



Mathews County Virginia

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	43	-22
Land in farms (acres)	6,584	+42
Average size of farm (acres)	153	+81
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	3,776,000	+57
Government payments	31,000	-54
Farm-related income	53,000	(D)
Total farm production expenses	3,148,000	+55
Net cash farm income	712,000	+46
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	87,805	+101
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	3,860	-60
Farm-related income	5,319	(D)
Total farm production expenses	73,201	+98
Net cash farm income	16,558	+87

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	55
Livestock, poultry, and products	45

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	64
Pastureland	(D)
Woodland	11
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: 10

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	21
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	10	23
\$2,500 to \$4,999	4	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6	14
\$10,000 to \$24,999	5	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	5	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2	5
\$100,000 or more	11	26

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	9	21
10 to 49 acres	19	44
50 to 179 acres	5	12
180 to 499 acres	4	9
500 to 999 acres	5	12
1,000 + acres	1	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	3,776	89	98	2,898	3,077
Crops	2,092	84	97	2,666	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,191	64	96	2,076	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	25	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	73	97	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	39	93	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	58	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	51	92	97	2,718	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,684	77	98	2,760	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	54	89	97	2,709	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	59	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	-	-	89	-	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	87	94	2,501	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	79	94	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	1,586	9	49	125	1,251
Other animals and animal products	-	-	93	-	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	66
Male	46
Female	20
Age	
<35	1
35 – 64	42
65 and older	23
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	3
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	63
More than one race	-
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	-
With military service	21
New and beginning farmers	22

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	81
Farm organically	-
Sell directly to consumers	12
Hire farm labor	44
Are family farms	93

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Soybeans for beans	2,221
Corn for grain	1,076
Forage (hay/haylage), all	243
Sorghum for grain	(D)
Vegetables harvested, all	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
Cattle and calves	160
Goats	(D)
Hogs and pigs	-
Horses and ponies	22
Layers	(D)
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	-
Turkeys	(D)

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.