



Beaverhead County Montana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	494	+15
Land in farms (acres)	1,233,811	-11
Average size of farm (acres)	2,498	-22
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	118,202,000	-17
Government payments	577,000	+57
Farm-related income	4,839,000	+17
Total farm production expenses	95,350,000	-14
Net cash farm income	28,268,000	-23
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	239,276	-28
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	13,740	+143
Farm-related income	22,718	-5
Total farm production expenses	193,017	-25
Net cash farm income	57,223	-33

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	31
Livestock, poultry, and products	69

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	13
Pastureland	86
Woodland	1
Other	(Z)

Acres irrigated: 263,772

21% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	2
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	8
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	166	34
\$2,500 to \$4,999	34	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	51	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	27	5
\$25,000 to \$49,999	42	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	49	10
\$100,000 or more	125	25

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	72	15
10 to 49 acres	130	26
50 to 179 acres	81	16
180 to 499 acres	49	10
500 to 999 acres	14	3
1,000 + acres	148	30

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	118,202	5	56	988	3,077
Crops	37,220	16	56	1,292	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	8,121	26	54	1,455	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	3	42	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	23	27	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	16	35	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	9	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	23,726	2	56	100	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	80,983	3	56	643	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	78,488	3	56	172	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	25	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	10	34	54	1,578	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,717	6	55	99	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	24	56	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	13	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	21	52	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	887	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	531	86	120,822
Female	356		Barley for grain
Age		Farm organically	8,392
<35	78	(Z)	Wheat for grain, all
35 – 64	468		8,162
65 and older	341	Sell directly to consumers	Vegetables harvested, all
Race		3	(D)
American Indian/Alaska Native	2		Potatoes
Asian	2	Hire farm labor	(D)
Black or African American	-	37	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Broilers and other meat-type chickens
White	879	Are family farms	56
More than one race	4	92	Cattle and calves
Other characteristics			126,752
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	11		Goats
With military service	94		159
New and beginning farmers	211		Hogs and pigs
			(D)
			Horses and ponies
			1,935
			Layers
			773
			Pullets
			36
			Sheep and lambs
			13,290
			Turkeys
			12

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.