



# Benton County Iowa

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	1,090	-5
Land in farms (acres)	377,259	-10
Average size of farm (acres)	346	-6
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	449,688,000	+29
Government payments	16,722,000	+135
Farm-related income	17,869,000	+9
Total farm production expenses	322,935,000	+15
Net cash farm income	161,344,000	+77
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	412,558	+36
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	22,813	+183
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	27,280	+16
Total farm production expenses	296,270	+22
Net cash farm income	148,022	+86

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	76
Livestock, poultry, and products	24

### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	340,015
Pastureland	11,771
Woodland	10,759
Other	14,714

**Acres irrigated: 51**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	38
Reduced till	39
Intensive till	17
Cover crop	13

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	229	21
\$2,500 to \$4,999	36	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	65	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	64	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999	63	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	93	9
\$100,000 or more	540	50

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	89	8
10 to 49 acres	210	19
50 to 179 acres	281	26
180 to 499 acres	266	24
500 to 999 acres	149	14
1,000+ acres	95	9

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>449,688</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>3,078</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>340,534</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	336,958	16	99	58	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	68	98	(D)	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,347	26	90	857	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	51	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	2,141	35	99	1,385	3,035
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>109,155</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>3,076</b>
Poultry and eggs	720	59	99	837	3,027
Cattle and calves	22,464	59	99	771	3,047
Milk from cows	26,917	14	66	307	1,770
Hogs and pigs	58,640	56	99	153	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	343	42	99	587	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	61	96	1,756	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	20	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,909

<b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	<b>84</b>
Male	1,274		Corn for grain 172,486
Female	604		Soybeans for beans 136,071
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	<b>1</b>
<35	166		Forage (hay/haylage), all 9,548
35 – 64	960		Corn for silage/greenchop 1,952
65 and older	752		Oats for grain 173
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>2</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	1		<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b>
Asian	2		Broilers and other meat-type chickens 83
Black or African American	1		Cattle and calves 25,480
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	<b>29</b>
White	1,873		Goats 295
More than one race	1		Hogs and pigs 117,999
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	<b>92</b>
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	27		Horses and ponies 310
With military service	123		Layers 1,490
New and beginning farmers	422		Pullets 65
			Sheep and lambs 1,775
			Turkeys (D)

<sup>a</sup> Average per farm receiving. <sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>c</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>d</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>e</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>f</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.