



Houston County Minnesota

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	891	-3
Land in farms (acres)	217,048	-5
Average size of farm (acres)	244	-2
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	116,174,000	-21
Government payments	3,372,000	-31
Farm-related income	5,816,000	+15
Total farm production expenses	100,405,000	-5
Net cash farm income	24,958,000	-51
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	130,386	-18
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	5,527	-17
Farm-related income	11,541	+25
Total farm production expenses	112,688	-2
Net cash farm income	28,011	-49

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	39
Livestock, poultry, and products	61

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	58
Pastureland	10
Woodland	27
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 186

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	23
Reduced till	28
Intensive till	16
Cover crop	9

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	289	32
\$2,500 to \$4,999	56	6
\$5,000 to \$9,999	64	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	78	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	71	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	127	14
\$100,000 or more	206	23

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	51	6
10 to 49 acres	140	16
50 to 179 acres	287	32
180 to 499 acres	300	34
500 to 999 acres	93	10
1,000 + acres	20	2

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	116,174	57	87	1,005	3,077
Crops	44,905	65	87	1,161	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	37,643	63	85	892	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	45	86	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	7	84	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,301	25	82	775	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	47	54	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,590	29	87	719	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	71,269	42	87	716	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	56	87	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	26,310	26	87	601	3,055
Milk from cows	39,254	14	80	203	1,892
Hogs and pigs	4,489	44	85	482	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	189	20	84	1,006	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	28	28	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	282	25	85	441	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,437	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Corn for grain 43,258
Male	1,012	78	Forage (hay/haylage), all 28,938
Female	425		Soybeans for beans 24,820
Age		Farm organically	Corn for silage or greenchop 6,144
<35	80	2	Oats for grain 1,615
35 – 64	870		
65 and older	487		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	6	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 313
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 43,648
Black or African American	2	Hire farm labor	Goats 459
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	22	Hogs and pigs 12,703
White	1,433		Horses and ponies 488
More than one race	1		Layers 1,155
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 91
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	4	96	Sheep and lambs 595
With military service	155		Turkeys (D)
New and beginning farmers	335		

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.