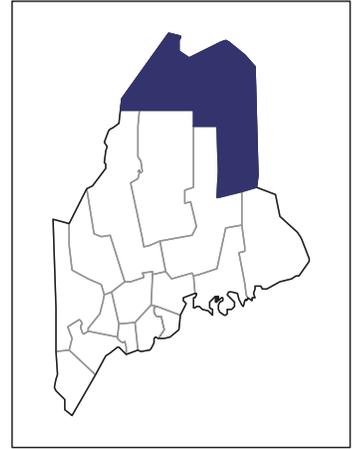


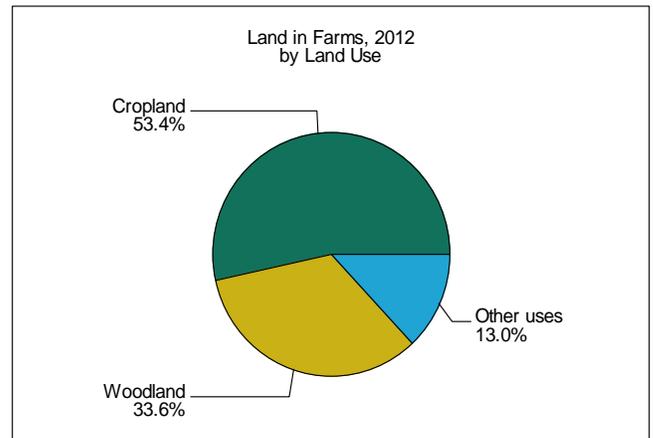
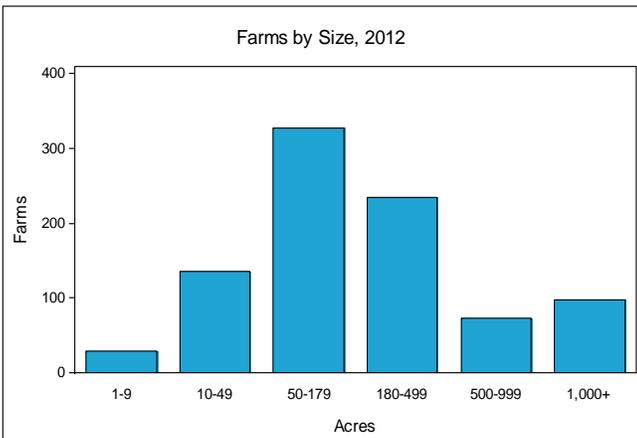
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Aroostook County Maine

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	895	1,246	- 28
Land in Farms	350,911 acres	375,568 acres	- 7
Average Size of Farm	392 acres	301 acres	+ 30
Market Value of Products Sold	\$210,517,000	\$146,516,000	+ 44
Crop Sales \$192,821,000 (92 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$17,697,000 (8 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$235,215	\$117,589	+ 100
Government Payments	\$2,492,000	\$2,779,000	- 10
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,472	\$3,941	+ 64





Aroostook County – Maine

Ranked items among the 16 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	210,517	1	16	499	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	192,821	1	16	234	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,697	6	16	1,711	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,503	1	15	1,398	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	170,776	1	16	16	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	501	13	16	707	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	843	14	16	1,137	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	1,345	1	16	29	1,530
Other crops and hay	5,853	2	16	513	3,049
Poultry and eggs	64	13	16	1,536	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	1	16	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	67	11	16	1,358	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	157	5	16	984	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	73	12	16	2,062	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	11	14	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	5	16	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Vegetables harvested, all	63,738	1	16	11	2,801
Potatoes	(D)	1	16	2	2,354
Oats for grain	28,298	1	8	1	1,825
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,362	1	16	693	3,057
Barley for grain	15,096	1	6	62	1,158
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	9,049	4	16	2,003	3,063
Layers	3,497	7	16	951	3,040
Deer	1,955	1	11	11	1,034
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,782	4	16	796	2,723
Sheep and lambs	797	7	16	1,064	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	329	Farming	393
\$1,000 to \$2,499	55	Other	502
\$2,500 to \$4,999	72	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	55	Male	726
\$10,000 to \$19,999	87	Female	169
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	34	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16	American Indian or Alaska Native	19
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	49	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	36	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	107	White	1,396
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	184,325	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	205,950	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	27
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	34,652		
Average per farm (\$)	38,718		

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.