Meade County

Data from the 2017 Census of Agriculture

Number of Farms	781 Farms
Land in Farms	141,054 Acres
Land in Farms Use	Cropland - 57% Pasture - 21% Woodland - 16% Buildings/Other - 6%
# of Farmers	1,314
Market Value of Ag Products Sold	$45,793,000
Rank in State of 120	46th
Grain Sales	$23,452,000
Tobacco Sales	$1,738,000
Vegetable Sales	$213,000
Fruit/Nut/Berry Sales	Not Reported
Nursery/Greenhouse	Not Reported
Hay Sales	$2,463,000
Poultry & Egg Sales	$9,395,000
Cattle Sales	$7,927,000
Milk Sales	Not Reported
Hog Sales	$22,000
Sheep/Goat Sales	$83,000
Horse Sales	$178,000
Aquaculture Sales	$0
Other Animal Sales	Not Reported

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County Crops and Livestock:

Hay
Corn
Vegetables
Tobacco
Fruit
Chickens
Cattle
Goats
Hogs
Sheep
Horses
Turkeys

Farm Profiles

F. L. Sipes Farms



Fred Sipes raises tobacco, soybeans, corn, wheat, hay, produce and beef cattle in Ekron, Ky. Fred is dedicated to conserving the land and water on his farm for the next generation of farmers. He has reduced soil erosion and improved water quality by installing grassed waterways, planting cover crops, and implementing crop rotations and no-till practices on his land. He uses rotational grazing practices to feed his cattle. These conservation practices have improved soil health, and wildlife habitat found on the farm.







Hardesty Farms and Greenhouses

Hardesty Farms and Greenhouses is a first generation family farm that was started in 2001. They raise beef cattle, tobacco transplants, poinsettias, spring flowers, vegetable plants, horse & cattle hay, and fresh local produce.

Barr Farms

Barr Farms is a seventh generation farm located in Rhodelia, Kentucky that has been in the family since 1835. Since the start, the focus has been on taking care of the soil and producing great products. Adam Barr & Rae Strobel are continuing those practices. This 260-acre farm is certified organic and if you get the chance to visit, you might just come upon chickens, cattle, and over 40 different varieties of vegetables. Barr Farms supplies to restaurants and sells at three Louisville farmers markets.

