



Ascension Parish Louisiana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	221	-12
Land in farms (acres)	38,381	-24
Average size of farm (acres)	174	-14
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	13,087,000	-36
Government payments	198,000	+254
Farm-related income	186,000	-57
Total farm production expenses	12,422,000	-6
Net cash farm income	1,050,000	-86
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	59,219	-28
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,006	+29
Farm-related income	10,354	+24
Total farm production expenses	56,209	+6
Net cash farm income	4,750	-85

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	89
Livestock, poultry, and products	11

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	68
Pastureland	21
Woodland	6
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 48

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	124	56
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	35	16
\$10,000 to \$24,999	20	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	3	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1	(Z)
\$100,000 or more	20	9

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	68	31
10 to 49 acres	86	39
50 to 179 acres	34	15
180 to 499 acres	12	5
500 to 999 acres	6	3
1,000 + acres	15	7

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	13,087	49	64	2,566	3,077
Crops	11,704	35	64	1,962	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	2,481	37	52	1,870	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	22	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	39	43	61	1,826	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	43	63	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	45	50	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	9,151	14	63	279	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,383	53	64	2,791	3,073
Poultry and eggs	52	26	62	1,231	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,263	44	64	2,334	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	11	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	10	35	54	2,373	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	44	37	58	1,857	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	343	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d	
Sex		Have internet access	72	
Male	234			
Female	109	Farm organically	1	
Age		Sell directly to consumers	7	
<35	17	Hire farm labor	20	
35 – 64	222	Are family farms	99	
65 and older	104			
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Asian	-		Cattle and calves	4,783
Black or African American	18		Goats	161
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs	(D)
White	323		Horses and ponies	377
More than one race	2		Layers	3,319
Other characteristics			Pullets	63
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	6		Sheep and lambs	145
With military service	31		Turkeys	-
New and beginning farmers	88			

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.