

**Table 53. Selected Farm Characteristics by Producers' Involvement in Decisionmaking: 2017**

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<b>FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS</b>					
Farms ..... number	240,846	211,120	210,331	222,026	165,410
Land in farms ..... acres	124,189,385	115,372,334	111,742,998	118,925,544	96,611,222
<b>FARMS BY SIZE</b>					
1 to 9 acres .....	26,906	21,169	23,012	23,338	15,765
10 to 49 acres .....	79,027	67,759	68,366	71,145	51,147
50 to 179 acres .....	64,944	57,706	57,268	60,557	45,503
180 to 499 acres .....	35,289	32,236	31,740	33,634	26,356
500 acres or more .....	34,680	32,250	29,945	33,352	26,639
<b>OWNED AND RENTED LAND IN FARMS</b>					
Owned land in farms ..... farms	227,931	200,137	198,913	210,004	158,134
..... acres	70,719,874	65,552,324	64,122,179	67,182,303	56,040,646
Rented or leased land in farms ..... farms	62,585	56,633	57,073	59,326	43,295
..... acres	53,469,511	49,820,010	47,620,819	51,743,241	40,570,576
<b>TENURE</b>					
Full owners ..... farms	178,261	154,487	153,258	162,700	122,115
..... acres	48,523,033	44,361,345	43,834,129	45,661,247	37,883,038
Part owners ..... farms	49,670	45,650	45,655	47,304	36,019
..... acres	60,024,610	56,867,371	54,121,058	58,306,693	47,585,193
Tenants ..... farms	12,915	10,983	11,418	12,022	7,276
..... acres	15,641,742	14,143,618	13,787,811	14,957,604	11,142,991
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS</b>					
Total ..... farms	240,846	211,120	210,331	222,026	165,410
..... \$1,000	25,211,811	23,467,348	19,563,682	23,002,539	16,730,452
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... farms	240,846	211,120	210,331	222,026	165,410
..... \$1,000	24,485,688	22,771,328	19,066,490	22,297,920	16,188,048
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... farms	64,476	60,533	46,479	59,356	44,804
..... \$1,000	6,754,411	6,525,408	3,609,164	6,469,071	4,768,604
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... farms	143,542	127,743	139,487	135,908	102,526
..... \$1,000	17,731,277	16,245,920	15,457,326	15,828,848	11,419,444
Government payments ..... farms	34,336	31,884	26,067	32,935	25,261
..... \$1,000	726,123	696,021	497,192	704,619	542,404
<b>FARMS BY ECONOMIC CLASS (SEE TEXT)</b>					
Less than \$1,000 .....	78,876	65,208	68,228	69,345	50,237
\$1,000 to \$2,499 .....	31,714	27,279	27,776	28,879	20,638
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	29,042	25,495	25,352	26,952	19,690
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	30,824	27,619	27,699	29,193	21,979
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	29,423	26,967	26,548	28,150	21,821
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	15,030	13,985	13,513	14,430	11,264
\$50,000 or more .....	25,937	24,567	21,215	25,077	19,781
<b>COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION (CCC) LOANS AND FEDERAL FARM PROGRAM PAYMENTS</b>					
CCC loans (see text) ..... farms	400	384	264	384	300
..... \$1,000	33,336	32,138	21,004	31,714	24,392
Conservation Reserve, Wetlands Reserve, Farmable Wetlands, or Conservation Reserve Enhancement Programs payments ..... farms	8,970	7,860	5,207	8,592	6,628
..... \$1,000	97,052	85,807	55,642	93,101	73,442
Other Federal farm program payments ..... farms	30,884	28,966	24,199	29,652	22,746
..... \$1,000	629,071	610,214	441,550	611,518	468,962
<b>FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM (NAICS)</b>					
Oilseed and grain farming (1111) .....	4,794	4,643	3,083	4,572	3,337
Vegetable and melon farming (1112) .....	1,422	1,367	973	1,295	904
Fruit and tree nut farming (1113) .....	4,886	4,512	2,784	4,513	3,247
Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production (1114) .....	1,321	1,224	593	1,238	806
Other crop farming (1119) .....	45,475	41,281	27,227	40,957	30,414
Tobacco farming (11191) .....	-	-	-	-	-
Cotton farming (11192) .....	4,343	4,221	2,262	4,184	3,073
Sugarcane farming, hay farming, and all other crop farming (11193, 11194, 11199) .....	41,132	37,060	24,965	36,773	27,341
Beef cattle ranching and farming (11211) .....	131,934	116,203	128,694	123,475	93,224
Cattle feedlots (11212) .....	273	261	262	257	195
Dairy cattle and milk production (11212) .....	429	389	409	404	339
Hog and pig farming (1122) .....	1,309	923	1,229	1,167	766
Poultry and egg production (1123) .....	3,467	2,905	3,065	3,136	2,261
Sheep and goat farming (1124) .....	18,772	15,138	18,098	17,049	11,958
Aquaculture and other animal production (1125, 1129) (see text) .....	26,764	22,274	23,914	23,963	17,959
<b>OTHER FARM CHARACTERISTICS</b>					
Farms by-					
Type of organization (see text):					
Operation more than 50 percent owned by one producer's household and/or extended family (see text) .....	233,524	204,730	204,502	215,240	160,558
Limited Liability Company .....	10,931	9,850	9,570	10,370	8,322
Operation's legal status for tax purposes (see text):					
Family or individual .....	216,693	189,263	190,392	199,050	147,634
Partnership .....	13,675	12,447	11,481	13,095	9,932
Corporation .....	7,067	6,431	5,789	6,743	5,259
Other - estate or trust, prison farm, grazing association, American Indian Reservation, etc. ....	3,411	2,979	2,669	3,138	2,585

