



Butte County California

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,912	-7
Land in farms (acres)	348,300	-9
Average size of farm (acres)	182	-2
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	524,155,000	-3
Government payments	6,677,000	-29
Farm-related income	45,875,000	+62
Total farm production expenses	424,468,000	+16
Net cash farm income	152,239,000	-29
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	274,139	+4
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	57,069	+71
Farm-related income	64,795	+65
Total farm production expenses	222,002	+25
Net cash farm income	79,623	-23

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	97
Livestock, poultry, and products	3

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	62
Pastureland	29
Woodland	4
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 192,534

55% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	10
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	486	25
\$2,500 to \$4,999	138	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	164	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	230	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	190	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	158	8
\$100,000 or more	546	29

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	622	33
10 to 49 acres	625	33
50 to 179 acres	304	16
180 to 499 acres	230	12
500 to 999 acres	76	4
1,000 + acres	55	3

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	524,155	22	58	92	3,077
Crops	507,638	22	58	30	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	104,585	4	48	355	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	33	56	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	391,491	15	57	17	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	32	54	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	19	19	33	488	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,590	34	55	1,440	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	16,517	37	58	1,793	3,073
Poultry and eggs	422	28	56	805	3,007
Cattle and calves	13,336	30	57	1,060	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	29	41	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	283	8	55	696	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	348	33	56	495	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	248	26	55	833	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	25	40	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	804	16	57	210	2,878

Total Producers ^c	3,302	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Rice 74,115
Male	2,050	80	Walnuts, English 52,655
Female	1,252		Almonds 42,835
Age		Farm organically	Plums and prunes 7,716
<35	162	5	Forage (hay/haylage), all 3,445
35 – 64	1,797		
65 and older	1,343		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	39	11	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 2,161
Asian	174		Cattle and calves 14,246
Black or African American	8	Hire farm labor	Goats 1,516
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	7	37	Hogs and pigs 1,538
White	3,020		Horses and ponies 1,626
More than one race	54		Layers 5,543
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 640
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	291	95	Sheep and lambs 2,868
With military service	364		Turkeys 157
New and beginning farmers	771		

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.