Somerset County
Pennsylvania

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,152	+1
Land in farms (acres)	219,046	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	190	+1
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	115,449,000	+11
Government payments	1,265,000	-21
Farm-related income	3,214,000	+30
Total farm production expenses	86,264,000	+3
Net cash farm income	33,665,000	+36
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	100,216	+10
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	6,264	+38
Farm-related income	6,111	+18
Total farm production expenses	74,882	+2
Net cash farm income	29,223	+34

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	31
Livestock, poultry, and products	69

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	62
Pastureland	9
Woodland	23
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 209

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	21
Reduced till	15
Intensive till	28
Cover crop	15

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	333	29
$2,500 to $4,999	76	7
$5,000 to $9,999	117	10
$10,000 to $24,999	175	15
$25,000 to $49,999	80	7
$50,000 to $99,999	128	11
$100,000 or more	243	21

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	94	8
10 to 49 acres	236	20
50 to 179 acres	465	40
180 to 499 acres	262	23
500 to 999 acres	71	6
1,000 + acres	24	2

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	**115,449**	**17**	**67**	**1,012**	**3,077**
Crops	**36,364**	**19**	**67**	**1,308**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	19,151	18	66	1,166	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	12	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,257	39	67	679	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	286	50	66	863	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,344	29	66	593	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	8	61	64	554	1,384
Other crops and hay	13,318	3	66	186	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**79,085**	**17**	**67**	**662**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	165	41	67	924	3,007
Cattle and calves	12,291	13	67	1,109	3,055
Milk from cows	62,558	8	63	134	1,892
Hogs and pigs	2,816	25	67	534	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,056	2	67	160	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	66	47	63	1,658	2,970
Aquaculture	97	21	55	230	1,251
Other animals and animal products	36	52	67	1,101	2,878

Total Producers [c] 2,093

Sex
Male 1,387
Female 706

Age
<35 282
35 – 64 1,288
65 and older 523

Race
American Indian/Alaska Native 3
Asian -
Black or African American -
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -
White 2,088
More than one race 2

Other characteristics
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 14
With military service 160
New and beginning farmers 458

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **63**

Farm organically **3**

Sell directly to consumers **14**

Hire farm labor **30**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Forage (hay/haylage), all 58,929
Corn for grain 23,062
Soybeans for beans 14,847
Corn for silage or greenchop 12,073
Oats for grain 3,394

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 2,905
Cattle and calves 45,802
Goats 1,720
Hogs and pigs 5,308
Horses and ponies 1,650
Layers 7,401
Pullets 1,184
Sheep and lambs 3,708
Turkeys 163

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.