



# Ionia County Michigan

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	954	-14
Land in farms (acres)	233,990	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	245	+9
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	382,945,000	-6
Government payments	5,053,000	+8
Farm-related income	6,851,000	-12
Total farm production expenses	344,896,000	+13
Net cash farm income	49,953,000	-56
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	401,410	+10
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	11,643	+44
Farm-related income	15,362	-1
Total farm production expenses	361,526	+31
Net cash farm income	52,362	-49

**5** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	22
Livestock, poultry, and products	78

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	86
Pastureland	3
Woodland	8
Other	4

**Acres irrigated: 5,113**

2% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	27
Reduced till	23
Intensive till	20
Cover crop	14

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	323	34
\$2,500 to \$4,999	78	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	87	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	107	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	89	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	68	7
\$100,000 or more	202	21

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	99	10
10 to 49 acres	324	34
50 to 179 acres	276	29
180 to 499 acres	132	14
500 to 999 acres	70	7
1,000 + acres	53	6

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>382,945</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>83,897</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	73,892	12	81	550	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,506	33	82	496	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,042	23	81	466	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,685	36	80	692	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	22	46	76	473	1,384
Other crops and hay	4,749	9	82	521	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>299,048</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs (D)	(D)	1	82	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves (D)	(D)	3	82	(D)	3,055
Milk from cows	70,256	8	72	122	1,892
Hogs and pigs (D)	(D)	4	82	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	206	21	81	767	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	202	26	78	953	2,970
Aquaculture (D)	(D)	23	30	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	59	50	81	937	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>1,591</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Soybeans for beans 72,065
Male	1,036	<b>79</b>	Corn for grain 66,036
Female	555		Forage (hay/haylage), all 20,190
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	Corn for silage or greenchop 16,011
<35	139	<b>2</b>	Wheat for grain, all 10,906
35 – 64	1,006		
65 and older	446		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	6	<b>9</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 405
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 46,751
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats 563
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	<b>24</b>	Hogs and pigs 89,222
White	1,584		Horses and ponies 1,052
More than one race	1		Layers (D)
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	Pullets (D)
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	16	<b>96</b>	Sheep and lambs 1,410
With military service	134		Turkeys 57
New and beginning farmers	338		

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.