

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
Operatorsnumber	74,786	49,969	21,464	3,353
Sex of operator:				
Male	54,935	45,878	6,914	2,143
Spouse of principal operator	1,107	(X)	1,085	22
Female	19,851	4,091	14,550	1,210
Spouse of principal operator	14,044	(X)	13,579	465
Primary occupation:				
Farming	40,916	29,819	9,208	1,889
Other	33,870	20,150	12,256	1,464
Place of residence:				
On farm operated	54,263	36,652	15,850	1,761
Not on farm operated	20,523	13,317	5,614	1,592
Days worked off farm:				
None	30,776	21,662	7,732	1,382
Any	44,010	28,307	13,732	1,971
1 to 49 days	6,672	4,440	1,917	315
50 to 99 days	2,740	1,586	1,013	141
100 to 199 days	5,541	3,353	1,901	287
200 days or more	29,057	18,928	8,901	1,228
Years on present farm:				
2 years or less	3,128	1,710	1,043	375
3 or 4 years	4,019	2,289	1,383	347
5 to 9 years	10,106	5,977	3,535	594
10 years or more	57,533	39,993	15,503	2,037
Years operating any farm (see text):				
2 years or less	2,160	1,125	736	299
3 or 4 years	3,227	1,745	1,166	316
5 to 9 years	8,882	5,160	3,164	558
10 years or more	60,517	41,939	16,398	2,180
Age group:				
Under 25 years	1,176	456	351	369
25 to 34 years	7,240	4,291	2,340	609
35 to 44 years	10,120	6,199	3,390	531
45 to 54 years	18,220	11,943	5,582	695
55 to 64 years	20,539	13,903	5,975	661
65 to 74 years	11,066	8,068	2,735	263
75 years and over	6,425	5,109	1,091	225
Average age	54.3	55.7	52.2	46.6
Number of persons living in household	158,158	131,538	20,191	6,429

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