Kent County
Delaware

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	822	-5
Land in farms (acres)	182,396	+6
Average size of farm (acres)	222	+11
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	391,304,000	+41
Government payments	4,531,000	+78
Farm-related income	9,477,000	+31
Total farm production expenses	243,789,000	+17
Net cash farm income	161,522,000	+105
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	476,038	+48
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	16,067	+102
Farm-related income	24,808	+18
Total farm production expenses	296,580	+23
Net cash farm income	196,499	+115

27 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	28
Livestock, poultry, and products	72

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	85
Pastureland	2
Woodland	10
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 57,837

32% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	34
Reduced till	14
Intensive till	12
Cover crop	18

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	263	32
$2,500 to $4,999	39	5
$5,000 to $9,999	63	8
$10,000 to $24,999	93	11
$25,000 to $49,999	50	6
$50,000 to $99,999	42	5
$100,000 or more	272	33

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	135	16
10 to 49 acres	304	37
50 to 179 acres	193	23
180 to 499 acres	90	11
500 to 999 acres	48	6
1,000 + acres	52	6

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

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	**391,304**	**2**	**3**	**148**	**3,077**
Crops	**109,044**	**2**	**3**	**493**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	79,271	2	3	497	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	23,325	2	3	121	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	1	3	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,283	2	3	486	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	2	3	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	823	3	3	2,051	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**282,259**	**2**	**3**	**117**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	269,080	2	3	24	3,007
Cattle and calves	3,309	1	3	1,930	3,055
Milk from cows	7,111	2	3	521	1,892
Hogs and pigs	871	2	3	606	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	1	3	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,120	1	3	160	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	1	2	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	235	1	3	481	2,878

Total Producers [c]	**1,391**
Sex	
Male	889
Female	502
Age	
<35	132
35 – 64	852
65 and older	407
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	3
Black or African American	5
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,375
More than one race	8
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	15
With military service	135
New and beginning farmers	329

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**77**
Farm organically	**(Z)**
Sell directly to consumers	**6**
Hire farm labor	**29**
Are family farms	**96**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Soybeans for beans	67,556
Corn for grain	55,961
Wheat for grain, all	18,932
Vegetables harvested, all	12,350
Barley for grain	8,433

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	13,572,711
Cattle and calves	7,213
Goats	653
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	2,020
Layers	3,140
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	1,026
Turkeys	(D)

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.