



Houghton County Michigan

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	208	+18
Land in farms (acres)	26,016	-4
Average size of farm (acres)	125	-19
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	6,307,000	+57
Government payments	52,000	-49
Farm-related income	219,000	+31
Total farm production expenses	5,477,000	+75
Net cash farm income	1,100,000	-4
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	30,324	+34
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	1,912	-39
Farm-related income	6,247	+69
Total farm production expenses	26,333	+49
Net cash farm income	5,290	-18

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	36
Livestock, poultry, and products	64

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	51
Pastureland	9
Woodland	28
Other	12

Acres irrigated: 30

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	2
Reduced till	9
Intensive till	32
Cover crop	18

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	98	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	32	15
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16	8
\$10,000 to \$24,999	27	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13	6
\$100,000 or more	9	4

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	20	10
10 to 49 acres	56	27
50 to 179 acres	86	41
180 to 499 acres	41	20
500 to 999 acres	4	2
1,000 + acres	1	(Z)

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	6,307	68	83	2,798	3,077
Crops	2,292	72	83	2,644	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	330	70	81	2,331	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	320	60	82	1,106	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	32	81	823	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	355	57	80	1,144	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	76	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	955	63	82	1,918	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	4,015	60	82	2,531	3,073
Poultry and eggs	91	33	82	1,078	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,158	59	82	2,355	3,055
Milk from cows	2,667	55	72	750	1,892
Hogs and pigs	21	60	82	1,359	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	70	41	81	1,514	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	68	78	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	30	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	71	81	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	346	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d	
Sex		Have internet access	70	
Male	211			
Female	135	Farm organically	2	
Age		Sell directly to consumers	23	
<35	39	Hire farm labor	18	
35 – 64	212	Are family farms	93	
65 and older	95			
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		Forage (hay/haylage), all	7,542
Asian	-		Oats for grain	856
Black or African American	-		Corn for grain	560
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	3		Wheat for grain, all	(D)
White	339		Barley for grain	250
More than one race	4			
Other characteristics			Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	4		Cattle and calves	1,868
With military service	27		Goats	157
New and beginning farmers	109		Hogs and pigs	71
			Horses and ponies	224
			Layers	1,119
			Pullets	120
			Sheep and lambs	677
			Turkeys	39

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.