



Alameda County California

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	446	-1
Land in farms (acres)	183,282	+3
Average size of farm (acres)	411	+4
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	46,164,000	-20
Government payments	201,000	+315
Farm-related income	19,704,000	+389
Total farm production expenses	48,911,000	+14
Net cash farm income	17,158,000	-8
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	103,507	-19
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,193	+137
Farm-related income	162,839	+365
Total farm production expenses	109,666	+15
Net cash farm income	38,471	-6

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	77
Livestock, poultry, and products	23

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	9
Pastureland	80
Woodland	1
Other	9

Acres irrigated: 7,511

4% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	(Z)
Intensive till	4
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	190	43
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	59	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	61	14
\$25,000 to \$49,999	34	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	36	8
\$100,000 or more	48	11

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	179	40
10 to 49 acres	100	22
50 to 179 acres	65	15
180 to 499 acres	53	12
500 to 999 acres	13	3
1,000 + acres	36	8

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	46,164	43	58	1,818	3,077
Crops	35,752	41	58	1,318	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	-	-	48	-	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,778	38	56	594	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	23,111	33	57	100	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	10,751	29	54	236	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	50	55	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	10,413	42	58	2,085	3,073
Poultry and eggs	25	45	56	1,485	3,007
Cattle and calves	7,757	38	57	1,407	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	41	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	38	55	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	306	35	56	542	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	16	40	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	20	57	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	820	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	85
Male	458		
Female	362	Farm organically	2
Age		Sell directly to consumers	16
<35	63	Hire farm labor	27
35 – 64	452	Are family farms	92
65 and older	305		
Race			
American Indian/Alaska Native	4		
Asian	29		
Black or African American	15		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	762		
More than one race	10		
Other characteristics			
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	91		
With military service	72		
New and beginning farmers	217		
			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
			Forage (hay/haylage), all
			3,197
			Grapes
			2,917
			Pistachios
			(D)
			Walnuts, English
			(D)
			Vegetables harvested, all
			163
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens
			(D)
			Cattle and calves
			18,524
			Goats
			1,414
			Hogs and pigs
			(D)
			Horses and ponies
			1,158
			Layers
			1,366
			Pullets
			(D)
			Sheep and lambs
			737
			Turkeys
			(D)

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.