



# Musselshell County Montana

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	346	-3
Land in farms (acres)	1,103,333	+8
Average size of farm (acres)	3,189	+12
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	37,284,000	-2
Government payments	2,231,000	+20
Farm-related income	1,764,000	-15
Total farm production expenses	33,954,000	+4
Net cash farm income	7,326,000	-22
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	107,757	+1
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	21,457	+32
Farm-related income	14,458	-20
Total farm production expenses	98,132	+7
Net cash farm income	21,173	-20

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	21
Livestock, poultry, and products	79

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	13
Pastureland	79
Woodland	8
Other	1

**Acres irrigated: 12,936**

1% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	9
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	10
Cover crop	2

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	165	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	17	5
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	23	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	28	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	22	6
\$100,000 or more	71	21

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	11	3
10 to 49 acres	39	11
50 to 179 acres	106	31
180 to 499 acres	47	14
500 to 999 acres	24	7
1,000 + acres	119	34

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>37,284</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>2,005</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>7,744</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>2,159</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	5,096	37	54	1,637	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	8	32	42	2,018	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	27	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	35	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	9	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,640	36	56	956	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>29,541</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1,346</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	10	31	53	1,778	3,007
Cattle and calves	28,434	26	56	549	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	25	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	8	37	54	1,612	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	911	13	55	183	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	174	29	56	1,067	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	13	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	3	45	52	1,691	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>634</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	79
Male	341		
Female	293		
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	-
<35	25		
35 – 64	353		
65 and older	256		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	4
American Indian/Alaska Native	2		
Asian	3		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	20
White	627		
More than one race	2		
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	97
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	4		
With military service	100		
New and beginning farmers	160		
			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens
			151
			Cattle and calves
			38,861
			Goats
			199
			Hogs and pigs
			37
			Horses and ponies
			1,089
			Layers
			980
			Pullets
			92
			Sheep and lambs
			4,619
			Turkeys
			32

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</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>e</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.