



Ness County Kansas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	523	-6
Land in farms (acres)	668,404	-1
Average size of farm (acres)	1,278	+5
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	60,781,000	-4
Government payments	8,605,000	+16
Farm-related income	6,432,000	-9
Total farm production expenses	54,464,000	(Z)
Net cash farm income	21,354,000	-9
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	116,217	+2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	17,965	+22
Farm-related income	17,965	-4
Total farm production expenses	104,138	+6
Net cash farm income	40,830	-3

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	61
Livestock, poultry, and products	39

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	61
Pastureland	38
Woodland	(Z)
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 3,683

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	28
Reduced till	24
Intensive till	20
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	199	38
\$2,500 to \$4,999	8	2
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12	2
\$10,000 to \$24,999	45	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	70	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	65	12
\$100,000 or more	124	24

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	11	2
10 to 49 acres	32	6
50 to 179 acres	122	23
180 to 499 acres	109	21
500 to 999 acres	72	14
1,000 + acres	177	34

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	60,781	87	105	1,593	3,077
Crops	37,301	83	105	1,290	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	36,826	80	105	905	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	23	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	82	-	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	57	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	65	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	21	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	475	99	105	2,347	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	23,480	80	105	1,522	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	85	104	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	23,457	74	105	688	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	64	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	102	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	10	68	99	2,306	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	14	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	-	-	87	-	2,878

Total Producers ^c	865	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	73
Male	598		
Female	267	Farm organically	-
Age		Sell directly to consumers	(Z)
<35	72	Hire farm labor	26
35 – 64	451	Are family farms	95
65 and older	342		
Race			
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		
Asian	1		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	864		
More than one race	-		
Other characteristics			
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	11		
With military service	68		
New and beginning farmers	187		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
		Cattle and calves	38,415
		Goats	(D)
		Hogs and pigs	(D)
		Horses and ponies	178
		Layers	(D)
		Pullets	-
		Sheep and lambs	48
		Turkeys	-

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.