



Cerro Gordo County Iowa

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	760	-3
Land in farms (acres)	319,791	-2
Average size of farm (acres)	421	(Z)
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	226,637,000	-7
Government payments	7,612,000	-9
Farm-related income	13,590,000	-56
Total farm production expenses	198,630,000	+3
Net cash farm income	49,209,000	-46
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	298,207	-5
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	12,519	-4
Farm-related income	28,255	-50
Total farm production expenses	261,356	+6
Net cash farm income	64,749	-45

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	75
Livestock, poultry, and products	25

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	95
Pastureland	2
Woodland	1
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 513

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	17
Reduced till	33
Intensive till	34
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	222	29
\$2,500 to \$4,999	26	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	35	5
\$10,000 to \$24,999	53	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	35	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59	8
\$100,000 or more	330	43

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	74	10
10 to 49 acres	181	24
50 to 179 acres	154	20
180 to 499 acres	139	18
500 to 999 acres	116	15
1,000 + acres	96	13

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	226,637	57	99	419	3,077
Crops	168,979	34	99	227	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	163,699	35	99	132	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	88	47	94	1,590	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	7	89	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	53	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	57,659	75	99	857	3,073
Poultry and eggs	23	77	99	1,525	3,007
Cattle and calves	13,916	81	99	1,031	3,055
Milk from cows	1,019	43	77	932	1,892
Hogs and pigs	42,433	50	99	137	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	27	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	55	96	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,229	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	89
Male	819		
Female	410		
Age		Farm organically	(Z)
<35	102		
35 – 64	728		
65 and older	399		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	4
American Indian/Alaska Native	1		
Asian	1		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	36
White	1,224		
More than one race	3		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	93
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	19		
With military service	109		
New and beginning farmers	267		
			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens
			229
			Cattle and calves
			9,589
			Goats
			-
			Hogs and pigs
			124,086
			Horses and ponies
			248
			Layers
			718
			Pullets
			(D)
			Sheep and lambs
			934
			Turkeys
			43

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.