
Appendix B.

American Indian and Alaska Native Farm Operators

Appendix B provides additional agriculture census data for farms and ranches operated by American Indians or Alaska Natives. Census report forms asked respondents to identify the race of up to three operators per farm or ranch. The race category of “American Indian or Alaska Native” could be selected as either a single race or in combination with other races as part of a multi-racial identification. Appendix B tables include data for farms or ranches whose operators self-identified as American Indian or Alaska Native either as a single race or in combination with other races. Appendix B is the only part of the volume 1 publication that includes this breakout of the multiple race designation. Tables in other parts of the publication include as American Indian or Alaska Native only those operators with a single-race identification. All multiple race identifications are combined together in the category “more than one race reported.”

To improve coverage of reservation agriculture, special procedures were followed in the census. A reservation-level census report form was obtained from knowledgeable reservation officials of most large reservations. These reports covered agricultural activity on the entire reservation. NASS reviewed these data and removed duplication with any data reported by American Indian or Alaska native farm operators who responded on an individual census report form. Additionally NASS obtained, from knowledgeable reservation officials, the count of American Indian and Alaska Native farm operators (on reservations) who were not counted through individual census report forms, but whose agricultural activity was included in the reservation-level report. Appendix B is the only part of the volume 1 publication that provides a total count of American Indian and Alaska

Native farm operators, including those who returned an individual report and those otherwise included in the reservation-level report. Tables in other parts of the publication count the reservation report as a single farm.

Table A, **American Indian and Alaska Native Operators: 2002**, provides the number of farm operators (for up to three operators per farm) reported as American Indian or Alaska Native in the race category on the individual census report forms, plus the total number of American Indian or Alaska Native operators farming on reservations as reported by reservation officials. The count from the individual report forms is summarized in the “individually reported” column. It includes operators on or off reservations. The “other” column provides counts of operators on reservations as reported by a reservation or tribal official.

Table B, **Selected Characteristics for Farms Operated By American Indians or Alaska Natives and For Total Farms: 2002**, provides aggregated data for operations where at least one operator was American Indian or Alaska Native. Data include resource and production inputs and outputs of farms and ranches operated by American Indians and Alaska Natives, and compares the data to all farms. Reservation-level reports are included.

Table C, **Selected Operator Characteristics for American Indians and Alaska Natives and for Total Reporting: 2002**, presents demographic data for up to three American Indian or Alaska Native operators reported per farm or ranch on individual and reservation-level census report forms.

Table A. American Indian or Alaska Native Operators: 2002

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

Geographic area	American Indian or Alaska Native farm operators			Geographic area	American Indian or Alaska Native farm operators		
	Total	Individually reported ¹	Other ²		Total	Individually reported ¹	Other ²
UNITED STATES TOTAL				Minnesota	342	262	80
United States	42,304	33,763	8,541	Mississippi	211	210	1
STATES				Missouri	1,273	1,273	-
Alabama	799	798	1	Montana	1,391	1,370	21
Alaska	51	51	-	Nebraska	151	139	12
Arizona	5,039	484	4,555	Nevada	601	152	449
Arkansas	1,222	1,222	-	New Hampshire	55	55	-
California	2,295	2,235	60	New Jersey	86	77	9
Colorado	680	603	77	New Mexico	2,963	693	2,270
Connecticut	37	36	1	New York	287	287	-
Delaware	12	12	-	North Carolina	872	842	30
Florida	725	640	85	North Dakota	308	302	6
Georgia	364	364	-	Ohio	500	500	-
Hawaii	202	202	-	Oklahoma	9,336	9,326	10
Idaho	433	321	112	Oregon	1,094	1,006	88
Illinois	193	193	-	Pennsylvania	271	271	-
Indiana	232	232	-	Rhode Island	5	5	-
Iowa	193	193	-	South Carolina	182	181	1
Kansas	575	571	4	South Dakota	1,060	1,045	15
Kentucky	461	461	-	Tennessee	687	687	-
Louisiana	252	252	-	Texas	3,234	3,231	3
Maine	67	64	3	Utah	523	196	327
Maryland	113	113	-	Vermont	73	73	-
Massachusetts	52	52	-	Virginia	361	361	-
Michigan	499	499	-	Washington	1,305	986	319
				West Virginia	115	115	-
				Wisconsin	269	269	-
				Wyoming	253	251	2

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

² Data represent American Indian or Alaska Native farm or ranch operators on reservations who did not report individually. Data obtained from reservation officials.

Table C. Selected Operator Characteristics for American Indians or Alaska Natives and For Total Reporting: 2002

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

Characteristics	American Indian or Alaska Native operators reporting ¹	Total operators reporting ¹	Characteristics	American Indian or Alaska Native operators reporting ¹	Total operators reporting ¹
Operators	34,032	3,053,801	Years on present farm:		
Sex of operator:			2 years or less	2,433	143,185
Male	21,963	2,231,418	3 or 4 years	3,859	251,134
Female	12,069	822,383	5 to 9 years	8,347	586,723
Primary occupation:			10 years or more	19,393	2,072,759
Farming	16,965	1,658,137	Age group:		
Other	17,067	1,395,664	Under 25 years	1,143	59,886
Place of residence:			25 to 34 years	2,669	201,358
On farm operated	27,920	2,391,339	35 to 44 years	7,193	589,847
Not on farm operated	6,112	662,462	45 to 54 years	10,634	838,026
Days worked off farm:			55 to 64 years	7,520	689,716
None	12,669	1,353,739	65 to 74 years	3,499	439,448
Any	21,363	1,700,062	75 years and over	1,374	235,520
1 to 49 days	2,115	183,454	Average age of -		
50 to 99 days	1,277	102,234	All operators ¹	50.4	53.2
100 to 199 days	3,046	224,309	Principal operator	53.0	55.3
200 days or more	14,925	1,190,065	Second operator	47.5	49.5
			Third operator	36.9	41.9
			Living on an American Indian reservation	3,330	14,302

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