

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	150,514	99,171	45,116	6,227
Sex of operator:				
Male	104,575	88,044	12,777	3,754
Spouse of principal operator	3,015	(X)	2,953	62
Female	45,939	11,127	32,339	2,473
Spouse of principal operator	30,743	(X)	29,971	772
Primary occupation:				
Farming	60,554	43,788	14,597	2,169
Other	89,960	55,383	30,519	4,058
Place of residence:				
On farm operated	115,496	77,331	34,992	3,173
Not on farm operated	35,018	21,840	10,124	3,054
Days worked off farm:				
None	54,912	37,495	15,477	1,940
Any	95,602	61,676	29,639	4,287
1 to 49 days	11,669	7,239	3,847	583
50 to 99 days	6,340	4,037	1,945	358
100 to 199 days	12,349	7,938	3,930	481
200 days or more	65,244	42,462	19,917	2,865
Years on present farm:				
2 years or less	6,369	3,397	2,241	731
3 or 4 years	8,382	4,588	3,064	730
5 to 9 years	22,918	13,560	8,070	1,288
10 years or more	112,845	77,626	31,741	3,478
Years operating any farm (see text):				
2 years or less	4,542	2,297	1,629	616
3 or 4 years	6,697	3,585	2,518	594
5 to 9 years	19,640	11,251	7,188	1,201
10 years or more	119,635	82,038	33,781	3,816
Age group:				
Under 25 years	2,401	636	855	910
25 to 34 years	10,202	5,594	3,641	967
35 to 44 years	17,559	10,182	6,534	843
45 to 54 years	35,108	22,064	11,751	1,293
55 to 64 years	40,813	27,041	12,615	1,157
65 to 74 years	28,248	20,552	7,059	637
75 years and over	16,183	13,102	2,661	420
Average age	56.4	58.3	53.7	46.6
Number of persons living in household	300,642	255,029	35,363	10,250

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