



Darke County Ohio

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,658	-2
Land in farms (acres)	343,774	+1
Average size of farm (acres)	207	+3
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	516,193,000	-8
Government payments	8,950,000	+30
Farm-related income	10,644,000	-44
Total farm production expenses	394,300,000	-9
Net cash farm income	141,487,000	-8
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	311,335	-6
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,905	+52
Farm-related income	13,439	-43
Total farm production expenses	237,817	-7
Net cash farm income	85,336	-6

6 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	31
Livestock, poultry, and products	69

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	92
Pastureland	1
Woodland	3
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 227

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	42
Reduced till	25
Intensive till	29
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	362	22
\$2,500 to \$4,999	118	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	147	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	178	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	161	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	164	10
\$100,000 or more	528	32

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	295	18
10 to 49 acres	455	27
50 to 179 acres	427	26
180 to 499 acres	279	17
500 to 999 acres	129	8
1,000 + acres	73	4

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	516,193	2	88	94	3,077
Crops	161,414	1	88	251	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	155,822	1	88	157	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	7	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,767	19	88	597	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	258	34	88	903	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,669	39	88	698	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	72	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,899	38	88	1,269	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	354,779	2	88	79	3,073
Poultry and eggs	186,813	2	88	54	3,007
Cattle and calves	26,658	4	88	597	3,055
Milk from cows	32,175	8	82	237	1,892
Hogs and pigs	108,634	2	88	50	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	196	42	88	795	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	212	42	88	916	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	47	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	91	41	88	780	2,878

Total Producers ^c	2,719	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d	
Sex		Have internet access	77	
Male	1,894	Farm organically	(Z)	
Female	825	Sell directly to consumers	5	
Age		Hire farm labor	25	
<35	305	Are family farms	96	
35 – 64	1,645			
65 and older	769			
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
American Indian/Alaska Native	3		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	13,173
Asian	-		Cattle and calves	40,763
Black or African American	-		Goats	573
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	3		Hogs and pigs	240,196
White	2,710		Horses and ponies	796
More than one race	3		Layers	5,184,982
Other characteristics			Pullets	4,711,999
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	20		Sheep and lambs	1,175
With military service	217		Turkeys	740,259
New and beginning farmers	635			

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.