

**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	31,696	30,953	Age group: - Con.		
Sex of producers:			55 to 64 years .....	7,129	6,290
Male .....	19,226	18,238	65 to 74 years .....	3,612	3,284
Female .....	12,470	12,715	75 years and over .....	973	756
Hired managers .....	706	607	Average age .....	48.2	47.4
Primary occupation:			Young producers (see text) .....	6,504	(NA)
Farming .....	8,228	7,484	Producers of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin .....	523	495
Other .....	23,468	23,469	Producers by race:		
Place of residence:			American Indian or Alaska Native .....	144	118
On farm operated .....	22,142	22,305	Asian .....	108	108
Not on farm operated .....	9,554	8,648	Black or African American .....	324	342
Days of work off farm:			Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....	19	7
None .....	7,229	6,863	White .....	30,794	30,183
Any .....	24,467	24,090	More than one race reported .....	278	187
1 to 49 days .....	3,125	2,503	Military service:		
50 to 99 days .....	1,712	1,561	Never served or only on active duty for training in		
100 to 199 days .....	2,873	3,003	the Reserves or National Guard (see text) .....	28,659	28,061
200 days or more .....	16,757	17,023	Active duty now or in the past (see text) .....	3,037	2,892
Years operating any farm:			Number of persons living in producers' households .....	59,823	58,176
5 years or less .....	15,266	(NA)	On farm involvement in decisionmaking:		
6 to 10 years .....	16,430	(NA)	Day-to-day decisions .....	26,728	26,452
11 years or more .....	(X)	(X)	Land use and/or crop decisions .....	22,556	22,263
Age group:			Livestock decisions .....	19,612	21,592
Under 25 years .....	1,762	1,633	Marketing decisions (see text) .....	16,036	(NA)
25 to 34 years .....	4,742	5,143	Record keeping and/or financial management .....	20,691	21,820
35 to 44 years .....	6,648	6,548	Estate planning or succession planning .....	14,557	14,897
45 to 54 years .....	6,830	7,299			