Bienville Parish
Louisiana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	221	-5
Land in farms (acres)	34,089	-39
Average size of farm (acres)	154	-36
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	32,281,000	-6
Government payments	116,000	-15
Farm-related income	539,000	-31
Total farm production expenses	23,445,000	-35
Net cash farm income	9,491,000	+1942
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	146,068	-1
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	6,809	+20
Farm-related income	10,782	-14
Total farm production expenses	106,085	-31
Net cash farm income	42,947	+2042

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	3
Livestock, poultry, and products	97

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	29
Pastureland	25
Woodland	39
Other	6

Acres irrigated: (D)

(D)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

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

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	127	57
$2,500 to $4,999	17	8
$5,000 to $9,999	31	14
$10,000 to $24,999	14	6
$25,000 to $49,999	11	5
$50,000 to $99,999	4	2
$100,000 or more	17	8

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	12	5
10 to 49 acres	80	36
50 to 179 acres	76	34
180 to 499 acres	42	19
500 to 999 acres	7	3
1,000 + acres	4	2

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *Parish 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	**32,281**	**34**	**64**	**2,089**	**3,077**
Crops	**834**	**56**	**64**	**2,859**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	-	-	52	-	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	22	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	85	36	61	1,602	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	45	31	63	1,557	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	34	50	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	6	20	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	585	43	63	2,249	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**31,447**	**8**	**64**	**1,298**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	30,364	7	62	344	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,049	49	64	2,380	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	11	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	13	31	54	2,313	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	51	58	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	50	56	(D)	2,878

Total Producers [c]	**330**
Sex	
Male	229
Female	101
Age	
<35	31
35 – 64	148
65 and older	151
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	1
Asian	-
Black or African American	38
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	291
More than one race	-
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-
With military service	44
New and beginning farmers	53

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**70**
Farm organically	**-**
Sell directly to consumers	**5**
Hire farm labor	**17**
Are family farms	**96**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Forage (hay/haylage), all	3,927
Vegetables harvested, all	86
Short-rotation woody crops	80
Watermelons	69
Peas, southern (cowpeas)	10

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	748,368
Cattle and calves	4,025
Goats	146
Hogs and pigs	108
Horses and ponies	460
Layers	190,309
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	128
Turkeys	-

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.