

Table 6. Selected Operator Characteristics for Principal, Second, and Third Operators: 2007

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Operators	All operators	Principal operator	Second operator	Third operator
Operators	5,241	2,365	2,365	511
Operators by -				
Years operating present farm:				
Less than 2 years	336	139	159	38
2 to 4 years	579	248	283	48
5 to 9 years	1,003	469	394	140
10 years or more	2,296	1,303	896	97
Not reported	1,027	206	633	188
Place of residence:				
On farm operated	1,908	975	761	172
Off farm operated	2,586	1,244	1,127	215
Not reported	747	146	477	124
Primary occupation:				
Agriculture or agriculture-related	3,019	1,646	1,217	156
Other	1,650	674	753	223
Not reported	572	45	395	132
Retirement status:				
Retired	1,140	635	454	51
Not retired	3,409	1,613	1,453	343
Not reported	692	117	458	117
Age group:				
Under 25 years	97	17	44	36
25 to 34 years	349	140	158	51
35 to 44 years	1,072	455	486	131
45 to 54 years	1,169	557	537	75
55 to 64 years	864	435	391	38
65 years and over	1,005	687	275	43
Not reported	685	74	474	137
Average age	52.4	55.6	50.2	43.8
Gender:				
Male	3,144	1,948	921	275
Female	1,584	367	1,089	128
Not reported	513	50	355	108
Hispanic origin:				
Of Hispanic or Latino origin	4,472	2,240	1,853	379
Not of Hispanic or Latino origin	70	42	27	1
Not reported	699	83	485	131
Race:				
White	3,677	1,813	1,540	324
Black or African American	589	325	218	46
Other	88	49	33	6
More than one race reported	161	79	74	8
Not reported	726	99	54	127
Highest grade or year of school completed:				
None	94	29	-	11
Elementary school	891	554	273	64
Secondary school	1,257	579	569	109
High school diploma or GED	951	369	452	130
Some college	622	349	228	45
College - Bachelor's degree	639	273	322	44
Master's or PhD	288	165	115	8
Not reported	499	47	352	100
Days worked off farm:				
None	2,788	1,429	1,217	142
Any	1,851	875	741	235
1 to 49 days	172	67	69	36
50 to 99 days	316	135	135	46
100 to 199 days	278	74	119	85
200 days or more	1,085	599	418	68
Not reported	602	61	407	134
Number of persons living in household:				
1 person	969	545	395	29
2 persons	782	498	215	69
3 persons	857	455	270	132
4 persons	630	399	190	41
5 or more persons	400	297	81	22
Not reported	1,603	171	1,214	218
Hired manager status:				
Hired manager	694	317	303	74
Not a hired manager	3,737	1,951	1,485	301
Not reported	810	97	577	136

Table 7. Hired Farm Workers, Agregados, and Sharecroppers: 2007 and 2002

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Item	2007	2002	Item	2007	2002
Hired farm workers	7,705	7,277	Agregado and sharecropper families living		
number	29,641	31,736	on place December 31		
Worked 5 months or more	5,416	3,853	farms	1,024	654
number	18,392	14,057	number	2,067	1,281
Worked less than 5 months	3,485	4,984			
number	11,249	17,679			