

Cumulative Count and Percent Minority Farmers

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1. What is your age?

35 to 44	1	0.78 %	1	0.78 %
45 to 54	18	14.06 %	19	14.84 %
55 to 64	47	36.72 %	66	51.56 %
64 to 74	45	35.16 %	111	86.72 %
75 and above	17	13.28 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

2. Gender

Female	30	23.44 %	30	23.44 %
Male	98	76.56 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

3. Marital Status

Single	10	7.81 %	10	7.81 %
Married	89	69.53 %	99	77.34 %
Separated	3	2.34 %	102	79.69 %
Divorce	12	9.38 %	114	89.06 %
Widow	14	10.94 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

4. Number of Children on farm

(Not Answered)	70	54.69 %	70	54.69 %
1	26	20.31 %	96	75.00 %
2	20	15.63 %	116	90.63 %
3	3	2.34 %	119	92.97 %
4	2	1.56 %	121	94.53 %
5	3	2.34 %	124	96.88 %
6	1	0.78 %	125	97.66 %
7	3	2.34 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

5. Number of Children off farm

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5. Number of Children off farm				
(Not Answered)	42	32.81 %	42	32.81 %
1	18	14.06 %	60	46.88 %
2	29	22.66 %	89	69.53 %
3	15	11.72 %	104	81.25 %
4	8	6.25 %	112	87.50 %
5	6	4.69 %	118	92.19 %
6	5	3.91 %	123	96.09 %
7	3	2.34 %	126	98.44 %
8	1	0.78 %	127	99.22 %
10	1	0.78 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%
6. Off-farm Work				
(Not Answered)	51	39.84 %	51	39.84 %
Full-time	26	20.31 %	77	60.16 %
Part-time	51	39.84 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%
7. In what state or states do you farm? (Check all that apply)				
(Not Answered)	1	0.78 %	1	0.78 %
Alabama	26	20.16 %	27	20.93 %
Georgia	31	24.03 %	58	44.96 %
Mississippi	33	25.58 %	91	70.54 %
South Carolina	38	29.46 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
8. Are you a member of a cooperative?				
(Not Answered)	1	0.78 %	1	0.78 %
Yes	75	58.59 %	76	59.38 %
No	52	40.63 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%
9. If you are a member of a Cooperative is it for				
(Not Answered)	59	46.09 %	59	46.09 %
Purchasing	3	2.34 %	62	48.44 %
marketing	18	14.06 %	80	62.50 %
both purchasing and marketing	48	37.50 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%
10. Do you consider yourself to be a				

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10. Do you consider yourself to be a				
full-time farmer	46	35.94 %	46	35.94 %
part-time farmer	65	50.78 %	111	86.72 %
hobby farmer	6	4.69 %	117	91.41 %
retired	5	3.91 %	122	95.31 %
other	6	4.69 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

11. Are you the				
sole owner	93	72.66 %	93	72.66 %
partnership	24	18.75 %	117	91.41 %
other	11	8.59 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

12. How many acres do you own?				
1-9	8	6.20 %	8	6.20 %
10-49	40	31.01 %	48	37.21 %
50-179	48	37.21 %	96	74.42 %
180-499	22	17.05 %	118	91.47 %
NA	11	8.53 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

13. How many acres do you rent?				
(Not Answered)	3	2.34 %	3	2.34 %
1-9	4	3.13 %	7	5.47 %
10-49	15	11.72 %	22	17.19 %
50-179	6	4.69 %	28	21.88 %
180-499	3	2.34 %	31	24.22 %
500 +	3	2.34 %	34	26.56 %
NA	94	73.44 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

14. How long have you been farming?				
1 - 3 years	4	3.13 %	4	3.13 %
4 - 6 years	11	8.59 %	15	11.72 %
6 - 10 years	6	4.69 %	21	16.41 %
10 -- 15 years	19	14.84 %	40	31.25 %
15 years +	88	68.75 %	128	100.00 %
Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%

