

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	908,274	674,940	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			75 years and over	21,714	18,345
Male	538,610	443,424	Average age	46.3	47.8
Female	369,664	231,516	Young producers (see text)	241,452	160,433
Hired managers (see text)	40,201	20,955	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	40,858	30,910
Primary occupation:			Producers by race:		
Farming	253,269	192,825	American Indian or Alaska Native	15,347	11,322
Other	655,005	482,115	Asian	8,683	6,277
Place of residence:			Black or African American	12,884	10,193
On farm operated	603,699	456,410	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1,007	712
Not on farm operated	304,575	218,530	White	861,491	639,740
Days of work off farm:			More than one race reported	8,141	6,467
None	212,404	155,231	Military service (see text):		
Any	695,870	519,709	Never served	837,445	614,661
1 to 49 days	85,469	60,728	Served	70,829	60,279
50 to 99 days	46,070	33,263	Number of persons living in producers'		
100 to 199 days	86,357	65,057	households (see text)	1,825,570	1,561,149
200 days or more	477,974	360,661	On farm involvement in decisionmaking (see text):		
Age group:			Day-to-day decisions	762,989	619,422
Under 25 years	50,943	20,121	Land use and/or crop decisions	646,377	533,683
25 to 34 years	183,185	127,202	Livestock decisions	562,969	455,526
35 to 44 years	195,343	148,052	Record keeping and/or financial management	641,853	531,256
45 to 54 years	186,089	144,840	Estate planning or succession planning	426,416	357,843
55 to 64 years	180,613	142,765			
65 to 74 years	90,387	73,615			