



Whatcom County Washington

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	1,582	-8
Land in farms (acres)	102,886	0
Average size of farm (acres)	65	+9
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	510,266,000	+37
Government payments	3,983,000	+280
Farm-related income	10,639,000	+28
Total farm production expenses	407,274,000	+25
Net cash farm income	117,613,000	+106
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	322,545	+48
Government payments ^a	15,031	+210
Farm-related income ^a	24,234	+49
Total farm production expenses	257,443	+36
Net cash farm income	74,345	+123

4 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	51
Livestock, poultry, and products	49

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	64,682
Pastureland	7,764
Woodland	16,800
Other	13,640

Acres irrigated: 33,999

33% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	7
Reduced till	4
Intensive till	10
Cover crop	8

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	738	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	155	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	160	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	121	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	80	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	62	4
\$100,000 or more	266	17

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	611	39
10 to 49 acres	654	41
50 to 179 acres	214	14
180 to 499 acres	60	4
500 to 999 acres	29	2
1,000+ acres	14	1

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	510,266	7	39	192	3,078
Crops	258,992	11	39	238	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	3,091	19	36	1,934	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	17,573	9	38	186	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	183,511	8	39	31	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	48,551	3	39	92	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	1,470	7	29	42	1,274
Other crops and hay	4,795	19	39	714	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	251,273	4	39	245	3,076
Poultry and eggs	15,109	8	39	555	3,027
Cattle and calves	28,070	7	39	631	3,047
Milk from cows	204,503	2	26	50	1,770
Hogs and pigs	157	5	39	800	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	142	24	39	1,215	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	600	13	39	477	2,907
Aquaculture	2,103	19	33	130	1,190
Other animals and animal products	590	7	39	350	2,909

Producers ^d	2,938	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	1,659	87	Land in berries
Female	1,279		Corn for silage/greenchop
Age		Farm organically	Raspberries, all
<35	186	2	Blueberries, all
35 – 64	1,733		
65 and older	1,019		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
American Indian/Alaska Native	28	15	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
Asian	194		484,975
Black or African American	12	Hire farm labor	Cattle and calves
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	4	27	63,387
White	2,666		Goats
More than one race	34		926
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Hogs and pigs
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	82	97	532
With military service	235		Horses and ponies
New and beginning farmers	861		1,433
			Layers
			14,452
			Pullets
			2,110
			Sheep and lambs
			1,248
			Turkeys
			426

^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.