



Van Buren County Michigan

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	838	-12
Land in farms (acres)	131,486	-13
Average size of farm (acres)	157	-1
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	262,267,000	+28
Government payments	7,053,000	+340
Farm-related income	11,297,000	+34
Total farm production expenses	211,229,000	+19
Net cash farm income	69,388,000	+84
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	312,968	+45
Government payments ^a	56,879	+386
Farm-related income ^a	35,525	+60
Total farm production expenses	252,063	+35
Net cash farm income	82,801	+110

2 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	71
Livestock, poultry, and products	29

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	97,689
Pastureland	2,970
Woodland	20,926
Other	9,901

Acres irrigated: 23,911

18% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	15
Reduced till	14
Intensive till	14
Cover crop	12

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	284	34
\$2,500 to \$4,999	71	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	89	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	97	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	56	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59	7
\$100,000 or more	182	22

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	102	12
10 to 49 acres	352	42
50 to 179 acres	250	30
180 to 499 acres	94	11
500 to 999 acres	22	3
1,000+ acres	18	2

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	262,267	18	83	602	3,078
Crops	187,214	15	83	417	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	48,728	31	80	938	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	29,629	6	81	122	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	97,736	2	82	43	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	7,392	19	80	372	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	5	75	41	1,274
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	75,053	22	83	840	3,076
Poultry and eggs	292	31	82	1,007	3,027
Cattle and calves	8,100	23	82	1,405	3,047
Milk from cows	52,185	17	71	214	1,770
Hogs and pigs	(D)	17	82	(D)	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	553	7	80	354	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	152	42	73	1,287	2,907
Aquaculture	(D)	2	30	(D)	1,190
Other animals and animal products	818	16	83	276	2,909

Producers ^d	1,508	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	82
Male	976		Corn for grain 33,815
Female	532		Soybeans for beans 21,929
Age		Farm organically	2
<35	137		Land in berries 9,661
35 – 64	775		Blueberries, all 9,549
65 and older	596		Forage (hay/haylage), all 6,620
Race		Sell directly to consumers	14
American Indian/Alaska Native	2		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
Asian	7		Broilers and other meat-type chickens 375
Black or African American	58		Cattle and calves 12,036
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	6		Goats 547
White	1,417	Hire farm labor	32
More than one race	18		Hogs and pigs (D)
Other characteristics		Are family farms	97
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	119		Horses and ponies 900
With military service	161		Layers 6,277
New and beginning farmers	465		Pullets 722
			Sheep and lambs 902
			Turkeys (D)

^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.