

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

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Item	Vermont	Addison	Bennington	Caledonia	Chittenden	Essex	Franklin	
FARMS								
Land in farms	farms, 2002	6,571	676	228	505	473	98	770
	1997	7,063	784	214	550	571	89	835
	acres, 2002	1,244,909	193,376	41,126	84,318	76,679	19,838	190,115
	1997	1,315,315	209,469	34,766	99,488	91,186	25,443	192,790
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	4,373	488	143	359	299	77	539
	1997	5,273	659	155	424	405	76	659
	acres, 2002	454,699	107,173	9,745	28,751	27,648	6,806	80,958
	1997	473,026	111,731	8,837	30,850	32,598	8,202	75,548
TENURE								
Full owners	farms, 2002	4,011	373	139	305	302	67	476
	1997	4,218	417	127	337	370	61	516
	acres, 2002	538,160	55,793	19,267	34,351	35,535	(D)	79,685
	1997	552,121	62,425	16,625	(D)	41,745	(D)	83,390
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	2,408	230	84	190	170	51	304
	1997	2,932	329	89	240	243	48	390
	acres, 2002	104,930	17,245	1,708	6,045	6,198	(D)	25,028
	1997	125,037	22,601	2,031	8,347	8,982	(D)	27,141
Part owners	farms, 2002	2,162	253	70	177	141	25	261
	1997	2,295	290	68	191	152	25	259
	acres, 2002	645,263	122,695	15,456	48,250	38,592	8,374	103,341
	1997	676,928	123,440	15,806	51,508	43,674	9,551	98,031
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002	411,667	80,195	8,288	31,220	21,831	6,069	70,310
	1997	434,683	80,044	9,245	32,130	25,934	6,705	70,839
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002	233,596	42,500	7,168	17,030	16,761	2,305	33,031
	1997	242,245	43,396	6,561	19,378	17,740	2,846	27,192
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	1,713	221	49	154	107	24	215
	1997	1,979	275	53	168	125	25	231
	acres, 2002	321,353	79,328	6,787	21,921	20,427	4,452	52,657
	1997	306,457	75,167	5,513	21,621	20,645	5,064	42,784
Tenants	farms, 2002	398	50	19	23	30	6	33
	1997	550	77	19	22	49	3	60
	acres, 2002	61,486	14,888	6,403	1,717	2,552	(D)	7,089
	1997	86,266	23,604	2,335	(D)	5,767	(D)	11,369
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002	252	37	10	15	22	2	20
	1997	362	55	13	16	37	3	38
	acres, 2002	28,416	10,600	1,250	785	1,023	(D)	3,273
	1997	41,532	13,963	1,293	882	2,971	(D)	5,623
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS								
Total operators	number	10,784	1,155	374	837	765	164	1,307
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator		3,200	291	124	236	233	40	353
2 operators		2,834	314	86	233	208	52	339
3 operators		365	54	8	21	17	4	50
4 operators		115	13	3	11	11	2	20
5 or more operators		57	4	7	4	4	-	8
Total women operators	number	3,586	389	119	287	228	56	386
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator		3,154	356	87	269	205	56	338
2 operators		170	15	16	9	10	-	21
3 operators		16	1	-	-	1	-	2
4 operators		11	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Sex of operator:								
Male	farms, 2002	5,604	569	201	425	409	88	707
	1997	5,996	678	188	470	451	80	772
	acres, 2002	1,150,559	185,632	38,705	78,003	68,249	18,285	183,416
	1997	1,192,198	197,069	26,479	91,379	79,970	22,410	184,095
Female	farms, 2002	967	107	27	80	64	10	63
	1997	1,067	106	26	80	120	9	63
	acres, 2002	94,350	7,744	2,421	6,315	8,430	1,553	6,699
	1997	123,117	12,400	8,287	8,109	11,216	3,033	8,695
Primary occupation:								
Farming	2002	3,486	405	130	250	222	51	504
	1997	3,615	468	102	275	254	60	494
Other	2002	3,085	271	98	255	251	47	266
	1997	3,448	316	112	275	317	29	341
Place of residence ¹ :								
