

**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	59,507	52,339	42,706	50,153	38,243
Sex of producers:					
Male .....	34,392	31,798	23,882	26,782	21,155
Female .....	25,115	20,541	18,824	23,371	17,088
Hired managers (see text) .....	3,441	3,059	1,319	2,707	1,932
Primary occupation:					
Farming .....	25,915	23,266	17,724	21,756	16,885
Other .....	33,592	29,073	24,982	28,397	21,358
Place of residence:					
On farm operated .....	52,245	45,633	38,780	43,914	33,918
Not on farm operated .....	7,262	6,706	3,926	6,239	4,325
Days of work off farm:					
None .....	22,998	19,858	15,305	19,282	15,504
Any .....	36,509	32,481	27,401	30,871	22,739
1 to 49 days .....	5,751	5,083	3,887	4,744	3,621
50 to 99 days .....	2,974	2,629	2,176	2,519	1,888
100 to 199 days .....	5,332	4,751	4,001	4,638	3,250
200 days or more .....	22,452	20,018	17,337	18,970	13,980
Years on present farm:					
2 years or less .....	3,511	3,179	2,710	2,881	1,921
3 or 4 years .....	5,507	4,885	4,126	4,614	3,005
5 to 9 years .....	8,599	7,783	6,178	7,203	4,996
10 years or more .....	41,890	36,492	29,692	35,455	28,321
Years operating any farm (see text):					
5 years or less .....	9,041	8,046	6,767	7,465	4,907
6 to 10 years .....	7,414	6,681	5,405	6,202	4,223
11 years or more .....	43,052	37,612	30,534	36,486	29,113
Age group:					
Under 25 years .....	545	466	554	313	182
25 to 34 years .....	3,569	3,221	2,657	2,903	1,820
35 to 44 years .....	7,370	6,694	5,577	6,229	4,065
45 to 54 years .....	9,913	8,708	7,364	8,420	5,949
55 to 64 years .....	16,991	14,977	12,248	14,476	11,151
65 to 74 years .....	14,653	12,748	10,076	12,398	10,226
75 years and over .....	6,466	5,525	4,230	5,414	4,850
Average age .....	58.0	57.8	57.2	58.1	59.6
Young producers (see text) .....	4,798	4,307	3,736	3,765	2,422
Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	1,837	1,664	1,194	1,466	1,020
Producers by race:					
American Indian or Alaska Native .....	555	508	452	465	373
Asian .....	531	486	280	459	336
Black or African American .....	52	52	40	45	30
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	98	84	56	63	68
White .....	57,572	50,592	41,337	48,582	36,963
More than one race reported .....	699	617	541	539	473
Military service (see text):					
Never served .....	52,038	45,647	37,334	44,333	33,278
Served .....	7,469	6,692	5,372	5,820	4,965
Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) .....	109,330	99,131	78,217	90,501	67,827