ABSTRACT

Farming continues to be a hazardous activity despite efforts to educate farmers on health and safety methods. The literature indicates some of these hazardous activities may be related to the stress farmers experience which in turn influences decision-making processes regarding health and safety measures. Farmers not only undergo stress common to any occupation, but they also experience a range of stressors specifically related to farming. This paper compares research on significant stressors in farmers- lives in the midwestern United States and Canada to stressors reported by farmers in eastern Washington state within the United States of America.

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