

Nelson County

Data from the 2017 Census of Agriculture

Number of Farms	1,434 Farms
Land in Farms	213,534 Acres
Land in Farms Use	Cropland - 53% Pasture - 21% Woodland - 20% Buildings/Other - 6%
# of Farmers	2,381
Market Value of Ag Products Sold	\$67,099,000
Rank in State of 120	829th
Grain Sales	\$34,002,000
Tobacco Sales	\$3,399,000
Vegetable Sales	\$133,000
Fruit/Nut/Berry Sales	\$84,000
Nursery/Greenhouse	\$356,000
Hay Sales	\$4,075,000
Poultry & Egg Sales	\$78,000
Cattle Sales	\$21,594,000
Milk Sales	\$2,420,000
Hog Sales	\$223,000
Sheep/Goat Sales	\$94,000
Horse Sales	\$153,000
Aquaculture Sales	Not Reported
Other Animal Sales	Not Reported



County Crops and Livestock:

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

Farm Profiles

Fairfield Farms Poultry

Fairfield Farms Poultry is located in Nelson County, and their egg laying facility is in Washington County. They have 20,000 certified organic pasture raised laying hens, and they sell eggs on contract. Most of the eggs go to Whole Foods grocery stores. The chickens lay an average of 16,000 eggs per day, and the chickens go outside on 50 acres of pasture each morning at 9 am.



Homestead Family Farms

Homestead Family Farms is a family-owned and operated by the Reding and McCain families in several counties. The farm is headquartered in Howardstown. They grow corn, soybeans, and wheat. Most of the corn is sold to local alcohol distilleries, the wheat is sold to be milled into flour, and the soybeans are sold to be shipped around the world.



Affinity Farms

Affinity Farms is operated by the Pottinger Family in Nelson, LaRue and Hardin Counties, but New Haven is their home. They grow corn, soybeans, and wheat.