



Chaves County New Mexico

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	560	-6
Land in farms (acres)	2,318,143	-7
Average size of farm (acres)	4,140	-1
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	404,515,000	+4
Government payments	2,236,000	-52
Farm-related income	6,157,000	+44
Total farm production expenses	357,242,000	-1
Net cash farm income	55,666,000	+58
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	722,348	+11
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	23,538	-2
Farm-related income	40,774	+44
Total farm production expenses	637,933	+5
Net cash farm income	99,403	+68

16 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	11
Livestock, poultry, and products	89

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	3
Pastureland	97
Woodland	(Z)
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 42,794

2% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	7
Intensive till	13
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	194	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	45	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	39	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	35	6
\$25,000 to \$49,999	46	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	48	9
\$100,000 or more	153	27

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	126	23
10 to 49 acres	105	19
50 to 179 acres	75	13
180 to 499 acres	69	12
500 to 999 acres	41	7
1,000 + acres	144	26

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	404,515	2	33	141	3,077
Crops	42,991	5	32	1,193	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	10,084	4	30	1,392	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	8	10	(D)	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	21	30	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	15,351	3	29	130	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	26	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	8	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	15,090	3	31	162	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	361,524	2	33	76	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	47,685	3	32	296	3,055
Milk from cows	308,509	2	19	15	1,892
Hogs and pigs	5	17	28	1,703	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	4,005	1	33	37	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	421	8	33	505	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	3	12	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	72	14	29	866	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	955
Male	602
Female	353
Age	
<35	82
35 – 64	540
65 and older	333
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	6
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	943
More than one race	6
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	120
With military service	107
New and beginning farmers	233

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	83
Farm organically	-
Sell directly to consumers	4
Hire farm labor	33
Are family farms	94

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	26,162
Corn for silage or greenchop	13,802
Pecans, all	3,310
Cotton, all	3,216
Barley for grain	717

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	245
Cattle and calves	193,315
Goats	3,453
Hogs and pigs	39
Horses and ponies	1,344
Layers	1,459
Pullets	197
Sheep and lambs	24,436
Turkeys	73

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.