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<b>OTHER FARM CHARACTERISTICS - Con.</b>					
Farms by - Con.					
Number of producers (see text):					
1 producer .....	109,121	95,514	94,747	98,990	75,501
2 producers .....	114,123	99,782	100,015	106,251	77,221
3 producers .....	10,728	9,613	9,466	10,229	7,486
4 producers .....	5,001	4,514	4,493	4,768	3,714
5 or more producers .....	1,873	1,697	1,610	1,788	1,488
Number of male producers (see text):					
1 producer .....	196,187	172,161	171,869	180,551	134,563
2 producers .....	17,793	16,031	15,555	16,716	12,220
3 producers .....	3,520	3,217	3,107	3,319	2,503
4 producers .....	744	670	643	717	538
5 or more producers .....	276	244	222	253	200
Number of female producers (see text):					
1 producer .....	132,359	115,214	115,786	123,098	90,504
2 producers .....	7,918	6,925	7,014	7,526	5,722
3 producers .....	1,257	1,112	1,058	1,201	932
4 producers .....	310	294	252	321	261
5 or more producers .....	116	98	105	116	102
Farms reporting-					
Internet access .....	176,030	156,398	154,536	164,450	122,241
Dial-up .....	4,605	4,164	4,069	4,319	3,371
DSL .....	37,133	32,717	32,253	34,511	25,103
Cable modem .....	25,471	22,491	21,714	23,972	17,670
Fiber-optic .....	11,129	9,930	9,310	10,593	7,756
Mobile internet service for a cell phone or other device (see text) .....	74,932	67,733	66,771	70,934	53,379
Satellite .....	50,142	44,582	44,980	46,837	35,640
Don't know (see text) .....	12,087	10,564	10,452	11,067	8,132
Other internet service .....	8,336	7,466	7,308	7,827	5,646
Farms by number of households sharing in net income of operation:					
1 household .....	206,370	181,183	180,962	190,040	141,840
2 households .....	26,117	22,603	22,554	24,123	17,686
3 households .....	4,847	4,265	3,979	4,549	3,350
4 households .....	2,187	1,908	1,782	2,060	1,547
5 or more households .....	1,325	1,161	1,054	1,254	987