



Franklin County Vermont

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	729	-1
Land in farms (acres)	189,699	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	260	+3
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	185,613,000	+1
Government payments	965,000	-67
Farm-related income	7,201,000	+22
Total farm production expenses	142,623,000	-6
Net cash farm income	51,156,000	+22
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	254,614	+2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	11,350	-3
Farm-related income	19,676	+26
Total farm production expenses	195,642	-5
Net cash farm income	70,173	+24

24 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	21
Livestock, poultry, and products	79

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	44
Pastureland	9
Woodland	42
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 284

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	9
Intensive till	14
Cover crop	11

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	176	24
\$2,500 to \$4,999	48	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	73	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	80	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	89	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	32	4
\$100,000 or more	231	32

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	74	10
10 to 49 acres	154	21
50 to 179 acres	218	30
180 to 499 acres	203	28
500 to 999 acres	51	7
1,000 + acres	29	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	185,613	1	14	583	3,077
Crops	38,698	1	14	1,257	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	3,918	2	14	1,726	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,640	6	14	608	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	11	14	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,032	5	14	646	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	6	13	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	30,678	1	14	69	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	146,916	2	14	315	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	2	14	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	14,453	1	14	1,005	3,055
Milk from cows	129,508	1	14	59	1,892
Hogs and pigs	74	10	14	986	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,419	1	14	122	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	9	14	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	6	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	176	5	13	568	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,378

Sex

Male	845
Female	533

Age

<35	132
35 – 64	843
65 and older	403

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	1
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,361
More than one race	16

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	10
With military service	99
New and beginning farmers	328

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **85**

Farm organically **17**

Sell directly to consumers **22**

Hire farm labor **42**

Are family farms **96**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	49,414
Corn for silage or greenchop	21,053
Corn for grain	5,527
Vegetables harvested, all	287
Soybeans for beans	286

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,880
Cattle and calves	56,589
Goats	1,424
Hogs and pigs	172
Horses and ponies	373
Layers	22,264
Pullets	363
Sheep and lambs	405
Turkeys	203

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.