



# Rutherford County Tennessee

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,414	+7
Land in farms (acres)	152,946	-13
Average size of farm (acres)	108	-19
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	27,208,000	-4
Government payments	1,051,000	+52
Farm-related income	3,452,000	+6
Total farm production expenses	33,236,000	+3
Net cash farm income	-1,525,000	-2474
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	19,242	-10
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	4,436	(Z)
Farm-related income	8,738	+2
Total farm production expenses	23,505	-3
Net cash farm income	-1,079	-2328

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	58
Livestock, poultry, and products	42

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

Cropland	40
Pastureland	31
Woodland	25
Other	4

**Acres irrigated: 490**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	1
Cover crop	5

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	717	51
\$2,500 to \$4,999	180	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	186	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	158	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	79	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	44	3
\$100,000 or more	50	4

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	198	14
10 to 49 acres	600	42
50 to 179 acres	414	29
180 to 499 acres	151	11
500 to 999 acres	32	2
1,000 + acres	19	1

**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>27,208</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>15,666</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1,807</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	9,936	32	95	1,399	2,916
Tobacco	(D)	31	42	(D)	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	23	26	493	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	453	25	95	999	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	272	17	94	884	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,046	27	92	841	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	4	36	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,762	7	95	680	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>11,542</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	114	43	94	1,015	3,007
Cattle and calves	9,486	29	95	1,300	3,055
Milk from cows	622	37	68	997	1,892
Hogs and pigs	243	13	93	721	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	271	8	94	606	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	717	9	93	285	2,970
Aquaculture	(Z)	27	30	337	1,251
Other animals and animal products	88	14	95	790	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>2,343</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>	
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	76	
Male	1,412			
Female	931			
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	(Z)	
<35	155			
35 – 64	1,397			
65 and older	791			
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	8	
American Indian/Alaska Native	12			
Asian	13			
Black or African American	65			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-			
White	2,251	Hire farm labor	16	
More than one race	2			
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	99	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	17			
With military service	273			
New and beginning farmers	693			
			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>	
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,636
			Cattle and calves	27,540
			Goats	3,405
			Hogs and pigs	792
			Horses and ponies	2,438
			Layers	7,857
			Pullets	989
			Sheep and lambs	1,197
			Turkeys	86

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.