



# Sierra County California

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	38	-21
Land in farms (acres)	57,041	+46
Average size of farm (acres)	1,501	+84
<b>Total (\$)</b>		
Market value of products sold	4,028,000	(D)
Government payments	84,000	(D)
Farm-related income	446,000	(D)
Total farm production expenses	3,980,000	-5
Net cash farm income	578,000	-70
<b>Per farm average (\$)</b>		
Market value of products sold	106,005	(D)
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	10,502	(D)
Farm-related income	23,468	(D)
Total farm production expenses	104,737	+20
Net cash farm income	15,214	-62

## (Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	17
Livestock, poultry, and products	83

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

Cropland	6
Pastureland	85
Woodland	8
Other	1

### Acres irrigated: 10,197

18% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	-
Intensive till	13
Cover crop	-

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	12	32
\$2,500 to \$4,999	-	-
\$5,000 to \$9,999	4	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	6	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	5	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3	8
\$100,000 or more	8	21

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	2	5
10 to 49 acres	7	18
50 to 179 acres	3	8
180 to 499 acres	12	32
500 to 999 acres	4	11
1,000 + acres	10	26

**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>4,028</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>2,887</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>2,884</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	-	-	48	-	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	54	56	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	57	57	1,904	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	54	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	42	55	(D)	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>3,336</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	-	-	56	-	3,007
Cattle and calves	3,274	45	57	1,937	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	41	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	-	-	55	-	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	48	56	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	43	55	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	40	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	-	-	57	-	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>72</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all 2,314
Male	35	<b>84</b>	Cultivated Christmas trees (D)
Female	37		Apples (D)
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	Vegetables harvested, all (D)
<35	5	<b>8</b>	Tomatoes in the open (D)
35 – 64	37		
65 and older	30		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	2	<b>5</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens -
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 4,813
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats (D)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	<b>26</b>	Hogs and pigs -
White	67		Horses and ponies (D)
More than one race	3	Are family farms	Layers 26
<b>Other characteristics</b>		<b>92</b>	Pullets -
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	5		Sheep and lambs 500
With military service	1		Turkeys -
New and beginning farmers	18		

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.