1,009
	1997	59	348	618	533	309	207	296	1,099
	acres, 2002	(D)	244,660	(D)	(D)	(D)	301,302	(D)	1,110,893
	1997	169,236	229,043	239,847	237,313	220,165	312,663	317,744	1,043,137
Partnership	farms, 2002	8	14	45	40	23	21	22	92
	1997	14	33	52	62	33	29	31	132
	acres, 2002	73,244	(D)	38,264	33,034	29,232	68,960	55,092	232,207
	1997	90,456	32,213	24,977	41,249	30,023	42,319	55,440	213,943
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	9	16	49	76	24	28	31	56
	1997	17	22	71	97	47	31	30	88
	acres, 2002	189,475	30,344	54,461	70,564	63,800	35,563	69,878	129,244
	1997	(D)	25,365	83,819	74,774	80,013	66,848	51,451	182,893
Other than family held	farms, 2002	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	1
	1997	-	-	5	5	3	-	-	9
	acres, 2002	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-	(D)
	1997	-	-	1,367	104	1,280	-	-	5,840
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	1	2	3	-	-	4	1	8
	1997	1	-	4	-	-	4	-	13
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	5,781	-	-	2,465	(D)	(D)
	1997	(D)	-	178	-	-	3,450	-	2,655

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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	Hooker	Howard	Jefferson	Johnson	Kearney	Keith	Keya Paha	Kimball
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>								
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :								
2 years or less	2002 2	12	16	12	6	11	2	3
	1997 2	29	35	16	20	28	5	15
3 or 4 years	2002 1	28	28	17	20	17	9	16
	1997 8	43	23	26	28	23	10	17
5 to 9 years	2002 12	69	75	68	46	66	29	52
	1997 15	86	57	45	59	51	32	31
10 years or more	2002 66	491	512	474	340	269	145	291
	1997 50	403	428	335	321	213	129	223
Average years on present farm	2002 23.2	23.1	25.7	26.5	25.6	23.8	26.5	26.1
	1997 19.7	21.7	23.6	25.2	22.2	21.2	23.1	23.6
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 -	4	1	2	1	-	1	3
	1997 -	9	16	4	14	5	7	3
25 to 34 years	2002 4	46	50	25	36	26	11	27
	1997 10	82	47	36	46	24	20	18
35 to 44 years	2002 19	140	89	98	84	57	37	47
	1997 12	134	155	113	134	87	41	77
45 to 54 years	2002 17	136	200	160	124	100	35	82
	1997 23	158	151	101	124	86	36	87
55 to 59 years	2002 12	81	73	45	40	41	19	46
	1997 18	67	49	55	55	37	24	30
60 to 64 years	2002 16	50	43	51	41	28	23	30
	1997 6	74	70	62	51	43	30	35
65 to 69 years	2002 3	57	69	68	35	39	27	45
	1997 9	70	61	46	23	41	20	23
70 years and over	2002 10	86	106	122	51	72	32	82
	1997 12	86	117	105	74	82	44	86
Average age	2002 54.0	53.1	54.5	56.3	52.7	55.4	55.7	57.2
	1997 53.9	52.0	53.3	55.1	50.6	55.3	54.9	56.0
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 69	538	566	531	331	299	162	305
	1997 70	585	548	452	428	310	184	273
	acres, 2002 (D)	227,370	293,738	183,162	(D)	363,580	(D)	443,828
	1997 244,133	249,820	246,619	169,249	236,508	283,902	352,163	398,938
Partnership	farms, 2002 3	41	31	19	30	20	17	16
	1997 11	50	65	45	43	36	24	44
	acres, 2002 69,480	39,070	31,577	(D)	36,948	53,260	97,022	11,940
	1997 55,208	38,110	36,241	18,292	(D)	69,263	89,899	80,602
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 8	17	30	13	49	38	5	31
	1997 7	43	48	18	47	50	10	35
	acres, 2002 64,012	22,877	37,750	9,415	51,163	205,624	20,518	79,834
	1997 (D)	(D)	39,379	11,786	42,032	247,720	31,422	99,188
Other than family held	farms, 2002 -	-	-	1	3	-	-	-
