



Mercer County Missouri

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	493	-13
Land in farms (acres)	193,736	-15
Average size of farm (acres)	393	-2
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	82,207,000	-20
Government payments	3,029,000	-8
Farm-related income	3,973,000	-19
Total farm production expenses	69,281,000	-29
Net cash farm income	19,928,000	+56
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	166,749	-8
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	10,375	+20
Farm-related income	15,703	-14
Total farm production expenses	140,530	-19
Net cash farm income	40,422	+79

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	28
Livestock, poultry, and products	72

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	51
Pastureland	28
Woodland	14
Other	6

Acres irrigated: **3**

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	16
Reduced till	13
Intensive till	8
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	184	37
\$2,500 to \$4,999	23	5
\$5,000 to \$9,999	37	8
\$10,000 to \$24,999	71	14
\$25,000 to \$49,999	58	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	52	11
\$100,000 or more	68	14

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	4	1
10 to 49 acres	75	15
50 to 179 acres	174	35
180 to 499 acres	152	31
500 to 999 acres	47	10
1,000 + acres	41	8

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	82,207	55	114	1,333	3,077
Crops	23,369	65	114	1,556	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	21,811	63	112	1,108	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	5	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	60	113	1,714	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	96	111	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	97	108	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	37	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,491	64	114	1,517	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	58,838	24	114	844	3,073
Poultry and eggs	23	82	112	1,529	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	113	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	65	97	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	9	111	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	195	35	111	796	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	36	81	113	1,962	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	43	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	111	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	841	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Soybeans for beans 29,217
Male	555	75	Forage (hay/haylage), all 22,244
Female	286		Corn for grain 18,881
Age		Farm organically	Wheat for grain, all 724
<35	51	(Z)	Corn for silage or greenchop 422
35 – 64	477		
65 and older	313		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	1	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 700
Asian	1		Cattle and calves 20,603
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats 338
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1	25	Hogs and pigs (D)
White	839		Horses and ponies 226
More than one race	-		Layers 643
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 384
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1	94	Sheep and lambs 499
With military service	135		Turkeys -
New and beginning farmers	173		

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.