



Chester County South Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	517	+8
Land in farms (acres)	95,955	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	186	-7
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	31,060,000	-27
Government payments	671,000	+79
Farm-related income	1,675,000	+64
Total farm production expenses	26,848,000	-20
Net cash farm income	6,557,000	-37
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	60,078	-33
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	5,686	-26
Farm-related income	14,437	+98
Total farm production expenses	51,931	-26
Net cash farm income	12,684	-42

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	22
Livestock, poultry, and products	78

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	26
Pastureland	28
Woodland	42
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 238
(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	5
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	6

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	245	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	69	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	63	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	71	14
\$25,000 to \$49,999	22	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	3
\$100,000 or more	33	6

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	65	13
10 to 49 acres	145	28
50 to 179 acres	153	30
180 to 499 acres	117	23
500 to 999 acres	15	3
1,000 + acres	22	4

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	31,060	29	46	2,122	3,077
Crops	6,959	35	46	2,202	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	475	38	46	2,268	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	13	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	3,071	17	31	333	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,673	17	46	604	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	203	22	45	1,018	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	186	34	41	1,284	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,352	28	46	1,603	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	24,101	21	46	1,499	3,073
Poultry and eggs	14,805	24	45	478	3,007
Cattle and calves	4,269	6	46	1,777	3,055
Milk from cows	4,799	4	26	610	1,892
Hogs and pigs	11	30	44	1,543	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	44	23	46	1,829	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	163	17	46	1,121	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	10	24	45	1,509	2,878

Total Producers ^c	820	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d	
Sex		Have internet access	68	
Male	496			
Female	324	Farm organically	-	
Age		Sell directly to consumers	6	
<35	42	Hire farm labor	23	
35 – 64	466	Are family farms	97	
65 and older	312			
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
American Indian/Alaska Native	6		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	502
Asian	2		Cattle and calves	13,879
Black or African American	65		Goats	378
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	5		Hogs and pigs	118
White	738		Horses and ponies	961
More than one race	4		Layers	(D)
Other characteristics			Pullets	118
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-		Sheep and lambs	605
With military service	116		Turkeys	141,896
New and beginning farmers	211			

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.