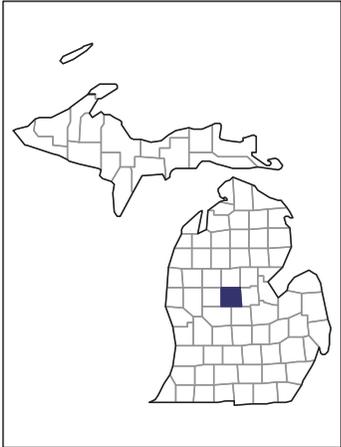


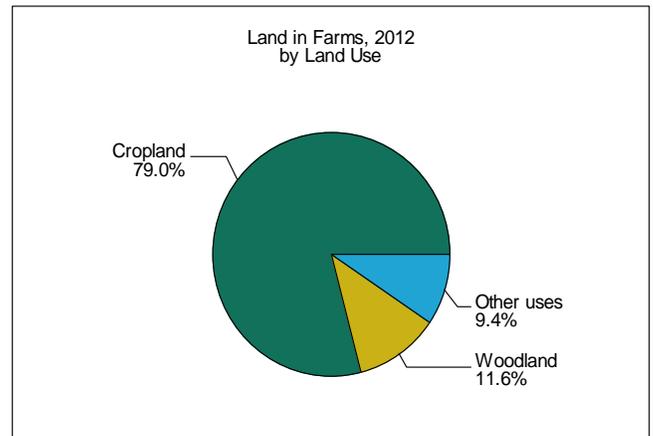
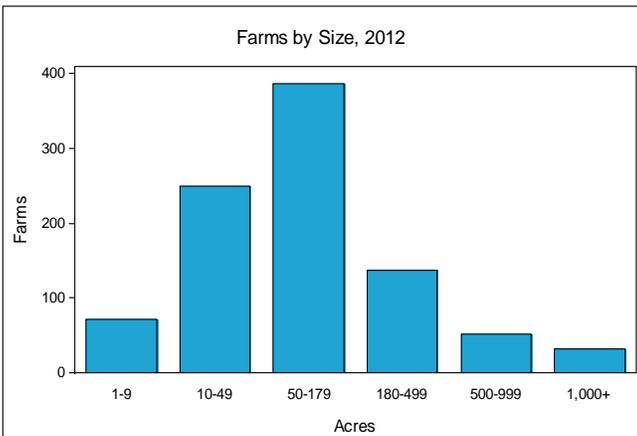
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Isabella County Michigan

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	928	1,018	- 9
Land in Farms	188,465 acres	196,071 acres	- 4
Average Size of Farm	203 acres	193 acres	+ 5
Market Value of Products Sold	\$119,400,000	\$71,433,000	+ 67
Crop Sales \$78,428,000 (66 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$40,972,000 (34 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$128,663	\$70,170	+ 83
Government Payments	\$2,703,000	\$2,287,000	+ 18
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,574	\$3,971	+ 40





Isabella County – Michigan

Ranked items among the 83 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	119,400	27	83	994	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	78,428	29	82	817	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	40,972	22	83	1,042	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	73,177	22	82	639	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	265	58	82	1,367	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	37	79	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,297	16	82	691	3,049
Poultry and eggs	80	34	82	1,460	3,013
Cattle and calves	12,547	12	82	1,149	3,056
Milk from cows	27,520	14	73	265	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	32	80	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	146	27	79	1,043	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	211	40	81	1,212	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	32	37	1,197	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	50,391	18	71	599	2,162
Corn for grain	34,126	30	80	751	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	22,775	12	82	846	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	17,296	10	78	513	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	17,296	10	78	422	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	24,480	13	83	1,158	3,063
Layers	1,893	43	82	1,342	3,040
Hogs and pigs	1,400	33	81	978	2,889
Sheep and lambs	1,391	16	79	648	2,897
Horses and ponies	1,033	39	83	1,161	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	282	Farming	457
\$1,000 to \$2,499	79	Other	471
\$2,500 to \$4,999	67		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	67	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	74	Male	812
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Female	116
\$25,000 to \$39,999	59		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	21	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	64		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	84	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	45	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$500,000 or more	49	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	89,212	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	96,134	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,329
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	35,132	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	37,858	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	14

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.