



Columbia County Florida

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	979	+4
Land in farms (acres)	107,074	+6
Average size of farm (acres)	109	+2
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	40,178,000	-63
Government payments	1,189,000	+68
Farm-related income	2,544,000	-26
Total farm production expenses	44,235,000	-59
Net cash farm income	-324,000	-106
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	41,040	-64
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	11,326	+56
Farm-related income	12,912	-31
Total farm production expenses	45,184	-60
Net cash farm income	-331	-105

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	41
Livestock, poultry, and products	59

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	31
Pastureland	36
Woodland	24
Other	8

Acres irrigated: 4,158

4% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	571	58
\$2,500 to \$4,999	116	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	98	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	87	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	29	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	27	3
\$100,000 or more	51	5

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	112	11
10 to 49 acres	538	55
50 to 179 acres	183	19
180 to 499 acres	105	11
500 to 999 acres	24	2
1,000 + acres	17	2

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	40,178	37	67	1,945	3,077
Crops	16,572	42	67	1,770	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,347	10	57	2,042	2,916
Tobacco	(D)	4	5	(D)	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	12	13	518	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,938	36	65	574	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	457	44	65	690	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	6,206	36	65	339	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	11	36	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	6,441	16	65	390	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	23,606	22	67	1,514	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	10	64	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	18	65	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	35	38	1,144	1,892
Hogs and pigs	48	21	61	1,113	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	152	12	63	978	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	150	39	66	1,178	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	55	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	322	29	67	399	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,615

Sex

Male	901
Female	714

Age

<35	82
35 – 64	839
65 and older	694

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	10
Asian	6
Black or African American	107
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2
White	1,469
More than one race	21

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	43
With military service	247
New and beginning farmers	441

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **75**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **6**

Hire farm labor **14**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	14,493
Peanuts for nuts	4,485
Corn for grain	1,715
Vegetables harvested, all	1,566
Beans, snap	1,022

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,390
Cattle and calves	26,010
Goats	2,291
Hogs and pigs	245
Horses and ponies	1,165
Layers	(D)
Pullets	649
Sheep and lambs	707
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.