



## Mellette County South Dakota

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	219	-4
Land in farms (acres)	752,566	+8
Average size of farm (acres)	3,436	+13
<b>Total</b> (\$)		
Market value of products sold	45,422,000	-2
Government payments	2,321,000	+121
Farm-related income	2,757,000	+10
Total farm production expenses	35,509,000	-5
Net cash farm income	14,991,000	+22
<b>Per farm average</b> (\$)		
Market value of products sold	207,408	+3
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	13,654	+94
Farm-related income	19,146	+5
Total farm production expenses	162,142	-1
Net cash farm income	68,454	+27

### (Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	18
Livestock, poultry, and products	82

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

Cropland	17
Pastureland	82
Woodland	(Z)
Other	1

#### Acres irrigated: 665

(Z)% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	11
Reduced till	6
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	4

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	26	12
\$2,500 to \$4,999	-	-
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3	1
\$10,000 to \$24,999	20	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	11	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	42	19
\$100,000 or more	117	53

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	-	-
10 to 49 acres	3	1
50 to 179 acres	28	13
180 to 499 acres	23	11
500 to 999 acres	23	11
1,000 + acres	142	65

**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>45,422</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>8,380</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>2,132</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	7,799	58	66	1,473	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	41	-	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	31	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	32	33	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	9	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	64	66	2,255	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>37,043</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>1,169</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	12	38	66	1,731	3,007
Cattle and calves	36,168	44	66	418	3,055
Milk from cows	3	38	38	1,115	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	40	62	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	184	25	65	1,032	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	7	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	38	62	(D)	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>390</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	82
Male	247		
Female	143		
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	2
<35	28		
35 – 64	209		
65 and older	153		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	2
American Indian/Alaska Native	46		
Asian	-		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	335	Hire farm labor	47
More than one race	9		
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	95
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-		
With military service	45		
New and beginning farmers	59		
			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
			Cattle and calves 63,823
			Goats (D)
			Hogs and pigs (D)
			Horses and ponies 791
			Layers 228
			Pullets (D)
			Sheep and lambs 377
			Turkeys -

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.