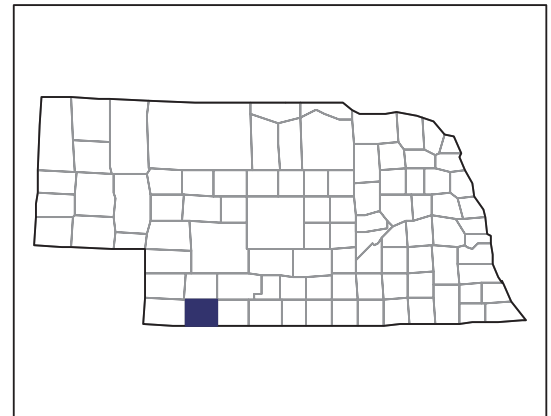


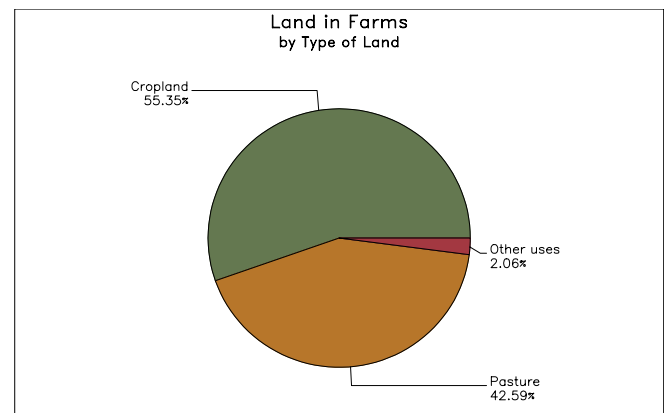
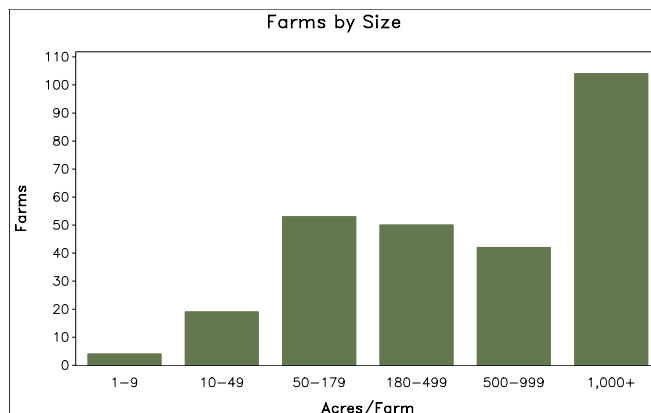
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Hitchcock County Nebraska



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	272	299	- 9
Land in Farms	347,924 acres	433,525 acres	- 20
Average Size of Farm	1,279 acres	1,450 acres	- 12
Market Value of Products Sold	\$58,757,000	\$32,485,000	+ 81
Crop Sales \$38,032,000 (65 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$20,724,000 (35 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$216,017	\$108,645	+ 99
Government Payments	\$3,521,000	\$2,715,000	+ 30
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$16,376	\$12,173	+ 35



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Hitchcock County – Nebraska

Ranked items among the 93 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	58,757	77	93	1,412	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	38,032	68	93	1,064	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,724	79	93	1,488	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	36,480	67	92	740	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	70	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	59	-	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	65	-	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	38	93	1,112	3,054
Poultry and eggs	59	30	93	1,615	3,020
Cattle and calves	20,536	74	93	658	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	80	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	56	76	92	1,549	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	52	49	90	1,612	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	16	82	93	2,745	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	25	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	5	53	79	2,235	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	59,810	8	89	260	2,481
Corn for grain	47,655	66	92	607	2,634
Forage – land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,229	71	93	1,784	3,060
Sorghum for grain	9,054	10	71	187	1,158
Soybeans for beans	1,173	75	81	1,517	2,039
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	27,685	77	93	1,102	3,060
Pheasants	1,412	9	48	291	1,544
Quail	(D)	3	24	(D)	1,386
Sheep and lambs	475	56	88	1,473	2,891
Horses and ponies	287	81	93	2,701	3,066

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	66	Farming	159
\$1,000 to \$2,499	8	Other	113
\$2,500 to \$4,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	11	Male	255
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20	Female	17
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	34	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	50	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	25	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	28	White	427
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,880	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	157,649	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	21,055		
Average per farm (\$)	77,407		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.