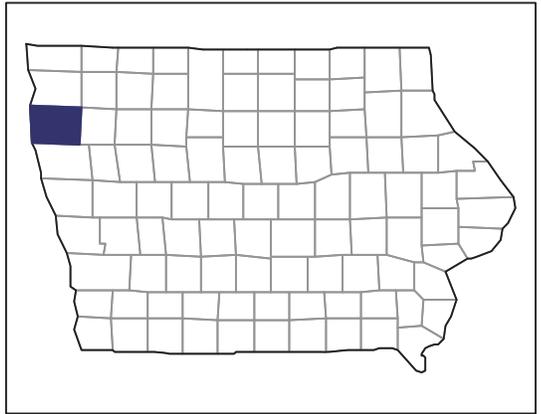


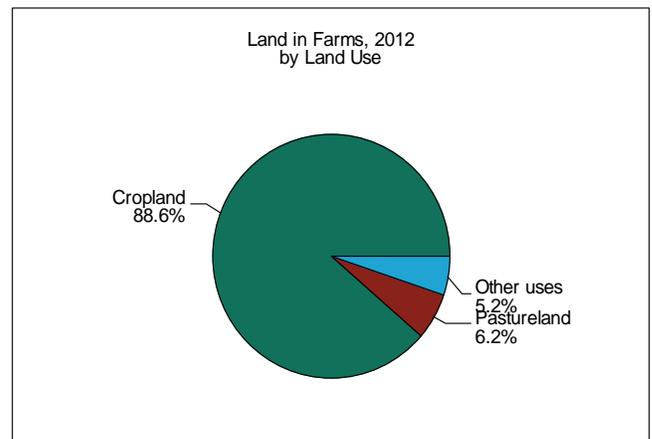
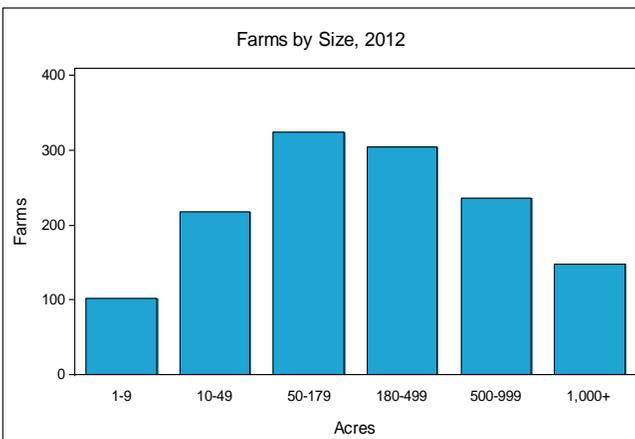
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Plymouth County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,331	1,442	- 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	541,817 acres	517,248 acres	+ 5
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	407 acres	359 acres	+ 13
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$643,103,000	\$467,302,000	+ 38
Crop Sales \$262,413,000 (41 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$380,689,000 (59 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$483,172	\$324,065	+ 49
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$11,860,000	\$10,164,000	+ 17
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$11,074	\$8,592	+ 29





## Plymouth County – Iowa

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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	643,103	4	99	59	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	262,413	12	99	115	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	380,689	3	99	65	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	261,228	12	99	52	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	30	68	97	2,344	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	81	89	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	93	93	2,658	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	62	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,153	31	99	1,809	3,049
Poultry and eggs	23	78	99	2,000	3,013
Cattle and calves	135,115	5	99	85	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	10	80	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	211,240	7	99	14	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	5	99	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	82	63	99	1,982	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	29	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	12	98	(D)	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	231,645	4	99	25	2,638
Soybeans for beans	206,440	2	99	21	2,162
Corn for silage	14,862	6	99	93	2,237
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,428	40	99	1,685	3,057
Oats for grain	1,079	11	98	274	1,825
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	744,433	3	99	7	2,889
Cattle and calves	91,041	6	99	151	3,063
Sheep and lambs	5,672	3	99	161	2,897
Layers	1,427	57	99	1,578	3,040
Horses and ponies	681	35	99	1,693	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	165	Farming	902
\$1,000 to \$2,499	45	Other	429
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	45	Male	1,275
\$10,000 to \$19,999	59	Female	56
\$20,000 to \$24,999	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	65	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	49	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	148	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	212	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	179	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	299	White	1,883
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	526,492	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	395,561	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	177,235		
Average per farm (\$)	133,159		

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.