Ness County
Kansas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	525	0
Land in farms (acres)	685,153	+3
Average size of farm (acres)	1,305	+2
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	84,667,000	+39
Government payments	5,928,000	-31
Farm-related income	20,481,000	+218
Total farm production expenses	90,891,000	+67
Net cash farm income	20,185,000	-5
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	161,271	+39
Government payments [a]	15,045	-16
Farm-related income [a]	60,062	+234
Total farm production expenses	173,126	+66
Net cash farm income	38,448	-6

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	68
Livestock, poultry, and products	32

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	429,502
Pastureland	243,396
Woodland	500
Other	11,755

Acres irrigated: 1,191

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	33
Reduced till	34
Intensive till	28
Cover crop	1

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [b]
Less than $2,500	145	28
$2,500 to $4,999	2	(Z)
$5,000 to $9,999	12	2
$10,000 to $24,999	69	13
$25,000 to $49,999	69	13
$50,000 to $99,999	58	11
$100,000 or more	170	32

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [b]
1 to 9 acres	4	1
10 to 49 acres	15	3
50 to 179 acres	125	24
180 to 499 acres	131	25
500 to 999 acres	66	13
1,000+ acres	184	35

2022 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales ($1,000)	Rank in State c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. c	Counties Producing Item
Total	**84,667**	**76**	**105**	**1,549**	**3,078**
Crops	**57,171**	**57**	**105**	**1,211**	**3,074**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	56,150	55	105	876	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	25	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	75	-	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	56	-	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	71	-	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	13	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	1,021	88	105	2,032	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	**27,496**	**79**	**105**	**1,539**	**3,076**
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	3,027
Cattle and calves	27,337	70	105	652	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	57	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	(D)	80	95	(D)	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	134	45	101	1,259	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	18	68	99	2,124	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	14	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	(D)	67	90	(D)	2,909

Producers d   958

Sex
Male	675
Female	283

Age
<35	81
35 – 64	451
65 and older	426

Race
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	956
More than one race	2

Other characteristics
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	13
With military service	63
New and beginning farmers	260

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**78**
Farm organically	**-**
Sell directly to consumers	**-**
Hire farm labor	**30**
Are family farms	**88**

Top Crops in Acres e

Wheat for grain, all	103,302
Sorghum for grain	88,762
Corn for grain	17,892
Forage (hay/haylage), all	13,057
Sorghum for silage/greenchop	5,744

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	22,950
Goats	117
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	129
Layers	96
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	846
Turkeys	-

a Average per farm receiving. b May not add to 100% due to rounding. c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. f 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.