

**Table 70. New and Beginning Producers - Selected Producer Characteristics: 2022 and 2017**

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

Characteristics	2022	2017	Characteristics	2022	2017
Producers ..... number	20,588	19,591	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			55 to 64 years .....	4,613	4,190
Male .....	12,510	11,932	65 to 74 years .....	2,407	2,192
Female .....	8,078	7,659	75 years and over .....	617	489
Hired managers .....	664	417	Average age .....	48.4	47.9
Primary occupation:			Young producers (see text) .....	3,901	(NA)
Farming .....	5,392	4,785	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	231	237
Other .....	15,196	14,806	Producers by race:		
Place of residence:			American Indian or Alaska Native .....	251	245
On farm operated .....	13,702	13,213	Asian .....	44	72
Not on farm operated .....	6,886	6,378	Black or African American .....	961	1,202
Days of work off farm:			Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	16	12
None .....	4,493	4,455	White .....	19,019	17,845
Any .....	16,095	15,136	More than one race reported .....	271	192
1 to 49 days .....	1,909	1,521	Military service:		
50 to 99 days .....	1,247	1,000	Never served or only on active duty for training in		
100 to 199 days .....	2,033	1,808	the Reserves or National Guard (see text) .....	18,861	17,675
200 days or more .....	10,906	10,807	Active duty now or in the past (see text) .....	1,727	1,916
Years operating any farm:			Number of persons living in producers' households .....	39,779	37,847
5 years or less .....	10,833	(NA)	On farm involvement in decisionmaking:		
6 to 10 years .....	9,755	(NA)	Day-to-day decisions .....	17,445	16,582
11 years or more .....	(X)	(X)	Land use and/or crop decisions .....	14,228	13,903
Age group:			Livestock decisions .....	13,153	13,610
Under 25 years .....	1,109	1,076	Marketing decisions (see text) .....	9,994	(NA)
25 to 34 years .....	3,121	3,074	Record keeping and/or financial management .....	13,952	14,278
35 to 44 years .....	4,347	3,750	Estate planning or succession planning .....	9,198	9,504
45 to 54 years .....	4,374	4,820			