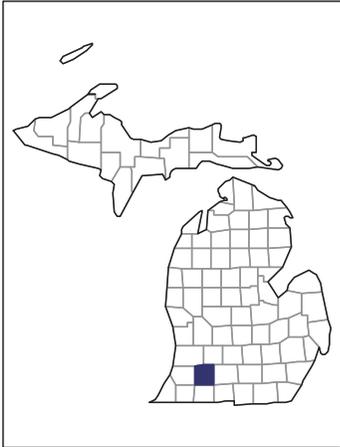


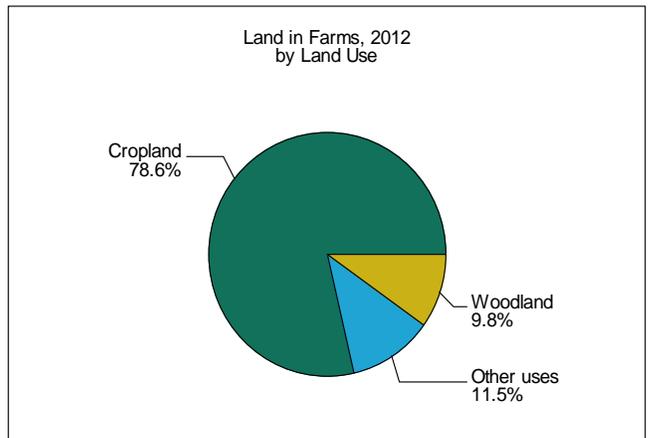
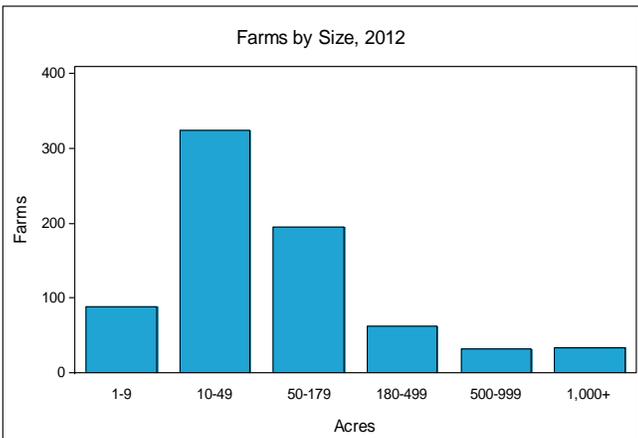
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Kalamazoo County Michigan

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	734	854	- 14
Land in Farms	143,540 acres	144,873 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	196 acres	170 acres	+ 15
Market Value of Products Sold	\$243,969,000	\$179,255,000	+ 36
Crop Sales \$194,521,000 (80 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$49,448,000 (20 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$332,383	\$209,900	+ 58
Government Payments	\$2,473,000	\$1,974,000	+ 25
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$12,616	\$7,680	+ 64





Kalamazoo 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	243,969	9	83	400	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	194,521	7	82	229	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	49,448	17	83	911	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	72,872	23	82	641	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,314	29	82	470	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	19	79	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	114,855	2	81	18	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,168	31	82	1,270	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	3,070	38	82	2,098	3,056
Milk from cows	26,914	16	73	271	2,038
Hogs and pigs	14,223	10	80	342	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	785	3	79	207	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	438	18	81	642	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	37	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	1	82	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	58,662	20	80	545	2,638
Soybeans for beans	29,444	28	71	792	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,954	49	82	1,627	3,057
Corn for silage	3,871	24	78	471	2,237
Wheat for grain, all	3,582	33	78	1,115	2,537
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	49,025	8	81	292	2,889
Cattle and calves	15,341	23	83	1,577	3,063
Rabbits, live	(D)	1	74	3	2,157
Sheep and lambs	5,907	3	79	153	2,897
Colonies of bees	5,281	4	80	147	2,761

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	183	Farming	357
\$1,000 to \$2,499	78	Other	377
\$2,500 to \$4,999	56	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	61	Male	598
\$10,000 to \$19,999	79	Female	136
\$20,000 to \$24,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	44	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	42	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	36	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	27	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	95	White	1,138
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	198,134	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	269,937	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	18
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	53,373		
Average per farm (\$)	72,715		

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.