



# Santa Cruz County California

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	614	-2
Land in farms (acres)	47,871	-25
Average size of farm (acres)	78	-24
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	706,206,000	+16
Government payments	1,202,000	+3146
Farm-related income	14,411,000	+77
Total farm production expenses	582,339,000	+12
Net cash farm income	139,480,000	+45
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	1,150,172	+19
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	133,530	+4229
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	94,812	+124
Total farm production expenses	948,436	+14
Net cash farm income	227,165	+47

## 1 Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	97
Livestock, poultry, and products	3

### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	21,984
Pastureland	14,765
Woodland	6,247
Other	4,875

### Acres irrigated: 18,615

39% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	10
Reduced till	6
Intensive till	16
Cover crop	22

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	115	19
\$2,500 to \$4,999	71	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	67	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	68	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	49	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37	6
\$100,000 or more	207	34

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	259	42
10 to 49 acres	205	33
50 to 179 acres	105	17
180 to 499 acres	38	6
500 to 999 acres	2	(Z)
1,000+ acres	5	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>706,206</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>3,078</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>683,895</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	43	48	(D)	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	11	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	200,265	14	57	26	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	228,781	21	56	28	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	253,619	3	55	7	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	1,192	3	32	52	1,274
Other crops and hay	(D)	52	56	(D)	3,035
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>22,311</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>1,671</b>	<b>3,076</b>
Poultry and eggs	(D)	17	56	(D)	3,027
Cattle and calves	557	55	57	2,502	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	34	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	1	41	53	1,772	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	37	48	56	1,985	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	632	19	55	450	2,907
Aquaculture	12,007	4	39	40	1,190
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,909

<b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	88
Male	765		
Female	457	Farm organically	17
<b>Age</b>		Sell directly to consumers	17
<35	82		
35 – 64	737	Hire farm labor	52
65 and older	403		
<b>Race</b>		Are family farms	83
American Indian/Alaska Native	10		
Asian	39		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2		
White	1,141		
More than one race	30		
<b>Other characteristics</b>			
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	201		
With military service	49		
New and beginning farmers	364		
			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b>
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
			Cattle and calves 1,019
			Goats 331
			Hogs and pigs 3
			Horses and ponies 581
			Layers (D)
			Pullets 138
			Sheep and lambs 106
			Turkeys (D)

<sup>a</sup> Average per farm receiving. <sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>c</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>d</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>e</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>f</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.