

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	35,433	26,709	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over	601	512
Male	21,034	17,889	Average age	44.9	46.2
Female	14,399	8,820	Young producers (see text)	10,449	7,165
Hired managers (see text)	699	314	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	413	291
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming	8,372	6,393	American Indian or Alaska Native	86	68
Other	27,061	20,316	Asian	50	32
Place of residence:			Black or African American	175	139
On farm operated	25,229	19,260	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	22	17
Not on farm operated	10,204	7,449	White	34,926	26,311
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported	162	134
None	7,486	5,477	Military service (see text):		
Any	27,947	21,232	Never served	32,714	24,315
1 to 49 days	3,147	2,201	Served	2,719	2,394
50 to 99 days	1,810	1,297	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days	3,415	2,651	households (see text)	70,196	61,661
200 days or more	19,575	15,083	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions	30,298	24,772
Under 25 years	2,391	1,075	Land use and/or crop decisions	25,294	21,233
25 to 34 years	7,597	5,475	Livestock decisions	23,995	19,634
35 to 44 years	7,932	6,172	Record keeping and/or financial management	24,965	20,682
45 to 54 years	7,685	6,014	Estate planning or succession planning	17,145	14,523
55 to 64 years	6,326	5,089			
65 to 74 years	2,901	2,372			