Union County
New Mexico

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	369	+5
Land in farms (acres)	1,886,887	-4
Average size of farm (acres)	5,114	-8
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	83,134,000	-15
Government payments	2,896,000	(Z)
Farm-related income	3,896,000	+61
Total farm production expenses	76,973,000	-6
Net cash farm income	12,953,000	-40
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	225,297	-19
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	28,678	+72
Farm-related income	25,461	-1
Total farm production expenses	208,600	-10
Net cash farm income	35,103	-43

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	10
Livestock, poultry, and products	90

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	3
Pastureland	95
Woodland	2
Other	(Z)

Acres irrigated: 15,404

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	2
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	111	30
$2,500 to $4,999	14	4
$5,000 to $9,999	17	5
$10,000 to $24,999	29	8
$25,000 to $49,999	35	9
$50,000 to $99,999	71	19
$100,000 or more	92	25

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	4	1
10 to 49 acres	-	-
50 to 179 acres	57	15
180 to 499 acres	42	11
500 to 999 acres	45	12
1,000 + acres	221	60

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	**83,134**	**7**	**33**	**1,323**	**3,077**
Crops	**8,121**	**15**	**32**	**2,145**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	7,319	5	30	1,495	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	10	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	15	30	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	29	29	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	26	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	8	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	24	31	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**75,013**	**6**	**33**	**685**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	(D)	29	33	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	74,898	2	32	176	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	19	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	28	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	30	33	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	12	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	-	-	29	-	2,878

Total Producers [c]	**632**
Sex	
Male	401
Female	231
Age	
<35	40
35 – 64	319
65 and older	273
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	7
Asian	-
Black or African American	6
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	617
More than one race	2
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	96
With military service	98
New and beginning farmers	170

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**67**
Farm organically	**-**
Sell directly to consumers	**-**
Hire farm labor	**26**
Are family farms	**95**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Corn for grain	8,067
Forage (hay/haylage), all	6,617
Wheat for grain, all	5,700
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,225
Sorghum for grain	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
Cattle and calves	78,954
Goats	(D)
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	700
Layers	200
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	25
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.