



Natchitoches Parish Louisiana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	627	(Z)
Land in farms (acres)	213,465	+6
Average size of farm (acres)	340	+7
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	98,543,000	-24
Government payments	2,910,000	-5
Farm-related income	3,753,000	+60
Total farm production expenses	68,718,000	-21
Net cash farm income	36,488,000	-22
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	157,166	-23
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	12,279	-17
Farm-related income	25,189	+130
Total farm production expenses	109,599	-21
Net cash farm income	58,194	-22

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	30
Livestock, poultry, and products	70

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	38
Pastureland	39
Woodland	17
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 14,117

7% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	4
Cover crop	(Z)

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	259	41
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	70	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	51	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	52	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	40	6
\$100,000 or more	75	12

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	37	6
10 to 49 acres	184	29
50 to 179 acres	207	33
180 to 499 acres	98	16
500 to 999 acres	54	9
1,000 + acres	47	7

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	98,543	13	64	1,159	3,077
Crops	29,897	24	64	1,417	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	18,458	19	52	1,182	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	2,997	12	22	336	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	29	48	61	1,887	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	6,494	1	63	182	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	49	50	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	12	20	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,912	21	63	1,262	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	68,646	5	64	734	3,073
Poultry and eggs	54,688	5	62	237	3,007
Cattle and calves	13,137	3	64	1,068	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	11	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	-	-	52	-	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	7	39	54	2,425	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	328	11	58	658	2,970
Aquaculture	475	20	40	164	1,251
Other animals and animal products	12	31	56	1,449	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Percent of farms that:

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Sex	
Male	655
Female	311
Age	
<35	64
35 – 64	546
65 and older	356
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	6
Asian	-
Black or African American	120
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	819
More than one race	21
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	25
With military service	116
New and beginning farmers	267

Have internet access	67
Farm organically	-
Sell directly to consumers	2
Hire farm labor	20
Are family farms	98

Forage (hay/haylage), all	21,927
Soybeans for beans	20,827
Corn for grain	13,584
Cotton, all	5,436
Pecans, all	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,693,204
Cattle and calves	39,472
Goats	368
Hogs and pigs	6
Horses and ponies	773
Layers	(D)
Pullets	162
Sheep and lambs	-
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.