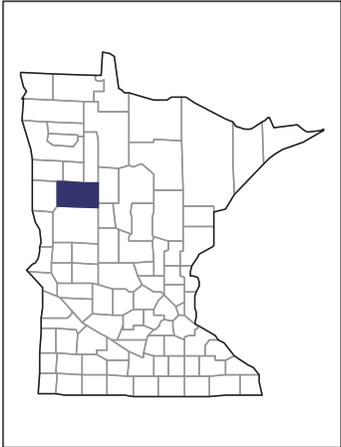


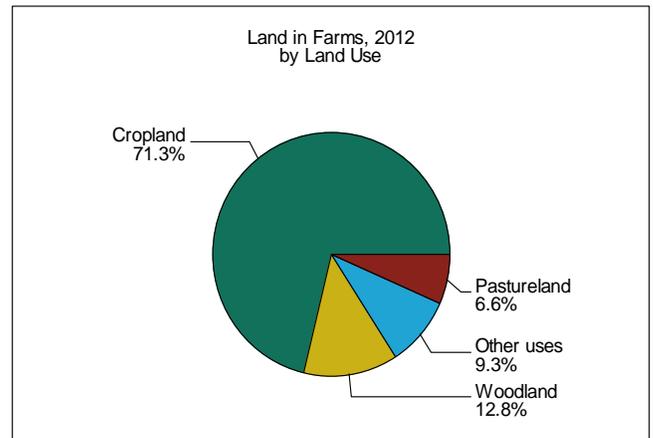
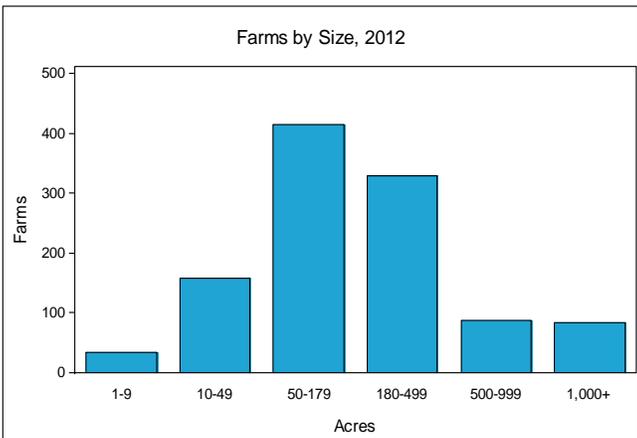
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Becker County Minnesota

| | 2012 | 2007 | % change |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------|
| Number of Farms | 1,107 | 1,202 | - 8 |
| Land in Farms | 434,917 acres | 395,858 acres | + 10 |
| Average Size of Farm | 393 acres | 329 acres | + 19 |
| Market Value of Products Sold | \$261,493,000 | \$149,482,000 | + 75 |
| Crop Sales \$177,232,000 (68 percent) | | | |
| Livestock Sales \$84,261,000 (32 percent) | | | |
| Average Per Farm | \$236,218 | \$124,361 | + 90 |
| Government Payments | \$6,592,000 | \$4,330,000 | + 52 |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments | \$9,472 | \$5,551 | + 71 |





Becker County – Minnesota

Ranked items among the 87 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 | 261,493 | 41 | 87 | 360 | 3,077 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 177,232 | 40 | 87 | 290 | 3,072 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 84,261 | 38 | 87 | 563 | 3,076 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 137,020 | 45 | 85 | 310 | 2,926 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 436 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 635 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | (D) | (D) | 87 | (D) | 2,802 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 143 | 31 | 81 | 1,242 | 2,724 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | (D) | 5 | 79 | (D) | 2,678 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | 55 | 13 | 50 | 447 | 1,530 |
| Other crops and hay | 15,891 | 13 | 87 | 204 | 3,049 |
| Poultry and eggs | 39,079 | 10 | 87 | 288 | 3,013 |
| Cattle and calves | 13,793 | 37 | 86 | 1,082 | 3,056 |
| Milk from cows | 21,755 | 24 | 83 | 323 | 2,038 |
| Hogs and pigs | 6,791 | 45 | 86 | 504 | 2,827 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk | 285 | 30 | 87 | 593 | 2,988 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 261 | 16 | 85 | 1,023 | 3,011 |
| Aquaculture | 664 | 7 | 43 | 282 | 1,366 |
| Other animals and other animal products | 1,633 | 10 | 86 | 151 | 2,924 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Soybeans for beans | 105,927 | 25 | 85 | 195 | 2,162 |
| Corn for grain | 77,783 | 52 | 85 | 398 | 2,638 |
| Wheat for grain, all | 33,459 | 11 | 85 | 338 | 2,537 |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 33,360 | 13 | 87 | 516 | 3,057 |
| Spring wheat for grain | 33,030 | 11 | 85 | 98 | 633 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Turkeys | 483,590 | 10 | 76 | 59 | 2,416 |
| Layers | (D) | 9 | 86 | (D) | 3,040 |
| Cattle and calves | 32,280 | 23 | 87 | 889 | 3,063 |
| Hogs and pigs | 18,705 | 44 | 85 | 505 | 2,889 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 2,230 | 20 | 85 | 748 | 2,723 |

Other County Highlights, 2012

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 372 | Farming | 608 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 56 | Other | 499 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 92 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 79 | Male | 1,027 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 74 | Female | 80 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 28 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 56.7 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 68 | All operators by race ² : | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 25 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 40 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 81 | Asian | 1 |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 87 | Black or African American | - |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 46 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| \$500,000 or more | 99 | White | 1,645 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 199,527 | More than one race | 16 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 180,242 | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ² | 5 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 74,658 | | |
| Average per farm (\$) | 67,442 | | |

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.