	1997 -	-	1	2	3	-	1	-
	acres, 2002 -	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-
	1997 -	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	-
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 1	4	4	7	1	4	1	10
	1997 2	2	4	5	-	9	3	7
	acres, 2002 (D)	4,220	510	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	14,044
	1997 (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	13,320	(D)	5,680

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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		Knox	Lancaster	Lincoln	Logan	Loup	McPherson	Madison	Merrick
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>									
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :									
2 years or less	2002	29	31	23	6	3	1	5	19
	1997	40	76	55	6	16	6	44	25
3 or 4 years	2002	50	90	52	6	4	8	30	17
	1997	59	102	55	13	12	1	35	37
5 to 9 years	2002	122	302	152	9	21	14	85	65
	1997	128	223	134	14	15	13	74	72
10 years or more	2002	815	1,184	732	98	92	105	646	412
	1997	678	975	597	64	73	63	520	335
Average years on present farm	2002	24.4	22.1	23.3	24.8	22.4	23.4	24.8	23.1
	1997	22.1	20.8	20.2	21.4	19.2	22.4	22.2	20.2
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	13	9	10	-	1	-	4	8
	1997	39	17	18	2	6	2	18	16
25 to 34 years	2002	90	72	83	9	8	10	35	46
	1997	107	113	84	6	15	5	58	70
35 to 44 years	2002	207	278	143	18	17	24	189	105
	1997	256	343	234	23	35	20	197	128
45 to 54 years	2002	310	448	254	33	38	35	217	142
	1997	274	413	261	30	24	29	182	127
55 to 59 years	2002	106	202	134	10	6	13	55	53
	1997	90	170	126	8	19	17	94	57
60 to 64 years	2002	98	166	91	10	15	21	77	57
	1997	81	141	84	13	13	7	80	72
65 to 69 years	2002	67	125	82	8	19	6	52	47
	1997	95	174	102	23	11	17	97	55
70 years and over	2002	125	307	162	31	16	19	137	55
	1997	161	244	169	25	23	18	111	62
Average age	2002	51.8	55.5	54.7	56.8	55.4	53.3	53.8	52.0
	1997	51.2	53.5	53.1	56.2	52.2	55.6	52.6	51.2
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	920	1,442	830	103	103	107	716	435
	1997	1,001	1,421	860	109	125	96	741	494
	acres, 2002	506,119	373,808	1,014,439	194,572	179,769	(D)	295,053	(D)
	1997	499,177	365,740	860,656	190,650	205,411	308,380	264,817	207,164
Partnership	farms, 2002	59	80	62	4	9	12	25	31
	1997	71	113	119	3	13	10	48	41
	acres, 2002	55,097	36,954	197,867	56,459	105,544	94,561	30,684	34,538
	1997	64,430	39,682	213,183	4,337	80,003	(D)	36,781	27,167
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	28	65	58	12	8	7	21	45
	1997	21	64	85	15	6	9	40	46
	acres, 2002	30,789	36,441	286,396	108,038	52,229	52,492	15,677	48,966
	1997	22,421	30,744	332,200	127,920	(D)	(D)	34,520	43,319
Other than family held	farms, 2002	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
	1997	7	8	2	-	-	-	1	2
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-	-	-	-
	1997	(D)	1,005	(D)	-	-	-	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	6	18	7	-	-	2	4	2
	1997	3	9	12	3	2	-	7	4
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-	(D)	753	(D)
	1997	(D)	1,245	(D)	2,360	(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	Morrill	Nance	Nemaha	Nuckolls	Otoe	Pawnee	Perkins	Phelps
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>								
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :								
2 years or less	2002 17	8	13	25	19	12	15	5
