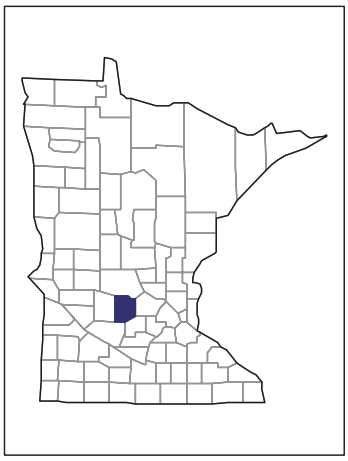
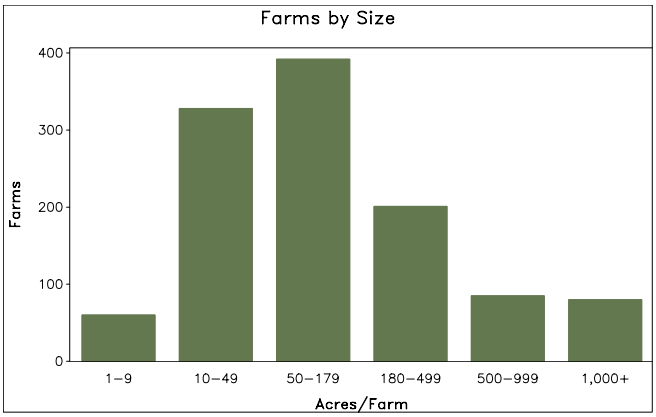
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

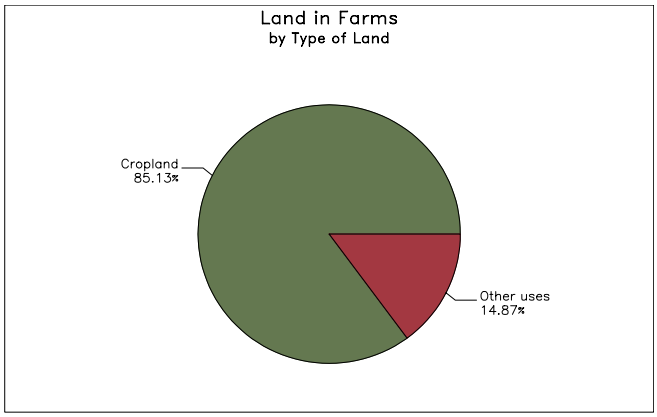
County Profile



Meeker, Minnesota

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,146	1,141	+ 0
Land in Farms	321,781 acres	340,552 acres	- 6
Average Size of Farm	281 acres	298 acres	- 6
Market Value of Production	$204,037,000	$129,070,000	+ 58
Crop Sales $82,416,000 (40 percent) Livestock Sales $121,621,000 (60 percent)			
Average Per Farm	$178,043	$113,120	+ 57
Government Payments	$5,707,000	$5,293,000	+ 8
Average Per Farm	$6,391	$6,974	- 8





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Ranked items among the 87 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe [1]	U.S. Rank	Universe [1]
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD ($1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	204,037	27	87	309	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	82,416	40	87	496	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	121,621	17	87	285	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP ($1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	77,333	37	86	349	2,933
Tobacco	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,124	32	84	562	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	215	58	79	1,772	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,391	27	86	729	3,054
Poultry and eggs	79,951	4	87	131	3,020
Cattle and calves	10,730	44	87	1,142	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	26,923	15	84	247	2,493
Hogs and pigs	3,620	47	86	611	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	284	25	85	453	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	95	38	85	1,741	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	84	(D)	2,875
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	1,767,247	4	81	13	2,371
Layers	(D)	4	86	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	260,897	6	73	124	2,627
Cattle and calves	27,626	32	87	1,106	3,060
Hogs and pigs	15,392	46	86	591	2,958
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	128,639	29	85	194	2,634
Soybeans for beans	92,550	29	84	218	2,039
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,821	45	87	1,465	3,060
Corn for silage	6,900	14	84	218	2,263
Wheat for grain, all	4,678	31	83	1,000	2,481

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than $1,000	423
$1,000 to $2,499	57
$2,500 to $4,999	53
$5,000 to $9,999	73
$10,000 to $19,999	61
$20,000 to $24,999	28
$25,000 to $39,999	48
$40,000 to $49,999	32
$50,000 to $99,999	102
$100,000 to $249,999	134
$250,000 to $499,999	71
$500,000 or more	64
Total farm production expenses ($1,000)	181,301
Average per farm ($)	158,204
Net cash farm income of operation ($1,000)	38,857
Average per farm ($)	33,907

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	507
Other	639
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,035
Female	111
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
All operators [2] by race:	
American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Asian	2
Black or African American	(-)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	(-)
White	1,650
More than one race	14
All operators [2] of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	4

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

[1] Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

[2] Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.