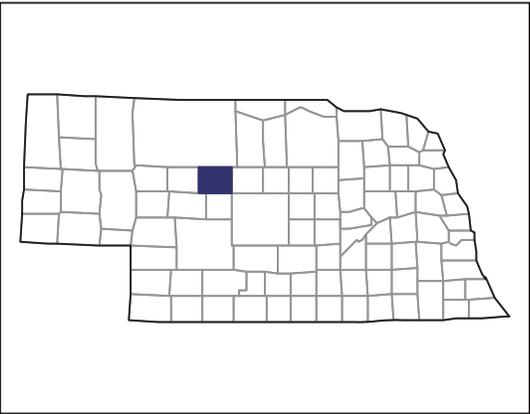


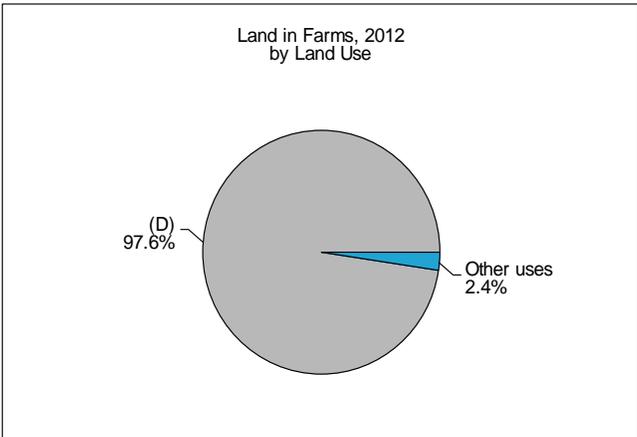
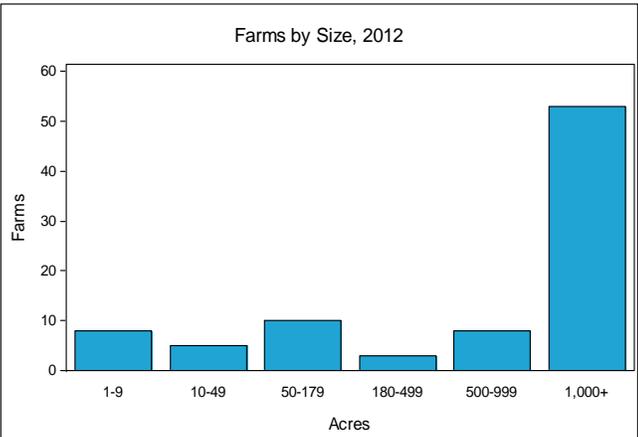
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Thomas County Nebraska

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	87	103	- 16
Land in Farms	367,535 acres	424,918 acres	- 14
Average Size of Farm	4,225 acres	4,125 acres	+ 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$22,426,000	\$14,668,000	+ 53
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	\$257,773	\$142,407	+ 81
Government Payments	\$438,000	\$190,000	+ 131
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$27,386	\$8,631	+ 217





Thomas County – Nebraska

Ranked items among the 93 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	22,426	92	93	2,316	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	92	93	2,503	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	83	93	1,668	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,596	91	91	2,114	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	66	-	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	62	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	9	70	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	24	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	93	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	1	90	93	2,932	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	80	93	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	55	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	47	90	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	90	90	2,984	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	15	88	93	2,738	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	21	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	85	-	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,361	91	93	2,294	3,057
Corn for grain	1,638	91	91	1,776	2,638
Corn for silage	260	89	91	1,630	2,237
Nursery stock crops	(D)	11	47	(D)	2,077
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	26,151	78	93	1,092	3,063
Hogs and pigs	(D)	47	90	(D)	2,889
Horses and ponies	249	86	93	2,659	3,072
Layers	100	88	93	2,896	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	36	74	(D)	2,637

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	10	Farming	58
\$1,000 to \$2,499	1	Other	29
\$2,500 to \$4,999	12	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	-	Male	76
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9	Female	11
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	12	White	140
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	18,113	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	208,192	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,383		
Average per farm (\$)	61,871		

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.