	1997 33	15	19	25	37	16	15	21
3 or 4 years	2002 32	19	16	17	47	25	18	27
	1997 40	22	25	24	36	20	23	23
5 to 9 years	2002 69	71	56	50	109	62	53	85
	1997 60	43	43	47	91	29	43	61
10 years or more	2002 325	294	398	384	622	432	352	353
	1997 268	270	337	336	539	330	335	371
Average years on present farm	2002 21.7	24.6	26.7	23.8	24.9	27.6	25.4	23.0
	1997 18.8	22.8	25.1	22.3	24.4	27.0	24.9	22.9
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 7	5	4	12	7	2	5	2
	1997 6	21	3	14	17	4	10	8
25 to 34 years	2002 14	28	27	37	65	30	51	58
	1997 46	54	27	60	72	32	38	80
35 to 44 years	2002 80	90	61	97	134	89	74	129
	1997 125	103	92	119	161	83	114	139
45 to 54 years	2002 116	114	127	128	227	114	112	116
	1997 112	76	129	137	209	107	112	128
55 to 59 years	2002 60	17	53	58	75	50	38	48
	1997 53	34	55	45	81	28	53	53
60 to 64 years	2002 57	38	80	43	67	43	38	40
	1997 52	35	44	39	101	59	57	57
65 to 69 years	2002 40	40	31	37	73	54	31	30
	1997 58	59	44	43	70	44	32	40
70 years and over	2002 69	60	100	64	149	149	89	47
	1997 45	59	117	66	164	115	118	75
Average age	2002 54.9	53.3	57.0	52.4	54.4	58.0	54.1	50.3
	1997 51.4	50.8	56.2	50.8	54.0	56.2	54.4	50.3
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 375	360	446	423	715	477	367	355
	1997 416	363	437	455	755	416	424	402
acres, 2002	(D)	198,974	216,693	(D)	274,808	214,014	412,842	(D)
1997	534,138	188,861	204,888	256,500	275,817	190,023	428,276	226,973
Partnership	farms, 2002 33	19	22	26	43	40	27	38
	1997 37	61	41	36	73	43	38	65
acres, 2002	201,773	16,377	(D)	48,499	31,336	31,571	48,446	51,656
1997	113,090	43,939	17,353	36,661	45,610	28,434	55,187	61,576
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 30	9	13	24	33	11	35	72
	1997 38	15	29	28	40	8	55	107
acres, 2002	166,673	9,928	16,390	43,160	35,765	9,721	83,683	77,178
1997	203,612	(D)	18,946	40,501	37,626	9,910	104,149	92,991
Other than family held	farms, 2002 1	-	-	-	2	-	4	1
	1997 4	-	2	-	6	3	3	2
acres, 2002	(D)	-	-	-	(D)	-	1,330	(D)
1997	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 4	4	2	3	4	3	5	4
	1997 2	2	2	4	1	2	14	4
acres, 2002	(D)	3,706	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,512	1,963	447
1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,686	(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		Pierce	Platte	Polk	Red Willow	Richardson	Rock	Saline	Sarpy
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>									
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :									
2 years or less	2002	11	26	14	16	17	7	19	7
	1997	23	46	21	30	15	22	26	10
3 or 4 years	2002	41	36	12	11	39	8	32	24
	1997	54	54	26	34	27	27	30	19
5 to 9 years	2002	74	117	39	47	77	41	73	48
	1997	77	94	60	46	92	40	89	49
10 years or more	2002	571	821	462	306	599	215	604	276
	1997	475	677	421	281	513	174	492	246
Average years on present farm	2002	23.9	25.0	26.3	26.4	23.8	23.9	25.6	22.4
	1997	21.9	22.4	22.9	22.6	23.0	20.8	23.3	21.9
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	3	13	4	12	8	2	10	1
	1997	17	32	13	10	9	17	15	3
25 to 34 years	2002	42	63	30	23	33	26	64	19
	1997	79	117	72	36	53	29	73	23
35 to 44 years	2002	184	257	123	76	157	30	176	65
	1997	198	310	148	125	169	71	180	93
45 to 54 years	2002	181	309	178	82	186	81	172	89
	1997	162	226	165	90	184	80	186	91
55 to 59 years	2002	80	87	51	32	63	28	70	49
