# **ECONOMIC IMPACT OF AGRICULTURE**

**EXTENSION** 

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#### **Rosebud County**



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Rosebud County is located in the eastern portion of the state, and contains most of the Northern Cheyenne Reservation. Over 85% of land in Rosebud County is classified as farm land.

| <b>Overview</b><br>(2017 Data) |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Population                     | 9,063     |
| County Size (acres)            | 3,205,206 |
| Land in Farms (%)              | 85.3      |
| Number of Farms                | 414       |
| Median Farm Size (acres)       | 673       |
| Average Farm Size (acres)      | 6,600     |

#### **Farm Revenue**

Farm revenue (which includes the market value of products sold, government payments, and farm-related income) were \$95 million while production expenses were \$76 million. Government payments were 4% of farm revenues.

| Market Value of Products Sold                                | \$86,638,000 |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Government Payments                                          | \$3,759,000  |  |
| Farm-Related Income                                          | \$4,631,000  |  |
| Total Farm Production Expenses                               | \$76,352,000 |  |
| Net Cash Farm Income                                         | \$18,676,000 |  |
| Source: Census of Agriculture: Tables 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6: 2017 |              |  |

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## Taxation

The market value of all property in Rosebud County was approximately \$2 billion in 2019. The taxable

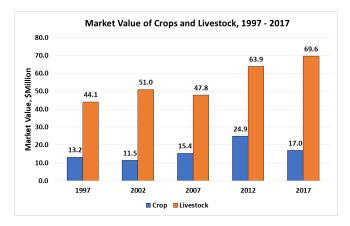
value assigned by the Montana Department of Revenue was \$88 million. Agricultural Property (as defined by Montana Department of Revenue as Class 3 Property) comprised 4% of the county's taxable value.

| 2019            | 2014                                           |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| \$1,987,879,869 | \$1,907,967,971                                |
|                 |                                                |
| \$87,717,508    | \$90,327,505                                   |
|                 |                                                |
| \$3,519,969     | \$3,604,440                                    |
|                 |                                                |
| 4.01%           | 3.99%                                          |
|                 |                                                |
|                 | \$1,987,879,869<br>\$87,717,508<br>\$3,519,969 |

Source: Montana Dept. of Rev. Montana Taxes by County in  $\underline{2018}$  and Montana Taxes by County in  $\underline{2014}$ 

#### Market Value of Crops and Livestock

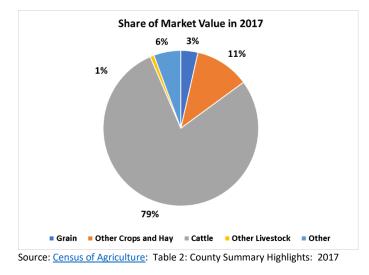
After adjusting for inflation, the market value of crops increased by 29%, while the market value of livestock increased by 58%, from 1997 to 2017.



Sources: <u>Census of Agriculture</u>: Table 1: County Summary Highlights: 2017 and <u>St. Louis Fed Producer Price Index</u>

#### **Crops and Livestock**

Cattle (79%) and other crops and hay (11%) comprised 90% of total crop and livestock sales in 2017.



## Farm Size by Acres

The percentage of smaller farms, less than 500 acres, decreased from 46% to 44%, while the percentage of larger farms, 500 acres or more, increased from 54% to 56% from 2012 to 2017.

|                    | 2017     |     | 2017 2012 |     |  |
|--------------------|----------|-----|-----------|-----|--|
|                    | Number   |     | Number    |     |  |
| Farm Size by Acres | of Farms | %   | of Farms  | %   |  |
| 1 to 9             | 11       | 3   | 33        | 8   |  |
| 10 to 49           | 51       | 12  | 46        | 11  |  |
| 50 to 179          | 61       | 15  | 62        | 14  |  |
| 180 to 499         | 60       | 14  | 62        | 14  |  |
| 500 to 999         | 47       | 11  | 38        | 9   |  |
| 1,000 or more      | 184      | 44  | 196       | 45  |  |
| TOTAL              | 414      | 100 | 437       | 100 |  |

Source: Census of Agriculture: Table 2: County Summary Highlights: 2017

## Farm Size by Sales

The percentage of the smallest farms with less than \$100,000 in sales decreased from 72% to 69%, while the percentage of the largest farms with sales of \$100,000 or more increased from 28% to 31% from 2012 to 2017.

|                  | 2017     |     | 2012     |     |
|------------------|----------|-----|----------|-----|
| Farm Size by     | Number   |     | Number   |     |
| Sales            | of Farms | %   | of Farms | %   |
| Less than 2,500  | 126      | 30  | 137      | 31  |
| 2,500 to 4,999   | 18       | 4   | 20       | 5   |
| 5,000 to 9,999   | 24       | 6   | 33       | 8   |
| 10,000 to 24,999 | 31       | 7   | 44       | 10  |
| 25,000 to 49,999 | 40       | 10  | 33       | 8   |
| 50,000 to 99,999 | 46       | 11  | 49       | 11  |
| 100,000 or more  | 129      | 31  | 121      | 28  |
| TOTAL            | 414      | 100 | 437      | 100 |

