



Wheeler County Nebraska

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	215	+9
Land in farms (acres)	357,279	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	1,662	-8
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	283,148,000	+9
Government payments	2,418,000	+72
Farm-related income	6,150,000	+151
Total farm production expenses	258,671,000	+4
Net cash farm income	33,046,000	+127
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	1,316,966	(Z)
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	20,493	+51
Farm-related income	44,893	+97
Total farm production expenses	1,203,119	-4
Net cash farm income	153,701	+109

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	7
Livestock, poultry, and products	93

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	25
Pastureland	73
Woodland	(Z)
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 36,900

10% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	20
Reduced till	16
Intensive till	13
Cover crop	18

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	30	14
\$2,500 to \$4,999	13	6
\$5,000 to \$9,999	12	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	19	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	24	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	8
\$100,000 or more	100	47

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	9	4
10 to 49 acres	14	7
50 to 179 acres	32	15
180 to 499 acres	43	20
500 to 999 acres	47	22
1,000 + acres	70	33

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	283,148	26	93	282	3,077
Crops	20,934	80	93	1,623	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	19,828	79	92	1,150	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	65	-	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	59	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	64	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,107	58	93	1,779	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	262,213	12	93	133	3,073
Poultry and eggs	2	67	91	2,057	3,007
Cattle and calves	217,750	13	93	55	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	48	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	10	86	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	39	57	91	1,883	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	3	93	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	75	21	77	848	2,878

Total Producers ^c	380	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	88
Male	261		
Female	119	Farm organically	1
Age		Sell directly to consumers	-
<35	61	Hire farm labor	33
35 – 64	233	Are family farms	88
65 and older	86		
Race			
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		
Asian	-		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	380		
More than one race	-		
Other characteristics			
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-		
With military service	43		
New and beginning farmers	108		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
		Cattle and calves	131,572
		Goats	243
		Hogs and pigs	(D)
		Horses and ponies	1,141
		Layers	149
		Pullets	-
		Sheep and lambs	(D)
		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.