



Cass County Michigan

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	747	-6
Land in farms (acres)	198,515	+5
Average size of farm (acres)	266	+12
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	153,388,000	-18
Government payments	4,103,000	+54
Farm-related income	7,845,000	+27
Total farm production expenses	136,525,000	-2
Net cash farm income	28,810,000	-49
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	205,338	-12
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	12,902	+85
Farm-related income	24,747	+34
Total farm production expenses	182,765	+4
Net cash farm income	38,567	-45

2 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	65
Livestock, poultry, and products	35

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	82
Pastureland	2
Woodland	10
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 71,245

36% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	26
Reduced till	21
Intensive till	16
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	281	38
\$2,500 to \$4,999	87	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	49	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	84	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	55	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	48	6
\$100,000 or more	143	19

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	80	11
10 to 49 acres	302	40
50 to 179 acres	181	24
180 to 499 acres	97	13
500 to 999 acres	48	6
1,000 + acres	39	5

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	153,388	21	83	744	3,077
Crops	99,836	18	83	554	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	72,904	13	81	559	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	18,481	10	82	139	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	4,374	14	81	220	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	30	80	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	55	82	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	53,552	20	82	905	3,073
Poultry and eggs	1,489	12	82	716	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,786	50	82	2,212	3,055
Milk from cows	2,506	56	72	767	1,892
Hogs and pigs	46,884	3	82	126	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	16	81	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	26	30	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	460	16	81	309	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,240	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	80
Male	789		Corn for grain 76,640
Female	451		Soybeans for beans 59,407
Age		Farm organically	1
<35	142		Vegetables harvested, all 7,957
35 – 64	738		Forage (hay/haylage), all 6,695
65 and older	360		Beans, snap 3,203
Race		Sell directly to consumers	9
American Indian/Alaska Native	9		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
Asian	2		Broilers and other meat-type chickens 19,502
Black or African American	33		Cattle and calves 5,229
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	23
White	1,177		Goats 414
More than one race	19		Hogs and pigs 142,046
Other characteristics		Are family farms	98
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	18		Horses and ponies 732
With military service	129		Layers 6,219
New and beginning farmers	344		Pullets 3,935
			Sheep and lambs 1,522
			Turkeys 419

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.