



# Hill County Montana

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

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	701	0
Land in farms (acres)	1,854,358	+15
Average size of farm (acres)	2,645	+14
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	189,035,000	+45
Government payments	26,724,000	+31
Farm-related income	30,827,000	+161
Total farm production expenses	190,010,000	+55
Net cash farm income	56,575,000	+39
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	269,664	+44
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	55,791	+45
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	62,913	+117
Total farm production expenses	271,056	+55
Net cash farm income	80,707	+38

**4** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	85
Livestock, poultry, and products	15

### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	1,405,565
Pastureland	390,696
Woodland	25,781
Other	32,316

**Acres irrigated: 4,447**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	50
Reduced till	14
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	5

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	200	29
\$2,500 to \$4,999	26	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	25	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999	35	5
\$25,000 to \$49,999	47	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	48	7
\$100,000 or more	320	46

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	16	2
10 to 49 acres	38	5
50 to 179 acres	94	13
180 to 499 acres	107	15
500 to 999 acres	72	10
1,000+ acres	374	53

**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>189,035</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>3,078</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>159,760</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	156,752	3	55	378	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	18	44	(D)	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	24	-	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	12	33	(D)	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	10	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	2,306	44	56	1,313	3,035
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>29,274</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1,503</b>	<b>3,076</b>
Poultry and eggs	4,431	3	55	684	3,027
Cattle and calves	13,739	41	56	1,078	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	28	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	10,487	3	52	426	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	25	56	(D)	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	12	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	(D)	44	53	1,975	2,909

**Producers <sup>d</sup>**

**1,352**

**Sex**

Male	912
Female	440

**Age**

<35	149
35 – 64	696
65 and older	507

**Race**

American Indian/Alaska Native	45
Asian	3
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,276
More than one race	28

**Other characteristics**

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	7
With military service	76
New and beginning farmers	373

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access **84**

Farm organically **4**

Sell directly to consumers **2**

Hire farm labor **37**

Are family farms **91**

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup>**

Wheat for grain, all	562,878
Barley for grain	44,250
Dry edible peas	41,371
Lentils	39,184
Mustard seed	38,139

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	8,100
Cattle and calves	14,834
Goats	22
Hogs and pigs	25,224
Horses and ponies	709
Layers	105,299
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	1,295
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.