



Benton County Missouri

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

| | 2017 | % change since 2012 |
|---|-------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms | 749 | -6 |
| Land in farms (acres) | 223,782 | -7 |
| Average size of farm (acres) | 299 | -1 |
| Total | (\$) | |
| Market value of products sold | 82,737,000 | +32 |
| Government payments | 785,000 | -22 |
| Farm-related income | 1,391,000 | -67 |
| Total farm production expenses | 63,036,000 | (Z) |
| Net cash farm income | 21,877,000 | +372 |
| Per farm average | (\$) | |
| Market value of products sold | 110,463 | +41 |
| Government payments (average per farm receiving) | 4,847 | +12 |
| Farm-related income | 4,715 | -65 |
| Total farm production expenses | 84,160 | +6 |
| Net cash farm income | 29,208 | +404 |

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops | 19 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 81 |

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

| | |
|-------------|----|
| Cropland | 35 |
| Pastureland | 40 |
| Woodland | 22 |
| Other | 4 |

Acres irrigated: 658

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

| | |
|----------------|----|
| No till | 13 |
| Reduced till | 5 |
| Intensive till | 6 |
| Cover crop | 4 |

Farms by Value of Sales

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500 | 201 | 27 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 55 | 7 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 86 | 11 |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 115 | 15 |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 127 | 17 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 68 | 9 |
| \$100,000 or more | 97 | 13 |

Farms by Size

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres | 31 | 4 |
| 10 to 49 acres | 130 | 17 |
| 50 to 179 acres | 253 | 34 |
| 180 to 499 acres | 216 | 29 |
| 500 to 999 acres | 78 | 10 |
| 1,000 + acres | 41 | 5 |

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

| | Sales (\$1,000) | Rank in State ^b | Counties Producing Item | Rank in U.S. ^b | Counties Producing Item |
|--|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Total | 82,737 | 54 | 114 | 1,328 | 3,077 |
| Crops | 16,114 | 75 | 114 | 1,795 | 3,073 |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas | 13,380 | 73 | 112 | 1,299 | 2,916 |
| Tobacco | - | - | 4 | - | 323 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | 5 | - | 647 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes | (D) | 74 | 113 | (D) | 2,821 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries | 72 | 50 | 111 | 1,413 | 2,748 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod | 63 | 68 | 108 | 1,479 | 2,601 |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops | (D) | 27 | 37 | (D) | 1,384 |
| Other crops and hay | 2,562 | 28 | 114 | 988 | 3,040 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 66,623 | 20 | 114 | 755 | 3,073 |
| Poultry and eggs | 38,030 | 11 | 112 | 311 | 3,007 |
| Cattle and calves | 23,609 | 27 | 113 | 679 | 3,055 |
| Milk from cows | 1,445 | 34 | 97 | 867 | 1,892 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | 48 | 111 | (D) | 2,856 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk | (D) | (D) | 111 | (D) | 2,984 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys | 100 | 53 | 113 | 1,437 | 2,970 |
| Aquaculture | (D) | 16 | 43 | (D) | 1,251 |
| Other animals and animal products | 10 | 68 | 111 | 1,497 | 2,878 |

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------|
| Total Producers ^c | 1,269 | Percent of farms that: | Top Crops in Acres ^d | |
| Sex | | Have internet access | 73 | |
| Male | 788 | | | |
| Female | 481 | Farm organically | (Z) | |
| Age | | Sell directly to consumers | 4 | |
| <35 | 110 | Hire farm labor | 19 | |
| 35 – 64 | 730 | Are family farms | 97 | |
| 65 and older | 429 | | | |
| Race | | | Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017) | |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 4 | | Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 1,618,769 |
| Asian | 3 | | Cattle and calves | 47,535 |
| Black or African American | 1 | | Goats | 252 |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 2 | | Hogs and pigs | (D) |
| White | 1,259 | | Horses and ponies | 665 |
| More than one race | - | | Layers | 224,570 |
| Other characteristics | | | Pullets | 80 |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 7 | | Sheep and lambs | 1,118 |
| With military service | 152 | | Turkeys | 104,335 |
| New and beginning farmers | 314 | | | |

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.