



Bedford County Tennessee

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,430	+1
Land in farms (acres)	237,842	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	166	+1
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	151,599,000	+41
Government payments	2,460,000	+203
Farm-related income	4,031,000	-20
Total farm production expenses	116,309,000	+14
Net cash farm income	41,781,000	+266
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	106,013	+39
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	6,090	+100
Farm-related income	9,396	-20
Total farm production expenses	81,335	+13
Net cash farm income	29,218	+261

4 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	14
Livestock, poultry, and products	86

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	39
Pastureland	38
Woodland	19
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 1,227

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	8
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	2
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	555	39
\$2,500 to \$4,999	143	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	194	14
\$10,000 to \$24,999	221	15
\$25,000 to \$49,999	120	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	54	4
\$100,000 or more	143	10

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	85	6
10 to 49 acres	514	36
50 to 179 acres	496	35
180 to 499 acres	232	16
500 to 999 acres	68	5
1,000 + acres	35	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	151,599	1	95	755	3,077
Crops	21,680	29	95	1,601	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	16,322	21	95	1,221	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	42	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	26	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	72	95	1,573	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	150	34	94	1,146	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	206	53	92	1,266	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	14	36	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	4,901	2	95	505	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	129,919	1	95	375	3,073
Poultry and eggs	83,180	1	94	182	3,007
Cattle and calves	24,004	2	95	666	3,055
Milk from cows	8,522	4	68	485	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	259	10	94	632	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	12,265	1	93	11	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	6	30	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	1,202	2	95	155	2,878

Total Producers ^c

2,346

Sex

Male	1,442
Female	904

Age

<35	135
35 – 64	1,328
65 and older	883

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	10
Asian	18
Black or African American	10
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	3
White	2,291
More than one race	14

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	34
With military service	262
New and beginning farmers	634

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **77**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **5**

Hire farm labor **21**

Are family farms **99**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	49,204
Soybeans for beans	19,889
Corn for grain	8,677
Wheat for grain, all	5,578
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,613

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,494,471
Cattle and calves	56,120
Goats	2,207
Hogs and pigs	69
Horses and ponies	3,832
Layers	52,317
Pullets	94,669
Sheep and lambs	1,362
Turkeys	94

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.