



# Rensselaer County New York

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	470	-5
Land in farms (acres)	82,766	-7
Average size of farm (acres)	176	-2
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	41,010,000	-23
Government payments	1,040,000	+42
Farm-related income	6,197,000	+83
Total farm production expenses	34,202,000	-27
Net cash farm income	14,044,000	+36
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	87,254	-19
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,717	+100
Farm-related income	33,316	+100
Total farm production expenses	72,770	-23
Net cash farm income	29,881	+43

**1** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	59
Livestock, poultry, and products	41

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	56
Pastureland	10
Woodland	22
Other	12

**Acres irrigated: 993**

1% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	14
Reduced till	18
Intensive till	14
Cover crop	13

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	160	34
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	61	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	58	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	66	14
\$50,000 to \$99,999	23	5
\$100,000 or more	63	13

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	63	13
10 to 49 acres	111	24
50 to 179 acres	156	33
180 to 499 acres	102	22
500 to 999 acres	29	6
1,000 + acres	9	2

**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
<b>Total</b>	<b>41,010</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1,931</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>24,295</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1,538</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	4,916	29	55	1,655	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	5,897	17	60	302	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	2,836	19	60	277	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	6,898	11	60	321	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	89	33	53	286	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,660	40	55	700	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>16,715</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>1,788</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	124	34	57	995	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,952	41	55	2,179	3,055
Milk from cows	14,015	39	51	378	1,892
Hogs and pigs	126	20	55	849	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	279	19	54	587	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	146	41	55	1,193	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	34	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	72	38	58	863	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>863</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	546	<b>82</b>	23,640
Female	317		Corn for grain
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	6,052
<35	89	<b>4</b>	Corn for silage or greenchop
35 – 64	489		3,833
65 and older	285		Soybeans for beans
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	1,691
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	<b>21</b>	Vegetables harvested, all
Asian	5		1,372
Black or African American	3		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
White	848	<b>24</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
More than one race	6		1,620
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	Cattle and calves
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	2	<b>96</b>	11,003
With military service	78		Goats
New and beginning farmers	243		480
			Hogs and pigs
			361
			Horses and ponies
			580
			Layers
			6,252
			Pullets
			641
			Sheep and lambs
			1,320
			Turkeys
			354

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

<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](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.