

# Count and Percent

## Minority Farmers

	Count	Percent
<b>1. What is your age?</b>		
35 to 44	1	0.78 %
45 to 54	18	14.06 %
55 to 64	47	36.72 %
64 to 74	45	35.16 %
75 and above	17	13.28 %

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<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>100 %</b>
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### 2. Gender

Female	30	23.44 %
Male	98	76.56 %

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### 3. Marital Status

Single	10	7.81 %
Married	89	69.53 %
Separated	3	2.34 %
Divorce	12	9.38 %
Widow	14	10.94 %

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### 4. Number of Children on farm

(Not Answered)	70	54.69 %
1	26	20.31 %
2	20	15.63 %
3	3	2.34 %
4	2	1.56 %
5	3	2.34 %
6	1	0.78 %
7	3	2.34 %

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<b>5. Number of Children off farm</b>		
(Not Answered)	42	32.81 %
1	18	14.06 %
2	29	22.66 %
3	15	11.72 %
4	8	6.25 %
5	6	4.69 %
6	5	3.91 %
7	3	2.34 %
8	1	0.78 %
10	1	0.78 %

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## 6. Off-farm Work

(Not Answered)	51	39.84 %
Full-time	26	20.31 %
Part-time	51	39.84 %

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## 7. In what state or states do you farm? (Check all that apply)

(Not Answered)	1	0.78 %
Alabama	26	20.16 %
Georgia	31	24.03 %
Mississippi	33	25.58 %
South Carolina	38	29.46 %

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## 8. Are you a member of a cooperative?

(Not Answered)	1	0.78 %
Yes	75	58.59 %
No	52	40.63 %

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<b>9. If you are a member of a Cooperative is it for</b>		
(Not Answered)	59	46.09 %
Purchasing	3	2.34 %
marketing	18	14.06 %
both purchasing and marketing	48	37.50 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>10. Do you consider yourself to be a</b>		
full-time farmer	46	35.94 %
part-time farmer	65	50.78 %
hobby farmer	6	4.69 %
retired	5	3.91 %
other	6	4.69 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>11. Are you the</b>		
sole owner	93	72.66 %
partnership	24	18.75 %
other	11	8.59 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>12. How many acres do you own?</b>		
1-9	8	6.20 %
10-49	40	31.01 %
50-179	48	37.21 %
180-499	22	17.05 %
NA	11	8.53 %
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<b>13. How many acres do you rent?</b>		
(Not Answered)	3	2.34 %
1-9	4	3.13 %
10-49	15	11.72 %
50-179	6	4.69 %
180-499	3	2.34 %
500 +	3	2.34 %
NA	94	73.44 %
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<b>14. How long have you been farming?</b>		
1 - 3 years	4	3.13 %
4 - 6 years	11	8.59 %
6 - 10 years	6	4.69 %
10 -- 15 years	19	14.84 %
15 years +	88	68.75 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>12. How many acres do you own?</b>		
1-9	9	7.03 %
10-49	40	31.25 %
50-179	48	37.50 %
180-499	20	15.63 %
500+	1	0.78 %
NA	10	7.81 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>15. Which of the following apply to your farming practices? (check all that apply)</b>		
Row crops(commodities)	74	40.00 %
Truck crops (fruits and vegetables)	66	35.68 %
Livestock/Poultry	42	22.70 %
Not Applicable	3	1.62 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>100 %</b>

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<b>16. How do you market and sell your products? (check all that apply)</b>		
Commercial (grocery stores, institutions, brokers, restaurants)	23	16.67 %
Direct (farmers markets, WIC, CSA community-supported agriculture enterprises, roadside stands, U-Pick)	101	73.19 %
Not Applicable	14	10.14 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>17. Which of the following insect and weed management practices do you use? (Check all that apply)</b>		
(Not Answered)	1	0.54 %
Plant trap crops for insect pest	4	2.16 %
Physical removal of weeds and insects	61	32.97 %
Application of chemicals	89	48.11 %
Selecting crops that smother or shade out weeds	11	5.95 %
Creating habitat for beneficial insects	8	4.32 %
Not Applicable	11	5.95 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>18. Do you use the management-intensive, rotational grazing system keeping animals moving from pasture to pasture?</b>		
Yes	40	31.01 %
No	36	27.91 %
Not Applicable	53	41.09 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>19. Which of the conservation tillage methods do you use? (Choose all that apply)</b>		
No-till - Never use a plow, disk, etc. ever again. Aims for 100% ground cover.	10	6.10 %
Strip-Till	21	12.80 %
Mulch-till	26	15.85 %
Rotational Tillage (define)	70	42.68 %
Ridge-Till	18	10.98 %
Not Applicable	19	11.59 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>100 %</b>

