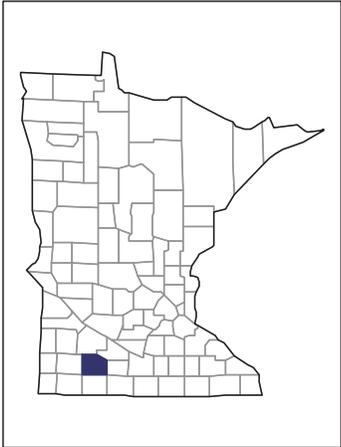


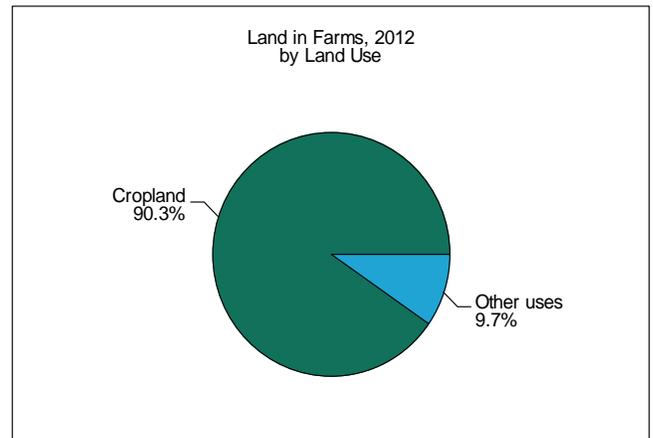
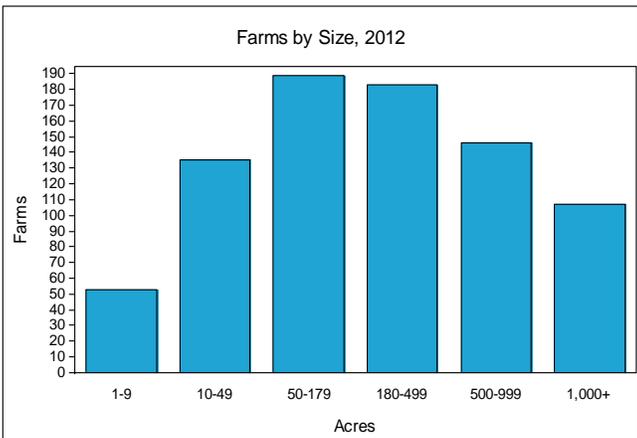
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Cottonwood County Minnesota

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	813	865	- 6
<b>Land in Farms</b>	372,767 acres	381,249 acres	- 2
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	459 acres	441 acres	+ 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$374,090,000	\$240,642,000	+ 55
Crop Sales \$234,022,000 (63 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$140,068,000 (37 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$460,135	\$278,199	+ 65
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$7,918,000	\$6,962,000	+ 14
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$11,610	\$9,511	+ 22





## Cottonwood County – Minnesota

### Ranked items among the 87 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	374,090	23	87	194	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	234,022	27	87	167	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	140,068	20	87	298	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	230,552	22	85	98	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	43	87	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	69	81	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,561	56	87	1,554	3,049
Poultry and eggs	12,680	22	87	551	3,013
Cattle and calves	42,036	11	86	347	3,056
Milk from cows	2,736	62	83	920	2,038
Hogs and pigs	81,463	14	86	65	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	566	14	87	297	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	11	43	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	45	68	86	1,481	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	165,254	19	85	107	2,638
Soybeans for beans	145,230	19	85	70	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,399	73	87	2,289	3,057
Corn for silage	2,486	41	84	671	2,237
Wheat for grain, all	972	46	85	1,669	2,537
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	314,055	4	85	442	2,723
Hogs and pigs	235,636	13	85	71	2,889
Turkeys	224,209	19	76	103	2,416
Cattle and calves	24,855	34	87	1,134	3,063
Sheep and lambs	2,972	12	86	296	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	179	Farming	543
\$1,000 to \$2,499	16	Other	270
\$2,500 to \$4,999	12		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	22	Male	763
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Female	50
\$25,000 to \$39,999	9		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	87		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	112	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	116	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	206	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	273,380	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	336,261	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,118
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	123,772	More than one race	12
Average per farm (\$)	152,241	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3

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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.