

**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	35,080	30,131	27,817	28,873	22,046
Sex of producers:					
Male .....	21,788	19,452	17,397	16,938	13,120
Female .....	13,292	10,679	10,420	11,935	8,926
Hired managers (see text) .....	1,147	1,026	815	876	578
Primary occupation:					
Farming .....	16,145	14,080	13,152	12,981	9,915
Other .....	18,935	16,051	14,665	15,892	12,131
Place of residence:					
On farm operated .....	25,843	22,158	20,317	21,134	16,250
Not on farm operated .....	9,237	7,973	7,500	7,739	5,796
Days of work off farm:					
None .....	13,412	11,372	10,473	10,862	8,603
Any .....	21,668	18,759	17,344	18,011	13,443
1 to 49 days .....	3,682	3,169	2,768	3,013	2,210
50 to 99 days .....	2,320	2,041	1,798	1,812	1,293
100 to 199 days .....	3,287	2,904	2,659	2,677	2,062
200 days or more .....	12,379	10,645	10,119	10,509	7,878
Years on present farm:					
2 years or less .....	2,134	1,859	1,816	1,781	1,197
3 or 4 years .....	2,391	2,019	1,955	2,051	1,361
5 to 9 years .....	4,845	4,138	3,777	3,908	2,719
10 years or more .....	25,710	22,115	20,269	21,133	16,769
Years operating any farm (see text):					
5 years or less .....	4,446	3,725	3,663	3,744	2,492
6 to 10 years .....	4,262	3,666	3,268	3,433	2,374
11 years or more .....	26,372	22,740	20,886	21,696	17,180
Age group:					
Under 25 years .....	338	291	338	227	142
25 to 34 years .....	1,591	1,395	1,405	1,327	837
35 to 44 years .....	3,124	2,689	2,609	2,544	1,738
45 to 54 years .....	5,526	4,751	4,435	4,562	3,245
55 to 64 years .....	10,068	8,744	8,123	8,410	6,503
65 to 74 years .....	9,215	7,936	7,063	7,622	6,034
75 years and over .....	5,218	4,325	3,844	4,181	3,547
Average age .....	60.2	60.1	59.5	60.2	61.3
Young producers (see text) .....	2,162	1,903	1,947	1,742	1,093
Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	10,396	8,901	7,574	8,358	6,432
Producers by race:					
American Indian or Alaska Native .....	7,293	6,451	6,646	5,460	4,178
Asian .....	129	124	54	89	77
Black or African American .....	48	39	33	35	29
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	27	20	27	21	18
White .....	27,335	23,268	20,855	23,044	17,577
More than one race reported .....	248	229	202	224	167
Military service (see text):					
Never served .....	30,204	25,874	24,146	25,038	18,961
Served .....	4,876	4,257	3,671	3,835	3,085
Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) .....	69,204	60,794	56,184	55,058	42,027