

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 |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Producersnumber | 6,439 | 5,327 | 4,341 | 5,347 | 3,919 |
| Sex of producers: | | | | | |
| Male | 3,561 | 3,125 | 2,266 | 2,804 | 2,165 |
| Female | 2,878 | 2,202 | 2,075 | 2,543 | 1,754 |
| Hired managers (see text) | 336 | 262 | 175 | 266 | 176 |
| Primary occupation: | | | | | |
| Farming | 2,737 | 2,326 | 1,845 | 2,281 | 1,670 |
| Other | 3,702 | 3,001 | 2,496 | 3,066 | 2,249 |
| Place of residence: | | | | | |
| On farm operated | 5,617 | 4,620 | 3,894 | 4,627 | 3,466 |
| Not on farm operated | 822 | 707 | 447 | 720 | 453 |
| Days of work off farm: | | | | | |
| None | 2,281 | 1,852 | 1,484 | 1,882 | 1,424 |
| Any | 4,158 | 3,475 | 2,857 | 3,465 | 2,495 |
| 1 to 49 days | 617 | 517 | 362 | 529 | 376 |
| 50 to 99 days | 350 | 274 | 210 | 291 | 218 |
| 100 to 199 days | 656 | 559 | 442 | 535 | 334 |
| 200 days or more | 2,535 | 2,125 | 1,843 | 2,110 | 1,567 |
| Years on present farm: | | | | | |
| 2 years or less | 315 | 282 | 200 | 281 | 186 |
| 3 or 4 years | 485 | 442 | 365 | 420 | 310 |
| 5 to 9 years | 1,199 | 941 | 853 | 968 | 670 |
| 10 years or more | 4,440 | 3,662 | 2,923 | 3,678 | 2,753 |
| Years operating any farm (see text): | | | | | |
| 5 years or less | 792 | 687 | 562 | 698 | 488 |
| 6 to 10 years | 1,148 | 905 | 778 | 896 | 599 |
| 11 years or more | 4,499 | 3,735 | 3,001 | 3,753 | 2,832 |
| Age group: | | | | | |
| Under 25 years | 94 | 65 | 53 | 48 | 14 |
| 25 to 34 years | 338 | 290 | 239 | 273 | 178 |
| 35 to 44 years | 726 | 627 | 575 | 613 | 393 |
| 45 to 54 years | 1,099 | 899 | 778 | 947 | 659 |
| 55 to 64 years | 1,979 | 1,626 | 1,367 | 1,629 | 1,164 |
| 65 to 74 years | 1,637 | 1,357 | 1,036 | 1,348 | 1,098 |
| 75 years and over | 566 | 463 | 293 | 489 | 413 |
| Average age | 57.7 | 57.6 | 56.6 | 57.9 | 59.1 |
| Young producers (see text) | 508 | 421 | 360 | 394 | 239 |
| Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin | 59 | 57 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| Producers by race: | | | | | |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 11 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 8 |
| Asian | 14 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 4 |
| Black or African American | 37 | 37 | 35 | 31 | 28 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - | - | - | - | - |
| White | 6,325 | 5,231 | 4,253 | 5,251 | 3,842 |
| More than one race reported | 52 | 42 | 38 | 42 | 37 |
| Military service (see text): | | | | | |
| Never served | 5,730 | 4,727 | 3,912 | 4,781 | 3,482 |
| Served | 709 | 600 | 429 | 566 | 437 |
| Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) | 11,791 | 9,952 | 7,992 | 9,956 | 6,960 |