

Table 5. Principal Operator Characteristics by Race: 2018

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

Principal operators	Total	Characteristics by race			
		Black or African American	White	Other	More than one race reported
Principal operators	8,230	589	7,486	65	90
Principal operators by -					
Years operating present farm:					
Less than 2 years	339	26	294	10	9
2 to 4 years	794	64	719	9	2
5 to 9 years	1,110	74	1,019	2	15
10 years or more	5,987	425	5,454	44	64
Place of residence:					
On farm operated	4,543	306	4,152	39	46
Off farm operated	3,687	283	3,334	26	44
Primary occupation:					
Agriculture	4,252	310	3,857	32	53
Nonagriculture	3,978	279	3,629	33	37
Retirement status:					
Retired	3,080	216	2,823	5	36
Not retired	5,150	373	4,663	60	54
Age group:					
Under 25 years	32	4	28	-	-
25 to 34 years	294	22	266	2	4
35 to 44 years	818	54	741	9	14
45 to 54 years	1,468	105	1,323	21	19
55 to 64 years	2,212	178	1,997	22	15
65 years and over	3,406	226	3,131	11	38
Average age	60.6	60.0	60.7	54.3	58.8
Gender:					
Male	7,286	535	6,613	57	81
Female	944	54	873	8	9
Hispanic origin:					
Of Hispanic or Latino origin	8,155	581	7,427	59	88
Not of Hispanic or Latino origin	75	8	59	6	2
Highest grade or year of school completed:					
None	95	8	78	7	2
Elementary school	1,088	85	979	-	24
Secondary school	1,821	143	1,661	9	8
High school diploma or GED	1,498	119	1,348	22	9
Technical or vocational school	450	36	403	3	8
Some college	1,085	59	1,008	7	11
College - Bachelor's degree	1,508	113	1,359	15	21
Master's or PhD	685	26	650	2	7
Days worked off farm:					
None	5,104	367	4,649	31	57
Any	3,126	222	2,837	34	33
1 to 49 days	325	21	289	4	11
50 to 99 days	365	40	320	-	5
100 to 199 days	558	42	509	7	-
200 days or more	1,878	119	1,719	23	17
Hired manager status:					
Hired manager	1,374	101	1,239	14	20
Not a hired manager	6,856	488	6,247	51	70
Percent of income from farming:					
Less than 25 percent	4,974	349	4,546	29	50
25 to 49 percent	841	70	765	4	2
50 to 74 percent	1,017	80	909	9	19
75 percent or more	1,398	90	1,266	23	19
Net household income category:					
Less than \$20,000	4,623	327	4,208	30	58
\$20,000 to \$39,999	1,733	151	1,552	16	14
\$40,000 to \$59,999	838	53	780	1	4
\$60,000 to \$79,999	427	35	389	3	-
\$80,000 to \$99,999	196	4	178	9	5
\$100,000 or more	413	19	379	6	9
Number of persons living in household:					
1 person	2,990	213	2,718	27	32
2 persons	2,410	129	2,241	23	17
3 persons	1,575	142	1,402	7	24
4 persons	830	66	749	7	8
5 or more persons	425	39	376	1	9
Number of families contributing to the net income of this operation:					
1 family	6,642	457	6,070	49	66
2 families	912	86	799	10	17
3 families	383	23	356	1	3
4 families	158	12	141	5	-
5 or more families	135	11	120	-	4
Served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or National Guard:					
Never served in the military	7,364	501	6,717	65	81
Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard	190	8	179	-	3
Now on active duty	16	-	16	-	-
On active duty in the past, but not now	660	80	574	-	6