



Silver Bow County Montana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	142	+1
Land in farms (acres)	60,306	-14
Average size of farm (acres)	425	-15
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	2,729,000	-35
Government payments	-	-100
Farm-related income	141,000	-59
Total farm production expenses	3,022,000	-16
Net cash farm income	-151,000	-116
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	19,219	-36
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	-	-100
Farm-related income	3,710	-68
Total farm production expenses	21,278	-17
Net cash farm income	-1,066	-116

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	21
Livestock, poultry, and products	79

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	6
Pastureland	74
Woodland	19
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 2,412

4% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	1
Reduced till	-
Intensive till	-
Cover crop	-

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	80	56
\$2,500 to \$4,999	17	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	8	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	16	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	7	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	5
\$100,000 or more	7	5

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	15	11
10 to 49 acres	50	35
50 to 179 acres	30	21
180 to 499 acres	19	13
500 to 999 acres	12	8
1,000 + acres	16	11

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	2,729	55	56	2,936	3,077
Crops	566	55	56	2,900	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	-	-	54	-	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	42	-	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	27	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	12	35	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	9	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	55	56	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	2,163	54	56	2,707	3,073
Poultry and eggs	-	-	53	-	3,007
Cattle and calves	2,038	54	56	2,153	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	25	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	36	48	55	1,933	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	71	42	56	1,628	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	13	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	43	52	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	253
Male	150
Female	103

Age	
<35	20
35 – 64	154
65 and older	79

Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	253
More than one race	-

Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-
With military service	4
New and beginning farmers	62

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **79**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **-**

Hire farm labor **4**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all 2,480

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
Cattle and calves	3,679
Goats	12
Hogs and pigs	12
Horses and ponies	460
Layers	229
Pullets	-
Sheep and lambs	272
Turkeys	-

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.