



Gem County Idaho

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	860	+4
Land in farms (acres)	183,177	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	213	-1
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	39,182,000	-7
Government payments	834,000	+61
Farm-related income	1,241,000	-17
Total farm production expenses	47,327,000	+16
Net cash farm income	-6,070,000	-267
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	45,560	-11
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,867	+183
Farm-related income	6,897	-7
Total farm production expenses	55,032	+12
Net cash farm income	-7,059	-261

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	40
Livestock, poultry, and products	60

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	15
Pastureland	77
Woodland	3
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 29,919

16% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	10
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	398	46
\$2,500 to \$4,999	116	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	109	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	85	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	55	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	36	4
\$100,000 or more	61	7

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	397	46
10 to 49 acres	269	31
50 to 179 acres	98	11
180 to 499 acres	50	6
500 to 999 acres	17	2
1,000 + acres	29	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	39,182	26	44	1,969	3,077
Crops	15,510	36	44	1,814	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	5,070	33	42	1,639	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	526	25	41	949	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	3	37	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	6	43	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	14	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	6,017	34	44	418	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	23,672	21	44	1,512	3,073
Poultry and eggs	46	16	43	1,275	3,007
Cattle and calves	10,824	27	44	1,195	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	15	35	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	8	40	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,877	8	43	89	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	302	15	44	719	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	25	31	42	1,260	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,471

Sex

Male	838
Female	633

Age

<35	106
35 – 64	837
65 and older	528

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	13
Asian	3
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,442
More than one race	13

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	28
With military service	225
New and beginning farmers	476

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **85**

Farm organically **1**

Sell directly to consumers **9**

Hire farm labor **24**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	12,482
Corn for grain	3,931
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,802
Wheat for grain, all	1,665
Sugarbeets for sugar	598

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,328
Cattle and calves	23,111
Goats	1,031
Hogs and pigs	92
Horses and ponies	1,648
Layers	3,134
Pullets	616
Sheep and lambs	5,771
Turkeys	250

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.