



Kent County Michigan

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,010	-13
Land in farms (acres)	157,466	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	156	+15
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	262,815,000	+13
Government payments	2,199,000	-9
Farm-related income	9,249,000	-27
Total farm production expenses	230,518,000	+10
Net cash farm income	43,745,000	+15
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	260,213	+30
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	11,632	+27
Farm-related income	23,961	-18
Total farm production expenses	228,236	+26
Net cash farm income	43,311	+32

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	77
Livestock, poultry, and products	23

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	79
Pastureland	5
Woodland	9
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 15,273

10% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	18
Reduced till	17
Intensive till	18
Cover crop	19

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	357	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	98	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	133	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	91	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	69	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	60	6
\$100,000 or more	202	20

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	173	17
10 to 49 acres	373	37
50 to 179 acres	281	28
180 to 499 acres	109	11
500 to 999 acres	39	4
1,000 + acres	35	3

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	262,815	7	83	335	3,077
Crops	202,387	3	83	125	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	38,830	28	81	877	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	11,464	15	82	200	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	57,928	3	81	60	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	91,087	3	80	30	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	419	15	76	100	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,659	29	82	949	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	60,428	17	82	825	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	9	82	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	11,317	15	82	1,162	3,055
Milk from cows	37,933	13	72	207	1,892
Hogs and pigs	6,383	18	82	439	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	608	8	78	347	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	21	30	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,759	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Corn for grain 39,658
Male	1,146	85	Soybeans for beans 28,905
Female	613		Forage (hay/haylage), all 17,325
Age		Farm organically	Apples 9,692
<35	203	1	Corn for silage or greenchop 7,168
35 – 64	1,086		
65 and older	470		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	18	19	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 479
Asian	2		Cattle and calves 23,737
Black or African American	2	Hire farm labor	Goats 397
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	32	Hogs and pigs (D)
White	1,725		Horses and ponies 1,665
More than one race	12	Are family farms	Layers 4,485
Other characteristics		95	Pullets 568
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	29		Sheep and lambs 1,224
With military service	124		Turkeys 67,772
New and beginning farmers	572		

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.