

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	20,298	15,194	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over	578	504
Male	12,201	9,960	Average age	47.5	49.0
Female	8,097	5,234	Young producers (see text)	4,676	3,082
Hired managers (see text)	976	487	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	345	252
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming	6,087	4,726	American Indian or Alaska Native	282	222
Other	14,211	10,468	Asian	217	153
Place of residence:			Black or African American	590	481
On farm operated	13,685	10,324	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	10	7
Not on farm operated	6,613	4,870	White	19,053	14,213
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported	140	118
None	5,175	3,904	Military service (see text):		
Any	15,123	11,290	Never served	18,375	13,573
1 to 49 days	1,759	1,213	Served	1,923	1,621
50 to 99 days	979	763	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days	1,848	1,399	households (see text)	38,810	32,995
200 days or more	10,537	7,915	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions	17,276	14,080
Under 25 years	985	405	Land use and/or crop decisions	14,374	11,948
25 to 34 years	3,524	2,381	Livestock decisions	12,389	10,168
35 to 44 years	4,188	3,159	Record keeping and/or financial management	14,264	11,998
45 to 54 years	4,686	3,714	Estate planning or succession planning	9,074	7,682
55 to 64 years	4,172	3,251			
65 to 74 years	2,165	1,780			