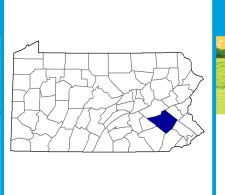


## Berks County Pennsylvania



## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,809	-11
Land in farms (acres)	224,722	-4
Average size of farm (acres)	124	+8
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	554,656,000	+5
Government payments	3,038,000	-17
Farm-related income	15,825,000	+15
Total farm production expenses	417,800,000	+1
Net cash farm income	155,719,000	+19
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	306,609	+18
Government payments		
(average per farm receiving)	7,596	+20
Farm-related income	19,931	+34
Total farm production expenses	230,956	+13
Net cash farm income	86,080	+34

7	Percent of state agriculture
	cales

Share of Sales by	y Type (%)	
Crops	44	
Livestock, poultry, and products		
Land in Farms by	/ Use (%) a	
Cropland	82	
Pastureland	7	
Woodland	6	
Other	5	
Acres irrigated: 1,5	514	
	1% of land in farms	
Land Use Practic	ees (% of farms)	
No till	37	
Reduced till	17	
Intensive till	15	
Cover crop	28	

Farms by Value of Sal	es		Farms by Size		
	Number	Percent of Total a		Number	Percent of Total a
Less than \$2,500	472	26	1 to 9 acres	291	16
\$2,500 to \$4,999	110	6	10 to 49 acres	596	33
\$5,000 to \$9,999	170	9	50 to 179 acres	534	30
\$10,000 to \$24,999	166	9	180 to 499 acres	309	17
\$25,000 to \$49,999	155	9	500 to 999 acres	63	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	114	6	1,000 + acres	16	1
\$100,000 or more	622	34			

## CENSUS OF County Profile

## **Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
Total	554,656	3	67	85	3,077
Crops	243,155	2	67	88	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	51,953	3	66	746	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	12	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	6,642	5	67	278	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	5,468	8	66	198	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	166,357	2	66	14	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	760	7	64	51	1,384
Other crops and hay	11,975	8	66	211	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	311,500	4	67	98	3,073
Poultry and eggs	122,978	3	67	115	3,007
Cattle and calves	32,284	3	67	479	3,055
Milk from cows	115,779	3	63	66	1,892
Hogs and pigs	38,044	3	67	155	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	695	6	67	241	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,333	5	63	127	2,970
Aquaculture	89	23	55	233	1,251
Other animals and animal products	298	20	67	421	2,878

Total Producers <sup>c</sup>	3,257	Percent of farms	that:	Top Crops in Acres d	
Sex Male Female	2,114 1,143	Have internet access	68	Corn for grain Forage (hay/haylage), all Soybeans for beans Corn for silage or greenchop	50,095 48,946 37,374 19,289
<b>Age</b> <35 35 – 64 65 and older	540 1,943 774	Farm organically	4	Wheat for grain, all	9,124
Race American Indian/Alaska Native Asian	10	Sell directly to consumers	14	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 20 Broilers and other	,
Black or African American Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White More than one race	3,240 6	Hire farm labor	29	meat-type chickens Cattle and calves Goats Hogs and pigs Horses and ponies	2,742,038 85,593 2,197 78,195 2,004
Other characteristics Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin With military service New and beginning farmers	12 135 858	Are family farms	97	Layers Pullets Sheep and lambs Turkeys	2,004 2,090,750 842,470 3,292 6,125

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. <sup>e</sup> Position below the line does not indicate rank.

<sup>(</sup>D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.