

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	6,727	4,137	2,260	330
Sex of operator:				
Male	4,090	3,243	642	205
Spouse of principal operator	301	(X)	288	13
Female	2,637	894	1,618	125
Spouse of principal operator	1,505	(X)	1,471	34
Primary occupation:				
Farming	3,475	2,194	1,113	168
Other	3,252	1,943	1,147	162
Place of residence:				
On farm operated	5,791	3,588	1,973	230
Not on farm operated	936	549	287	100
Days worked off farm:				
None	2,564	1,590	855	119
Any	4,163	2,547	1,405	211
1 to 49 days	645	308	280	57
50 to 99 days	351	196	131	24
100 to 199 days	640	418	189	33
200 days or more	2,527	1,625	805	97
Years on present farm:				
2 years or less	276	120	124	32
3 or 4 years	452	231	174	47
5 to 9 years	1,220	664	476	80
10 years or more	4,779	3,122	1,486	171
Years operating any farm (see text):				
2 years or less	195	79	93	23
3 or 4 years	335	162	138	35
5 to 9 years	967	493	394	80
10 years or more	5,230	3,403	1,635	192
Age group:				
Under 25 years	89	9	43	37
25 to 34 years	351	160	144	47
35 to 44 years	558	281	221	56
45 to 54 years	1,643	930	635	78
55 to 64 years	2,025	1,250	707	68
65 to 74 years	1,499	1,045	418	36
75 years and over	562	462	92	8
Average age	57.5	59.8	54.8	46.6
Number of persons living in household	12,689	10,424	1,727	538

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