Lake County
Montana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,170	+1
Land in farms (acres)	641,471	+15
Average size of farm (acres)	548	+14
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	64,796,000	+15
Government payments	1,442,000	+84
Farm-related income	3,670,000	-19
Total farm production expenses	65,636,000	+9
Net cash farm income	4,271,000	+169
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	55,381	+13
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,182	+174
Farm-related income	9,385	-36
Total farm production expenses	56,099	+8
Net cash farm income	3,651	+166

2 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	34
Livestock, poultry, and products	66

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	15
Pastureland	39
Woodland	(D)
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: 100,398

16% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	445	38
$2,500 to $4,999	124	11
$5,000 to $9,999	133	11
$10,000 to $24,999	139	12
$25,000 to $49,999	109	9
$50,000 to $99,999	68	6
$100,000 or more	152	13

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	245	21
10 to 49 acres	407	35
50 to 179 acres	256	22
180 to 499 acres	118	10
500 to 999 acres	67	6
1,000 + acres	77	7

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

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	**64,796**	**25**	**56**	**1,543**	**3,077**
Crops	**22,042**	**29**	**56**	**1,589**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	4,402	40	54	1,688	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	5,037	4	42	338	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	2,972	1	27	270	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	894	9	35	887	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	9	4	9	542	1,384
Other crops and hay	8,728	13	56	295	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**42,754**	**20**	**56**	**1,059**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	1,028	9	53	736	3,007
Cattle and calves	35,954	19	56	421	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	5	25	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	183	35	55	853	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	693	7	56	297	2,970
Aquaculture	202	6	13	207	1,251
Other animals and animal products	1,290	11	52	145	2,878

Total Producers [c]	**2,003**
Sex	
Male	1,181
Female	822
Age	
<35	89
35 – 64	1,147
65 and older	767
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	178
Asian	1
Black or African American	4
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,787
More than one race	33
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	33
With military service	287
New and beginning farmers	479

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**83**
Farm organically	**3**
Sell directly to consumers	**11**
Hire farm labor	**22**
Are family farms	**96**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Forage (hay/haylage), all	50,579
Wheat for grain, all	7,634
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,300
Vegetables harvested, all	1,281
Potatoes	1,213

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	114
Cattle and calves	56,119
Goats	252
Hogs and pigs	146
Horses and ponies	2,701
Layers	14,273
Pullets	5,853
Sheep and lambs	1,444
Turkeys	10

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.