

**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	80,354	68,505	48,246	70,352	50,842
Sex of producers:					
Male .....	57,155	52,330	33,867	47,895	34,379
Female .....	23,199	16,175	14,379	22,457	16,463
Hired managers (see text) .....	3,852	3,323	1,715	3,128	2,302
Primary occupation:					
Farming .....	33,359	29,716	18,201	28,783	21,120
Other .....	46,995	38,789	30,045	41,569	29,722
Place of residence:					
On farm operated .....	63,920	53,445	41,609	56,157	41,606
Not on farm operated .....	16,434	15,060	6,637	14,195	9,236
Days of work off farm:					
None .....	31,095	26,381	16,014	26,823	20,399
Any .....	49,259	42,124	32,232	43,529	30,443
1 to 49 days .....	6,122	5,159	3,426	5,355	3,849
50 to 99 days .....	2,820	2,469	1,681	2,556	1,852
100 to 199 days .....	6,043	5,152	3,876	5,268	3,709
200 days or more .....	34,274	29,344	23,249	30,350	21,033
Years on present farm:					
2 years or less .....	4,159	3,405	2,802	3,456	2,058
3 or 4 years .....	5,341	4,490	3,680	4,547	2,846
5 to 9 years .....	10,975	9,258	6,901	9,554	6,184
10 years or more .....	59,879	51,352	34,863	52,795	39,754
Years operating any farm (see text):					
5 years or less .....	9,673	8,039	6,433	8,200	4,919
6 to 10 years .....	9,550	7,958	6,113	8,354	5,527
11 years or more .....	61,131	52,508	35,700	53,798	40,396
Age group:					
Under 25 years .....	1,239	1,036	1,012	755	427
25 to 34 years .....	7,372	6,297	5,164	6,524	4,079
35 to 44 years .....	11,896	9,966	8,153	10,322	6,542
45 to 54 years .....	15,251	12,889	9,989	13,512	9,180
55 to 64 years .....	21,255	18,395	12,229	18,750	13,799
65 to 74 years .....	15,487	13,267	8,019	13,592	10,978
75 years and over .....	7,854	6,655	3,680	6,897	5,837
Average age .....	55.4	55.4	53.3	55.5	57.1
Young producers (see text) .....	9,727	8,228	6,914	8,273	5,076
Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	648	572	415	520	414
Producers by race:					
American Indian or Alaska Native .....	122	110	97	115	73
Asian .....	85	71	46	60	55
Black or African American .....	120	100	63	90	62
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	13	10	10	11	15
White .....	79,776	68,018	47,864	69,880	50,473
More than one race reported .....	238	196	166	196	164
Military service (see text):					
Never served .....	73,370	62,282	44,258	64,492	46,191
Served .....	6,984	6,223	3,988	5,860	4,651
Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) .....	185,739	166,727	117,911	160,819	112,763