



Whitman County Washington

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,039	-13
Land in farms (acres)	1,287,978	+1
Average size of farm (acres)	1,240	+16
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	278,773,000	-25
Government payments	24,847,000	-13
Farm-related income	15,614,000	+51
Total farm production expenses	239,876,000	+1
Net cash farm income	79,359,000	-54
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	268,309	-14
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	33,760	+11
Farm-related income	25,265	+62
Total farm production expenses	230,872	+16
Net cash farm income	76,380	-47

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	93
Livestock, poultry, and products	7

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	80
Pastureland	18
Woodland	1
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 5,072

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	18
Reduced till	37
Intensive till	17
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	360	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	64	6
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36	3
\$10,000 to \$24,999	49	5
\$25,000 to \$49,999	57	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	60	6
\$100,000 or more	413	40

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	99	10
10 to 49 acres	182	18
50 to 179 acres	152	15
180 to 499 acres	140	13
500 to 999 acres	97	9
1,000 + acres	369	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	278,773	10	39	297	3,077
Crops	259,640	8	39	78	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	254,319	1	33	22	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	31	38	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	109	35	39	1,265	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	156	29	37	1,329	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	26	30	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	4,984	13	39	493	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	19,133	20	39	1,675	3,073
Poultry and eggs	208	14	39	890	3,007
Cattle and calves	16,304	10	39	937	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	21	29	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	599	2	39	629	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	841	2	39	198	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	23	39	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	33	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	6	31	39	1,598	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,880

Sex

Male 1,202
Female 678

Age

<35 139
35 – 64 1,123
65 and older 618

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 4
Asian 1
Black or African American -
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -
White 1,867
More than one race 8

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 15
With military service 134
New and beginning farmers 428

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **87**

Farm organically (Z)

Sell directly to consumers **5**

Hire farm labor **42**

Are family farms **90**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Wheat for grain, all 524,203
Chickpeas 136,316
Barley for grain 41,643
Lentils 28,385
Forage (hay/haylage), all 20,214

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
Cattle and calves 19,686
Goats 280
Hogs and pigs 2,893
Horses and ponies 781
Layers 1,696
Pullets 110
Sheep and lambs 4,283
Turkeys 30

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.