

**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	4,032	3,754	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			55 to 64 years .....	617	748
Male .....	2,227	2,060	65 to 74 years .....	608	323
Female .....	1,805	1,694	75 years and over .....	169	85
Hired managers .....	326	265	Average age .....	47.8	45.6
Primary occupation:			Young producers (see text) .....	869	(NA)
Farming .....	1,431	1,291	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	64	46
Other .....	2,601	2,463	Producers by race:		
Place of residence:			American Indian or Alaska Native .....	12	3
On farm operated .....	2,985	2,820	Asian .....	21	8
Not on farm operated .....	1,047	934	Black or African American .....	11	1
Days of work off farm:			Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	10	3
None .....	1,066	873	White .....	3,930	3,695
Any .....	2,966	2,881	More than one race reported .....	39	38
1 to 49 days .....	473	352	Military service:		
50 to 99 days .....	254	220	Never served or only on active duty for training in		
100 to 199 days .....	482	457	the Reserves or National Guard (see text) .....	3,777	3,537
200 days or more .....	1,757	1,852	Active duty now or in the past (see text) .....	255	217
Years operating any farm:			Number of persons living in producers' households .....	6,750	6,835
5 years or less .....	1,780	(NA)	On farm involvement in decisionmaking:		
6 to 10 years .....	2,252	(NA)	Day-to-day decisions .....	3,455	3,207
11 years or more .....	(X)	(X)	Land use and/or crop decisions .....	2,972	2,684
Age group:			Livestock decisions .....	1,947	2,040
Under 25 years .....	236	237	Marketing decisions (see text) .....	2,710	(NA)
25 to 34 years .....	738	762	Record keeping and/or financial management .....	2,793	2,573
35 to 44 years .....	933	839	Estate planning or succession planning .....	1,788	1,486
45 to 54 years .....	731	760			