Cowlitz County
Washington

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	403	-18
Land in farms (acres)	28,758	-26
Average size of farm (acres)	71	-10
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	18,959,000	-34
Government payments	27,000	-37
Farm-related income	1,399,000	+112
Total farm production expenses	17,948,000	-43
Net cash farm income	2,436,000	+216
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	47,044	-20
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	4,583	-17
Farm-related income	27,972	+380
Total farm production expenses	44,537	-31
Net cash farm income	6,046	+242

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	53
Livestock, poultry, and products	47

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	38
Pastureland	19
Woodland	32
Other	11

Acres irrigated: 2,954

10% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	2
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	1

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	210	52
$2,500 to $4,999	64	16
$5,000 to $9,999	58	14
$10,000 to $24,999	28	7
$25,000 to $49,999	15	4
$50,000 to $99,999	3	1
$100,000 or more	25	6

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	133	33
10 to 49 acres	177	44
50 to 179 acres	55	14
180 to 499 acres	29	7
500 to 999 acres	3	1
1,000 + acres	6	1

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	**18,959**	**29**	**39**	**2,398**	**3,077**
Crops	**10,019**	**27**	**39**	**2,044**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	26	33	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,168	21	38	708	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,426	22	39	393	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,457	15	37	467	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	13	30	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,520	16	39	733	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**8,940**	**26**	**39**	**2,175**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	2,665	12	39	680	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	29	39	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	22	29	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	42	23	39	1,161	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	31	33	39	2,015	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	26	30	39	2,072	2,970
Aquaculture	3,831	13	33	77	1,251
Other animals and animal products	21	28	39	1,298	2,878

Total Producers [c]	**674**

Sex	
Male	409
Female	265

Age	
<35	47
35 – 64	394
65 and older	233

Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	11
Asian	9
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2
White	644
More than one race	8

Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	5
With military service	93
New and beginning farmers	157

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**81**
Farm organically	**-**
Sell directly to consumers	**17**
Hire farm labor	**24**
Are family farms	**95**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Field/grass seed crops, all	3,598
Forage (hay/haylage), all	3,594
Vegetables harvested, all	876
Peas, green	470
Barley for grain	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	3,644
Goats	343
Hogs and pigs	148
Horses and ponies	229
Layers	1,911
Pullets	216
Sheep and lambs	124
Turkeys	46

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.