Source: Census of Agriculture: Table 1: County Summary Highlights: 2017

# Tillage and Land Use

The percentage of farms using no till, reduced tillage or cover crops increased, while the percentage of farms using intensive tillage decreased from 2012 to 2017.

|                   | 2017     |    | 2017     |    | 2012 |  |
|-------------------|----------|----|----------|----|------|--|
|                   | Number   |    | Number   |    |      |  |
| Tillage           | of Farms | %  | of Farms | %  |      |  |
| No tillage        | 40       | 10 | 37       | 8  |      |  |
| Reduced tillage   | 24       | 6  | 21       | 5  |      |  |
| Intensive tillage | 69       | 17 | 86       | 20 |      |  |
| Cover crops       | 24       | 6  | 23       | 5  |      |  |
| TOTAL FARMS       | 414      |    | 437      |    |      |  |

Source: Census of Agriculture: Table 41 Land Use Practices

## **Producer Profile**

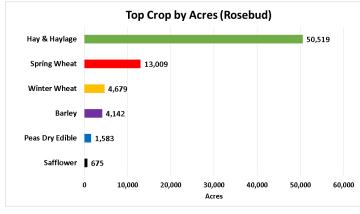
The county producer population was younger than the Montana producer population. Thirty-six percent of county producers were under 55 years of age, while 30% were over 65 years of age. Thirty-four percent of the Montana producer population were under 55, while 36% were over 65 years of age. Sixtyone percent of producers in the county were males, while 60% of Montana producers were males. Farming was the primary occupation for 54% of county producers, while farming was the primary occupation for 50% of Montana producers.

|                    | County    | 1   | State     |     |
|--------------------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|
|                    | Number of |     | Number of |     |
| Characteristics    | Producers | %   | Producers | %   |
| Age                |           |     |           |     |
| 18 – 25            | 1         | 0   | 570       | 1   |
| 25 to 34           | 92        | 12  | 3,285     | 7   |
| 35 to 44           | 54        | 7   | 5,179     | 11  |
| 45 to 54           | 140       | 18  | 7,309     | 15  |
| 55 to 64           | 250       | 32  | 13,838    | 29  |
| 65 to 74           | 166       | 21  | 11,469    | 24  |
| 75 and older       | 68        | 9   | 5,587     | 12  |
| Sex                | Sex       |     |           |     |
| Male               | 487       | 61  | 28,563    | 60  |
| Female             | 306       | 39  | 18,673    | 40  |
| Primary Occupation |           |     |           |     |
| Yes                | 425       | 54  | 23,847    | 50  |
| No                 | 368       | 46  | 24,314    | 50  |
| TOTAL PRODUCERS    | 793       | 100 | 48,161    | 100 |

Source: <u>Census of Agriculture</u>: Table 45 Selected Operation and Producer Characteristics

#### **Top Crops by Acres**

The top crops were hay and haylage, spring wheat, winter wheat, barley, peas dry edible, and safflower.



Source: Census of Agriculture: Table 1: County Summary Highlights: 2017

# **Top Livestock**

The top livestock were cattle, sheep, hogs, and poultry (chickens and turkeys).

| Number of Head |
|----------------|
| 91,559         |
| 3,710          |
| 697            |
| 637            |
| 12             |
|                |

Source: <u>Census of Agriculture</u>: Tables 11 (Cattle), 13 (Sheep) and 19 (Poultry)

## **Employment Impact**

Agricultural production employed 807 workers, or 20% of the county's labor force. According to IMPLAN, economic impact model, 644 of the workers were directly employed in production agriculture. An additional 156 workers were employed in businesses supporting agricultural production, such as feed and fertilizer dealers, and another 7 workers were employed in other related businesses, such as grocery and drugs stores. For every 10 jobs on farms and ranches, 3 additional jobs are generated in the county.

| Impact Type             | Labor Force | Impact<br>Multipliers |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| County Labor Force      | 4,020       |                       |
| Direct Impact           | 644         |                       |
| Indirect Impact         | 156         | 0.24                  |
| Induced Impact          | 7           | 0.01                  |
| Total Impact            | 807         | 0.25                  |
| Agriculture's Share (%) | 20          |                       |

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, www.bls.gov/#cntyaa and IMPLAN Estimates

## Value Added Impacts

Farms and ranches generated \$43.5 million of valueadded, or 5% of the county's total gross domestic product of \$901 million in 2017. According to IMPLAN, \$33.7 million was directly contributed by farmers and ranchers. An additional \$9.1 million was generated by businesses supporting agricultural production and \$0.7 million was generated by other related businesses. Each dollar of value-added in agriculture by a farmer or rancher contributes an additional \$0.29 of value-added in other sectors of the county's economy.

| Impact Type             | Value-Added<br>(\$1 million) | Impact<br>Multipliers |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| County GDP*             | 901.0                        |                       |
| Direct Impact**         | 33.7                         |                       |
| Indirect Impact**       | 9.1                          | 0.27                  |
| Induced Impact**        | 0.7                          | 0.02                  |
| Total Impact**          | 43.5                         | 0.29                  |
| Agriculture's Share (%) | 5                            |                       |

Sources: \* St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, \*\* IMPLAN Estimates

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