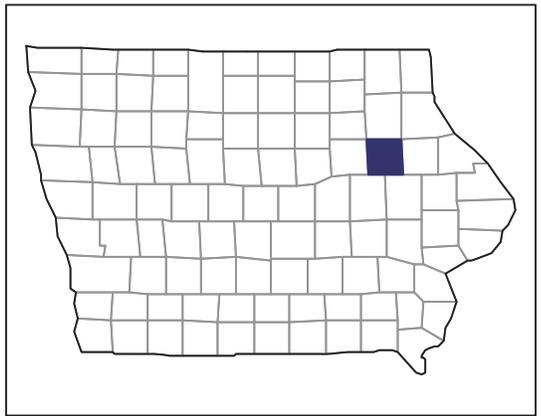


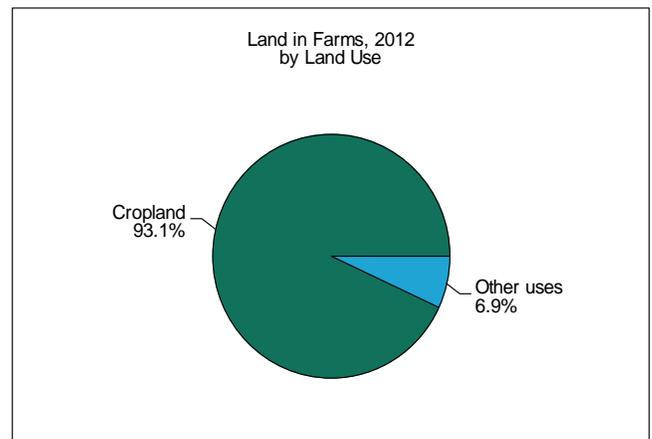
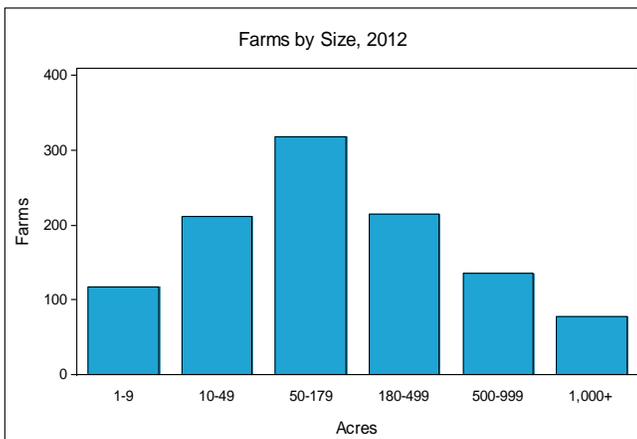
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Buchanan County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,075	1,174	- 8
Land in Farms	341,903 acres	360,316 acres	- 5
Average Size of Farm	318 acres	307 acres	+ 4
Market Value of Products Sold	\$390,721,000	\$254,556,000	+ 53
Crop Sales \$247,096,000 (63 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$143,625,000 (37 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$363,461	\$216,828	+ 68
Government Payments	\$10,788,000	\$11,678,000	- 8
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$13,956	\$13,393	+ 4





Buchanan 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	390,721	26	99	178	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	247,096	20	99	147	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	143,625	31	99	287	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	245,601	20	99	78	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	7	97	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	101	10	89	1,420	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	80	61	93	2,106	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	62	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	1,229	49	99	976	3,013
Cattle and calves	25,266	51	99	648	3,056
Milk from cows	9,240	20	80	524	2,038
Hogs and pigs	106,268	20	99	40	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	1,340	8	99	124	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	195	23	99	1,268	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	29	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	87	30	98	1,175	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	212,900	10	99	35	2,638
Soybeans for beans	84,670	61	99	329	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,591	54	99	2,008	3,057
Corn for silage	2,694	43	99	637	2,237
Oats for grain	940	16	98	311	1,825
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	372,762	16	99	28	2,889
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	60,902	8	98	584	2,723
Cattle and calves	31,215	40	99	922	3,063
Layers	13,015	37	99	660	3,040
Goats, all	2,778	4	99	139	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	177	Farming	619
\$1,000 to \$2,499	49	Other	456
\$2,500 to \$4,999	33	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	47	Male	1,016
\$10,000 to \$19,999	57	Female	59
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	34	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	33	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	115	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	155	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	119	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	238	White	1,624
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	310,648	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	288,975	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	111,133		
Average per farm (\$)	103,379		

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.