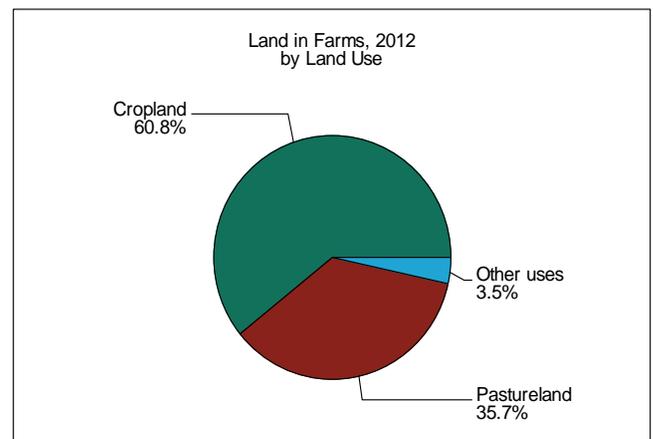
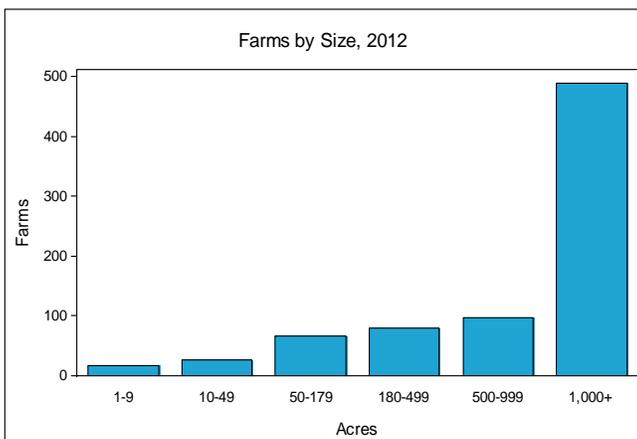


Chouteau County Montana

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	774	849	- 9
Land in Farms	2,071,771 acres	2,277,842 acres	- 9
Average Size of Farm	2,677 acres	2,683 acres	0
Market Value of Products Sold	\$186,088,000	\$147,243,000	+ 26
Crop Sales \$159,038,000 (85 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$27,050,000 (15 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$240,424	\$173,432	+ 39
Government Payments	\$16,813,000	\$19,766,000	- 15
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$26,519	\$27,918	- 5





Chouteau County – Montana

Ranked items among the 56 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	186,088	2	56	609	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	159,038	1	56	353	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	27,050	30	56	1,378	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	155,272	1	55	251	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	26	39	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	23	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	30	42	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	11	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	14	55	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	24,676	29	56	663	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	27	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	12	54	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	143	36	54	1,056	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	8	47	53	2,309	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	502,567	1	54	1	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	386,090	1	49	1	2,480
Spring wheat for grain	111,943	12	53	38	633
Barley for grain	41,272	5	55	17	1,158
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	30,428	35	56	590	3,057
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	37,062	32	56	765	3,063
Layers	(D)	14	56	(D)	3,040
Hogs and pigs	(D)	13	52	(D)	2,889
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	11	48	(D)	2,637
Colonies of bees	2,398	18	45	272	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	213	Farming	539
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6	Other	235
\$2,500 to \$4,999	23	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	17	Male	688
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20	Female	86
\$20,000 to \$24,999	20	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	49	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	148	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	141	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	101	White	1,227
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	151,027	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	195,125	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	65,781		
Average per farm (\$)	84,988		

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.