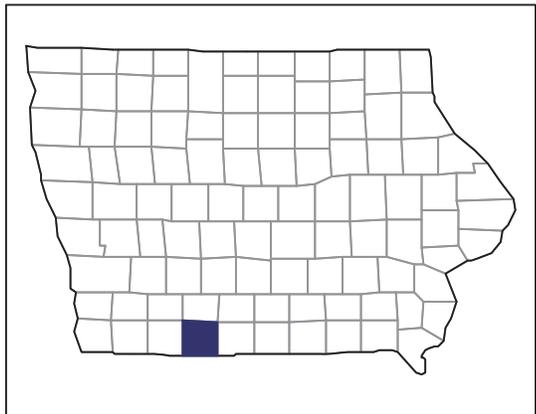


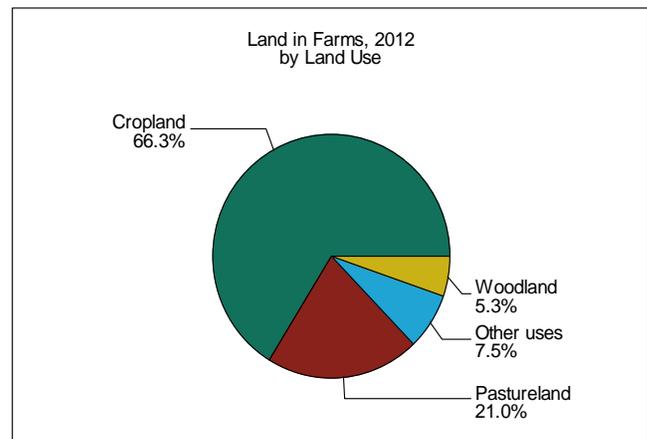
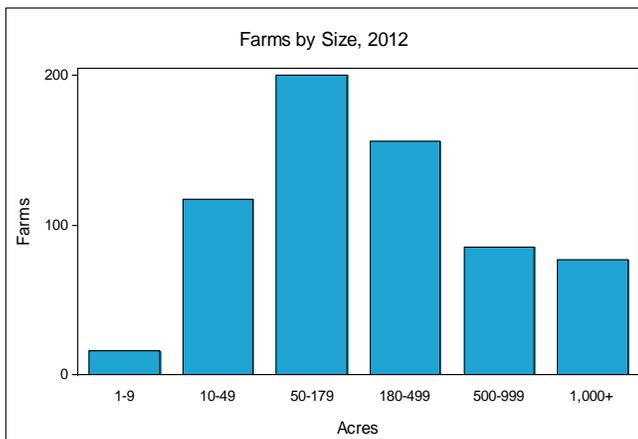
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Ringgold County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	651	733	- 11
Land in Farms	269,777 acres	264,886 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	414 acres	361 acres	+ 15
Market Value of Products Sold	\$116,634,000	\$70,336,000	+ 66
Crop Sales \$48,708,000 (42 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$67,925,000 (58 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$179,161	\$95,956	+ 87
Government Payments	\$6,034,000	\$5,878,000	+ 3
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$12,068	\$9,813	+ 23





Ringgold 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	116,634	88	99	1,023	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	48,708	92	99	1,176	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	67,925	63	99	710	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	93	99	881	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	60	56	97	2,097	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	78	89	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	89	93	(D)	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	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	33,895	40	99	460	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	74	80	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	32,911	63	99	187	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	220	47	99	741	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	59	74	99	2,170	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	20	29	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	7	79	98	2,371	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	54,115	85	99	564	2,162
Corn for grain	47,731	92	99	637	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	30,582	4	99	585	3,057
Corn for silage	2,335	49	99	702	2,237
Oats for grain	1,871	7	98	146	1,825
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	96,204	61	99	177	2,889
Cattle and calves	54,933	19	99	438	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	9	98	594	2,723
Sheep and lambs	1,529	36	99	599	2,897
Layers	655	81	99	2,181	3,040

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	167	Farming	301
\$1,000 to \$2,499	18	Other	350
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	53	Male	585
\$10,000 to \$19,999	52	Female	66
\$20,000 to \$24,999	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	38	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	30	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	67	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	69	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	34	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	66	White	933
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	103,571	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	159,095	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	33,520		
Average per farm (\$)	51,490		

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.