

**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	6,270	4,515	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over .....	124	100
Male .....	3,532	2,843	Average age .....	46.1	47.6
Female .....	2,738	1,672	Young producers (see text) .....	1,631	1,017
Hired managers (see text) .....	480	266	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	151	100
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming .....	1,985	1,435	American Indian or Alaska Native .....	85	76
Other .....	4,285	3,080	Asian .....	16	4
Place of residence:			Black or African American .....	6	4
On farm operated .....	4,558	3,301	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	1	1
Not on farm operated .....	1,712	1,214	White .....	6,116	4,392
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported .....	36	31
None .....	1,521	1,086	Military service (see text):		
Any .....	4,749	3,429	Never served .....	5,749	4,096
1 to 49 days .....	680	458	Served .....	521	419
50 to 99 days .....	273	173	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days .....	607	444	households (see text) .....	12,044	9,817
200 days or more .....	3,189	2,354	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions .....	5,358	4,189
Under 25 years .....	377	122	Land use and/or crop decisions .....	4,564	3,608
25 to 34 years .....	1,209	808	Livestock decisions .....	4,506	3,476
35 to 44 years .....	1,556	1,188	Record keeping and/or financial management .....	4,488	3,549
45 to 54 years .....	1,163	878	Estate planning or succession planning .....	3,107	2,568
55 to 64 years .....	1,092	840			
65 to 74 years .....	749	579			