



Blount County Tennessee

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,073	+9
Land in farms (acres)	94,577	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	88	-14
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	16,467,000	-3
Government payments	488,000	+109
Farm-related income	2,207,000	+40
Total farm production expenses	26,541,000	+27
Net cash farm income	-7,379,000	-247
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	15,347	-11
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	3,904	+82
Farm-related income	5,854	+22
Total farm production expenses	24,736	+16
Net cash farm income	-6,877	-216

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	35
Livestock, poultry, and products	65

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	43
Pastureland	36
Woodland	17
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 141

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	8
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	6

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	513	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	146	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	142	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	143	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	74	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28	3
\$100,000 or more	27	3

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	160	15
10 to 49 acres	491	46
50 to 179 acres	297	28
180 to 499 acres	96	9
500 to 999 acres	17	2
1,000 + acres	12	1

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	16,467	65	95	2,479	3,077
Crops	5,720	59	95	2,301	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,736	58	95	1,972	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	42	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	26	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	569	21	95	926	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	283	16	94	865	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,038	29	92	846	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	36	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,095	23	95	1,161	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	10,747	48	95	2,063	3,073
Poultry and eggs	77	49	94	1,120	3,007
Cattle and calves	7,671	40	95	1,413	3,055
Milk from cows	2,494	17	68	770	1,892
Hogs and pigs	22	45	93	1,343	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	107	38	94	1,226	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	319	21	93	675	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	30	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	57	26	95	951	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,783

Sex

Male	1,089
Female	694

Age

<35	116
35 – 64	927
65 and older	740

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	3
Asian	4
Black or African American	2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,762
More than one race	12

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	10
With military service	226
New and beginning farmers	419

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **77**

Farm organically (Z)

Sell directly to consumers **11**

Hire farm labor **19**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	29,046
Soybeans for beans	2,361
Corn for grain	1,249
Corn for silage or greenchop	442
Vegetables harvested, all	197

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	656
Cattle and calves	26,278
Goats	1,299
Hogs and pigs	153
Horses and ponies	1,869
Layers	5,402
Pullets	638
Sheep and lambs	446
Turkeys	66

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.