

Table 55. Selected Operator Characteristics for Principal, Second, and Third Operator: 2012

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

Characteristics	All operators ¹	Principal operator	Second operator	Third operator
Operators number	3,789	2,451	1,105	233
Sex of operator:				
Male	2,582	2,006	438	138
Spouse of principal operator	131	(X)	128	3
Female	1,207	445	667	95
Spouse of principal operator	605	(X)	575	30
Primary occupation:				
Farming	2,243	1,565	530	148
Other	1,546	886	575	85
Place of residence:				
On farm operated	2,992	1,954	894	144
Not on farm operated	797	497	211	89
Days worked off farm:				
None	2,002	1,366	504	132
Any	1,787	1,085	601	101
1 to 49 days	248	143	86	19
50 to 99 days	103	50	33	20
100 to 199 days	230	136	77	17
200 days or more	1,206	756	405	45
Years on present farm:				
2 years or less	112	54	36	22
3 or 4 years	203	88	92	23
5 to 9 years	508	302	156	50
10 years or more	2,966	2,007	821	138
Years operating any farm (see text):				
2 years or less	83	37	27	19
3 or 4 years	154	66	67	21
5 to 9 years	453	247	155	51
10 years or more	3,099	2,101	856	142
Age group:				
Under 25 years	56	5	17	34
25 to 34 years	242	105	76	61
35 to 44 years	438	233	169	36
45 to 54 years	872	575	261	36
55 to 64 years	1,060	713	318	29
65 to 74 years	806	595	192	19
75 years and over	315	225	72	18
Average age	56.3	58.4	54.3	42.8
Number of persons living in household	7,843	6,458	1,041	344

¹ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.