

**Table 15.3-- TENURE AND CHARACTERISTICS OF FARM OPERATOR AND
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION, HAWAII COUNTY: 1997**

Subject	Number
FARMS	
Land in farms	
Farms	3,319
Acres	870,012
TENURE OF OPERATOR	
Full owners	
Farms	1,859
Acres	68,306
Part owners	
Farms	445
Acres	638,486
Owned land in farms (acres)	326,689
Rented land in farms (acres)	311,797
Tenants	
Farms	1,015
Acres	163,220
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS	
Place of residence:	
On farm operated	1,930
Not on farm operated	1,077
Not reported	312
Principal occupation:	
Farming	1,830
Other	1,489
Days of work off farm:	
None	1,231
Any	1,771
1 to 49 days	252
50 to 99 days	171
100 to 149 days	187
150 to 199 days	221
200 days or more	940
Not reported	317

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OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS	
Years on present farm:	
2 years or less	272
3 or 4 years	298
5 to 9 years	647
10 years or more	1,419
Average years on present farm	13.8
Not reported	683
Age group:	
Under 25 years	20
25 to 34 years	144
35 to 44 years	641
45 to 54 years	975
55 to 64 years	625
55 to 59 years	319
60 to 64 years	306
65 years and over	914
65 to 69 years	304
70 years and over	610
Average age	55
Sex:	
Male	
Farms	2,752
Acres	838,602
Female	
Farms	567
Acres	31,410

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TYPE OF ORGANIZATION	
Individual or family (sole proprietorship)	
Farms	2,827
Acres	166,133
Partnership	
Farms	202
Acres	52,113
Corporation	
Family held	
Farms	198
Acres	D
Other than family held	
Farms	55
Acres	325,406
Other (cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.)	
Farms	37
Acres	D

D = Data not shown separately to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1997 Census of Agriculture, Geographic Area Series, Hawaii, State and County Data, AC97-A-11 (March 1999), chapter 2, table 11.