



# Centre County Pennsylvania

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,023	-14
Land in farms (acres)	149,858	-8
Average size of farm (acres)	146	+8
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	91,478,000	(Z)
Government payments	2,266,000	+14
Farm-related income	6,215,000	+8
Total farm production expenses	77,216,000	-7
Net cash farm income	22,743,000	+41
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	89,422	+16
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,211	+68
Farm-related income	16,227	+17
Total farm production expenses	75,480	+8
Net cash farm income	22,232	+64

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	35
Livestock, poultry, and products	65

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	59
Pastureland	8
Woodland	26
Other	7

**Acres irrigated: 378**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	32
Reduced till	13
Intensive till	12
Cover crop	22

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	331	32
\$2,500 to \$4,999	76	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	84	8
\$10,000 to \$24,999	128	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	119	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	73	7
\$100,000 or more	212	21

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	112	11
10 to 49 acres	311	30
50 to 179 acres	381	37
180 to 499 acres	171	17
500 to 999 acres	34	3
1,000 + acres	14	1

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>91,478</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>32,287</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	17,364	23	66	1,198	2,916
Tobacco	(D)	7	12	223	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,514	24	67	492	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,531	17	66	377	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,170	30	66	615	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	20	64	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	8,246	13	66	311	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>59,191</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	3,038	28	67	671	3,007
Cattle and calves	10,414	17	67	1,222	3,055
Milk from cows	40,806	14	63	195	1,892
Hogs and pigs	775	31	67	614	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	9	67	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	640	12	63	329	2,970
Aquaculture	2,660	1	55	96	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	19	67	(D)	2,878

**Total Producers <sup>c</sup>**

**1,806**

**Sex**

Male 1,183  
 Female 623

**Age**

<35 196  
 35 – 64 1,060  
 65 and older 550

**Race**

American Indian/Alaska Native 4  
 Asian 1  
 Black or African American -  
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -  
 White 1,799  
 More than one race 2

**Other characteristics**

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 13  
 With military service 140  
 New and beginning farmers 394

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access **69**

Farm organically **2**

Sell directly to consumers **11**

Hire farm labor **25**

Are family farms **95**

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>**

Forage (hay/haylage), all 31,229  
 Corn for grain 18,353  
 Soybeans for beans 11,871  
 Corn for silage or greenchop 6,344  
 Wheat for grain, all 2,863

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 124,509  
 Cattle and calves 28,075  
 Goats 699  
 Hogs and pigs 2,510  
 Horses and ponies 2,275  
 Layers 4,950  
 Pullets 16,269  
 Sheep and lambs 2,133  
 Turkeys (D)

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.