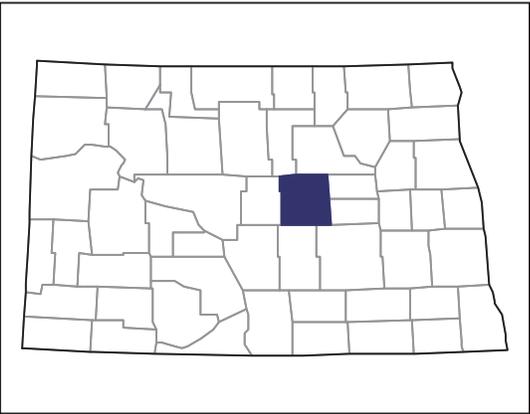


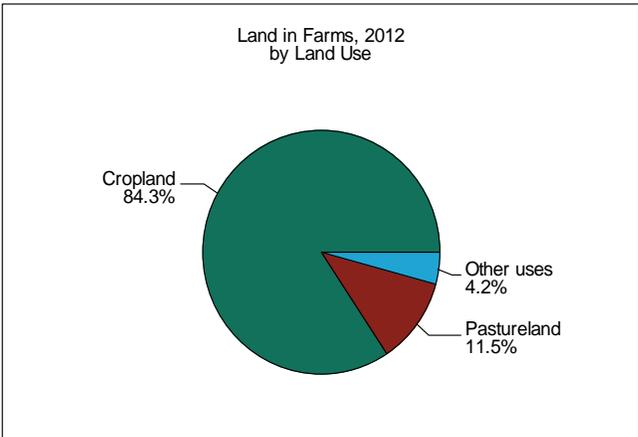
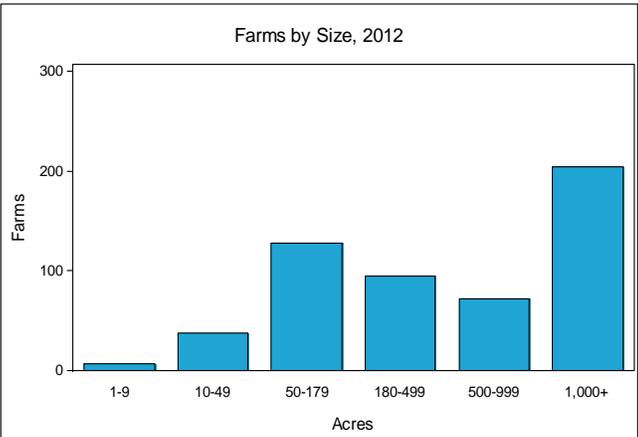
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Wells County North Dakota

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	543	618	- 12
<b>Land in Farms</b>	738,102 acres	757,008 acres	- 2
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	1,359 acres	1,225 acres	+ 11
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$271,957,000	\$144,758,000	+ 88
Crop Sales \$258,646,000 (95 percent) Livestock Sales \$13,310,000 (5 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$500,841	\$234,236	+ 114
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$7,746,000	\$7,004,000	+ 11
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$16,659	\$12,970	+ 28





## Wells County – North Dakota

### Ranked items among the 53 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	271,957	13	53	341	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	258,646	12	53	127	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	13,310	36	53	1,917	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	9	53	61	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	39	-	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	13	27	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	25	-	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	6	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	44	53	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	2	45	53	2,855	3,013
Cattle and calves	12,384	31	53	1,159	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	35	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	44	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	49	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	122	29	52	1,680	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	3	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans for beans	179,593	7	49	33	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	159,579	20	53	75	2,537
Spring wheat for grain	149,210	14	53	23	633
Corn for grain	94,495	13	53	317	2,638
Dry edible beans, excluding limas	45,409	4	45	7	510
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	19,920	34	53	1,347	3,063
Colonies of bees	(D)	27	44	(D)	2,761
Sheep and lambs	984	21	50	913	2,897
Horses and ponies	536	30	53	1,973	3,072
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	225	14	43	1,641	2,723

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	187	Farming	309
\$1,000 to \$2,499	7	Other	234
\$2,500 to \$4,999	13	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	Male	490
\$10,000 to \$19,999	15	Female	53
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	17	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	47	Black or African American	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	43	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	152	White	756
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	155,059	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	285,560	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	132,091		
Average per farm (\$)	243,261		

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.