On farm operated	2002	5,718	615	187	443	411	74	678
	1997	5,883	664	171	468	465	70	707
Not on farm operated	2002	853	61	41	62	62	24	92
	1997	763	86	37	51	74	6	78
Days worked off farm ¹ :								
None	2002	3,029	360	106	230	193	45	404
	1997	2,937	399	83	207	244	51	400
Any	2002	3,542	316	122	275	280	53	366
	1997	3,754	352	122	300	301	27	386
1 to 49 days	2002	392	28	10	17	36	9	55
	1997	451	49	15	27	29	9	52
50 to 99 days	2002	246	31	5	23	12	3	27
	1997	247	16	6	7	24	2	14
100 to 199 days	2002	530	49	8	42	40	12	42
	1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	2002	2,374	208	99	193	192	29	242
	1997	2,334	214	74	203	203	16	258

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Item	Grand Isle	Lamoille	Orange	Orleans	Rutland	Washington	Windham	Windsor
FARMS								
Land in farms	99	317	680	583	623	425	397	697
1997	132	372	654	649	643	452	384	734
acres, 2002	16,289	53,820	110,415	132,240	121,203	53,942	61,596	89,952
1997	21,901	53,208	102,549	142,252	128,685	63,343	50,882	99,353
Harvested cropland	81	203	450	421	400	255	244	414
1997	107	265	481	508	479	294	270	491
acres, 2002	9,155	13,572	32,060	53,761	34,380	15,240	13,847	21,603
1997	12,902	15,042	30,029	54,529	38,222	17,484	14,401	22,651
TENURE								
Full owners	50	205	429	328	374	302	245	416
1997	68	233	409	376	367	289	213	435
acres, 2002	(D)	25,608	52,550	52,428	60,718	32,350	29,913	44,926
1997	6,203	25,246	49,780	54,654	50,268	30,834	20,865	48,598
Harvested cropland	39	117	253	208	219	166	146	231
1997	52	155	271	263	247	183	139	283
acres, 2002	1,648	2,209	7,588	13,230	8,316	(D)	2,458	5,627
1997	2,428	3,236	7,975	13,432	9,680	(D)	4,028	6,736
Part owners	46	91	209	224	212	106	111	236
1997	56	113	198	215	226	137	132	233
acres, 2002	11,567	24,522	51,543	73,717	57,515	20,864	26,725	42,102
1997	13,717	24,020	46,755	78,993	69,792	30,509	25,364	45,768
Owned land in farms	6,314	13,920	31,918	49,200	36,986	13,285	15,885	26,246
1997	7,042	13,833	30,590	52,343	41,453	18,884	16,186	29,455
Rented land in farms	5,253	10,602	19,625	24,517	20,529	7,579	10,840	15,856
1997	6,675	10,187	16,165	26,650	28,339	11,625	9,178	16,313
Harvested cropland	42	71	170	189	159	82	74	156
1997	51	94	178	205	195	107	107	165
acres, 2002	7,507	10,437	22,269	37,653	24,632	9,376	9,048	14,859
1997	9,014	10,056	19,623	37,464	25,339	11,538	8,701	13,928
Tenants	3	21	42	31	37	17	41	45
1997	8	26	47	58	50	26	39	66
acres, 2002	(D)	3,690	6,322	6,095	2,970	728	4,958	2,924
1997	1,981	3,942	6,014	8,605	8,625	2,000	4,653	4,987
Harvested cropland	-	15	27	24	22	7	27	27
1997	4	16	32	40	37	4	24	43
acres, 2002	-	926	2,203	2,878	1,432	(D)	2,341	1,117
1997	1,460	1,750	2,431	3,633	3,203	(D)	1,672	1,987
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS								
Total operators	171	505	1,099	992	967	670	642	1,136
Farms by number of operators:								
1 operator	45	146	333	252	336	229	204	378
2 operators	44	159	292	272	243	166	163	263
3 operators	5	10	39	44	34	22	20	37
4 operators	4	1	15	13	7	3	2	10
5 or more operators	1	1	1	2	3	5	8	9
Total women operators	59	172	366	334	324	228	235	403
Farms by number of women operators:								
1 operator	51	162	293	304	297	202	191	343
2 operators	4	5	30	15	10	13	6	16
3 operators	-	-	3	-	1	-	4	4
4 operators	-	-	1	-	1	-	5	4
5 or more operators	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Sex of operator:								
Male	82	279	572	523	531	336	318	564
1997	101	320	542	573	541	353	329	598
acres, 2002	15,614	50,084	100,314	126,300	105,949	47,557	56,405	76,046
1997	19,857	48,604	86,168	133,837	116,394	53,385	46,723	85,828
