



Union County South Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	241	-9
Land in farms (acres)	43,765	-7
Average size of farm (acres)	182	+1
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	10,329,000	-33
Government payments	426,000	+41
Farm-related income	566,000	-12
Total farm production expenses	8,078,000	-32
Net cash farm income	3,242,000	-25
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	42,858	-26
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	6,989	-12
Farm-related income	9,271	+7
Total farm production expenses	33,519	-26
Net cash farm income	13,454	-18

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	10
Livestock, poultry, and products	90

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	17
Pastureland	31
Woodland	46
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 40

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	2
Cover crop	7

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	111	46
\$2,500 to \$4,999	45	19
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	22	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	3
\$100,000 or more	7	3

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	16	7
10 to 49 acres	57	24
50 to 179 acres	97	40
180 to 499 acres	51	21
500 to 999 acres	14	6
1,000 + acres	6	2

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	10,329	40	46	2,652	3,077
Crops	1,072	45	46	2,811	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	42	46	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	13	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	31	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	17	44	46	1,963	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	460	15	45	688	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	41	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	31	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	437	39	46	2,385	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	9,257	30	46	2,152	3,073
Poultry and eggs	7,732	27	45	584	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,219	24	46	2,342	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	26	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	34	44	1,706	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	49	19	46	1,750	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	248	11	46	834	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	22	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	29	45	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	394	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all 3,747
Male	269		Cultivated Christmas trees (D)
Female	125	63	Soybeans for beans (D)
Age		Farm organically	Corn for grain (D)
<35	37		Apples (D)
35 – 64	267	-	
65 and older	90		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		Broilers and other meat-type chickens 100
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 5,036
Black or African American	11		Goats 245
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	Hogs and pigs 72
White	382		Horses and ponies 199
More than one race	1	9	Layers 1,068
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets (D)
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-		Sheep and lambs 10
With military service	57	97	Turkeys (D)
New and beginning farmers	138		

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.