



Des Moines County Iowa

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	593	-11
Land in farms (acres)	174,662	+1
Average size of farm (acres)	295	+13
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	108,305,000	-9
Government payments	3,495,000	-25
Farm-related income	7,125,000	-17
Total farm production expenses	87,023,000	+2
Net cash farm income	31,902,000	-32
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	182,640	+2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,984	+7
Farm-related income	20,532	-24
Total farm production expenses	146,751	+15
Net cash farm income	53,797	-24

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	81
Livestock, poultry, and products	19

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	82
Pastureland	6
Woodland	8
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 4,543

3% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	33
Reduced till	32
Intensive till	19
Cover crop	9

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	192	32
\$2,500 to \$4,999	24	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	27	5
\$10,000 to \$24,999	51	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	49	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	68	11
\$100,000 or more	182	31

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	26	4
10 to 49 acres	167	28
50 to 179 acres	177	30
180 to 499 acres	110	19
500 to 999 acres	68	11
1,000 + acres	45	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	108,305	88	99	1,067	3,077
Crops	87,473	80	99	647	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	82,773	80	99	473	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	50	59	94	1,762	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	11	89	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	34	53	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	437	76	99	2,386	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	20,832	93	99	1,612	3,073
Poultry and eggs	5	90	99	1,910	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	94	99	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	14,915	81	99	316	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	122	68	99	1,134	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	53	57	99	1,774	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	22	27	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	44	31	96	1,041	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	
Male	657
Female	305
Age	
<35	85
35 – 64	501
65 and older	376
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	9
Black or African American	1
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	948
More than one race	4
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	14
With military service	87
New and beginning farmers	218

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	79
Farm organically	(Z)
Sell directly to consumers	3
Hire farm labor	26
Are family farms	92

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Corn for grain	66,202
Soybeans for beans	61,494
Forage (hay/haylage), all	4,143
Wheat for grain, all	430
Corn for silage or greenchop	329

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
Cattle and calves	7,519
Goats	142
Hogs and pigs	35,210
Horses and ponies	340
Layers	153
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	1,814
Turkeys	-

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.