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Women Principal Farm Operators

Robertson County



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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	33	8,200
Land in Farms	4,889	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$203,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	251	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>13.1%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	29	7,150
Part Owner	2	730
Tenant	2	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	16	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	17	5,085

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Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	50	8,200
Land in Farms	6,844	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$588,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	677	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>7.4%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	42	7,150
Part Owner	5	730
Tenant	3	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	12	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	38	5,085

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	39	8,200
Land in Farms	5,216	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$329,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	356	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>11.0%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	35	7,150
Part Owner	4	730
Tenant	0	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	12	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	27	5,085

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<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	52	8,200
Land in Farms	4,972	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$1,660,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	726	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>7.2%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	48	7,150
Part Owner	4	730
Tenant	0	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	25	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	27	5,085

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Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	152	8,200
Land in Farms	13,605	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$2,471,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	838	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>18.1%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...		
Full Owner	128	7,150
Part Owner	14	730
Tenant	10	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...		
Primary Occupation is Farming	63	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	89	5,085

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Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	233	8,200
Land in Farms	17,757	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$5,153,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	1,518	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>15.3%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	213	7,150
Part Owner	15	730
Tenant	5	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	93	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	140	5,085

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Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	36	8,200
Land in Farms	2,119	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$522,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	467	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>7.7%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	30	7,150
Part Owner	5	730
Tenant	1	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	23	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	13	5,085

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Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	57	8,200
Land in Farms	3,306	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$287,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	529	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>10.8%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

<u>Tenure</u>		
Women Principal Operators who are...		
Full Owner	54	7,150
Part Owner	3	730
Tenant	0	320

<u>Primary Occupation</u>		
Women Principal Operators whose...		
Primary Occupation is Farming	28	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	29	5,085

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Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	63	8,200
Land in Farms	5,642	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$935,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	874	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>7.2%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

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Full Owner	53	7,150
Part Owner	8	730
Tenant	2	320

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Women Principal Operators whose...

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<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	55	8,200
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Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$2,501,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	603	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>9.1%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

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Part Owner	4	730
Tenant	1	320

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	49	8,200
Land in Farms	6,422	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$270,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	397	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>12.3%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	40	7,150
Part Owner	5	730
Tenant	4	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	7	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	42	5,085

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	38	8,200
Land in Farms	2,874	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$190,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	439	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>8.7%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	33	7,150
Part Owner	2	730
Tenant	3	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	25	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	13	5,085

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	22	8,200
Land in Farms	3,448	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$1,883,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	310	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>7.1%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	13	7,150
Part Owner	7	730
Tenant	2	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	8	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	14	5,085

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	177	8,200
Land in Farms	17,555	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$3,396,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	1,648	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>10.7%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	165	7,150
Part Owner	7	730
Tenant	5	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	59	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	118	5,085

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	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	85	8,200
Land in Farms	7,682	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$1,578,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	1,011	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>8.4%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	77	7,150
Part Owner	2	730
Tenant	6	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	20	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	65	5,085

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<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	46	8,200
Land in Farms	5,094	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$2,556,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	778	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>5.9%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	36	7,150
Part Owner	9	730
Tenant	1	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	24	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	22	5,085

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<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	54	8,200
Land in Farms	7,171	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$5,964,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	500	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>10.8%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	48	7,150
Part Owner	6	730
Tenant	0	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	12	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	42	5,085

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<u>Farms</u>		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	41	8,200
Land in Farms	3,835	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$138,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	496	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>8.3%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	32	7,150
Part Owner	6	730
Tenant	3	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	7	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	34	5,085

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Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	29	8,200
Land in Farms	4,904	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$183,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	297	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>9.8%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...

Full Owner	28	7,150
Part Owner	1	730
Tenant	0	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...

Primary Occupation is Farming	12	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	17	5,085

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Farms		
Number of Farms with Women Principal Operators	133	8,200
Land in Farms	13,489	876,256
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold	\$6,443,000	\$227,699,000
Total Number of all Farms	713	77,064
<i>Percent of all Farms with Women Principal Operator</i>	<i>18.7%</i>	<i>10.6%</i>

Tenure

Women Principal Operators who are...		
Full Owner	114	7,150
Part Owner	12	730
Tenant	7	320

Primary Occupation

Women Principal Operators whose...		
Primary Occupation is Farming	70	3,115
Primary Occupation is other than Farming	63	5,085

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 on all women operators are available in **Table 47**. **Table 46** and **Table 48** contain data on farm and tenure characteristics for women principal operators. The number of women principal operators is also included in **Table 1** - Summary Highlights. State-level data **Table 56** and **Table 57** include additional characteristics of women operators and women principal operators.*

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