	1997	70	81	52	39	88	21	80	39
60 to 64 years	2002	59	86	38	39	88	23	80	55
	1997	68	116	65	49	84	25	63	45
65 to 69 years	2002	52	66	48	30	91	24	45	24
	1997	69	67	40	54	52	24	76	38
70 years and over	2002	96	119	55	86	106	57	111	53
	1997	98	134	78	68	128	61	100	69
Average age	2002	52.5	51.6	52.1	54.8	54.6	55.5	52.4	54.5
	1997	51.1	49.9	50.5	52.7	53.4	51.7	51.5	54.4
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	634	885	425	340	638	228	670	308
		1997	689	912	506	395	639	248	689
	acres, 2002	275,917	348,512	187,528	356,195	256,057	509,839	297,698	(D)
		1997	260,435	321,669	195,687	332,834	246,983	470,532	276,722
Partnership	farms, 2002	41	65	33	18	60	18	34	19
		1997	39	99	63	30	93	45	55
	acres, 2002	33,632	50,175	21,725	(D)	44,085	53,900	26,776	11,306
		1997	26,494	58,873	27,965	(D)	43,113	55,679	29,381
Corporation: Family-held	farms, 2002	17	46	65	20	17	19	20	24
		1997	28	64	58	43	28	29	34
	acres, 2002	21,999	34,422	54,806	37,650	16,519	56,660	17,824	12,266
		1997	26,541	47,998	42,485	72,412	29,536	89,453	17,807
Other than family held	farms, 2002	1	2	-	1	1	2	-	2
		1997	1	5	4	3	3	1	-
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
		1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	4	2	4	1	16	4	4	2
		1997	4	3	2	-	4	5	4
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	396	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,438	(D)
		1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	1,782	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		Saunders	Scotts Bluff	Seward	Sheridan	Sherman	Sioux	Stanton	Thayer
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>									
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :									
2 years or less	2002	13	26	12	24	11	6	20	12
	1997	58	68	29	33	26	20	35	11
3 or 4 years	2002	39	70	40	26	15	18	26	20
	1997	53	76	54	30	24	35	41	24
5 to 9 years	2002	140	176	137	88	56	53	72	56
	1997	121	137	112	94	63	53	70	45
10 years or more	2002	965	508	673	475	366	241	537	470
	1997	787	441	551	389	301	196	388	405
Average years on present farm	2002	26.1	19.4	24.0	24.3	24.1	23.2	24.1	26.4
	1997	23.2	18.1	21.8	22.7	22.2	18.8	22.3	24.9
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	6	11	12	2	10	3	2	5
	1997	33	10	21	14	16	6	7	6
25 to 34 years	2002	78	55	59	30	32	15	40	35
	1997	128	75	108	45	46	17	85	39
35 to 44 years	2002	249	165	175	82	98	46	158	112
	1997	274	190	202	113	106	98	143	157
45 to 54 years	2002	293	230	226	185	96	88	169	149
	1997	279	229	206	148	107	73	155	132
55 to 59 years	2002	126	84	90	56	50	43	66	38
	1997	109	64	92	48	45	25	70	55
60 to 64 years	2002	101	51	82	32	53	24	66	60
	1997	132	90	88	60	69	44	48	67
65 to 69 years	2002	99	59	75	60	45	35	36	43
	1997	104	82	90	81	38	39	47	50
70 years and over	2002	205	125	143	166	64	64	118	116
	1997	201	106	88	177	85	50	99	93
Average age	2002	54.1	53.0	53.7	58.1	53.0	56.0	53.8	54.8
	1997	52.1	52.2	50.5	56.7	53.0	53.2	51.3	53.0
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	1,042	619	776	538	407	255	596	488
	1997	1,079	648	779	554	449	275	590	496
	acres, 2002	369,019	(D)	300,816	(D)	250,556	(D)	208,753	(D)
	1997	352,069	267,650	270,382	800,631	256,848	629,080	204,142	271,242
Partnership	farms, 2002	66	57	49	42	27	22	29	29
	1997	111	59	65	69	36	33	34	50
