



# Benton County Minnesota

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

|                                  | 2022        | % change since 2017 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms                  | 687         | -16                 |
| Land in farms (acres)            | 134,358     | -31                 |
| Average size of farm (acres)     | 196         | -18                 |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>(\$)</b> |                     |
| Market value of products sold    | 278,263,000 | +34                 |
| Government payments              | 5,823,000   | +242                |
| Farm-related income              | 11,058,000  | +136                |
| Total farm production expenses   | 208,004,000 | +34                 |
| Net cash farm income             | 87,140,000  | +49                 |
| <b>Per farm average</b>          | <b>(\$)</b> |                     |
| Market value of products sold    | 405,041     | +60                 |
| Government payments <sup>a</sup> | 16,780      | +250                |
| Farm-related income <sup>a</sup> | 29,023      | +200                |
| Total farm production expenses   | 302,772     | +59                 |
| Net cash farm income             | 126,841     | +77                 |

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops                            | 30 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 70 |

### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

|             |         |
|-------------|---------|
| Cropland    | 104,396 |
| Pastureland | 8,278   |
| Woodland    | 10,801  |
| Other       | 10,883  |

**Acres irrigated: 19,429**

14% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| No till        | 8  |
| Reduced till   | 20 |
| Intensive till | 44 |
| Cover crop     | 10 |

## Farms by Value of Sales

|                      | Number | Percent of Total <sup>b</sup> |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500    | 164    | 24                            |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999   | 55     | 8                             |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999   | 63     | 9                             |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 103    | 15                            |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 52     | 8                             |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 64     | 9                             |
| \$100,000 or more    | 186    | 27                            |

## Farms by Size

|                  | Number | Percent of Total <sup>b</sup> |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres     | 22     | 3                             |
| 10 to 49 acres   | 240    | 35                            |
| 50 to 179 acres  | 231    | 34                            |
| 180 to 499 acres | 142    | 21                            |
| 500 to 999 acres | 33     | 5                             |
| 1,000+ acres     | 19     | 3                             |

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

|   | Sales<br>(\$1,000) | Rank<br>in<br>State <sup>c</sup> | Counties<br>Producing<br>Item | Rank<br>in<br>U.S. <sup>c</sup> | Counties<br>Producing<br>Item |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>278,263</b>     | <b>49</b>                        | <b>87</b>                     | <b>555</b>                      | <b>3,078</b>                  |
| <b>Crops</b>  | <b>84,372</b>      | <b>63</b>                        | <b>87</b>                     | <b>961</b>                      | <b>3,074</b>                  |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas                     | 56,963             | 63                               | 86                            | 870                             | 2,917                         |
| Tobacco   | -                  | -                                | -                             | -                               | 267                           |
| Cotton and cottonseed                                     | -                  | -                                | -                             | -                               | 647                           |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes              | 20,330             | 7                                | 86                            | 164                             | 2,831                         |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries                                | (D)                | 6                                | 80                            | (D)                             | 2,711                         |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod                    | 2,258              | 18                               | 79                            | 682                             | 2,660                         |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation<br>woody crops | (D)                | 6                                | 43                            | (D)                             | 1,274                         |
| Other crops and hay                                       | 2,173              | 55                               | 87                            | 1,371                           | 3,035                         |
| <b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>                   | <b>193,891</b>     | <b>24</b>                        | <b>87</b>                     | <b>348</b>                      | <b>3,076</b>                  |
| Poultry and eggs  | 67,640             | 7                                | 86                            | 273                             | 3,027                         |
| Cattle and calves   | 18,961             | 32                               | 86                            | 871                             | 3,047                         |
| Milk from cows  | 90,851             | 8                                | 77                            | 134                             | 1,770                         |
| Hogs and pigs   | 15,284             | 38                               | 85                            | 365                             | 2,814                         |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk                          | (D)                | (D)                              | 83                            | (D)                             | 2,967                         |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys                    | 251                | 21                               | 83                            | 980                             | 2,907                         |
| Aquaculture   | (D)                | 22                               | 36                            | (D)                             | 1,190                         |
| Other animals and animal products                         | 689                | 15                               | 85                            | 309                             | 2,909                         |

|                                  |              |                               |   |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>    | <b>1,147</b> | <b>Percent of farms that:</b> | <b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>    |
| <b>Sex</b>                       |              | Have internet access          | <b>84</b>                                 |
| Male                             | 737          |                               |   |
| Female                           | 410          |                               |   |
| <b>Age</b>                       |              | Farm organically              | <b>(Z)</b>                                |
| <35                              | 105          |                               |   |
| 35 – 64                          | 745          |                               |   |
| 65 and older                     | 297          |                               |   |
| <b>Race</b>                      |              | Sell directly to consumers    | <b>4</b>                                  |
| American Indian/Alaska Native    | 2            |                               |   |
| Asian                            | -            |                               |   |
| Black or African American        | -            |                               |   |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 3            | Hire farm labor               | <b>20</b>                                 |
| White                            | 1,141        |                               |   |
| More than one race               | 1            |                               |   |
| <b>Other characteristics</b>     |              | Are family farms              | <b>97</b>                                 |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 26           |                               |   |
| With military service            | 101          |                               |   |
| New and beginning farmers        | 295          |                               |   |
|                                  |              |                               | <b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b> |
|                                  |              |                               | Broilers and other meat-type chickens     |
|                                  |              |                               | 1,295,994                                 |
|                                  |              |                               | Cattle and calves                         |
|                                  |              |                               | 44,073                                    |
|                                  |              |                               | Goats                                     |
|                                  |              |                               | 639                                       |
|                                  |              |                               | Hogs and pigs                             |
|                                  |              |                               | 34,685                                    |
|                                  |              |                               | Horses and ponies                         |
|                                  |              |                               | 647                                       |
|                                  |              |                               | Layers                                    |
|                                  |              |                               | 31,573                                    |
|                                  |              |                               | Pullets                                   |
|                                  |              |                               | (D)                                       |
|                                  |              |                               | Sheep and lambs                           |
|                                  |              |                               | 407                                       |
|                                  |              |                               | Turkeys                                   |
|                                  |              |                               | (D)                                       |

<sup>a</sup> Average per farm receiving. <sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>c</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>d</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>e</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>f</sup> 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.