

**Table 52. Selected Operator Characteristics by Race: 2002**

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| Characteristics                                      | White                      |                    | Black or African American  |                    | American Indian or Alaska Native |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                                      | All operators <sup>1</sup> | Principal operator | All operators <sup>1</sup> | Principal operator | All operators <sup>1</sup>       | Principal operator |
| Operators ..... number                               | 118,922                    | 86,008             | 1,266                      | 1,054              | 367                              | 236                |
| Sex of operator:                                     |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| Male .....                                           | 88,538                     | 76,809             | 1,077                      | 959                | 218                              | 189                |
| Female .....                                         | 30,384                     | 9,199              | 189                        | 95                 | 149                              | 47                 |
| Primary occupation:                                  |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| Farming .....                                        | 56,657                     | 43,185             | 711                        | 633                | 157                              | 105                |
| Other .....                                          | 62,265                     | 42,823             | 555                        | 421                | 210                              | 131                |
| Place of residence:                                  |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| On farm operated .....                               | 97,559                     | 71,120             | 875                        | 752                | 295                              | 197                |
| Not on farm operated .....                           | 21,363                     | 14,888             | 391                        | 302                | 72                               | 39                 |
| Days worked off farm:                                |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| None .....                                           | 48,561                     | 36,092             | 611                        | 517                | 111                              | 66                 |
| Any .....                                            | 70,361                     | 49,916             | 655                        | 537                | 256                              | 170                |
| 1 to 49 days .....                                   | 6,107                      | 4,065              | 51                         | 47                 | 22                               | 14                 |
| 50 to 99 days .....                                  | 3,413                      | 2,232              | 47                         | 38                 | 9                                | 2                  |
| 100 to 199 days .....                                | 8,134                      | 5,473              | 89                         | 75                 | 28                               | 22                 |
| 200 days or more .....                               | 52,707                     | 38,146             | 468                        | 377                | 197                              | 132                |
| Years on present farm:                               |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| 2 years or less .....                                | 5,463                      | 2,901              | 57                         | 46                 | 24                               | 10                 |
| 3 or 4 years .....                                   | 10,088                     | 5,874              | 82                         | 52                 | 70                               | 46                 |
| 5 to 9 years .....                                   | 23,791                     | 15,579             | 248                        | 196                | 93                               | 59                 |
| 10 years or more .....                               | 79,580                     | 61,654             | 879                        | 760                | 180                              | 121                |
| Age group:                                           |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| Under 25 years .....                                 | 2,710                      | 990                | 9                          | 6                  | 5                                | -                  |
| 25 to 34 years .....                                 | 7,167                      | 3,620              | 46                         | 33                 | 23                               | 9                  |
| 35 to 44 years .....                                 | 21,813                     | 13,992             | 145                        | 99                 | 95                               | 59                 |
| 45 to 54 years .....                                 | 31,220                     | 21,776             | 333                        | 268                | 124                              | 81                 |
| 55 to 64 years .....                                 | 27,984                     | 21,688             | 304                        | 259                | 79                               | 54                 |
| 65 to 74 years .....                                 | 18,235                     | 15,221             | 259                        | 232                | 28                               | 20                 |
| 75 years and over .....                              | 9,793                      | 8,721              | 170                        | 157                | 13                               | 13                 |
| Average age of -                                     |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| All operators <sup>1</sup> .....                     | 53.8                       | (X)                | 57.9                       | (X)                | 50.2                             | (X)                |
| Principal operator .....                             | (X)                        | 55.9               | (X)                        | 59.2               | (X)                              | 52.4               |
| Second operator .....                                | 49.1                       | (X)                | 51.1                       | (X)                | 46.7                             | (X)                |
| Third operator .....                                 | 40.5                       | (X)                | 53.3                       | (X)                | 42.3                             | (X)                |
| Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text) ..... | 839                        | 589                | 30                         | 23                 | 39                               | 25                 |
| Race:                                                |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| White .....                                          | 118,922                    | 86,008             | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                              | (X)                |
| Black or African American .....                      | (X)                        | (X)                | 1,266                      | 1,054              | (X)                              | (X)                |
| American Indian or Alaska Native .....               | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                        | (X)                | 367                              | 236                |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....      | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                              | (X)                |
| Asian .....                                          | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                              | (X)                |
| More than one race reported .....                    | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                        | (X)                | (X)                              | (X)                |
| Living on an American Indian Reservation .....       | -                          | -                  | -                          | -                  | -                                | -                  |
| Number of persons living in household of-            |                            |                    |                            |                    |                                  |                    |
| Principal operator .....                             | (X)                        | 218,750            | (X)                        | 2,541              | (X)                              | 665                |
| Second operator .....                                | 22,609                     | (X)                | 177                        | (X)                | 50                               | (X)                |
| Third operator .....                                 | 4,867                      | (X)                | 55                         | (X)                | 25                               | (X)                |

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**Table 52. Selected Operator Characteristics by Race: 2002 - Con.**

