

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	23,987	17,181	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over	293	247
Male	14,665	11,631	Average age	42.5	44.2
Female	9,322	5,550	Young producers (see text)	8,346	5,438
Hired managers (see text)	1,605	738	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	264	188
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming	7,613	5,343	American Indian or Alaska Native	73	61
Other	16,374	11,838	Asian	262	176
Place of residence:			Black or African American	46	38
On farm operated	16,535	11,940	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	12	8
Not on farm operated	7,452	5,241	White	23,537	16,873
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported	46	22
None	5,784	3,851	Military service (see text):		
Any	18,203	13,330	Never served	22,764	16,149
1 to 49 days	2,070	1,466	Served	1,223	1,032
50 to 99 days	977	705	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days	1,935	1,348	households (see text)	48,928	41,375
200 days or more	13,221	9,811	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions	20,495	15,998
Under 25 years	1,969	722	Land use and/or crop decisions	17,512	14,082
25 to 34 years	6,350	4,338	Livestock decisions	14,627	11,198
35 to 44 years	5,815	4,361	Record keeping and/or financial management	16,956	13,763
45 to 54 years	4,376	3,392	Estate planning or succession planning	11,202	9,089
55 to 64 years	3,761	2,970			
65 to 74 years	1,423	1,151			