



Smyth County Virginia

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	663	-16
Land in farms (acres)	123,214	-26
Average size of farm (acres)	186	-12
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	37,561,000	-35
Government payments	782,000	+3
Farm-related income	1,174,000	+77
Total farm production expenses	33,727,000	-36
Net cash farm income	5,790,000	-18
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	56,653	-23
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,067	+221
Farm-related income	5,959	+173
Total farm production expenses	50,871	-23
Net cash farm income	8,733	-2

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	8
Livestock, poultry, and products	92

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	21
Pastureland	50
Woodland	24
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 28

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	7

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	239	36
\$2,500 to \$4,999	75	11
\$5,000 to \$9,999	78	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	97	15
\$25,000 to \$49,999	70	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	34	5
\$100,000 or more	70	11

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	42	6
10 to 49 acres	230	35
50 to 179 acres	238	36
180 to 499 acres	106	16
500 to 999 acres	28	4
1,000 + acres	19	3

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	37,561	28	98	2,001	3,077
Crops	3,176	75	97	2,544	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,078	66	96	2,104	2,916
Tobacco	21	25	25	249	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	246	44	97	1,193	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	43	67	95	1,580	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	48	72	93	1,512	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	184	6	58	191	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,556	39	97	1,472	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	34,385	14	98	1,214	3,073
Poultry and eggs	23	62	97	1,528	3,007
Cattle and calves	29,526	5	97	525	3,055
Milk from cows	3,870	17	59	676	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	89	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	329	9	94	512	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	84	41	94	1,544	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	18	49	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	16	41	93	1,379	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,041	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all 19,815
Male	721	66	Corn for silage or greenchop 1,664
Female	320		Cultivated Christmas trees 244
Age		Farm organically	Corn for grain 99
<35	69	(Z)	Sorghum for silage/greenchop (D)
35 – 64	596		
65 and older	376		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	7	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,220
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 42,809
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats 675
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	26	Hogs and pigs 104
White	1,035		Horses and ponies 756
More than one race	6		Layers 1,410
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 82
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	9	96	Sheep and lambs 3,921
With military service	135		Turkeys 29
New and beginning farmers	234		

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.