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Farm Operator Race & Ethnicity

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Knox County

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<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	2	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	241	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
<u>All Operators</u> <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	2	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	337	111,641
More than one race reported	0	393

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	6	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	709	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
<u>All Operators</u> <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	252
Asian	2	166
Black or African American	8	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	1,045	111,641
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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	7	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	993	76,116
More than one race reported	6	253

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	7	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	2	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	1,394	111,641
More than one race reported	8	393

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	289	76,116
More than one race reported	2	253

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1	21
White	467	111,641
More than one race reported	2	393

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Race:		
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Asian	0	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	142	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
All Operators <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	0	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	224	111,641
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Asian	0	71
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Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	15	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
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Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	21	111,641
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Asian	0	71
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Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	50	76,116
More than one race reported	2	253

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Race:		
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Black or African American	0	564
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White	74	111,641
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White	672	76,116
More than one race reported	4	253

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White	963	111,641
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White	1,752	111,641
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Asian	0	166
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Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	607	111,641
More than one race reported	0	393

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<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	5	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	1,049	76,116
More than one race reported	5	253
<u>All Operators</u> <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	9	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	252
Asian	1	166
Black or African American	6	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	1,505	111,641
More than one race reported	6	393

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<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	0	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	218	76,116
More than one race reported	1	253

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	0	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	306	111,641
More than one race reported	2	393

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<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	1	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	8	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	437	76,116
More than one race reported	2	253

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	8	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	625	111,641
More than one race reported	2	393

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<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	4	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	146	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	8	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	226	111,641
More than one race reported	0	393

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Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	0	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	178
Asian	1	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	408	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
All Operators <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	0	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	252
Asian	1	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	571	111,641
More than one race reported	0	393

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Principal Operators <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	0	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	12	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	2	9
White	1,201	76,116
More than one race reported	4	253

All Operators <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	19	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	2	21
White	1,843	111,641
More than one race reported	10	393

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Principal Operators <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	361	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
All Operators <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	502	111,641
More than one race reported	0	393

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Principal Operators <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	10	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	1,002	76,116
More than one race reported	3	253

All Operators <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	5	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	16	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	1,416	111,641
More than one race reported	5	393

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<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	3	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	716	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253

<u>All Operators</u> <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	6	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	996	111,641
More than one race reported	1	393

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Nationally, there are 33,371 Black or African American principal operators and 67,000 principal operators who are Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino. Since 2007, both of these numbers have increased. Today, Black or African American principal operators and those who are Spanish, Hispanic or Latino comprise 1.6% and 3.1% of principal operators respectively and generated \$846 million and \$8.6 billion nationally in sales.

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To learn more about farm operator characteristics in the 2012 Census of Agriculture, see the topical factsheets at:

http://www.agcensus.usda.gov/Publications/2012/Online_Resources/Highlights/

The Kentucky: By The Numbers Program provides resources, training and assistance in finding and using publicly available secondary data. Data, brief publications and other resources are available at:
<http://www.ca.uky.edu/snarl>

	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Principal Operators</u> <i>(One principal operator is counted per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2	482
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	178
Asian	0	71
Black or African American	0	437
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	9
White	20	76,116
More than one race reported	0	253
<u>All Operators</u> <i>(Demographic data are collected for a maximum of 3 operators per farm)</i>		
Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	2	708
Race:		
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	252
Asian	0	166
Black or African American	0	564
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	21
White	25	111,641
More than one race reported	0	393

These data are from the 2012 Census of Agriculture and are available from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service at:

<http://www.agcensus.usda.gov>

County-level data by operator race and ethnicity are available in Tables 49-55.

State-level data include additional characteristics of operators and principal operators and are available in Tables 58-63.

Kentucky: By The Numbers is a program located in the Department of Community and Leadership Development and the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Kentucky. For more information contact your local Cooperative Extension office or Dr. Julie N. Zimmerman, Professor, Rural Sociology, Department of Community and Leadership Development, 500 Garrigus Building, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40546-0215. email: jjimm@email.uky.edu.

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