

Table 70. New and Beginning Producers - Selected Producer Characteristics: 2017

[Data were collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.]

Characteristics	All producers	All principal producers	Characteristics	All producers	All principal producers
Producers number	34,571	25,584	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over	982	823
Male	20,380	16,168	Average age	49.7	51.2
Female	14,191	9,416	Young producers (see text)	6,560	4,093
Hired managers (see text)	4,100	2,254	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	4,771	3,362
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming	12,461	9,151	American Indian or Alaska Native	449	345
Other	22,110	16,433	Asian	2,140	1,623
Place of residence:			Black or African American	117	80
On farm operated	21,317	16,644	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	132	81
Not on farm operated	13,254	8,940	White	31,216	23,078
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported	482	369
None	9,505	6,926	Military service (see text):		
Any	25,066	18,658	Never served	32,295	23,666
1 to 49 days	4,155	2,954	Served	2,276	1,918
50 to 99 days	2,159	1,624	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days	3,698	2,785	households (see text)	70,113	57,497
200 days or more	15,054	11,295	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions	28,001	22,637
Under 25 years	1,149	355	Land use and/or crop decisions	24,487	19,991
25 to 34 years	5,334	3,478	Livestock decisions	12,393	10,252
35 to 44 years	6,468	4,691	Record keeping and/or financial management	23,257	19,342
45 to 54 years	7,486	5,714	Estate planning or succession planning	15,405	13,042
55 to 64 years	8,463	6,757			
65 to 74 years	4,689	3,766			