
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
STATE TOTAL				McIntosh	2	2	-
North Dakota	308	302	6	McKenzie	25	24	1
COUNTIES				McLean	23	23	-
Adams	3	3	-	Mercer	6	6	-
Barnes	3	3	-	Morton	4	4	-
Benson	11	10	1	Mountrail	3	2	1
Bottineau	7	7	-	Oliver	2	2	-
Burleigh	4	4	-	Pembina	1	1	-
Cass	5	5	-	Pierce	2	2	-
Cavalier	1	1	-	Ransom	2	2	-
Dunn	21	21	-	Renville	2	2	-
Eddy	1	1	-	Richland	2	2	-
Foster	1	1	-	Rolette	96	95	1
Golden Valley	1	1	-	Sioux	40	38	2
Grand Forks	2	2	-	Steele	1	1	-
Grant	13	13	-	Stutsman	4	4	-
Hettinger	3	3	-	Ward	2	2	-
McHenry	2	2	-	Wells	1	1	-
				Williams	12	12	-

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

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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	308	41,090	Years on present farm:		
Sex of operator:			2 years or less	7	1,224
Male	236	32,586	3 or 4 years	33	2,158
Female	72	8,504	5 to 9 years	62	5,526
Primary occupation:			10 years or more	206	32,182
Farming	181	28,141	Age group:		
Other	127	12,949	Under 25 years	13	760
Place of residence:			25 to 34 years	24	3,359
On farm operated	257	28,656	35 to 44 years	61	8,299
Not on farm operated	51	12,434	45 to 54 years	101	11,241
Days worked off farm:			55 to 64 years	58	8,165
None	128	21,893	65 to 74 years	44	5,826
Any	180	19,197	75 years and over	7	3,440
1 to 49 days	22	3,390	Average age of -		
50 to 99 days	11	1,676	All operators ¹	50.1	52.8
100 to 199 days	21	3,123	Principal operator	52.5	54.4
200 days or more	126	11,008	Second operator	46.3	48.6
			Third operator	26.6	43.7
			Living on an American		
			Indian reservation	177	796

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