



Cherokee County Iowa

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	863	+7
Land in farms (acres)	338,678	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	392	-6
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	387,127,000	-5
Government payments	5,329,000	-14
Farm-related income	13,840,000	-8
Total farm production expenses	305,010,000	+9
Net cash farm income	101,287,000	-32
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	448,583	-11
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	12,966	+39
Farm-related income	23,222	-13
Total farm production expenses	353,430	+1
Net cash farm income	117,366	-36

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	42
Livestock, poultry, and products	58

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	88
Pastureland	6
Woodland	2
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 37

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	30
Reduced till	47
Intensive till	22
Cover crop	8

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	120	14
\$2,500 to \$4,999	22	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	26	3
\$10,000 to \$24,999	54	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999	54	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	106	12
\$100,000 or more	481	56

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	69	8
10 to 49 acres	118	14
50 to 179 acres	181	21
180 to 499 acres	279	32
500 to 999 acres	139	16
1,000 + acres	77	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	387,127	20	99	151	3,077
Crops	162,071	38	99	247	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	160,782	37	99	137	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	38	94	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	82	95	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	36	89	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	24	53	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	777	61	99	2,096	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	225,056	18	99	173	3,073
Poultry and eggs	46,170	11	99	271	3,007
Cattle and calves	89,550	11	99	142	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	(D)	77	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	87,525	30	99	71	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	82	77	99	1,418	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	69	99	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	27	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	2	96	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,346

Sex

Male	1,001
Female	345

Age

<35	150
35 – 64	772
65 and older	424

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	3
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,342
More than one race	1

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1
With military service	127
New and beginning farmers	277

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **83**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **1**

Hire farm labor **34**

Are family farms **93**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Corn for grain	145,640
Soybeans for beans	131,206
Forage (hay/haylage), all	6,874
Corn for silage or greenchop	2,254
Oats for grain	588

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	65,579
Goats	329
Hogs and pigs	259,035
Horses and ponies	471
Layers	329
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	620
Turkeys	491,336

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.