



Anchorage Area Alaska

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	350	+20
Land in farms (acres)	34,388	-5
Average size of farm (acres)	98	-21
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	37,536,000	+25
Government payments	262,000	-26
Farm-related income	4,107,000	+163
Total farm production expenses	30,600,000	+22
Net cash farm income	11,305,000	+63
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	107,245	+4
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	3,640	-48
Farm-related income	56,256	+163
Total farm production expenses	87,427	+2
Net cash farm income	32,300	+36

53 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	46
Livestock, poultry, and products	54

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	45
Pastureland	(D)
Woodland	28
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: 1,109

3% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	11
Reduced till	6
Intensive till	17
Cover crop	9

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	102	29
\$2,500 to \$4,999	46	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	54	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	64	18
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	5
\$100,000 or more	46	13

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	145	41
10 to 49 acres	80	23
50 to 179 acres	67	19
180 to 499 acres	44	13
500 to 999 acres	11	3
1,000 + acres	3	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	37,536	1	5	2,002	3,077
Crops	17,133	1	5	1,742	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	7	2	2	2,573	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	4,241	1	5	375	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	75	1	5	1,394	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	10,767	1	5	235	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	1	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,043	2	3	1,186	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	20,403	1	5	1,624	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	1	5	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	898	1	4	2,419	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	1	3	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	383	1	5	667	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	72	1	5	1,491	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	39	2	5	1,914	2,970
Aquaculture	17,666	1	5	22	1,251
Other animals and animal products	512	1	5	285	2,878

Total Producers ^c	598	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d	
Sex		Have internet access	88	
Male	320			
Female	278	Farm organically	1	
Age		Sell directly to consumers	24	
<35	55	Hire farm labor	36	
35 – 64	388	Are family farms	94	
65 and older	155			
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
American Indian/Alaska Native	20		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	977
Asian	4		Cattle and calves	1,500
Black or African American	4		Goats	455
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs	727
White	565		Horses and ponies	407
More than one race	5		Layers	4,309
Other characteristics			Pullets	809
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	10		Sheep and lambs	348
With military service	85		Turkeys	164
New and beginning farmers	268			

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.