



Bay County Michigan

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	726	-5
Land in farms (acres)	209,848	+8
Average size of farm (acres)	289	+14
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	116,537,000	-29
Government payments	4,501,000	+71
Farm-related income	3,812,000	+35
Total farm production expenses	98,323,000	-10
Net cash farm income	26,528,000	-57
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	160,520	-26
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,149	+81
Farm-related income	11,447	+17
Total farm production expenses	135,431	-5
Net cash farm income	36,540	-55

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	88
Livestock, poultry, and products	12

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	94
Pastureland	1
Woodland	4
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 5,228

2% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	12
Reduced till	21
Intensive till	51
Cover crop	18

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	217	30
\$2,500 to \$4,999	27	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	40	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	84	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	83	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	62	9
\$100,000 or more	213	29

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	71	10
10 to 49 acres	196	27
50 to 179 acres	227	31
180 to 499 acres	110	15
500 to 999 acres	58	8
1,000 + acres	64	9

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	116,537	27	83	1,002	3,077
Crops	102,895	17	83	533	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	76,020	11	81	526	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	14,295	12	82	166	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	111	48	81	1,258	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,222	29	80	491	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	10	54	76	536	1,384
Other crops and hay	9,237	6	82	272	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	13,642	42	82	1,919	3,073
Poultry and eggs	34	58	82	1,392	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,491	55	82	2,291	3,055
Milk from cows	11,212	33	72	428	1,892
Hogs and pigs	41	49	82	1,175	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	45	52	81	1,804	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	757	4	78	265	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	30	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	62	49	81	912	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,131	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Soybeans for beans 62,837
Male	823	69	Corn for grain 59,195
Female	308		Dry edible beans 21,475
Age		Farm organically	Wheat for grain, all 14,939
<35	89	-	Sugarbeets for sugar 11,524
35 – 64	659		
65 and older	383		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	2	9	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 830
Asian	12		Cattle and calves 7,313
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats 131
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	25	Hogs and pigs 281
White	1,112		Horses and ponies 511
More than one race	5		Layers 2,219
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 27
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	8	96	Sheep and lambs 386
With military service	114		Turkeys 117
New and beginning farmers	220		

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.