



Custer County Nebraska

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

| | 2017 | % change since 2012 |
|---|-------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms | 1,108 | -18 |
| Land in farms (acres) | 1,505,139 | (Z) |
| Average size of farm (acres) | 1,358 | +22 |
| Total (\$) | | |
| Market value of products sold | 781,155,000 | -8 |
| Government payments | 14,411,000 | +93 |
| Farm-related income | 28,452,000 | +21 |
| Total farm production expenses | 755,654,000 | +3 |
| Net cash farm income | 68,364,000 | -51 |
| Per farm average (\$) | | |
| Market value of products sold | 705,013 | +13 |
| Government payments (average per farm receiving) | 26,835 | +169 |
| Farm-related income | 45,524 | +44 |
| Total farm production expenses | 681,998 | +25 |
| Net cash farm income | 61,700 | -41 |

4 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops | 23 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 77 |

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

| | |
|-------------|----|
| Cropland | 32 |
| Pastureland | 65 |
| Woodland | 1 |
| Other | 2 |

Acres irrigated: 258,000

17% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

| | |
|----------------|----|
| No till | 26 |
| Reduced till | 23 |
| Intensive till | 16 |
| Cover crop | 16 |

Farms by Value of Sales

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500 | 213 | 19 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 46 | 4 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 47 | 4 |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 102 | 9 |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 93 | 8 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 132 | 12 |
| \$100,000 or more | 475 | 43 |

Farms by Size

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres | 70 | 6 |
| 10 to 49 acres | 131 | 12 |
| 50 to 179 acres | 157 | 14 |
| 180 to 499 acres | 201 | 18 |
| 500 to 999 acres | 148 | 13 |
| 1,000 + acres | 401 | 36 |

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 | 781,155 | 2 | 93 | 47 | 3,077 |
| Crops | 183,505 | 9 | 93 | 175 | 3,073 |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas | 175,785 | 10 | 92 | 101 | 2,916 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 323 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 647 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes | (D) | 35 | 65 | (D) | 2,821 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries | - | - | 59 | - | 2,748 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod | (D) | 51 | 64 | (D) | 2,601 |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops | - | - | 20 | - | 1,384 |
| Other crops and hay | (D) | 8 | 93 | 331 | 3,040 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 597,650 | 2 | 93 | 33 | 3,073 |
| Poultry and eggs | 61 | 20 | 91 | 1,175 | 3,007 |
| Cattle and calves | 556,180 | 3 | 93 | 20 | 3,055 |
| Milk from cows | (D) | (D) | 48 | (D) | 1,892 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | (D) | 86 | (D) | 2,856 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk | 202 | 21 | 91 | 779 | 2,984 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys | 1,764 | 1 | 93 | 91 | 2,970 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 16 | - | 1,251 |
| Other animals and animal products | 143 | 16 | 77 | 631 | 2,878 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Total Producers ^c | 1,896 | Percent of farms that: | Top Crops in Acres ^d |
| Sex | | Have internet access | 82 |
| Male | 1,270 | | |
| Female | 626 | | |
| Age | | Farm organically | - |
| <35 | 236 | | |
| 35 – 64 | 1,123 | | |
| 65 and older | 537 | | |
| Race | | Sell directly to consumers | 1 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | - | | |
| Asian | 1 | | |
| Black or African American | - | | |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | - | | |
| White | 1,891 | Hire farm labor | 33 |
| More than one race | 4 | | |
| Other characteristics | | Are family farms | 95 |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 15 | | |
| With military service | 200 | | |
| New and beginning farmers | 364 | | |
| | | | Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017) |
| | | | Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D) |
| | | | Cattle and calves 329,990 |
| | | | Goats 1,040 |
| | | | Hogs and pigs (D) |
| | | | Horses and ponies 1,849 |
| | | | Layers 1,535 |
| | | | Pullets 156 |
| | | | Sheep and lambs 991 |
| | | | 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.