



## Pierce County Nebraska

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	625	-8
Land in farms (acres)	343,711	+4
Average size of farm (acres)	550	+13
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	255,468,000	-2
Government payments	10,199,000	+98
Farm-related income	12,634,000	-32
Total farm production expenses	222,579,000	-1
Net cash farm income	55,722,000	-8
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	408,749	+6
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	22,715	+110
Farm-related income	31,427	-33
Total farm production expenses	356,126	+8
Net cash farm income	89,155	-1

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	49
Livestock, poultry, and products	51

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

Cropland	80
Pastureland	17
Woodland	1
Other	3

**Acres irrigated: 127,066**

37% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	42
Reduced till	35
Intensive till	16
Cover crop	19

#### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	113	18
\$2,500 to \$4,999	29	5
\$5,000 to \$9,999	26	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999	35	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999	70	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	63	10
\$100,000 or more	289	46

#### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	36	6
10 to 49 acres	108	17
50 to 179 acres	154	25
180 to 499 acres	129	21
500 to 999 acres	84	13
1,000 + acres	114	18

**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>255,468</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>124,628</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	123,249	35	92	275	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	20	43	65	1,949	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	52	59	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	49	64	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	16	20	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,333	53	93	1,611	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>130,840</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	14,116	6	91	485	3,007
Cattle and calves	104,916	31	93	117	3,055
Milk from cows	177	36	48	1,078	1,892
Hogs and pigs	11,115	30	86	356	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	28	91	1,008	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	352	13	93	607	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	2,878

**Total Producers <sup>c</sup>**

**1,066**

**Sex**

Male	704
Female	362

**Age**

<35	135
35 – 64	624
65 and older	307

**Race**

American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,066
More than one race	-

**Other characteristics**

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1
With military service	94
New and beginning farmers	228

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access **73**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **1**

Hire farm labor **30**

Are family farms **99**

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>**

Corn for grain	130,381
Soybeans for beans	98,667
Forage (hay/haylage), all	16,454
Corn for silage or greenchop	2,790
Wheat for grain, all	720

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	70,779
Goats	172
Hogs and pigs	32,505
Horses and ponies	582
Layers	1,094
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	2,002
Turkeys	(D)

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.