

# 2017 STATE AGRICULTURE OVERVIEW

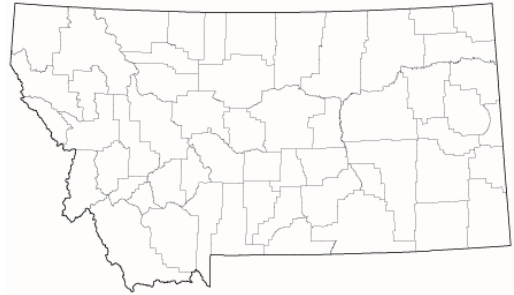
## Montana

† Survey Data from [Quick Stats](#) as of: May/22/2018

### Farms Operations †

Farm Operations - Area Operated, Measured in Acres / Operation  
 Farm Operations - Number of Operations  
 Farm Operations - Acres Operated

2,207  
 27,100  
 59,800,000



### Livestock Inventory †

Cattle, Cows, Beef - Inventory ( First of Jan. 2018 )  
 Cattle, Cows, Milk - Inventory ( First of Jan. 2018 )  
 Cattle, Incl Calves - Inventory ( First of Jan. 2018 )  
 Cattle, On Feed - Inventory ( First of Jan. 2018 )  
 Sheep, Incl Lambs - Inventory ( First of Jan. 2018 )  
 Hogs - Inventory ( First of Dec. 2017 )

1,497,000  
 13,000  
 2,550,000  
 45,000  
 225,000  
 179,000

### Milk Production †

Milk - Production, Measured in Lb / Head  
 Milk - Production, Measured in \$  
 Milk - Production, Measured in Lb

22,154  
 50,400,000  
 288,000,000

### Crops - Planted, Harvested, Yield, Production, Price (MYA), Value of Production † Sorted by Value of Production in Dollars

Commodity	Planted All Purpose Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield	Production	Price per Unit	Value of Production in Dollars
<b>HAY</b>						
HAY		2,550,000	1.91 TONS / ACRE	4,880,000 TONS	141 \$ / TON	686,880,000
HAY, ALFALFA		1,600,000	2.1 TONS / ACRE	3,360,000 TONS	142 \$ / TON	477,120,000
HAY, (EXCL ALFALFA)		950,000	1.6 TONS / ACRE	1,520,000 TONS	138 \$ / TON	209,760,000
<b>HAY &amp; HAYLAGE</b>						
HAY & HAYLAGE						686,880,000
HAY & HAYLAGE, ALFALFA	100,000					
<b>WHEAT</b>						
WHEAT	5,140,000	4,665,000	27.3 BU / ACRE	127,430,000 BU	5.15 \$ / BU	674,243,000
WHEAT, WINTER	1,750,000	1,590,000	42 BU / ACRE	66,780,000 BU	4.5 \$ / BU	300,510,000
WHEAT, SPRING, (EXCL DURUM)	2,500,000	2,290,000	21 BU / ACRE	48,090,000 BU	6.1 \$ / BU	293,349,000
WHEAT, SPRING, DURUM	890,000	785,000	16 BU / ACRE	12,560,000 BU	6.4 \$ / BU	80,384,000
<b>BARLEY</b>						
BARLEY	770,000	565,000	51 BU / ACRE	28,815,000 BU	4.35 \$ / BU	125,345,000
<b>LENTILS</b>						
LENTILS	730,000	670,000	650 LB / ACRE	4,355,000 CWT	25.8 \$ / CWT	112,359,000
<b>BEANS</b>						
BEANS, DRY EDIBLE	275,000	260,000	1,000 LB / ACRE	2,594,000 CWT	34.5 \$ / CWT	89,493,000
<b>POTATOES</b>						
POTATOES	11,100	11,000	340 CWT / ACRE	3,740,000 CWT	12.5 \$ / CWT	46,750,000
<b>PEAS</b>						
PEAS, DRY EDIBLE	525,000	470,000	820 LB / ACRE	3,854,000 CWT	11 \$ / CWT	42,394,000
PEAS, AUSTRIAN WINTER	20,000	4,000	630 LB / ACRE	25,000 CWT	(D) \$ / CWT	(D)
<b>CANOLA</b>						
CANOLA	155,000	137,000	870 LB / ACRE	119,190,000 LB	15.2 \$ / CWT	18,117,000
<b>CORN</b>						
CORN, GRAIN		65,000	70 BU / ACRE	4,550,000 BU	3.5 \$ / BU	15,925,000
CORN, SILAGE		25,000	20 TONS / ACRE	500,000 TONS		
CORN	115,000					
<b>FLAXSEED</b>						
FLAXSEED	52,000	38,000	9 BU / ACRE	342,000 BU	8.9 \$ / BU	3,044,000
<b>OATS</b>						
OATS	70,000	18,000	47 BU / ACRE	846,000 BU	3.45 \$ / BU	2,919,000
<b>LEGUMES</b>						
LEGUMES, ALFALFA, SEED		12,800	360 LB / ACRE	4,610,000 LB		
LEGUMES, ALFALFA, IRRIGATED, SEED		9,100	470 LB / ACRE	4,277,000 LB		

