



Black Hawk County Iowa

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	968	+5
Land in farms (acres)	292,163	-2
Average size of farm (acres)	302	-6
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	261,235,000	-9
Government payments	6,532,000	-14
Farm-related income	15,852,000	-45
Total farm production expenses	223,882,000	-7
Net cash farm income	59,737,000	-28
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	269,871	-13
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,225	-9
Farm-related income	27,713	-39
Total farm production expenses	231,283	-11
Net cash farm income	61,712	-31

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	62
Livestock, poultry, and products	38

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	94
Pastureland	2
Woodland	1
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 357

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	24
Reduced till	36
Intensive till	17
Cover crop	12

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	305	32
\$2,500 to \$4,999	24	2
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	71	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	72	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	74	8
\$100,000 or more	351	36

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	154	16
10 to 49 acres	255	26
50 to 179 acres	222	23
180 to 499 acres	177	18
500 to 999 acres	74	8
1,000 + acres	86	9

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	261,235	49	99	341	3,077
Crops	161,719	40	99	249	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	158,593	40	99	148	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	424	15	94	1,018	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	8	95	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,694	19	89	690	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	6	53	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	631	65	99	2,213	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	99,516	53	99	517	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	16,880	71	99	911	3,055
Milk from cows	3,086	32	77	733	1,892
Hogs and pigs	79,085	34	99	77	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	152	65	99	980	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	271	15	99	779	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	27	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	46	96	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,599

Sex

Male	1,041
Female	558

Age

<35	166
35 – 64	902
65 and older	531

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	1
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,597
More than one race	1

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	6
With military service	130
New and beginning farmers	322

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **84**

Farm organically (Z)

Sell directly to consumers **5**

Hire farm labor **29**

Are family farms **95**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Corn for grain	153,230
Soybeans for beans	103,553
Forage (hay/haylage), all	4,072
Corn for silage or greenchop	786
Oats for grain	246

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	353
Cattle and calves	16,770
Goats	295
Hogs and pigs	249,700
Horses and ponies	673
Layers	1,092
Pullets	143
Sheep and lambs	986
Turkeys	51

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.