	acres, 2002	46,008	35,595	(D)	226,937	45,473	166,794	18,442	31,896
	1997	49,070	31,123	28,709	249,089	45,070	112,502	17,246	38,490
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	35	98	34	28	11	38	19	39
	1997	53	136	47	58	23	40	22	49
	acres, 2002	31,086	109,849	26,279	170,632	19,642	283,251	13,304	56,295
	1997	35,837	145,653	29,544	252,236	(D)	345,390	10,470	66,153
Other than family held	farms, 2002	-	2	-	-	-	1	2	-
	1997	-	2	4	1	-	1	1	1
	acres, 2002	-	(D)	-	-	-	(D)	(D)	-
	1997	-	(D)	1,453	(D)	-	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	14	4	3	5	3	2	9	2
	1997	17	1	-	4	4	3	7	3
	acres, 2002	12,216	(D)	(D)	(D)	589	(D)	(D)	(D)
	1997	11,978	(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	Thomas	Thurston	Valley	Washington	Wayne	Webster	Wheeler	York
<b>PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>								
Years on present farm <sup>1</sup> :								
2 years or less	2002 -	9	11	12	13	11	11	14
	1997 4	18	23	20	38	29	13	19
3 or 4 years	2002 3	24	14	69	23	22	16	25
	1997 7	34	17	30	23	23	17	30
5 to 9 years	2002 13	56	54	100	87	66	25	63
	1997 16	44	60	81	72	46	37	90
10 years or more	2002 63	349	340	579	500	350	142	515
	1997 48	233	283	498	416	279	102	483
Average years on present farm	2002 22.7	23.6	23.8	22.9	24.1	24.5	21.8	24.8
	1997 16.3	22.1	22.8	22.7	21.7	21.7	19.8	22.6
Age group:								
Under 25 years	2002 -	4	5	3	3	1	3	3
	1997 -	8	10	7	10	3	2	22
25 to 34 years	2002 3	38	50	46	31	45	14	37
	1997 9	34	48	57	68	52	24	70
35 to 44 years	2002 9	71	74	128	121	88	35	141
	1997 22	101	105	149	179	84	37	191
45 to 54 years	2002 30	90	114	214	214	115	63	169
	1997 24	86	113	180	112	115	52	181
55 to 59 years	2002 11	83	42	110	73	43	22	95
	1997 10	42	39	91	57	41	19	73
60 to 64 years	2002 8	41	32	74	48	35	23	66
	1997 1	41	40	83	58	47	16	74
65 to 69 years	2002 2	45	31	77	45	49	12	47
	1997 7	27	39	64	79	41	13	54
70 years and over	2002 16	66	71	108	88	73	22	59
	1997 18	68	70	118	88	75	31	82
Average age	2002 55.9	54.6	52.6	54.4	53.3	54.0	52.2	52.2
	1997 52.2	52.6	51.9	53.7	52.0	52.7	52.2	50.5
<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>								
Family or individual	farms, 2002 66	397	370	638	576	399	167	504
	1997 71	338	382	597	582	389	156	601
acres, 2002 (D)	174,235	245,300	(D)	238,276	(D)	(D)	(D)	264,747
1997 247,446	135,628	251,377	143,109	217,497	241,209	186,322	260,706	
Partnership	farms, 2002 4	13	22	49	29	25	13	50
	1997 9	39	36	55	37	37	21	60
acres, 2002 (D)	17,184	26,296	24,871	24,615	28,389	35,377	43,188	
1997 (D)	28,351	27,097	21,738	21,346	33,387	41,037	43,361	
Corporation:								
Family-held	farms, 2002 8	10	22	68	10	24	12	51
	1997 11	22	39	90	27	26	15	80
acres, 2002 85,467	12,094	40,421	56,307	15,523	37,204	82,492	44,128	
1997 (D)	19,458	46,486	60,643	23,077	(D)	(D)	57,619	
Other than family held	farms, 2002 -	1	-	5	3	1	2	2
	1997 -	2	3	4	2	-	-	2
acres, 2002 (D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,942	(D)	(D)	(D)
1997 -	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	-	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 1	17	5	-	5	-	-	10
	1997 -	6	4	3	3	6	2	4
acres, 2002 (D)	(D)	(D)	2,644	-	1,052	-	-	(D)
1997 -	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

<sup>1</sup> Data for 1997 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.