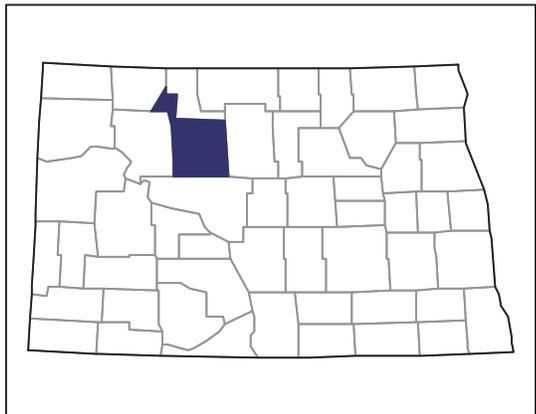


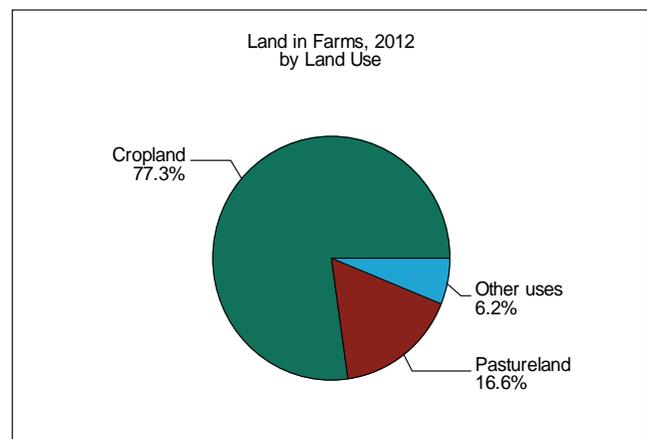
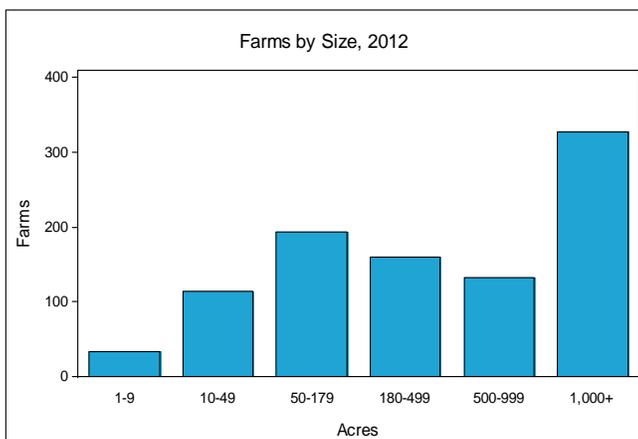
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Ward County North Dakota

| | 2012 | 2007 | % change |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----------|
| Number of Farms | 961 | 946 | + 2 |
| Land in Farms | 1,073,283 acres | 1,066,242 acres | + 1 |
| Average Size of Farm | 1,117 acres | 1,127 acres | - 1 |
| Market Value of Products Sold | \$274,458,000 | \$167,597,000 | + 64 |
| Crop Sales \$256,070,000 (93 percent) | | | |
| Livestock Sales \$18,388,000 (7 percent) | | | |
| Average Per Farm | \$285,596 | \$177,164 | + 61 |
| Government Payments | \$9,875,000 | \$8,642,000 | + 14 |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments | \$14,396 | \$12,086 | + 19 |





Ward County – North Dakota

Ranked items among the 53 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 | 274,458 | 12 | 53 | 331 | 3,077 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 256,070 | 13 | 53 | 134 | 3,072 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 18,388 | 29 | 53 | 1,673 | 3,076 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 246,740 | 13 | 53 | 76 | 2,926 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 436 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 635 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 185 | 20 | 39 | 1,550 | 2,802 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 25 | 1 | 27 | 2,049 | 2,724 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | (D) | 1 | 25 | (D) | 2,678 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | - | - | 6 | - | 1,530 |
| Other crops and hay | (D) | 19 | 53 | (D) | 3,049 |
| Poultry and eggs | 12 | 20 | 53 | 2,293 | 3,013 |
| Cattle and calves | 17,029 | 27 | 53 | 921 | 3,056 |
| Milk from cows | - | - | 35 | - | 2,038 |
| Hogs and pigs | 25 | 25 | 44 | 1,701 | 2,827 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk | 80 | 25 | 49 | 1,539 | 2,988 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | (D) | 11 | 52 | (D) | 3,011 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 3 | - | 1,366 |
| Other animals and other animal products | (D) | 26 | 51 | (D) | 2,924 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Wheat for grain, all | 389,465 | 2 | 53 | 5 | 2,537 |
| Spring wheat for grain | 244,316 | 3 | 53 | 6 | 633 |
| Canola | 93,035 | 3 | 45 | 3 | 232 |
| Durum wheat for grain | 73,470 | 5 | 52 | 9 | 137 |
| Winter wheat for grain | 71,679 | 1 | 53 | 137 | 2,480 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves | 39,160 | 19 | 53 | 708 | 3,063 |
| Colonies of bees | (D) | (D) | 44 | (D) | 2,761 |
| Horses and ponies | 1,592 | 8 | 53 | 662 | 3,072 |
| Layers | 1,012 | 7 | 52 | 1,862 | 3,040 |
| Sheep and lambs | 618 | 31 | 50 | 1,258 | 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 | 219 | Farming | 578 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 29 | Other | 383 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 54 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 56 | Male | 894 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 52 | Female | 67 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 10 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 55.3 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 57 | All operators by race ² : | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 22 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 4 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 85 | Asian | - |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 90 | Black or African American | - |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 105 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| \$500,000 or more | 182 | White | 1,393 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 164,673 | More than one race | - |
| Average per farm (\$) | 171,356 | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ² | 10 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 134,354 | | |
| Average per farm (\$) | 139,806 | | |

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.