Female	17	38	108	60	92	89	79	133
1997	31	52	112	76	102	99	55	136
acres, 2002	675	3,736	10,101	5,940	15,254	6,385	5,191	13,906
1997	2,044	4,604	16,381	8,415	12,291	9,958	4,159	13,525
Primary occupation:								
Farming	52	150	304	395	312	210	190	311
1997	74	153	329	392	313	221	171	309
Other	47	167	376	188	311	215	207	386
1997	58	219	325	257	330	231	213	425
Place of residence ¹ :								
On farm operated	85	279	575	514	549	364	333	611
1997	108	313	545	529	536	382	316	609
Not on farm operated	14	38	105	69	74	61	64	86
1997	16	43	61	68	61	47	50	85
Days worked off farm ¹ :								
None	50	137	272	319	247	186	174	306
1997	63	118	244	310	256	174	136	252
Any	49	180	408	264	376	239	223	391
1997	61	241	383	300	341	263	229	448
1 to 49 days	2	23	24	54	27	34	23	50
1997	8	30	49	52	30	31	25	45
50 to 99 days	2	8	27	13	32	15	16	32
1997	-	12	23	27	39	23	15	39
100 to 199 days	8	18	56	59	49	38	40	69
1997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 days or more	37	131	301	138	268	152	144	240
1997	44	146	234	163	210	155	139	275

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Item	Vermont	Addison	Bennington	Caledonia	Chittenden	Essex	Franklin
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.							
Years on present farm ¹ :							
2 years or less	2002 221	21	2	24	4	4	24
	1997 300	28	8	28	31	5	31
3 or 4 years	2002 421	51	11	35	41	4	31
	1997 445	43	14	47	29	4	50
5 to 9 years	2002 1,077	95	31	102	64	24	115
	1997 1,059	108	45	91	90	6	141
10 years or more	2002 4,852	509	184	344	364	66	600
	1997 4,314	523	121	315	352	54	496
Average years on present farm	2002 19.9	20.3	20.5	18.0	20.7	19.5	19.9
	1997 19.1	19.0	18.5	17.6	19.4	21.1	18.0
Age group:							
Under 25 years	2002 44	11	-	3	4	-	2
	1997 31	3	3	3	2	2	4
25 to 34 years	2002 271	35	6	18	14	3	43
	1997 442	46	7	30	33	2	67
35 to 44 years	2002 1,265	115	37	124	104	15	185
	1997 1,597	195	48	128	140	12	216
45 to 54 years	2002 2,072	236	73	147	134	32	248
	1997 2,122	260	59	162	159	28	293
55 to 59 years	2002 853	97	34	70	61	16	110
	1997 764	84	20	62	61	6	86
60 to 64 years	2002 672	56	23	53	52	9	69
	1997 615	64	28	43	43	11	63
65 to 69 years	2002 521	48	19	35	40	9	54
	1997 583	46	24	48	47	14	47
70 years and over	2002 873	78	36	55	64	14	59
	1997 909	86	25	74	86	14	59
Average age	2002 53.9	53.0	55.4	53.0	54.0	55.0	51.6
	1997 52.7	51.7	53.5	53.0	53.4	56.1	49.9
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION							
Family or individual	farms, 2002 5,716	542	206	464	400	90	671
	1997 6,061	624	174	510	475	80	702
acres, 2002 932,490	104,845	(D)	(D)	75,085	55,056	(D)	143,220
	1997 992,683	133,104	21,872	84,553	67,161	21,587	142,307
Partnership	farms, 2002 483	92	4	26	37	6	62
	1997 575	94	11	27	53	6	82
acres, 2002 178,897	60,735	2,894	7,195	12,807	1,110	24,316	
	1997 183,507	42,869	5,397	8,509	16,924	1,730	31,174
Corporation:							
Family-held	farms, 2002 261	37	12	3	23	2	27
	1997 332	58	22	12	27	3	39
acres, 2002 101,264	27,244	2,473	1,659	4,093	(D)	(D)	19,067
	1997 110,959	31,274	3,943	(D)	4,170	2,126	18,303
Other than family held	farms, 2002 20	-	-	-	2	-	-
	1997 27	3	1	-	5	-	2
acres, 2002 8,416	-	-	-	-	(D)	-	-
	1997 11,417	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002 91	5	6	12	11	-	10
	1997 68	5	6	1	11	-	10
acres, 2002 23,842	552	(D)	(D)	379	(D)	-	3,512
	1997 16,749	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	(D)

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PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.									
