

**Table 54. Involvement in Decisionmaking by Selected Producer Characteristics: 2017**

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

Item	Day-to-day decisions	Land use and/or crop decisions	Livestock decisions	Record keeping and financial management	Estate or succession planning
Producers ..... number	38,434	34,157	28,051	32,900	24,508
Sex of producers:					
Male .....	24,867	23,262	17,864	20,028	15,289
Female .....	13,567	10,895	10,187	12,872	9,219
Hired managers (see text) .....	2,896	2,674	1,496	2,386	1,776
Primary occupation:					
Farming .....	16,990	15,397	11,780	14,542	11,063
Other .....	21,444	18,760	16,271	18,358	13,445
Place of residence:					
On farm operated .....	31,941	28,074	24,383	27,328	20,517
Not on farm operated .....	6,493	6,083	3,668	5,572	3,991
Days of work off farm:					
None .....	14,708	12,822	9,801	12,491	9,749
Any .....	23,726	21,335	18,250	20,409	14,759
1 to 49 days .....	3,635	3,256	2,518	3,132	2,316
50 to 99 days .....	1,818	1,609	1,359	1,494	1,103
100 to 199 days .....	3,460	3,112	2,653	2,914	2,098
200 days or more .....	14,813	13,358	11,720	12,869	9,242
Years on present farm:					
2 years or less .....	2,981	2,651	2,305	2,455	1,569
3 or 4 years .....	3,525	3,200	2,753	2,933	1,936
5 to 9 years .....	5,717	5,106	4,214	4,773	3,332
10 years or more .....	26,211	23,200	18,779	22,739	17,671
Years operating any farm (see text):					
5 years or less .....	6,253	5,607	4,841	5,120	3,279
6 to 10 years .....	4,817	4,247	3,574	4,052	2,752
11 years or more .....	27,364	24,303	19,636	23,728	18,477
Age group:					
Under 25 years .....	467	354	397	274	146
25 to 34 years .....	2,791	2,501	2,013	2,317	1,360
35 to 44 years .....	5,433	4,981	4,239	4,683	3,088
45 to 54 years .....	6,939	6,077	5,256	5,880	4,150
55 to 64 years .....	10,739	9,655	7,863	9,385	7,095
65 to 74 years .....	8,334	7,380	5,775	7,152	5,796
75 years and over .....	3,731	3,209	2,508	3,209	2,873
Average age .....	56.5	56.4	55.9	56.7	58.3
Young producers (see text) .....	3,686	3,265	2,723	2,974	1,751
Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	1,067	922	792	896	649
Producers by race:					
American Indian or Alaska Native .....	214	186	178	187	144
Asian .....	94	88	43	85	63
Black or African American .....	9	6	1	4	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	26	24	19	20	13
White .....	37,837	33,613	27,619	32,392	24,118
More than one race reported .....	254	240	191	212	168
Military service (see text):					
Never served .....	34,258	30,286	24,879	29,453	21,696
Served .....	4,176	3,871	3,172	3,447	2,812
Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) .....	80,765	74,324	58,865	67,474	49,492