



Benzie County Michigan

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

| | 2017 | % change since 2012 |
|---|------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms | 197 | +9 |
| Land in farms (acres) | 18,516 | -10 |
| Average size of farm (acres) | 94 | -18 |
| Total (\$) | | |
| Market value of products sold | 10,027,000 | +57 |
| Government payments | 189,000 | -77 |
| Farm-related income | 1,851,000 | +19 |
| Total farm production expenses | 10,740,000 | +20 |
| Net cash farm income | 1,327,000 | +742 |
| Per farm average (\$) | | |
| Market value of products sold | 50,900 | +44 |
| Government payments (average per farm receiving) | 7,877 | -64 |
| Farm-related income | 29,374 | +17 |
| Total farm production expenses | 54,519 | +10 |
| Net cash farm income | 6,734 | +690 |

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops | 78 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 22 |

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

| | |
|-------------|----|
| Cropland | 47 |
| Pastureland | 6 |
| Woodland | 32 |
| Other | 15 |

Acres irrigated: 697

4% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

| | |
|----------------|----|
| No till | 13 |
| Reduced till | 9 |
| Intensive till | 14 |
| Cover crop | 21 |

Farms by Value of Sales

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500 | 89 | 45 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 19 | 10 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 26 | 13 |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 25 | 13 |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 10 | 5 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 9 | 5 |
| \$100,000 or more | 19 | 10 |

Farms by Size

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres | 27 | 14 |
| 10 to 49 acres | 91 | 46 |
| 50 to 179 acres | 59 | 30 |
| 180 to 499 acres | 12 | 6 |
| 500 to 999 acres | 7 | 4 |
| 1,000 + acres | 1 | 1 |

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 | 10,027 | 61 | 83 | 2,660 | 3,077 |
| Crops | 7,868 | 53 | 83 | 2,150 | 3,073 |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas | 668 | 64 | 81 | 2,200 | 2,916 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 323 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 647 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes | (D) | 65 | 82 | (D) | 2,821 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries | 5,371 | 13 | 81 | 200 | 2,748 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod | 730 | 45 | 80 | 943 | 2,601 |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops | (D) | 13 | 76 | (D) | 1,384 |
| Other crops and hay | 204 | 77 | 82 | 2,597 | 3,040 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 2,159 | 69 | 82 | 2,708 | 3,073 |
| Poultry and eggs | (D) | (D) | 82 | (D) | 3,007 |
| Cattle and calves | 1,201 | 57 | 82 | 2,348 | 3,055 |
| Milk from cows | - | - | 72 | - | 1,892 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | (D) | 82 | (D) | 2,856 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk | 59 | 48 | 81 | 1,641 | 2,984 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys | 111 | 41 | 78 | 1,373 | 2,970 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 30 | - | 1,251 |
| Other animals and animal products | 727 | 9 | 81 | 223 | 2,878 |

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|-------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|---|-------|
| Total Producers ^c | 325 | Percent of farms that: | Top Crops in Acres ^d | |
| Sex | | Have internet access | 85 | |
| Male | 208 | | | |
| Female | 117 | | | |
| Age | | Farm organically | 1 | |
| <35 | 12 | | | |
| 35 – 64 | 194 | | | |
| 65 and older | 119 | | | |
| Race | | Sell directly to consumers | 28 | |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | - | | | |
| Asian | - | | | |
| Black or African American | - | | | |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | - | Hire farm labor | 22 | |
| White | 321 | | | |
| More than one race | 4 | | | |
| Other characteristics | | Are family farms | 96 | |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 3 | | | |
| With military service | 47 | | | |
| New and beginning farmers | 126 | | | |
| | | | Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017) | |
| | | | Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 204 |
| | | | Cattle and calves | 1,137 |
| | | | Goats | 64 |
| | | | Hogs and pigs | 19 |
| | | | Horses and ponies | 138 |
| | | | Layers | 1,240 |
| | | | Pullets | - |
| | | | Sheep and lambs | 12 |
| | | | 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.