

**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	26,398	20,248	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			55 to 64 years .....	4,728	3,743
Male .....	15,695	12,176	65 to 74 years .....	2,320	1,391
Female .....	10,703	8,072	75 years and over .....	472	323
Hired managers .....	1,643	1,180	Average age .....	45.2	44.3
Primary occupation:			Young producers (see text) .....	6,990	(NA)
Farming .....	7,702	6,114	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	514	360
Other .....	18,696	14,134	Producers by race:		
Place of residence:			American Indian or Alaska Native .....	170	92
On farm operated .....	18,891	14,564	Asian .....	150	73
Not on farm operated .....	7,507	5,684	Black or African American .....	167	114
Days of work off farm:			Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	13	3
None .....	6,202	5,125	White .....	25,637	19,734
Any .....	20,196	15,123	More than one race reported .....	231	199
1 to 49 days .....	2,571	1,888	Military service:		
50 to 99 days .....	1,366	927	Never served or only on active duty for training in		
100 to 199 days .....	2,477	1,814	the Reserves or National Guard (see text) .....	24,671	19,062
200 days or more .....	13,782	10,494	Active duty now or in the past (see text) .....	1,727	1,186
Years operating any farm:			Number of persons living in producers' households .....	53,466	41,648
5 years or less .....	12,976	(NA)	On farm involvement in decisionmaking:		
6 to 10 years .....	13,422	(NA)	Day-to-day decisions .....	22,591	17,256
11 years or more .....	(X)	(X)	Land use and/or crop decisions .....	19,113	14,892
Age group:			Livestock decisions .....	13,355	11,141
Under 25 years .....	1,670	1,488	Marketing decisions (see text) .....	15,381	(NA)
25 to 34 years .....	5,320	4,393	Record keeping and/or financial management .....	18,047	14,195
35 to 44 years .....	6,768	4,793	Estate planning or succession planning .....	11,466	9,162
45 to 54 years .....	5,120	4,117			