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| Table **2-2**: Descriptive characteristics of study participants  Demographic characteristics of survey, interview and farm journal samples, US Northeast Region, 2012-2013 | | | |
| **Respondent Characteristics** | **Survey**  **(%)** | **Interviews**  **(%)** | **Farm Journal**  **(%)** |
| *Race/Ethnicity* |  |  |  |
| White | 93.9 | 95.7 | 100.0 |
| Black | .8 | - | - |
| Asian | .8 | - | - |
| Native Hawaiian | .8 | - | - |
| Other | 3.8 | 4.3 | - |
| Number of cases | 132 | 23 | 6 |
| *Educational attainment* |  |  |  |
| High school | 1.5 | - | - |
| Some college | 9.8 | 4.3 | 16.1 |
| Associate degree | 1.5 | - | - |
| Bachelor | 63.6 | 82.6 | 66.7 |
| Master's degree | 22.0 | 21.7 | 16.7 |
| Doctorate degree | 1.5 | - | - |
| Percent with a certificate in an  agricultural- related discipline | 31.51 | N/A | N/A |
| Number of cases | 132 | 23 | 6 |
| *Gender* |  |  |  |
| Female | 74.2 | 72.0 | 67.7 |
| Male | 25.8 | 28.0 | 32.3 |
| Number of cases | 132 | 25 | 6 |
| 1 N= 123; this question appeared as a separate question on the websurvey and was not asked specifically to interview and journal participants | | | |

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| Table **2-1**: Survey respondent identification as intern or apprentice  Title of participant on sustainable farms,  US Northeast Region, 2012-2013 | | |
| **Farm Title** | **Number**  **of cases** | **Percentage**  **of sample1** |
| Intern | 10 | 7.6 |
| Apprentice | 27 | 20.5 |
| Former Intern | 60 | 45.5 |
| Former Apprentice | 56 | 42.5 |
| N = 132 respondents  1Percentage does not add to 100 since respondents were given option to choose more than one title | | |

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| Table **2-4:** Farm intern health insurance coverage and provider  Survey and interview respondents’ access to health coverage and healthcare provider, Northeast US and Pennsylvania, 2012-2013 | | |
|  | **Survey Sample** | **Interview Sample** |
| *Respondent has health (medical) insurance* |  |  |
| % Yes | 73.3 | 80.0 |
| % No | 26.7 | 20.0 |
| Number of cases | 131 | 23 |
| *Health Insurance Provider* |  |  |
| % Self-insured | N/A | 15.0 |
| % Employer other than  farm | N/A | 20.0 |
| % Parent | N/A | 60.0 |
| % Partner | N/A | 5.0 |
| Number of cases | - | 23 |

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| Table **2-3**: Features of survey respondents during farm internship  Age of survey respondent at time of survey, year of first internship, number of internships, migration for internship, US Northeast Region, 2012-2013 | | | |
|  | | **Number**  **of cases** | **Percentage**  **of sample** |
| *Age group* (years) | |  |  |
| 20-25 | | 56 | 42.4 |
| 26-30 | | 37 | 28.0 |
| 31-35 | | 16 | 12.1 |
| 36-40 | | 13 | 9.8 |
| 41-45 | | 5 | 3.8 |
| 46+ | | 5 | 3.8 |
| Total | | 132 | 100 |
| *Date of First Internship* | |  |  |
| 2013 | | 2 | 1.5 |
| 2012 -2010 | | 81 | 62.3 |
| 2009 -2007 | | 25 | 19.2 |
| 2006 - 2004 | | 8 | 6.2 |
| 2003 – 2001 | | 5 | 3.8 |
| Before 2000 | | 9 | 6.9 |
| Total | | 130 | 100 |
| *Number of internships*  *if more than one* | |  |  |
| 1 | | 60 | 45 |
| 2 | | 47 | 36 |
| 3 | | 16 | 12 |
| 4 | | 9 | 7 |
| Total | | 132 | 100 |
| *Traveled in last 12*  *months to work on a farm* | |  |  |
| Yes | | 63 | 47.7 |
| No | 69 | | 52.3 |
| Total | 132 | | 100 |

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| Table **2-5**: Farm interns future participation in sustainable agriculture  Survey respondents’ plans to intern in the future, work in sustainable agriculture, US Northeast Region, 2012-2013 | | |
|  | **Number**  **of cases** | **Percentage of sample** |
| *Would pursue an internship in the future?* |  |  |
| Yes | 81 | 61.4 |
| No | 51 | 38.6 |
| *Would pursue work in sustainable agriculture?* |  |  |
| Work as a paid farm worker | 52 | 39.4 |
| Lease land to farm | 39 | 29.5 |
| Own a farm | 64 | 48.5 |
| Pursue formal training in  agriculture | 28 | 21.2 |
| Pursue other jobs related to  sustainable food | 65 | 49.2 |
| Other work in sustainable  farming | 7 | 5.3 |
| |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Table **2-6.** Farm interns’ rating of motivations for participating in a farm internship    Survey respondents’ ratings (%) of their motivation to participate as a farm internship, US Northeast Region, 2012-2013 | | | | | | | **Motivations** | **Very Important (%)** | **Important**  **(%)** | **Somewhat Important**  **(%)** | **Not important**  **(%)** | **N/A**  **(%)** | | Train as a future farmer | 59.8 | 25.8 | 10.6 | 3.0 | .8 | | Experience of living on  a farm | 34.1 | 18.2 | 21.2 | 12.9 | 13.6 | | Participate in a farm-based  community | 31.8 | 34.8 | 23.5 | 8.3 | 1.5 | | Better access to local  food | 28.8 | 34.8 | 21.2 | 13.6 | 1.5 | | Learn mechanical skills | 16.7 | 18.9 | 37.1 | 18.2 | 9.1 | | Pursue a wage/livelihood | 15.9 | 26.5 | 31.1 | 22.7 | 3.8 | | Live in a new place | 9.1 | 13.6 | 22.0 | 43.2 | 12.1 | | Learn carpentry skill | 7.6 | 10.6 | 30.3 | 37.1 | 14.4 | | Requirement for  school/job program | 6.1 | 2.3 | 4.5 | 44.7 | 42.4 | | Learn agricultural skills | 1.5 | 88.6 | 8.3 | 1.5 | - | | N=132 respondents | | | | | |   N=132 | | |

Figure 2-1