

**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	114,633	97,986	101,676	101,274	79,817
Sex of producers:					
Male .....	74,744	67,375	67,778	62,825	50,316
Female .....	39,889	30,611	33,898	38,449	29,501
Hired managers (see text) .....	2,059	1,793	1,728	1,613	1,207
Primary occupation:					
Farming .....	45,862	40,551	41,056	40,332	33,290
Other .....	68,771	57,435	60,620	60,942	46,527
Place of residence:					
On farm operated .....	90,370	76,613	81,239	79,554	63,682
Not on farm operated .....	24,263	21,373	20,437	21,720	16,135
Days of work off farm:					
None .....	40,770	34,931	34,934	35,965	29,780
Any .....	73,863	63,055	66,742	65,309	50,037
1 to 49 days .....	7,157	5,953	5,992	6,113	4,763
50 to 99 days .....	5,028	4,165	4,361	4,270	3,353
100 to 199 days .....	10,672	9,281	9,862	9,499	7,328
200 days or more .....	51,006	43,656	46,527	45,427	34,593
Years on present farm:					
2 years or less .....	7,812	6,365	7,130	6,673	4,654
3 or 4 years .....	10,473	8,709	9,612	8,999	6,122
5 to 9 years .....	17,735	15,135	15,660	15,387	11,336
10 years or more .....	78,613	67,777	69,274	70,215	57,705
Years operating any farm (see text):					
5 years or less .....	17,702	14,538	16,272	15,276	10,409
6 to 10 years .....	15,509	13,038	13,609	13,408	9,884
11 years or more .....	81,422	70,410	71,795	72,590	59,524
Age group:					
Under 25 years .....	1,506	1,196	1,595	1,028	601
25 to 34 years .....	8,541	7,184	8,169	7,588	5,141
35 to 44 years .....	14,570	12,261	13,470	12,873	9,263
45 to 54 years .....	20,688	17,771	18,849	18,488	13,670
55 to 64 years .....	30,398	26,076	26,827	26,949	21,588
65 to 74 years .....	24,836	21,390	21,163	22,140	18,721
75 years and over .....	14,094	12,108	11,603	12,208	10,833
Average age .....	57.2	57.3	56.5	57.3	58.5
Young producers (see text) .....	11,395	9,537	10,999	9,804	6,630
Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	2,348	1,912	2,062	1,973	1,472
Producers by race:					
American Indian or Alaska Native .....	10,653	9,057	9,757	9,428	7,297
Asian .....	430	282	332	345	262
Black or African American .....	1,491	1,339	1,472	1,352	1,145
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	48	31	38	34	38
White .....	97,231	83,165	85,680	85,943	67,803
More than one race reported .....	4,780	4,112	4,397	4,172	3,272
Military service (see text):					
Never served .....	101,177	85,997	89,771	89,921	70,265
Served .....	13,456	11,989	11,905	11,353	9,552
Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) .....	217,718	192,933	196,926	188,038	147,303