



Rockbridge County Virginia

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	752	-10
Land in farms (acres)	134,789	-20
Average size of farm (acres)	179	-11
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	30,983,000	-2
Government payments	422,000	-35
Farm-related income	3,861,000	+96
Total farm production expenses	29,636,000	-9
Net cash farm income	5,630,000	+202
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	41,201	+8
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	5,624	+3
Farm-related income	10,636	+79
Total farm production expenses	39,409	+1
Net cash farm income	7,487	+234

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	17
Livestock, poultry, and products	83

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	27
Pastureland	40
Woodland	29
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 83

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	9
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	2
Cover crop	7

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	265	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	88	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	113	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	118	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	83	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37	5
\$100,000 or more	48	6

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	59	8
10 to 49 acres	216	29
50 to 179 acres	267	36
180 to 499 acres	159	21
500 to 999 acres	33	4
1,000 + acres	18	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	30,983	34	98	2,125	3,077
Crops	5,243	60	97	2,346	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,733	58	96	1,973	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	25	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	312	40	97	1,117	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	296	33	95	842	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	487	49	93	1,048	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	7	45	58	558	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,408	21	97	1,054	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	25,740	20	98	1,446	3,073
Poultry and eggs	3,487	18	97	661	3,007
Cattle and calves	16,596	12	97	926	3,055
Milk from cows	5,117	12	59	594	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	32	89	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	103	27	94	1,271	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	276	20	94	772	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	34	49	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	95	13	93	763	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,241

Sex

Male	780
Female	461

Age

<35	51
35 – 64	646
65 and older	544

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	1
Asian	1
Black or African American	4
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,230
More than one race	5

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	15
With military service	191
New and beginning farmers	308

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **76**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **6**

Hire farm labor **22**

Are family farms **97**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	24,840
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,661
Corn for grain	1,561
Soybeans for beans	553
Sorghum for silage/greenchop	399

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,200
Cattle and calves	31,059
Goats	324
Hogs and pigs	341
Horses and ponies	1,155
Layers	1,772
Pullets	206
Sheep and lambs	741
Turkeys	63,082

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.