



Dawson County Montana

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	427	-12
Land in farms (acres)	1,177,000	+4
Average size of farm (acres)	2,756	+18
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	97,620,000	+68
Government payments	15,621,000	+106
Farm-related income	5,183,000	-47
Total farm production expenses	85,042,000	+40
Net cash farm income	33,382,000	+128
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	228,618	+91
Government payments ^a	58,072	+142
Farm-related income ^a	18,443	-45
Total farm production expenses	199,162	+59
Net cash farm income	78,178	+160

2 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	76
Livestock, poultry, and products	24

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	398,960
Pastureland	756,921
Woodland	2,310
Other	18,809

Acres irrigated: 14,118

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	28
Reduced till	18
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	123	29
\$2,500 to \$4,999	11	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	17	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999	37	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	27	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	47	11
\$100,000 or more	165	39

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	5	1
10 to 49 acres	37	9
50 to 179 acres	55	13
180 to 499 acres	74	17
500 to 999 acres	65	15
1,000+ acres	191	45

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	97,620	22	56	1,425	3,078
Crops	73,886	13	56	1,049	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	68,224	11	55	798	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	44	44	2,070	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	24	-	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	33	-	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	10	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	(D)	30	56	611	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	23,734	35	56	1,632	3,076
Poultry and eggs	(D)	39	55	2,065	3,027
Cattle and calves	22,833	31	56	761	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	28	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	-	-	52	-	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	635	13	55	307	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	229	29	56	1,042	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	12	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,909

Producers ^d	761	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	83
Male	483		Wheat for grain, all 183,354
Female	278		Forage (hay/haylage), all 45,636
Age		Farm organically	-
<35	62		Dry edible peas 21,218
35 – 64	403		Lentils 12,266
65 and older	296		Barley for grain 7,369
Race		Sell directly to consumers	1
American Indian/Alaska Native	2		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
Asian	-		Broilers and other meat-type chickens 160
Black or African American	-		Cattle and calves 30,283
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Goats 970
White	744	Hire farm labor	25
More than one race	15		Hogs and pigs -
Other characteristics		Are family farms	90
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	2		Horses and ponies 595
With military service	44		Layers 379
New and beginning farmers	216		Pullets (D)
			Sheep and lambs 3,539
			Turkeys -

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f 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.