

State Table 4.—FARM OPERATORS BY COLOR, AGE, RESIDENCE, AND OFF-FARM WORK; AND EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES ON FARMS: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1959

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text.]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—								
	1959 (Oct.-Nov.)	1954 (Oct.-Nov.)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
FARM OPERATORS									
By color:									
White.....number...	94,779	118,433	132,484	136,279	125,928	143,467	130,204	NA	111,184
Negro.....number...	443	543	562	2,638	327	6,893	424	NA	290
Other nonwhite.....number...	4,052	4,099	4,122		6,403		5,048	NA	6,196
By age:									
Under 25 years.....operators reporting...	247	982	1,918	1,449	2,185	NA	1,894	NA	2,851
25 to 34 years.....operators reporting...	8,511	13,082	16,743	13,649	11,956	NA	13,711	NA	19,322
35 to 44 years.....operators reporting...	22,847	27,656	28,174	28,793	23,928	NA	30,761	NA	30,872
45 to 54 years.....operators reporting...	26,844	30,291	32,685	39,467	34,917	NA	35,236	NA	29,870
55 to 64 years.....operators reporting...	28,645	27,216	30,083	32,799	30,245	NA	27,290	NA	21,270
65 or more years.....operators reporting...	16,656	20,680	19,186	20,069	20,977	NA	17,923	NA	11,072
Average age.....years	51.3	51.1	50.1	50.7	51.3	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting age.....number...	1,682	3,157	10,001	2,691	8,450	NA	8,861	NA	2,413
By residence:									
Residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	80,518	106,712	119,710	119,339	112,762	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not residing on farm operated.....operators reporting...	12,946	14,725	15,470	18,397	12,714	NA	NA	NA	NA
Operators not reporting residence.....number...	5,810	1,638	1,988	1,181	7,182	NA	NA	NA	NA
By off-farm work:									
Working off their farms, total.....operators reporting...	45,706	57,548	59,311	41,928	42,951	46,326	42,511	NA	NA
1 to 49 days.....operators reporting...	6,796	8,503	9,411	3,025	6,616	7,583	9,906	NA	NA
50 to 99 days.....operators reporting...	3,638	5,074	6,087	3,022	5,337	7,448	6,521	NA	NA
100 or more days.....operators reporting...	36,272	43,971	43,813	35,881	30,998	31,295	26,084	NA	NA
100 to 199 days.....operators reporting...	6,387	7,052	8,989	6,157	8,846	10,420	8,468	NA	NA
200 or more days.....operators reporting...	30,885	36,919	34,824	29,724	22,152	20,875	17,616	NA	NA
Operators not working off their farm or not reporting as to work off their farm.....number...	53,526	66,454	77,719	96,989	89,707	104,034	93,165	NA	NA
By other income:									
With other income of family exceeding value of agricultural products sold.....operators reporting...	41,284	46,636	48,763	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SPECIFIED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND KIND OF ROAD									
Grain combines.....farms reporting...	6,828	6,917	6,645	3,628	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	8,169	10,053	8,839	4,689	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn pickers.....farms reporting...	749	680	187	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	994	640	223	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pick-up balers.....farms reporting...	8,487	7,774	4,721	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	9,164	8,430	5,163	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Field forage harvesters.....farms reporting...	3,175	2,970	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	3,384	3,404	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Motortrucks.....farms reporting...	70,669	77,574	71,149	61,960	46,574	NA	35,674	NA	5,909
number.....	131,019	129,580	110,563	85,696	58,015	NA	40,971	NA	6,416
Tractors.....farms reporting...	70,811	77,038	74,336	56,370	43,934	NA	37,510	25,891	12,131
number.....	160,999	149,384	124,682	79,839	55,191	NA	44,437	29,948	13,852
Tractors other than garden.....farms reporting...	66,686	70,697	68,480	56,370	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	147,300	156,778	114,189	79,289	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 tractor.....farms reporting...	33,396	41,865	46,774	143,628	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 tractors.....farms reporting...	15,317	16,151	13,337	18,353	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3 tractors.....farms reporting...	7,276	6,200	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 tractors.....farms reporting...	3,724	2,952	9,309	4,389	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more tractors.....farms reporting...	6,873	4,379	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wheel tractors.....farms reporting...	57,604	59,766	53,808	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	104,697	94,517	74,466	49,822	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crawler tractors.....farms reporting...	28,382	29,354	29,400	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	42,793	42,261	39,723	29,467	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Garden tractors.....farms reporting...	12,438	11,953	9,730	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
number.....	13,009	12,606	10,393	3,881	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Automobiles.....farms reporting...	87,463	106,123	110,731	114,632	106,012	NA	104,206	NA	62,453
number.....	127,098	173,590	171,305	160,252	150,534	NA	136,842	NA	71,518
Automobiles and/or motortrucks.....farms reporting...	94,735	115,312	121,790	123,221	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Telephone.....farms reporting...	87,749	94,996	78,675	60,421	44,621	NA	48,171	NA	37,309
Home freezer.....farms reporting...	69,642	56,178	29,101	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milking machine.....farms reporting...	11,482	15,766	15,441	11,151	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Electric milk cooler.....farms reporting...	5,324	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crop drier (for grain, forage, or other crops).....farms reporting...	2,588	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Power-operated elevator, conveyor, or blower.....farms reporting...	8,575	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farms by kind of road on which located:									
Hard surface.....farms reporting...	79,291	NA	107,950	NA	80,199	NA	243,218	27,812	NA
Gravel, shell, or shale.....farms reporting...	7,695	NA	7,192	NA	10,293	NA	24,342	26,528	NA
Dirt or unimproved.....farms reporting...	9,783	NA	12,908	NA	38,479	NA	51,185	76,331	NA
Less than 1 mile to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	6,702	NA	NA	6124,356	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 or more miles to a hard surface road.....farms reporting...	3,081	NA	NA	6,580	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1 mile.....farms reporting...	1,440	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 or 3 miles.....farms reporting...	918	NA	NA	6,5469	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 miles.....farms reporting...	160	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or more miles.....farms reporting...	563	NA	NA	61,111	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.

¹Figures for 1945 are for all tractors.²Concrete, brick, asphalt, and macadam.³Concrete or brick and macadam. Asphalt was not included.⁴Includes sand-clay.⁵Gravel.⁶Distance to all-weather road. See text.