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 |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--|----------------|-------------------------|
| Producersnumber | 11,835 | 8,892 | Age group: - Con. | | |
| Sex of producers: | | | 75 years and over | 237 | 210 |
| Male Female | 7,068 4,767 | 5,923 2,969 | Average age | 46.8 | 47.9 |
| Hired managers (see text) | 151 | 78 | Young producers (see text) | 2,863 | 1,963 |
| Primary occupation: | | | Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin | 175 | 110 |
| Farming Other | 2,804 9,031 | 2,217 6,675 | Producers by race: | | |
| Place of residence: | | | American Indian or Alaska Native | 24 26 | 14 20 |
| On farm operated | 8,908 2.927 | 6,831 2.061 | Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 11 3 | 9 |
| Days of work off farm: | ,- | , | White | 11,696 73 | 8,782 65 |
| None Any | 2,594 9,241 | 1,949 6,943 | Military service (see text): | | 55 |
| 1 to 49 days | 1,089 | 741 | Never served | 10,671 | 7,906 |
| 50 to 99 days | 608 1,090 | 464 851 | Served | 1,164 | 986 |
| 200 days or more | 6,454 | 4,887 | Number of persons living in producers' households (see text) | 23,116 | 20,198 |
| Age group: Under 25 years | 673 | 332 | On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text): | | |
| 25 to 34 years | 2,015 | 1,438 | Day-to-day decisions Land use and/or crop decisions | 10,314 | 8,400 |
| 35 to 44 years | 2,706 | 2,033 | Land use and/or crop decisions | 8,868 | 7,329 |
| 45 to 54 years | 2,671 | 2,059 | Livestock decisions | 8,333 | 6,711 |
| 55 to 64 years | 2,335 1,198 | 1,856 964 | Record keeping and/or financial management Estate planning or succession planning | 8,171 5,746 | 6,789 4,806 |