

**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	16,686	15,374	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			55 to 64 years .....	3,670	3,584
Male .....	10,037	9,474	65 to 74 years .....	2,353	1,848
Female .....	6,649	5,900	75 years and over .....	620	409
Hired managers .....	548	486	Average age .....	49.5	48.7
Primary occupation:			Young producers (see text) .....	3,092	(NA)
Farming .....	4,772	4,086	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	228	212
Other .....	11,914	11,288	Producers by race:		
Place of residence:			American Indian or Alaska Native .....	47	48
On farm operated .....	10,197	9,616	Asian .....	166	89
Not on farm operated .....	6,489	5,758	Black or African American .....	1,762	1,869
Days of work off farm:			Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	5	8
None .....	4,351	3,783	White .....	14,598	13,307
Any .....	12,335	11,591	More than one race reported .....	100	51
1 to 49 days .....	1,768	1,282	Military service:		
50 to 99 days .....	979	805	Never served or only on active duty for training in		
100 to 199 days .....	1,691	1,711	the Reserves or National Guard (see text) .....	15,480	14,211
200 days or more .....	7,897	7,793	Active duty now or in the past (see text) .....	1,206	1,163
Years operating any farm:			Number of persons living in producers' households .....	32,942	30,312
5 years or less .....	8,163	(NA)	On farm involvement in decisionmaking:		
6 to 10 years .....	8,523	(NA)	Day-to-day decisions .....	14,023	12,855
11 years or more .....	(X)	(X)	Land use and/or crop decisions .....	11,116	10,592
Age group:			Livestock decisions .....	9,625	9,474
Under 25 years .....	725	679	Marketing decisions (see text) .....	7,821	(NA)
25 to 34 years .....	2,367	2,441	Record keeping and/or financial management .....	11,040	10,738
35 to 44 years .....	3,378	2,984	Estate planning or succession planning .....	7,338	7,288
45 to 54 years .....	3,573	3,429			