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
Producersnumber	16,234	15,602	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers: MaleFemale	9,286 6,948	8,948 6,654	55 to 64 years	2,806 1,300 225	2,705 1,099 208
Hired managers	1,352	1,064	Average age	43.8	43.9
Primary occupation: Farming	5,577	5,541	Young producers (see text)	5,018	(NA)
Other	10,657	10,061	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	328	259
Place of residence: On farm operated Not on farm operated	11,710 4,524	11,529 4,073	Producers by race: American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American	78 113 75	43 74 63
Days of work off farm: None Any 1 to 49 days	4,143 12,091 1,686	4,179 11,423 1,562	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White More than one race reported	10 15,830 111	7 15,319 94
50 to 99 days 100 to 199 days 200 days or more	1,030 1,838 7,537		Military service:	15,311 923	14,661 941
Years operating any farm: 5 years or less	7,162 9,072	(NA) (NA)	Number of persons living in producers' households	31,993	31,431
11 years or more	(X)	(X)	On farm involvement in decisionmaking: Day-to-day decisions Land use and/or crop decisions	13,967 11,354	13,324 11,483
Under 25 years	1,319 3,699 3,946	1,167 3,724 3,416	Livestock decisions	9,025 10,085 10,627	9,463 (NA) 10,961
45 to 54 years	2,939	3,283	Estate planning or succession planning	7,026	6,890