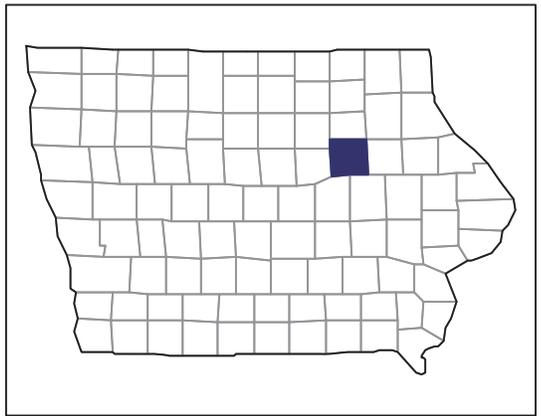


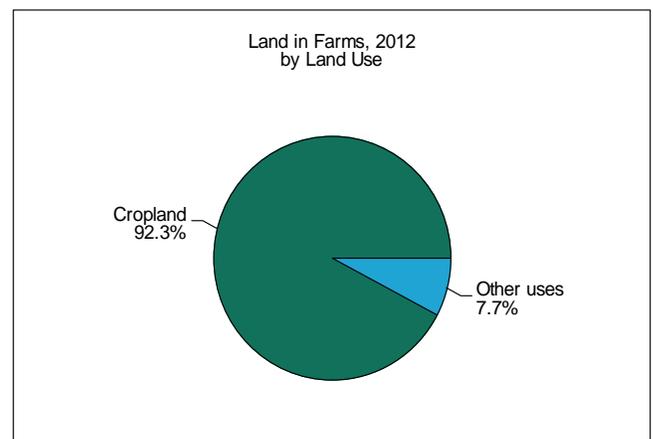
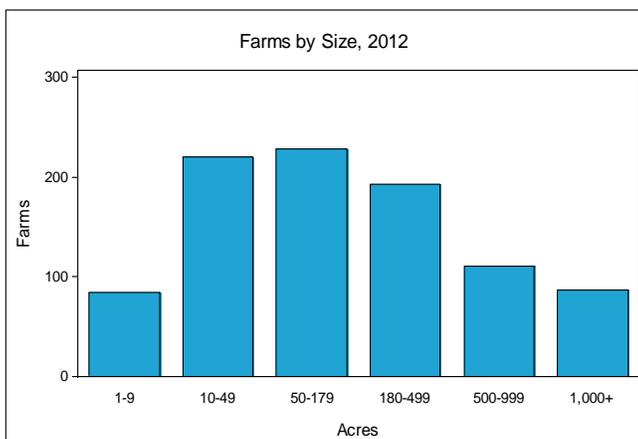
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Black Hawk County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	924	942	- 2
Land in Farms	296,765 acres	282,163 acres	+ 5
Average Size of Farm	321 acres	300 acres	+ 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$287,225,000	\$178,047,000	+ 61
Crop Sales \$187,982,000 (65 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$99,243,000 (35 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$310,849	\$189,009	+ 64
Government Payments	\$7,606,000	\$7,381,000	+ 3
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$10,114	\$9,829	+ 3





Black Hawk County – Iowa

Ranked items among the 99 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	287,225	50	99	304	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	187,982	44	99	250	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	99,243	49	99	473	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	185,891	44	99	158	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	470	12	97	1,123	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	89	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,265	16	93	960	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	302	86	99	2,637	3,049
Poultry and eggs	33	70	99	1,797	3,013
Cattle and calves	19,224	68	99	831	3,056
Milk from cows	2,730	38	80	921	2,038
Hogs and pigs	77,030	30	99	72	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	178	59	99	883	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	32	89	99	2,482	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	29	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	15	68	98	2,029	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	160,915	37	99	116	2,638
Soybeans for beans	98,265	44	99	245	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,661	78	99	2,411	3,057
Corn for silage	1,896	58	99	810	2,237
Oats for grain	498	33	98	530	1,825
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	240,800	28	99	65	2,889
Cattle and calves	26,806	54	99	1,068	3,063
Sheep and lambs	1,093	52	99	824	2,897
Layers	846	71	99	1,999	3,040
Horses and ponies	463	57	99	2,127	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	198	Farming	514
\$1,000 to \$2,499	28	Other	410
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	29	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	50	Male	873
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Female	51
\$25,000 to \$39,999	51		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	81		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	136	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	107	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	165	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	240,518	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	260,301	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,324
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	83,044	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	89,874	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	6

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.