



Whitley County Kentucky

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	548	+10
Land in farms (acres)	58,983	+1
Average size of farm (acres)	108	-9
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	6,059,000	+13
Government payments	206,000	+139
Farm-related income	522,000	-11
Total farm production expenses	6,838,000	-16
Net cash farm income	-51,000	+98
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	11,057	+2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	2,751	+136
Farm-related income	7,453	+30
Total farm production expenses	12,478	-24
Net cash farm income	-93	+98

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	34
Livestock, poultry, and products	66

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	34
Pastureland	28
Woodland	31
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 19

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	5
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	273	50
\$2,500 to \$4,999	78	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	88	16
\$10,000 to \$24,999	70	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	27	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5	1
\$100,000 or more	7	1

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	63	11
10 to 49 acres	184	34
50 to 179 acres	204	37
180 to 499 acres	83	15
500 to 999 acres	11	2
1,000 + acres	3	1

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	6,059	89	120	2,812	3,077
Crops	2,073	94	120	2,667	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	560	91	116	2,237	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	94	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	161	49	118	1,361	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	66	31	114	1,446	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	71	66	103	1,468	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,214	64	120	1,696	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	3,986	79	120	2,536	3,073
Poultry and eggs	30	80	120	1,426	3,007
Cattle and calves	3,508	68	120	1,900	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	66	77	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	127	26	118	1,108	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	239	41	115	849	2,970
Aquaculture	18	14	26	266	1,251
Other animals and animal products	19	49	111	1,331	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	844
Male	577
Female	267
Age	
<35	78
35 – 64	485
65 and older	281
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	8
Asian	4
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	827
More than one race	5
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-
With military service	107
New and beginning farmers	279

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	65
Farm organically	(Z)
Sell directly to consumers	5
Hire farm labor	20
Are family farms	96

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	13,461
Corn for grain	915
Vegetables harvested, all	105
Corn for silage or greenchop	71
Soybeans for beans	30

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	432
Cattle and calves	8,790
Goats	656
Hogs and pigs	76
Horses and ponies	527
Layers	1,986
Pullets	94
Sheep and lambs	954
Turkeys	14

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.