

**Table 52. 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              | 67,082 | 68,087 | Age group - Con.   |         |         |
| Sex of producers:                   |        |        | 25 to 34 years .....   | 4,075   | 4,272   |
| Male .....                          | 43,322 | 44,839 | 35 to 44 years .....   | 7,578   | 7,619   |
| Female .....                        | 23,760 | 23,248 | 45 to 54 years .....   | 11,151  | 13,143  |
| Hired managers .....                | 3,007  | 2,881  | 55 to 64 years .....   | 16,636  | 18,071  |
| Primary occupation:                 |        |        | 65 to 74 years .....   | 16,418  | 15,983  |
| Farming .....                       | 26,974 | 27,062 | 75 years and over .....  | 10,268  | 8,167   |
| Other .....                         | 40,108 | 41,025 | Average age .....  | 59.0    | 57.9    |
| Place of residence:                 |        |        | Young producers (see text) .....   | 5,031   | (NA)    |
| On farm operated .....              | 47,857 | 49,985 | Producers of Hispanic, Latino,<br>or Spanish origin .....  | 996     | 922     |
| Not on farm operated .....          | 19,225 | 18,102 | Producers by race:   |         |         |
| Days of work off farm:              |        |        | American Indian or Alaska Native .....   | 229     | 211     |
| None .....                          | 25,197 | 25,750 | Asian .....  | 584     | 461     |
| Any .....                           | 41,885 | 42,337 | Black or African American .....  | 2,700   | 2,773   |
| 1 to 49 days .....                  | 5,965  | 5,439  | Native Hawaiian or<br>Other Pacific Islander.....  | 55      | 30      |
| 50 to 99 days .....                 | 3,183  | 3,111  | White .....  | 62,985  | 64,202  |
| 100 to 199 days .....               | 6,076  | 5,781  | More than one race reported .....  | 529     | 410     |
| 200 days or more .....              | 26,661 | 28,006 | Military service:  |         |         |
| Years on present farm:              |        |        | Never served or only on active duty for training<br>in the Reserves or National Guard (see text) ..... | 59,743  | 59,252  |
| 2 years or less .....               | 3,837  | 5,072  | Active duty now or in the past (see text) .....  | 7,339   | 8,835   |
| 3 or 4 years .....                  | 6,295  | 7,494  | Number of persons living<br>in producers' households .....   | 127,274 | 133,648 |
| 5 to 9 years .....                  | 14,235 | 11,218 | On farm involvement in decisionmaking:   |         |         |
| 10 years or more .....              | 42,715 | 44,303 | Day-to-day decisions .....   | 58,124  | 59,377  |
| Average years on present farm ..... | 19.5   | 18.8   | Land use and/or crop decisions .....   | 46,885  | 49,603  |
| Years operating any farm:           |        |        | Livestock decisions .....  | 36,373  | 41,112  |
| 5 years or less .....               | 11,037 | 13,091 | Marketing decisions (see text) .....   | 35,195  | (NA)    |
| 6 to 10 years .....                 | 12,048 | 9,652  | Record keeping and/or financial management .....   | 46,690  | 50,139  |
| 11 years or more .....              | 43,997 | 45,344 | Estate planning or succession planning .....   | 34,806  | 37,128  |
| Average years on any farm .....     | 21.4   | 20.7   |  |         |         |
| Age group:                          |        |        |  |         |         |
| Under 25 years .....                | 956    | 832    |  |         |         |