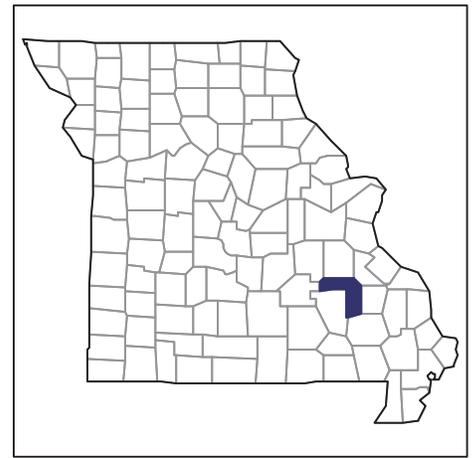


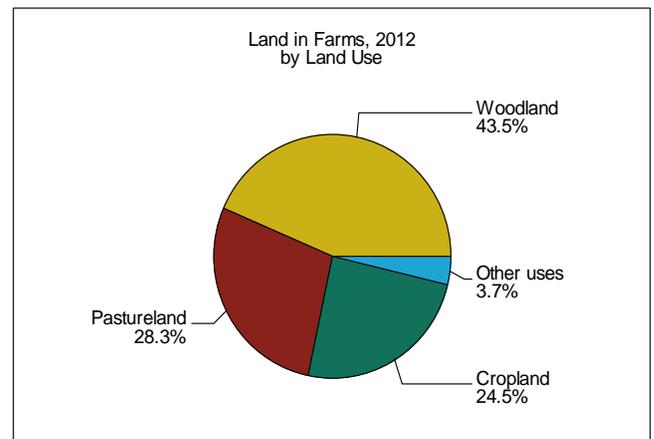
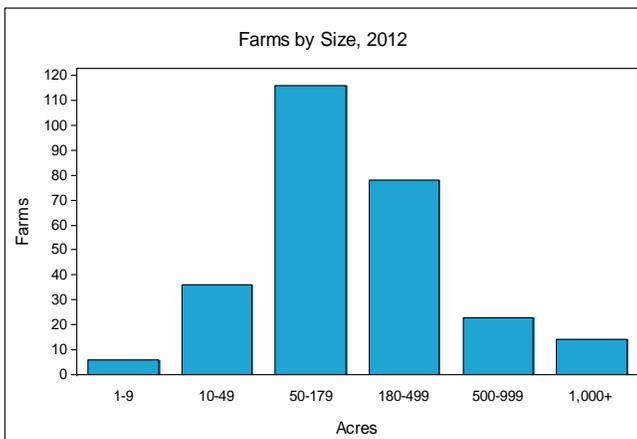
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Iron County Missouri

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	273	299	- 9
<b>Land in Farms</b>	70,507 acres	69,801 acres	+ 1
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	258 acres	233 acres	+ 11
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$5,997,000	\$6,856,000	- 13
Crop Sales \$886,000 (15 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$5,112,000 (85 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$21,968	\$22,931	- 4
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$66,000	\$35,000	+ 89
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,748	\$2,049	+ 132





## Iron County – Missouri

### Ranked items among the 114 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	5,997	112	114	2,807	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	886	114	114	2,902	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,112	105	114	2,464	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	108	114	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	12	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	7	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2	108	109	2,754	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	107	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	107	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	55	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	619	104	113	2,283	3,049
Poultry and eggs	6	108	113	2,558	3,013
Cattle and calves	4,293	100	114	1,923	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	96	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	5	103	109	2,366	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	27	46	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,906	104	114	1,745	3,057
Soybeans for beans	(D)	99	111	(D)	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	23	107	108	2,418	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	23	107	108	2,358	2,480
Vegetables harvested, all	(D)	(D)	109	(D)	2,801
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	8,050	103	114	2,101	3,063
Layers	598	101	113	2,250	3,040
Goats, all	560	53	113	1,120	2,996
Horses and ponies	413	99	114	2,246	3,072
Sheep and lambs	246	86	109	1,946	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	64	Farming	126
\$1,000 to \$2,499	25	Other	147
\$2,500 to \$4,999	40	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32	Male	244
\$10,000 to \$19,999	62	Female	29
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	22	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	Black or African American	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	1	White	410
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,308	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	23,107	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	9		
Average per farm (\$)	34		

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.