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<b>20. Do you plant cover crops after harvesting a cash crop?</b>		
Yes	62	48.06 %
No	51	39.53 %
Not Applicable	16	12.40 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>21. If answer to 20 is yes which of the following do you plant as cover crop?</b>		
(Not Answered)	26	18.06 %
Rye	56	38.89 %
Clover	16	11.11 %
Vetch	2	1.39 %
Other _____	6	4.17 %
Not Applicable	38	26.39 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>22. If your answer to 20 is yes, how many acres of cover crops do you plant annually?</b>		
(Not Answered)	67	51.94 %
1-9	13	10.08 %
10-49	27	20.93 %
50-179	13	10.08 %
180-499	7	5.43 %
500+	2	1.55 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>23. How do you grow your crops? (choose all that apply)</b>		
(Not Answered)	5	3.88 %
Farming with chemicals	42	32.56 %
Organic (no chemicals)	19	14.73 %
Somewhere in between (low application of chemicals)	61	47.29 %
Vegan (no chemicals no animal products used)	2	1.55 %
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<b>24. Do you use any of the following agro-forestry techniques?</b>		
(Not Answered)	5	3.88 %
Mix forest and livestock	24	18.60 %
Mix forest and crop production	8	6.20 %
Not Applicable	92	71.32 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>25. Which of the following nutrient management process do you use?</b>		
<b>(Choose all that apply)</b>		
(Not Answered)	1	0.45 %
Soil testing	80	36.20 %
Plant tissue testing	5	2.26 %
Manure testing	36	16.29 %
Erosion control practices	34	15.38 %
Timing of fertilizer/manure application	58	26.24 %
Not Applicable	7	3.17 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>26. Which of the following energy devices do you use on your farm?</b>		
<b>(check all that apply)</b>		
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %
Traditional (diesel/gas)	114	88.37 %
Solar power	4	3.10 %
Bio-fuel (i.e. ethanol)	7	5.43 %
Other	2	1.55 %
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<b>27. What factors prevent you from adopting any of the above sustainable practices?</b>		
(Not Answered)	2	0.95 %
Lack of information about a particular sustainable practice.	40	18.96 %
Funds necessary to implement a particular sustainable practice.	46	21.80 %
Equipment necessary to implement a particular sustainable practice.	25	11.85 %
Necessary farm help to implement a particular sustainable practice.	20	9.48 %
Don't find it necessary to change my current method of farming or ranching.	32	15.17 %
Can't afford the interruption to my current method of farming or ranching.	18	8.53 %
Not convinced that a particular sustainable practice will work on my farm or ranch.	8	3.79 %
Not Applicable	17	8.06 %
Other	3	1.42 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>100 %</b>

**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 %
Greater diversity of marketing techniques _____	36	27.91 %
Ecological Insect and Weed Management _____	16	12.40 %
Management-intensive, or rotational, grazing systems ____	11	8.53 %
Conservation Tillage _____	12	9.30 %
Cover Crops techniques _____	18	13.95 %
Crop, Livestock and Landscape Diversity _____	8	6.20 %
Nutrient Management _____	11	8.53 %
On-Farm Energy Conservation and Production ____	10	7.75 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100 %</b>

**29. USDA loans or loan guarantees**

(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %
Yes	36	27.91 %
No	85	65.89 %
Not aware	6	4.65 %
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<b>30. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service</b>		
(Not Answered)	3	2.33 %
Yes	25	19.38 %
No	94	72.87 %
Not Aware	7	5.43 %
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100 %</b>

<b>31. Farm Service Agency</b>		
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %
Yes	39	30.23 %
No	81	62.79 %
Not Aware	7	5.43 %
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<b>32. USDA Rural Development Agency's</b>		
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %
Value-Added Producer Grants	5	3.88 %
Yes	31	24.03 %
No	77	59.69 %
Not Aware	14	10.85 %
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<b>33. Youth loans</b>		
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %
Yes	7	5.43 %
No	95	73.64 %
Not Aware	25	19.38 %
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<b>34. How would you rate federal agriculture programs?</b>		
(Not Answered)	2	1.55 %
Excellent	12	9.30 %
Good	33	25.58 %
Fair	32	24.81 %
Poor	25	19.38 %
No Opinior	25	19.38 %
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## **35. What were your gross sales for last full year available?**

(Not Answered)	5	3.88 %
Less than \$1,000	19	14.73 %
\$1,000 to \$2,499	22	17.05 %
\$2,500 to \$4,999	35	27.13 %
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	17.83 %
\$10,000 to \$24,999	14	10.85 %
\$25,000 to \$49,999	10	7.75 %
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	0.78 %
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