12. How many acres do you own?

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12. How many acres do you own?				
1-9	9	7.03 %	9	7.03 %
10-49	40	31.25 %	49	38.28 %
50-179	48	37.50 %	97	75.78 %
180-499	20	15.63 %	117	91.41 %
500+	1	0.78 %	118	92.19 %
NA	10	7.81 %	128	100.00 %
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Total Responses	128	100%	128	100%
15. Which of the following apply to your farming practices? (check all that apply)				
Row crops(commodities)	74	40.00 %	74	40.00 %
Truck crops (fruits and vegetables)	66	35.68 %	140	75.68 %
Livestock/Poultry	42	22.70 %	182	98.38 %
Not Applicable	3	1.62 %	185	100.00 %
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Total Responses	185	100%	185	100%
16. How do you market and sell your products? (check all that apply)				
Commercial (grocery stores, institutions, brokers, restaurants)	23	16.67 %	23	16.67 %
Direct (farmers markets, WIC, CSA community-supported agriculture enterprises, roadside stands, U-Pick)	101	73.19 %	124	89.86 %
Not Applicable	14	10.14 %	138	100.00 %
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Total Responses	138	100%	138	100%
17. Which of the following insect and weed management practices do you use? (Check all that apply)				
(Not Answered)	1	0.54 %	1	0.54 %
Plant trap crops for insect pest	4	2.16 %	5	2.70 %
Physical removal of weeds and insects	61	32.97 %	66	35.68 %
Application of chemicals	89	48.11 %	155	83.78 %
Selecting crops that smother or shade out weeds	11	5.95 %	166	89.73 %
Creating habitat for beneficial insects	8	4.32 %	174	94.05 %
Not Applicable	11	5.95 %	185	100.00 %
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Total Responses	185	100%	185	100%
18. Do you use the management-intensive, rotational grazing system keeping animals moving from pasture to pasture?				
Yes	40	31.01 %	40	31.01 %
No	36	27.91 %	76	58.91 %
Not Applicable	53	41.09 %	129	100.00 %

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18. Do you use the management-intensive, rotational grazing system keeping animals moving from pasture to pasture?				
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
19. Which of the conservation tillage methods do you use? (Choose all that apply)				
No-till - Never use a plow, disk, etc. ever again. Aims for 100% ground cover.	10	6.10 %	10	6.10 %
Strip-Till	21	12.80 %	31	18.90 %
Mulch-till	26	15.85 %	57	34.76 %
Rotational Tillage (define)	70	42.68 %	127	77.44 %
Ridge-Till	18	10.98 %	145	88.41 %
Not Applicable	19	11.59 %	164	100.00 %
Total Responses	164	100%	164	100%
20. Do you plant cover crops after harvesting a cash crop?				
Yes	62	48.06 %	62	48.06 %
No	51	39.53 %	113	87.60 %
Not Applicable	16	12.40 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
21. If answer to 20 is yes which of the following do you plant as cover crop?				
(Not Answered)	26	18.06 %	26	18.06 %
Rye	56	38.89 %	82	56.94 %
Clover	16	11.11 %	98	68.06 %
Vetch	2	1.39 %	100	69.44 %
Other_____	6	4.17 %	106	73.61 %
Not Applicable	38	26.39 %	144	100.00 %
Total Responses	144	100%	144	100%
22. If your answer to 20 is yes, how many acres of cover crops do you plant annually?				
(Not Answered)	67	51.94 %	67	51.94 %
1-9	13	10.08 %	80	62.02 %
10-49	27	20.93 %	107	82.95 %
50-179	13	10.08 %	120	93.02 %
180-499	7	5.43 %	127	98.45 %
500+	2	1.55 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
23. How do you grow your crops? (choose all that apply)				

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23. How do you grow your crops? (choose all that apply)				
(Not Answered)	5	3.88 %	5	3.88 %
Farming with chemicals	42	32.56 %	47	36.43 %
Organic (no chemicals)	19	14.73 %	66	51.16 %
Somewhere in between (low application of chemicals)	61	47.29 %	127	98.45 %
Vegan (no chemicals no animal products used)	2	1.55 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
24. Do you use any of the following agro-forestry techniques?				
(Not Answered)	5	3.88 %	5	3.88 %
Mix forest and livestock	24	18.60 %	29	22.48 %
Mix forest and crop production	8	6.20 %	37	28.68 %
Not Applicable	92	71.32 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
25. Which of the following nutrient management process do you use? (Choose all that apply)				
(Not Answered)	1	0.45 %	1	0.45 %
Soil testing	80	36.20 %	81	36.65 %
Plant tissue testing	5	2.26 %	86	38.91 %
Manure testing	36	16.29 %	122	55.20 %
Erosion control practices	34	15.38 %	156	70.59 %
Timing of fertilizer/manure application	58	26.24 %	214	96.83 %
Not Applicable	7	3.17 %	221	100.00 %
Total Responses	221	100%	221	100%
26. Which of the following energy devices do you use on your farm? (check all that apply)				
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %	2	1.55 %
Traditional (diesel/gas)	114	88.37 %	116	89.92 %
Solar power	4	3.10 %	120	93.02 %
Bio-fuel (i.e. ethanol)	7	5.43 %	127	98.45 %
Other	2	1.55 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
27. What factors prevent you from adopting any of the above sustainable practices?				

