

Table 52. Selected Operator Characteristics by Race: 2002

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

Characteristics	White		Black or African American		American Indian or Alaska Native	
	All operators ¹	Principal operator	All operators ¹	Principal operator	All operators ¹	Principal operator
Operators number	2,966,230	2,067,379	36,370	29,090	24,423	15,494
Sex of operator:						
Male	2,168,283	1,837,792	29,631	26,196	15,940	13,076
Female	797,947	229,587	6,739	2,894	8,483	2,418
Primary occupation:						
Farming	1,611,599	1,189,636	19,542	16,173	12,348	8,369
Other	1,354,631	877,743	16,828	12,917	12,075	7,125
Place of residence:						
On farm operated	2,328,511	1,635,864	23,832	19,473	19,940	12,634
Not on farm operated	637,719	431,515	12,538	9,617	4,483	2,860
Days worked off farm:						
None	1,315,044	934,285	17,392	14,145	9,001	5,815
Any	1,651,186	1,133,094	18,978	14,945	15,422	9,679
1 to 49 days	177,695	118,510	2,344	1,767	1,476	833
50 to 99 days	98,761	64,013	1,447	1,121	921	534
100 to 199 days	217,477	141,332	2,527	1,981	2,126	1,231
200 days or more	1,157,253	809,239	12,660	10,076	10,899	7,081
Years on present farm:						
2 years or less	137,882	72,024	1,690	1,058	1,797	822
3 or 4 years	242,517	138,602	2,976	2,033	2,768	1,450
5 to 9 years	567,022	361,860	7,217	5,469	6,133	3,676
10 years or more	2,018,809	1,494,893	24,487	20,530	13,725	9,546
Age group:						
Under 25 years	57,865	16,474	523	213	836	166
25 to 34 years	196,405	103,783	1,233	668	2,029	940
35 to 44 years	575,142	357,501	4,263	2,953	5,236	2,974
45 to 54 years	812,878	555,378	9,123	7,017	7,679	4,877
55 to 64 years	669,433	493,547	9,201	7,682	5,342	3,881
65 to 74 years	426,400	343,726	7,435	6,449	2,348	1,879
75 years and over	228,107	196,970	4,592	4,108	953	777
Average age of -						
All operators ¹	53.2	(X)	57.8	(X)	50.0	(X)
Principal operator	(X)	55.3	(X)	59.4	(X)	52.6
Second operator	49.4	(X)	52.9	(X)	47.1	(X)
Third operator	41.9	(X)	46.3	(X)	36.8	(X)
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	66,589	46,878	1,166	890	2,626	1,606
Race:						
White	2,966,230	2,067,379	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Black or African American	(X)	(X)	36,370	29,090	(X)	(X)
American Indian or Alaska Native	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	24,423	15,494
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Asian	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
More than one race reported	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Living on an American Indian Reservation	10,830	6,983	65	43	3,172	2,255
Number of persons living in household of-						
Principal operator	(X)	5,548,756	(X)	73,995	(X)	43,752
Second operator	689,146	(X)	7,182	(X)	5,510	(X)
Third operator	179,903	(X)	2,523	(X)	2,004	(X)

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Table 52. Selected Operator Characteristics by Race: 2002 - Con.

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Characteristics	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		Asian		More than one race reported	
	All operators ¹	Principal operator	All operators ¹	Principal operator	All operators ¹	Principal operator
Operators number	1,684	983	13,089	8,375	12,005	7,661
Sex of operator:						
Male	1,050	773	8,851	7,092	7,663	6,234
Female	634	210	4,238	1,283	4,342	1,427
Primary occupation:						
Farming	833	530	7,890	5,398	5,925	4,140
Other	851	453	5,199	2,977	6,080	3,521
Place of residence:						
On farm operated	1,160	673	8,174	5,203	9,722	6,313
Not on farm operated	524	310	4,915	3,172	2,283	1,348
Days worked off farm:						
None	752	426	6,795	4,419	4,755	3,110
Any	932	557	6,294	3,956	7,250	4,551
1 to 49 days	96	54	1,030	642	813	442
50 to 99 days	83	39	561	352	461	247
100 to 199 days	149	90	889	535	1,141	711
200 days or more	604	374	3,814	2,427	4,835	3,151
Years on present farm:						
2 years or less	176	65	868	456	775	329
3 or 4 years	223	119	1,328	736	1,319	659
5 to 9 years	427	227	3,171	1,856	2,753	1,668
10 years or more	858	572	7,722	5,327	7,158	5,005
Age group:						
Under 25 years	60	5	231	70	371	34
25 to 34 years	140	64	764	299	787	343
35 to 44 years	314	139	2,561	1,422	2,331	1,317
45 to 54 years	521	328	4,150	2,714	3,675	2,350
55 to 64 years	384	261	2,689	1,857	2,667	1,895
65 to 74 years	196	133	1,545	1,079	1,524	1,164
75 years and over	69	53	1,149	934	650	558
Average age of -						
All operators ¹	50.7	(X)	53.0	(X)	51.9	(X)
Principal operator	(X)	53.6	(X)	55.2	(X)	54.7
Second operator	48.6	(X)	50.2	(X)	48.7	(X)
Third operator	36.2	(X)	44.0	(X)	37.8	(X)
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	232	141	943	596	793	481
Race:						
White	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Black or African American	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
American Indian or Alaska Native	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1,684	983	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Asian	(X)	(X)	13,089	8,375	(X)	(X)
More than one race reported	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	12,005	7,661
Living on an American Indian Reservation	18	9	48	32	169	108
Number of persons living in household of-						
Principal operator	(X)	3,008	(X)	26,872	(X)	20,919
Second operator	534	(X)	4,400	(X)	3,049	(X)
Third operator	169	(X)	1,276	(X)	665	(X)

¹ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.