

**Table 54. Involvement in Decisionmaking by Selected Producer Characteristics: 2017**

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

Item	Day-to-day decisions	Land use and/or crop decisions	Livestock decisions	Record keeping and financial management	Estate or succession planning
Producers ..... number	97,482	83,113	66,641	83,086	64,110
Sex of producers:					
Male .....	67,002	61,977	46,520	54,195	42,283
Female .....	30,480	21,136	20,121	28,891	21,827
Hired managers (see text) .....	6,984	5,731	4,854	5,411	4,250
Primary occupation:					
Farming .....	47,907	41,890	34,841	40,479	31,508
Other .....	49,575	41,223	31,800	42,607	32,602
Place of residence:					
On farm operated .....	79,769	67,303	57,656	68,500	53,408
Not on farm operated .....	17,713	15,810	8,985	14,586	10,702
Days of work off farm:					
None .....	41,917	35,372	28,605	35,043	28,247
Any .....	55,565	47,741	38,036	48,043	35,863
1 to 49 days .....	7,507	6,497	4,812	6,370	4,779
50 to 99 days .....	3,544	3,049	2,352	3,074	2,188
100 to 199 days .....	7,268	6,216	5,080	6,460	4,895
200 days or more .....	37,246	31,979	25,792	32,139	24,001
Years on present farm:					
2 years or less .....	4,472	3,882	3,389	3,718	2,394
3 or 4 years .....	5,799	4,950	4,468	4,812	3,206
5 to 9 years .....	11,602	9,981	7,905	9,650	6,468
10 years or more .....	75,609	64,300	50,879	64,906	52,042
Years operating any farm (see text):					
5 years or less .....	10,091	8,643	7,499	8,308	5,407
6 to 10 years .....	10,404	8,869	7,128	8,648	5,795
11 years or more .....	76,987	65,601	52,014	66,130	52,908
Age group:					
Under 25 years .....	1,505	1,173	1,390	870	513
25 to 34 years .....	7,353	6,298	5,952	6,071	3,801
35 to 44 years .....	11,752	10,191	8,902	10,068	6,631
45 to 54 years .....	19,436	16,524	13,897	16,692	12,022
55 to 64 years .....	29,546	25,281	20,145	25,521	20,418
65 to 74 years .....	19,835	16,762	12,163	16,906	14,381
75 years and over .....	8,055	6,884	4,192	6,958	6,344
Average age .....	56.0	56.0	54.4	56.3	57.8
Young producers (see text) .....	9,985	8,417	8,190	7,921	4,930
Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	551	445	371	437	339
Producers by race:					
American Indian or Alaska Native .....	158	148	98	128	91
Asian .....	421	389	120	307	207
Black or African American .....	66	50	38	52	16
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	13	11	12	16	9
White .....	96,662	82,394	66,250	82,450	63,678
More than one race reported .....	162	121	123	133	109
Military service (see text):					
Never served .....	88,923	75,379	61,113	76,186	58,208
Served .....	8,559	7,734	5,528	6,900	5,902
Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) .....	200,195	180,842	143,117	168,588	125,810