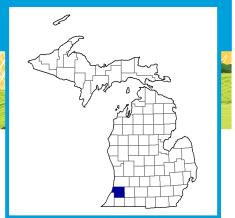


Van Buren County Michigan



Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	953	-14
Land in farms (acres)	151,784	-13
Average size of farm (acres)	159	+1
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	205,549,000	+6
Government payments	1,602,000	-34
Farm-related income	8,441,000	-34
Total farm production expenses	177,947,000	+10
Net cash farm income	37,644,000	-21
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	215,686	+23
Government payments		
(average per farm receiving)	11,694	+15
Farm-related income	22,271	-20
Total farm production expenses	186,723	+28
Net cash farm income	39,501	-8

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Typ	e (%)
Crops	81
Livestock, poultry, and pro	oducts 19
Land in Farms by Use	• (%) a
Cropland	78
Pastureland	2
Woodland	12
Other	8
Acres irrigated: 35,599	
239	% of land in farms
Land Use Practices (%	% of farms)
No till	13
Reduced till	10
Intensive till	12
Cover crop	12

Farms by Value of Sal	es		Farms by Size		
	Number	Percent of Total a		Number	Percent of Total a
Less than \$2,500	359	38	1 to 9 acres	109	11
\$2,500 to \$4,999	82	9	10 to 49 acres	388	41
\$5,000 to \$9,999	80	8	50 to 179 acres	327	34
\$10,000 to \$24,999	105	11	180 to 499 acres	82	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	71	7	500 to 999 acres	25	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	66	7	1,000 + acres	22	2
\$100,000 or more	190	20			

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Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

		Rank	Counties	Rank	Counties
	Sales	in	Producing	in	Producing
	(\$1,000)	State ^b	Item	U.S. b	ltem
Total	205,549	13	83	498	3,077
Crops	167,450	9	83	232	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	37,020	30	81	900	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	30,909	5	82	99	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	87,120	1	81	48	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	14	80	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation					
woody crops	(D)	4	76	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,720	37	82	1,361	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	38,099	25	82	1,149	3,073
Poultry and eggs	148	26	82	950	3,007
Cattle and calves	2,378	40	82	2,085	3,055
Milk from cows	25,213	23	72	281	1,892
Hogs and pigs	7,453	16	82	421	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	97	43	78	1,460	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	2	30	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,617	Percent of farms th	hat:	Top Crops in Acres d	
Sex Male Female	1,007 610	Have internet access	75	Corn for grain Soybeans for beans Land in berries Blueberries, all	40,307 28,063 9,939 9,769
Age <35 35 – 64 65 and older	122 949 546	Farm organically	1	Forage (hay/haylage), all	9,249
Race American Indian/Alaska Native Asian Black or African American	2 16 59	Sell directly to consumers	15	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017) Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,150
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White More than one race	1,524 16	Hire farm labor	36	Cattle and calves Goats Hogs and pigs Horses and ponies	11,325 863 10,509 830
Other characteristics Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin With military service New and beginning farmers	128 197 377	Are family farms	96	Layers Pullets Sheep and lambs Turkeys	7,105 2,229 964 208

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.