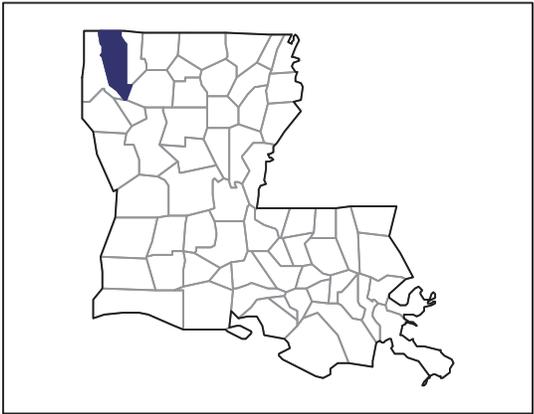


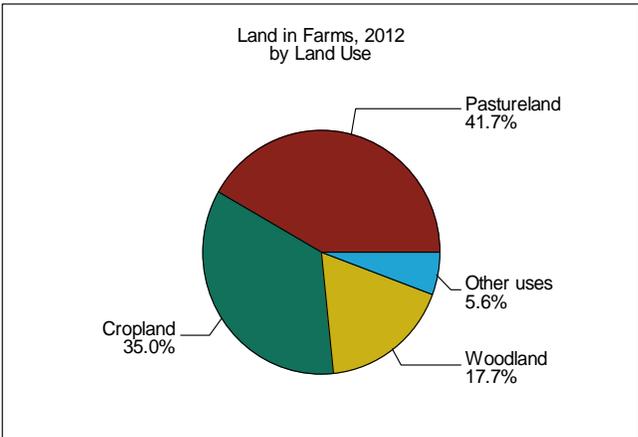
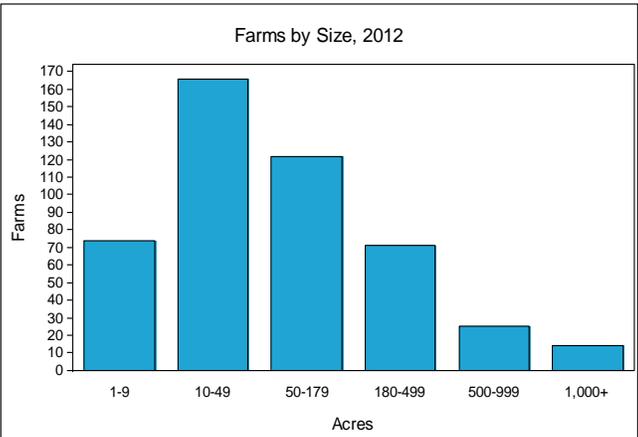
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

PARISH PROFILE



Bossier Parish Louisiana

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	472	493	- 4
Land in Farms	81,300 acres	103,500 acres	- 21
Average Size of Farm	172 acres	210 acres	- 18
Market Value of Products Sold	\$17,708,000	\$13,116,000	+ 35
Crop Sales \$10,765,000 (61 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$6,944,000 (39 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$37,518	\$26,604	+ 41
Government Payments	\$717,000	\$1,025,000	- 30
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$13,795	\$15,292	- 10





Bossier Parish – Louisiana

Ranked items among the 64 state parishes 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	17,708	47	64	2,441	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	10,765	39	64	2,048	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,944	31	64	2,324	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,961	27	54	1,602	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	23	23	(D)	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	404	14	60	1,189	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	641	10	63	618	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	16	29	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,397	27	63	1,640	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	15	61	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	4,497	23	64	1,892	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	18	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	13	15	51	1,997	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	30	16	57	2,233	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	566	8	61	487	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	44	48	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	7	58	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,847	15	63	1,547	3,057
Soybeans for beans	5,759	27	50	1,249	2,162
Corn for grain	4,708	19	37	1,432	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	1,995	21	40	1,348	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	1,995	21	40	1,283	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	11,401	28	64	1,826	3,063
Horses and ponies	2,710	4	63	263	3,072
Colonies of bees	1,110	4	51	377	2,761
Layers	904	33	64	1,942	3,040
Goats, all	542	9	61	1,156	2,996

Other Parish Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	194	Farming	250
\$1,000 to \$2,499	58	Other	222
\$2,500 to \$4,999	55	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	37	Male	377
\$10,000 to \$19,999	39	Female	95
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	61.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	32	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	Black or African American	60
\$250,000 to \$499,999	12	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	6	White	627
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	17,746	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	37,597	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,751		
Average per farm (\$)	5,829		

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.