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| Characteristics                                         | Native Hawaiian or<br>Other Pacific Islander |                       | Asian                      |                       | More than one race reported |                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                         | All operators <sup>1</sup>                   | Principal<br>operator | All operators <sup>1</sup> | Principal<br>operator | All operators <sup>1</sup>  | Principal<br>operator |
| Operators ..... number                                  | 17                                           | 7                     | 126                        | 61                    | 389                         | 229                   |
| Sex of operator:                                        |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| Male .....                                              | 7                                            | 5                     | 73                         | 46                    | 230                         | 174                   |
| Female .....                                            | 10                                           | 2                     | 53                         | 15                    | 159                         | 55                    |
| Primary occupation:                                     |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| Farming .....                                           | 7                                            | 2                     | 69                         | 43                    | 198                         | 132                   |
| Other .....                                             | 10                                           | 5                     | 57                         | 18                    | 191                         | 97                    |
| Place of residence:                                     |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| On farm operated .....                                  | 17                                           | 7                     | 102                        | 51                    | 342                         | 205                   |
| Not on farm operated .....                              | -                                            | -                     | 24                         | 10                    | 47                          | 24                    |
| Days worked off farm:                                   |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| None .....                                              | 5                                            | -                     | 67                         | 29                    | 174                         | 103                   |
| Any .....                                               | 12                                           | 7                     | 59                         | 32                    | 215                         | 126                   |
| 1 to 49 days .....                                      | 2                                            | 2                     | 8                          | 7                     | 25                          | 9                     |
| 50 to 99 days .....                                     | -                                            | -                     | 3                          | 3                     | 15                          | 5                     |
| 100 to 199 days .....                                   | -                                            | -                     | 9                          | 3                     | 36                          | 20                    |
| 200 days or more .....                                  | 10                                           | 5                     | 39                         | 19                    | 139                         | 92                    |
| Years on present farm:                                  |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| 2 years or less .....                                   | -                                            | -                     | 11                         | 5                     | 15                          | 2                     |
| 3 or 4 years .....                                      | 2                                            | 2                     | 19                         | 9                     | 58                          | 25                    |
| 5 to 9 years .....                                      | 8                                            | 3                     | 48                         | 22                    | 109                         | 63                    |
| 10 years or more .....                                  | 7                                            | 2                     | 48                         | 25                    | 207                         | 139                   |
| Age group:                                              |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| Under 25 years .....                                    | -                                            | -                     | 5                          | -                     | 10                          | -                     |
| 25 to 34 years .....                                    | -                                            | -                     | 7                          | 2                     | 27                          | 13                    |
| 35 to 44 years .....                                    | 4                                            | 2                     | 40                         | 20                    | 73                          | 40                    |
| 45 to 54 years .....                                    | 6                                            | -                     | 29                         | 17                    | 125                         | 61                    |
| 55 to 64 years .....                                    | 7                                            | 5                     | 28                         | 11                    | 89                          | 57                    |
| 65 to 74 years .....                                    | -                                            | -                     | 14                         | 8                     | 42                          | 36                    |
| 75 years and over .....                                 | -                                            | -                     | 3                          | 3                     | 23                          | 22                    |
| Average age of -                                        |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| All operators <sup>1</sup> .....                        | 50.7                                         | (X)                   | 49.9                       | (X)                   | 52.2                        | (X)                   |
| Principal operator .....                                | (X)                                          | 52.7                  | (X)                        | 51.8                  | (X)                         | 55.8                  |
| Second operator .....                                   | 49.3                                         | (X)                   | 49.4                       | (X)                   | 49.3                        | (X)                   |
| Third operator .....                                    | -                                            | (X)                   | 34.7                       | (X)                   | 32.2                        | (X)                   |
| Spanish, Hispanic, or<br>Latino origin (see text) ..... | 2                                            | 2                     | 8                          | 7                     | 9                           | 3                     |
| Race:                                                   |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| White .....                                             | (X)                                          | (X)                   | (X)                        | (X)                   | (X)                         | (X)                   |
| Black or African American .....                         | (X)                                          | (X)                   | (X)                        | (X)                   | (X)                         | (X)                   |
| American Indian or Alaska Native .....                  | (X)                                          | (X)                   | (X)                        | (X)                   | (X)                         | (X)                   |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander .....         | 17                                           | 7                     | (X)                        | (X)                   | (X)                         | (X)                   |
| Asian .....                                             | (X)                                          | (X)                   | 126                        | 61                    | (X)                         | (X)                   |
| More than one race reported .....                       | (X)                                          | (X)                   | (X)                        | (X)                   | 389                         | 229                   |
| Living on an American<br>Indian Reservation .....       | -                                            | -                     | -                          | -                     | -                           | -                     |
| Number of persons living in household of-               |                                              |                       |                            |                       |                             |                       |
| Principal operator .....                                | (X)                                          | 20                    | (X)                        | 207                   | (X)                         | 579                   |
| Second operator .....                                   | -                                            | (X)                   | 13                         | (X)                   | 114                         | (X)                   |
| Third operator .....                                    | -                                            | (X)                   | 9                          | (X)                   | 18                          | (X)                   |

<sup>1</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.