

Table 5. Principal Operator Characteristics by Race: 2007

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.]

Principal Operators	Total	Characteristics by race				
		Operators reporting	White	Black or African American	Other	More than one race reported
Principal operators	15,745	14,696	11,491	2,042	317	846
Principal operators by -						
Years operating present farm:						
Less than 2 years	1,055	1,037	800	198	7	32
2 to 4 years	1,428	1,401	1,088	215	24	74
5 to 9 years	2,302	2,282	1,728	348	97	109
10 years or more	9,427	9,154	7,169	1,209	179	597
Not reported	1,533	822	706	72	10	34
Place of residence:						
On farm operated	9,818	9,460	7,436	1,290	226	508
Off farm operated	4,925	4,781	3,686	669	88	338
Not reported	1,002	455	369	83	3	-
Primary occupation:						
Agriculture or agriculture-related	5,456	5,238	4,245	607	140	246
Other	8,947	8,662	6,566	1,387	156	553
Not reported	1,342	796	680	48	21	47
Retirement status:						
Retired	5,553	5,430	4,257	636	60	477
Not retired	8,696	8,330	6,502	1,302	246	280
Not reported	1,496	936	732	104	11	89
Age group:						
Under 25 years	93	92	64	1	5	22
25 to 34 years	627	621	437	155	7	22
35 to 44 years	2,062	2,032	1,485	386	40	121
45 to 54 years	3,323	3,224	2,666	410	66	82
55 to 64 years	3,370	3,257	2,655	386	119	97
65 years and over	5,301	5,183	3,938	676	77	492
Not reported	969	287	246	28	3	10
Average age	58.2	58.2	58.4	55.9	56.5	61.5
Gender:						
Male	13,471	12,961	9,967	1,918	284	792
Female	1,408	1,371	1,213	82	26	50
Not reported	866	364	311	42	7	4
Hispanic origin:						
Of Hispanic or Latino origin	14,210	13,916	10,936	1,998	309	673
Not of Hispanic or Latino origin	119	113	103	4	3	3
Not reported	1,416	667	452	40	5	170
Highest grade or year of school completed:						
None	221	205	178	13	10	4
Elementary school	3,944	3,825	2,850	601	825	324
Secondary school	3,557	3,410	2,757	433	70	150
High school diploma or GED	2,874	2,802	2,063	483	105	151
Some college	1,731	1,681	1,308	308	32	33
College - Bachelor's degree	1,653	1,563	1,371	81	27	84
Master's or PhD	729	704	543	42	19	100
Not reported	1,036	506	421	81	4	-
Days worked off farm:						
None	9,140	8,879	6,827	1,345	238	469
Any	5,494	5,266	4,213	602	75	376
1 to 49 days	536	524	318	90	5	111
50 to 99 days	514	495	437	18	10	30
100 to 199 days	885	798	467	140	23	168
200 days or more	3,559	3,449	2,991	354	37	67
Not reported	1,111	551	451	95	4	1
Hired manager status:						
Hired manager	1,552	1,531	1,085	134	100	212
Not a hired manager	12,896	12,558	9,952	1,757	215	634
Not reported	1,297	607	454	151	2	-
Percent of income from farming:						
Less than 25 percent	9,631	9,152	7,017	1,369	93	673
25 to 49 percent	1,441	1,342	1,108	138	34	62
50 to 74 percent	1,096	1,038	898	77	36	27
75 percent or more	3,322	2,957	2,318	403	152	84
Not reported	255	207	150	55	2	-
Net household income category:						
Less than \$20,000	10,628	9,795	7,782	1,440	161	412
\$20,000 to \$39,999	2,994	2,891	2,098	472	40	281
\$40,000 to \$59,999	1,091	1,063	831	47	85	100
\$60,000 to \$79,999	365	343	311	17	7	8
\$80,000 to \$99,999	214	203	156	10	7	30
\$100,000 or more	453	401	313	56	17	15
Not reported	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number of persons living in household:						
1 person	3,394	3,342	2,803	434	40	65
2 persons	3,909	3,864	2,875	513	61	415
3 persons	3,039	2,909	2,195	551	58	105
4 persons	1,932	1,878	1,391	268	105	114
5 or more persons	1,769	1,685	1,397	146	32	110
Not reported	1,702	1,018	830	130	21	37
Number of families contributing to the net income of this operation:						
1 family	9,499	9,214	7,163	1,287	210	554
2 families	798	781	677	42	14	48
3 families	211	196	153	31	8	4
4 families	66	65	54	6	2	3
5 or more families	184	181	163	12	4	2
Not reported	4,987	4,259	3,281	664	79	235