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27. What factors prevent you from adopting any of the above sustainable practices?				
(Not Answered)	2	0.95 %	2	0.95 %
Lack of information about a particular sustainable practice.	40	18.96 %	42	19.91 %
Funds necessary to implement a particular sustainable practice.	46	21.80 %	88	41.71 %
Equipment necessary to implement a particular sustainable practice.	25	11.85 %	113	53.55 %
Necessary farm help to implement a particular sustainable practice.	20	9.48 %	133	63.03 %
Don't find it necessary to change my current method of farming or ranching.	32	15.17 %	165	78.20 %
Can't afford the interruption to my current method of farming or ranching.	18	8.53 %	183	86.73 %
Not convinced that a particular sustainable practice will work on my farm or ranch.	8	3.79 %	191	90.52 %
Not Applicable	17	8.06 %	208	98.58 %
Other	3	1.42 %	211	100.00 %
Total Responses	211	100%	211	100%
28. On a scale where "10" means you have a great amount of interest in a subject and "1" means you have no interest at all, how would you rate your interest in the following topics?				
(Not Answered)	7	5.43 %	7	5.43 %
Greater diversity of marketing techniques _____	36	27.91 %	43	33.33 %
Ecological Insect and Weed Management _____	16	12.40 %	59	45.74 %
Management-intensive, or rotational, grazing systems _____	11	8.53 %	70	54.26 %
Conservation Tillage _____	12	9.30 %	82	63.57 %
Cover Crops techniques _____	18	13.95 %	100	77.52 %
Crop, Livestock and Landscape Diversity _____	8	6.20 %	108	83.72 %
Nutrient Management _____	11	8.53 %	119	92.25 %
On-Farm Energy Conservation and Production _____	10	7.75 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%
29. USDA loans or loan guarantees				
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %	2	1.55 %
Yes	36	27.91 %	38	29.46 %
No	85	65.89 %	123	95.35 %
Not aware	6	4.65 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

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30. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

(Not Answered)	3	2.33 %	3	2.33 %
Yes	25	19.38 %	28	21.71 %
No	94	72.87 %	122	94.57 %
Not Aware	7	5.43 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

31. Farm Service Agency

(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %	2	1.55 %
Yes	39	30.23 %	41	31.78 %
No	81	62.79 %	122	94.57 %
Not Aware	7	5.43 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

32. USDA Rural Development Agency's

(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %	2	1.55 %
Value-Added Producer Grants	5	3.88 %	7	5.43 %
Yes	31	24.03 %	38	29.46 %
No	77	59.69 %	115	89.15 %
Not Aware	14	10.85 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

33. Youth loans

(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %	2	1.55 %
Yes	7	5.43 %	9	6.98 %
No	95	73.64 %	104	80.62 %
Not Aware	25	19.38 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

34. How would you rate federal agriculture programs?

(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %	2	1.55 %
Excellent	12	9.30 %	14	10.85 %
Good	33	25.58 %	47	36.43 %
Fair	32	24.81 %	79	61.24 %
Poor	25	19.38 %	104	80.62 %
No Opinion	25	19.38 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%

35. What were your gross sales for last full year available?

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35. What were your gross sales for last full year available?				
(Not Answered)	5	3.88 %	5	3.88 %
Less than \$1,000	19	14.73 %	24	18.60 %
\$1,000 to \$2,499	22	17.05 %	46	35.66 %
\$2,500 to \$4,999	35	27.13 %	81	62.79 %
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	17.83 %	104	80.62 %
\$10,000 to \$24,999	14	10.85 %	118	91.47 %
\$25,000 to \$49,999	10	7.75 %	128	99.22 %
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	0.78 %	129	100.00 %
Total Responses	129	100%	129	100%