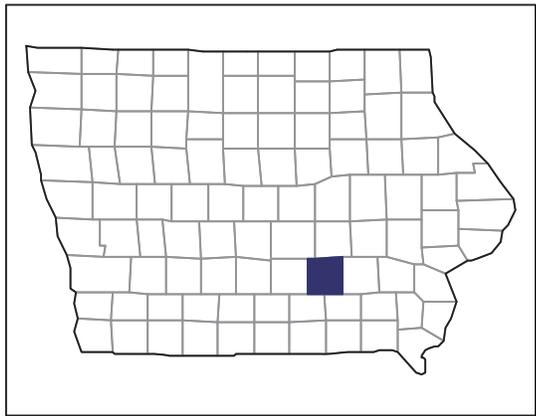


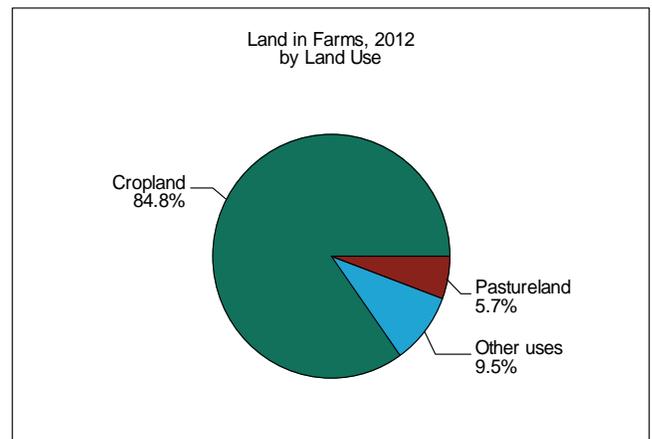
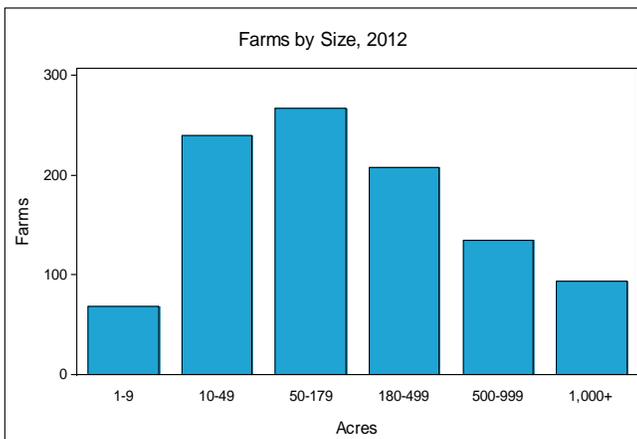
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Mahaska County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,012	1,031	- 2
Land in Farms	322,964 acres	295,128 acres	+ 9
Average Size of Farm	319 acres	286 acres	+ 12
Market Value of Products Sold			
	\$311,071,000	\$211,925,000	+ 47
Crop Sales \$170,751,000 (55 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$140,320,000 (45 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$307,382	\$205,553	+ 50
Government Payments			
	\$11,369,000	\$7,682,000	+ 48
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$14,070	\$9,134	+ 54





Mahaska 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	311,071	44	99	262	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	170,751	54	99	310	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	140,320	33	99	296	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	169,579	53	99	211	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	60	55	97	2,096	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	111	8	89	1,367	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	304	39	93	1,593	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	62	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	698	52	99	2,195	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	27	99	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	36	99	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	1,124	51	80	1,220	2,038
Hogs and pigs	89,970	24	99	53	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	469	24	99	352	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	143	37	99	1,536	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	29	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	132,893	55	99	184	2,638
Soybeans for beans	100,347	38	99	228	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,448	46	99	1,896	3,057
Corn for silage	2,958	39	99	598	2,237
Oats for grain	421	46	98	586	1,825
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	(D)	16	99	(D)	3,040
Hogs and pigs	301,296	22	99	45	2,889
Cattle and calves	30,740	43	99	932	3,063
Sheep and lambs	1,877	25	99	495	2,897
Pheasants	(D)	11	34	(D)	963

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	294	Farming	493
\$1,000 to \$2,499	21	Other	519
\$2,500 to \$4,999	49	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	33	Male	933
\$10,000 to \$19,999	53	Female	79
\$20,000 to \$24,999	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	51	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	30	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	82	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	105	Black or African American	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	83	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	185	White	1,520
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	232,308	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	229,553	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	104,629		
Average per farm (\$)	103,389		

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.