

**Table 51. Organic Agriculture: 2017 and 2012**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.]

| Item  | 2017    | 2012    | Item   | 2017 | 2012 |
|---|---------|---------|--|------|------|
| <b>VALUE OF SALES OF CERTIFIED OR EXEMPT ORGANICALLY PRODUCED COMMODITIES</b>                                       |         |         | <b>ALL PRODUCERS' CHARACTERISTICS FOR FARMS WITH CERTIFIED OR EXEMPT ORGANIC PRODUCTION <sup>1</sup> (SEE TEXT) - Con.</b> |      |      |
| Total organic product sales ..... farms   | 260     | 211     | Place of residence:  |      |      |
| ..... \$1,000   | 128,916 | 55,991  | On farm operated .....   | 395  | (NA) |
| Average per farm ..... dollars  | 495,830 | 265,361 | Not on farm operated .....   | 178  | (NA) |
| By value of sales:  |         |         | Days worked off farm:  |      |      |
| \$1 to \$4,999 ..... farms  | 37      | 64      | None .....   | 298  | (NA) |
| ..... \$1,000   | 63      | 86      | Any .....  | 275  | (NA) |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 ..... farms  | 5       | 10      | 1 to 49 days .....   | 64   | (NA) |
| ..... \$1,000   | 30      | 67      | 50 to 99 days .....  | 26   | (NA) |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 ..... farms  | 29      | 29      | 100 to 199 days .....  | 45   | (NA) |
| ..... \$1,000   | 482     | 481     | 200 days or more .....   | 140  | (NA) |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 ..... farms  | 26      | 20      | Years on present farm:   |      |      |
| ..... \$1,000   | 1,033   | 659     | 2 years or less .....  | 87   | (NA) |
| \$50,000 or more ..... farms  | 163     | 88      | 3 or 4 years .....   | 37   | (NA) |
| ..... \$1,000   | 127,307 | 54,699  | 5 to 9 years .....   | 86   | (NA) |
|   |         |         | 10 years or more .....   | 363  | (NA) |
| <b>TYPE OF PRODUCTION</b>   |         |         | Average years on present farm .....  | 19.1 | (NA) |
| USDA National Organic Program certified organic production ..... farms  | 261     | 179     | Age group:   |      |      |
| USDA National Organic Program organic production exempt from certification ..... farms                              | 34      | 50      | Under 25 years .....   | 10   | (NA) |
| Acres transitioning into USDA National Organic Program organic production ..... farms                               | 87      | 40      | 25 to 34 years .....   | 80   | (NA) |
|   |         |         | 35 to 44 years .....   | 89   | (NA) |
| <b>ALL PRODUCERS' CHARACTERISTICS FOR FARMS WITH CERTIFIED OR EXEMPT ORGANIC PRODUCTION <sup>1</sup> (SEE TEXT)</b> |         |         | 45 to 54 years .....   | 133  | (NA) |
| Sex of producers:   |         |         | 55 to 64 years .....   | 135  | (NA) |
| Male .....  | 378     | (NA)    | 65 to 74 years .....   | 86   | (NA) |
| Female .....  | 195     | (NA)    | 75 years and over .....  | 40   | (NA) |
| Primary occupation:   |         |         | Average age .....  | 52.3 | (NA) |
| Farming .....   | 379     | (NA)    | Military service (see text):   |      |      |
| Other .....   | 194     | (NA)    | Never served .....   | 553  | (NA) |
|   |         |         | Served .....   | 20   | (NA) |

<sup>1</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.