



# Benton County Arkansas

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,936	-10
Land in farms (acres)	243,753	-20
Average size of farm (acres)	126	-11
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<b>Total</b>	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	593,371,000	+12
Government payments	456,000	-75
Farm-related income	4,129,000	+7
Total farm production expenses	403,298,000	-12
Net cash farm income	194,659,000	+150
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<b>Per farm average</b>	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	306,493	+25
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,735	+25
Farm-related income	8,209	+38
Total farm production expenses	208,315	-2
Net cash farm income	100,547	+179

**6** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	1
Livestock, poultry, and products	99

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	30
Pastureland	48
Woodland	17
Other	5

**Acres irrigated: 231**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

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

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	676	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	168	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	251	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	303	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	188	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	71	4
\$100,000 or more	279	14

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	235	12
10 to 49 acres	699	36
50 to 179 acres	637	33
180 to 499 acres	275	14
500 to 999 acres	62	3
1,000 + acres	28	1

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>593,371</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>7,562</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>2,171</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,564	40	50	2,004	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	19	72	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	351	15	72	774	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,830	10	55	668	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	1	20	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,343	6	75	766	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>585,810</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	536,033	1	72	5	3,007
Cattle and calves	41,596	3	75	360	3,055
Milk from cows	4,071	1	21	668	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	10	62	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	298	2	70	554	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	346	3	70	625	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	12	29	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	198	5	65	532	2,878

**Total Producers <sup>c</sup>**

**3,306**

**Sex**

Male	1,960
Female	1,346

**Age**

<35	286
35 – 64	1,955
65 and older	1,065

**Race**

American Indian/Alaska Native	58
Asian	115
Black or African American	2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2
White	3,065
More than one race	64

**Other characteristics**

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	38
With military service	337
New and beginning farmers	1,069

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access **74**

Farm organically (Z)

Sell directly to consumers **5**

Hire farm labor **24**

Are family farms **96**

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>**

Forage (hay/haylage), all	58,465
Soybeans for beans	2,821
Wheat for grain, all	615
Corn for silage or greenchop	530
Corn for grain	407

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	19,092,801
Cattle and calves	96,027
Goats	1,522
Hogs and pigs	3,762
Horses and ponies	2,111
Layers	1,365,181
Pullets	379,556
Sheep and lambs	1,190
Turkeys	525,762

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.