



Foster County North Dakota

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	230	-26
Land in farms (acres)	393,909	+5
Average size of farm (acres)	1,713	+42
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	118,733,000	-30
Government payments	5,532,000	+18
Farm-related income	18,268,000	+220
Total farm production expenses	106,056,000	-2
Net cash farm income	36,476,000	-49
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	516,229	-6
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	28,080	+45
Farm-related income	104,388	+286
Total farm production expenses	461,113	+32
Net cash farm income	158,593	-31

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	76
Livestock, poultry, and products	24

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	87
Pastureland	9
Woodland	(Z)
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 2,788

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	22
Reduced till	50
Intensive till	19
Cover crop	23

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	39	17
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1	(Z)
\$5,000 to \$9,999	14	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	6	3
\$25,000 to \$49,999	14	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	5
\$100,000 or more	145	63

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	5	2
10 to 49 acres	28	12
50 to 179 acres	32	14
180 to 499 acres	19	8
500 to 999 acres	17	7
1,000 + acres	129	56

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	118,733	31	53	984	3,077
Crops	90,780	28	53	626	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	89,411	28	53	440	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	38	26	40	1,831	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	8	28	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	19	28	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	7	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,278	43	53	1,651	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	27,953	22	53	1,385	3,073
Poultry and eggs	4	27	52	1,968	3,007
Cattle and calves	18,118	30	53	851	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	3	22	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	37	16	43	1,207	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	80	24	51	1,442	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	2	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	11	51	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	368	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Soybeans for beans 145,661
Male	261	89	Corn for grain 68,561
Female	107		Wheat for grain, all 41,696
Age		Farm organically	Forage (hay/haylage), all 15,365
<35	28	1	Barley for grain 11,354
35 – 64	249		
65 and older	91		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	3	Broilers and other meat-type chickens -
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 23,083
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats -
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	42	Hogs and pigs 72
White	368		Horses and ponies 116
More than one race	-	Are family farms	Layers 259
Other characteristics		98	Pullets 30
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	2		Sheep and lambs 391
With military service	22		Turkeys -
New and beginning farmers	76		

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.