Years on present farm ¹ :									
2 years or less	2002	1	8	22	34	22	14	15	26
	1997	11	20	22	39	11	19	17	30
3 or 4 years	2002	6	23	43	45	43	19	29	40
	1997	16	26	37	49	26	25	27	52
5 to 9 years	2002	25	27	130	99	79	77	80	129
	1997	18	72	89	94	70	53	69	113
10 years or more	2002	67	259	485	405	479	315	273	502
	1997	68	206	396	375	428	299	236	445
Average years on present farm	2002	19.5	20.1	18.7	20.5	21.6	21.1	17.3	19.7
	1997	17.7	17.3	19.2	19.2	21.9	20.5	18.2	19.5
Age group:									
Under 25 years	2002	-	-	4	12	-	-	5	3
	1997	-	2	-	4	-	1	1	2
25 to 34 years	2002	7	28	24	29	18	14	12	20
	1997	8	38	42	52	22	13	19	63
35 to 44 years	2002	23	38	140	105	97	65	104	113
	1997	36	82	120	135	128	95	110	152
45 to 54 years	2002	34	122	203	187	199	115	118	224
	1997	37	112	207	205	188	133	104	175
55 to 59 years	2002	10	44	80	84	66	55	39	87
	1997	19	39	70	62	85	58	35	77
60 to 64 years	2002	9	28	71	44	93	57	43	65
	1997	9	40	60	61	60	47	33	53
65 to 69 years	2002	5	25	71	51	58	23	29	54
	1997	6	35	55	40	60	40	36	85
70 years and over	2002	11	32	87	71	92	96	47	131
	1997	17	24	100	90	96	65	46	127
Average age	2002	51.5	53.1	54.5	53.2	55.6	57.1	52.6	55.8
	1997	51.4	50.7	53.7	52.2	54.5	54.5	52.2	54.1
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION									
Family or individual	farms, 2002	83	271	598	533	547	370	335	606
	1997	105	322	569	584	558	388	329	641
	acres, 2002	(D)	43,211	91,561	109,010	89,790	43,714	42,634	72,060
	1997	17,272	41,013	81,640	116,888	94,726	51,634	38,748	80,178
Partnership	farms, 2002	10	33	55	36	39	32	23	28
	1997	18	33	59	45	37	36	34	40
	acres, 2002	1,858	5,764	11,545	15,988	13,505	7,158	7,997	6,025
	1997	3,102	7,548	15,183	17,148	10,832	8,277	7,400	7,414
Corporation:									
Family-held	farms, 2002	2	11	21	7	28	19	29	40
	1997	8	12	19	16	37	28	14	37
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	5,951	5,666	11,649	771	8,759	7,661
	1997	(D)	2,522	4,487	8,026	16,705	3,432	2,538	5,982
Other than family held	farms, 2002	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	7
	1997	-	2	1	2	5	-	2	4
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,468	2,961
	1997	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	5,171	-	(D)	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	3	1	3	6	8	3	7	16
	1997	1	3	6	2	6	-	5	12
	acres, 2002	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	738	1,245
	1997	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,251	-	(D)	(D)

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