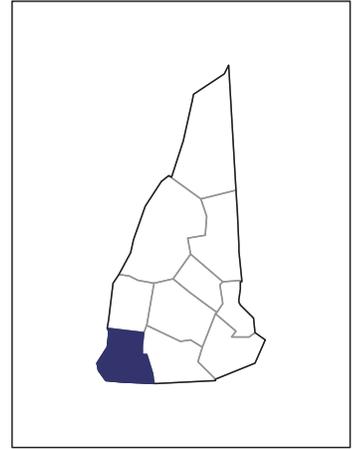


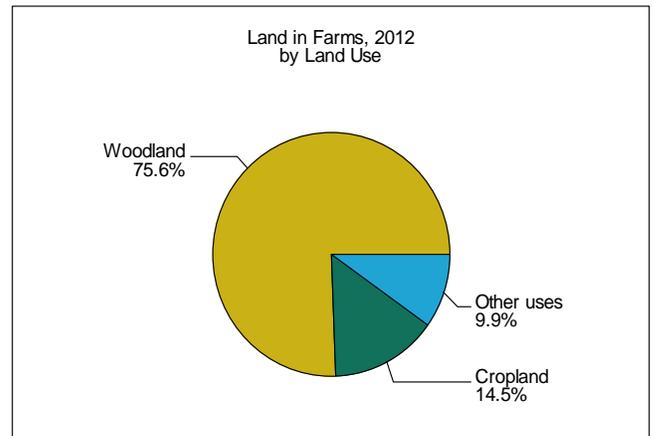
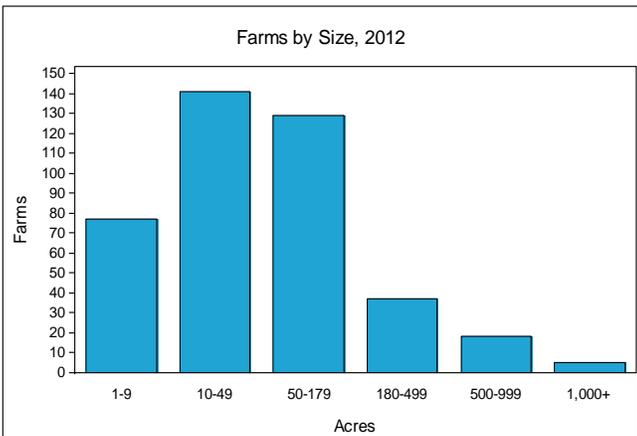
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE

Cheshire County New Hampshire



	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	407	419	- 3
Land in Farms	63,292 acres	48,241 acres	+ 31
Average Size of Farm	156 acres	115 acres	+ 36
Market Value of Products Sold	\$17,331,000	\$15,406,000	+ 12
Crop Sales \$6,860,000 (40 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$10,471,000 (60 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$42,582	\$36,768	+ 16
Government Payments	\$231,000	\$143,000	+ 62
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,234	\$3,403	+ 113





Cheshire County – New Hampshire

Ranked items among the 10 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	17,331	5	10	2,450	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,860	4	10	2,277	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,471	3	10	2,070	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	9	10	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	3	10	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	345	8	10	849	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,598	4	10	664	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	84	7	10	327	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	4	10	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	2	10	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,284	3	10	2,538	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	5	10	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	52	8	10	1,438	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	232	2	10	720	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	345	3	10	808	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	9	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	170	4	10	831	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,937	6	10	2,103	3,057
Corn for silage	1,320	5	10	990	2,237
Vegetables harvested, all	299	4	10	849	2,801
Land in Berries	150	2	10	145	2,339
Sweet corn	111	5	10	396	2,416
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	1	10	(D)	2,723
Layers	(D)	2	10	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	4,190	5	10	2,481	3,063
Ducks	2,752	1	9	47	2,480
Roosters	(D)	1	10	409	2,120

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	137	Farming	193
\$1,000 to \$2,499	59	Other	214
\$2,500 to \$4,999	37	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	46	Male	297
\$10,000 to \$19,999	52	Female	110
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	8	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	8	White	647
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	17,975	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	44,164	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	11
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,240		
Average per farm (\$)	3,047		

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.