LEGUMES, ALFALFA, NON-IRRIGATED, SEED		3,700	90 LB / ACRE	333,000 LB		
<b>SUGARBEETS</b>						
SUGARBEETS	42,900	42,700	32.7 TONS / ACRE	1,396,000 TONS		
<b>SAFFLOWER</b>						
SAFFLOWER	39,000	28,000	610 LB / ACRE	17,080,000 LB	(D) \$ / CWT	(D)

(NA) Not Available

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations

(S) Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate

(X) Not Applicable

(Z) Less than half the rounding unit

**Census State Profile: Montana**  
**Ranked Items Within The U.S., 2012**

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	4,230,083	29	50
Value of crops, including nursery and greenhouse	2,255,996	27	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,974,087	27	50
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,787,162	17	50
Tobacco	-	-	19
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	33,199	38	50
Fruit, tree nuts, and berries	3,658	43	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod	28,566	43	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	160	42	49
Other crops and hay	403,251	14	50
Poultry and eggs	(D)	44	50
Cattle and calves	1,783,908	11	50
Milk from cows	44,671	38	50
Hogs and pigs	54,091	23	50
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	31,233	10	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	22,824	18	50
Aquaculture	3,172	43	50
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	50
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>			
Wheat for grain, all	5,627,463	3	49
Spring wheat for grain	2,909,910	2	29
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,267,198	8	50
Winter wheat for grain	2,168,021	4	48
Barley for grain	778,521	2	43
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>			
Cattle and calves	2,633,740	10	50
Layers	464,802	40	50
Sheep and lambs	236,646	7	50
Pullets for laying flock replacement	225,021	38	50
Hogs and pigs	173,953	22	50

**Other State Highlights, 2012**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
<b>Farm by value of sales</b>		<b>Principal operators by primary occupation</b>	
Less than \$1,000	8,243	Farming	15,434
\$1,000 to \$2,499	1,927	Other	12,574
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1,747	<b>Principal operators by sex</b>	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1,988	Male	23,765
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1,939	Female	4,243
\$20,000 to \$24,999	592	Average age of principal operator	
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1,420	58.9	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	633	<b>All operators by race <sup>2</sup></b>	
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2,178	American Indian or Alaska Native	1,787
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2,945	Asian	79
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2,276	Black or African American	20
\$500,000 or more	2,120	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	13
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	3,516,180	White	42,092
Average per farm (\$)	125,542	More than one race	258
Net cash farm income of the operations (\$1,000)	1,172,280	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	
Average per farm (\$)	41,855	430	

Note: See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

explanations, definitions, and methodology.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

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- Represents zero.