

Table 70. New and Beginning Producers - Selected Producer Characteristics: 2017

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

Characteristics	All producers	All principal producers	Characteristics	All producers	All principal producers
Producers number	38,677	29,678	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over	805	692
Male	22,356	19,388	Average age	45.8	46.9
Female	16,321	10,290	Young producers (see text)	10,770	7,612
Hired managers (see text)	723	350	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	1,216	977
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming	8,953	7,049	American Indian or Alaska Native	4,199	3,201
Other	29,724	22,629	Asian	226	163
Place of residence:			Black or African American	412	329
On farm operated	26,665	20,776	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	35	27
Not on farm operated	12,012	8,902	White	32,119	24,627
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported	1,569	1,292
None	7,679	5,747	Military service (see text):		
Any	30,998	23,931	Never served	35,425	26,812
1 to 49 days	2,693	1,927	Served	3,252	2,866
50 to 99 days	2,030	1,563	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days	4,142	3,155	households (see text)	75,098	66,998
200 days or more	22,133	17,286	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions	33,211	27,448
Under 25 years	2,226	1,044	Land use and/or crop decisions	27,576	23,411
25 to 34 years	7,900	5,851	Livestock decisions	29,881	24,702
35 to 44 years	8,778	6,873	Record keeping and/or financial management	28,684	23,947
45 to 54 years	8,098	6,404	Estate planning or succession planning	20,293	17,315
55 to 64 years	7,233	5,779			
65 to 74 years	3,637	3,035			