



Nelson County North Dakota

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	489	-19
Land in farms (acres)	552,853	-1
Average size of farm (acres)	1,131	+22
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	120,888,000	-17
Government payments	9,416,000	+2
Farm-related income	9,235,000	+30
Total farm production expenses	98,369,000	+4
Net cash farm income	41,170,000	-39
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	247,214	+2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	20,603	+29
Farm-related income	26,690	+46
Total farm production expenses	201,163	+28
Net cash farm income	84,191	-24

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	93
Livestock, poultry, and products	7

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	86
Pastureland	6
Woodland	(Z)
Other	8

Acres irrigated: 2,884

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	12
Reduced till	28
Intensive till	19
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	236	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	15	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16	3
\$10,000 to \$24,999	18	4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	25	5
\$100,000 or more	158	32

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	3	1
10 to 49 acres	38	8
50 to 179 acres	137	28
180 to 499 acres	102	21
500 to 999 acres	59	12
1,000 + acres	150	31

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	120,888	30	53	968	3,077
Crops	112,527	24	53	475	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	105,428	24	53	350	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	9	40	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	28	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	4	28	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	7	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	28	53	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	8,360	48	53	2,208	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	7	52	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	4,629	48	53	1,730	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	7	22	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	-	-	43	-	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	45	51	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	45	53	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	2	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	36	51	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	732	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Soybeans for beans 151,761
Male	507	67	Wheat for grain, all 93,429
Female	225		Corn for grain 36,250
Age		Farm organically	Dry edible beans 23,566
<35	70	-	Forage (hay/haylage), all 20,835
35 – 64	389		
65 and older	273		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	(Z)	Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 9,912
Black or African American	1	Hire farm labor	Goats (D)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	23	Hogs and pigs -
White	731		Horses and ponies 79
More than one race	-		Layers 97
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets -
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	3	96	Sheep and lambs (D)
With military service	102		Turkeys -
New and beginning farmers	177		

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.