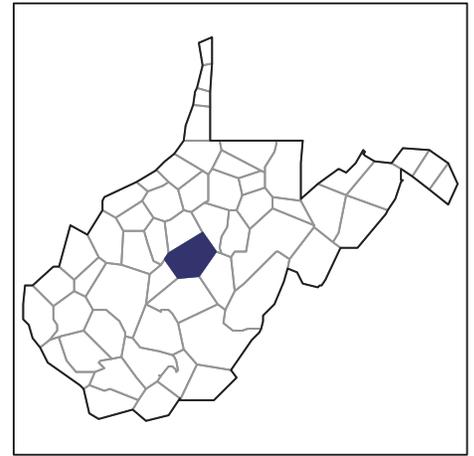


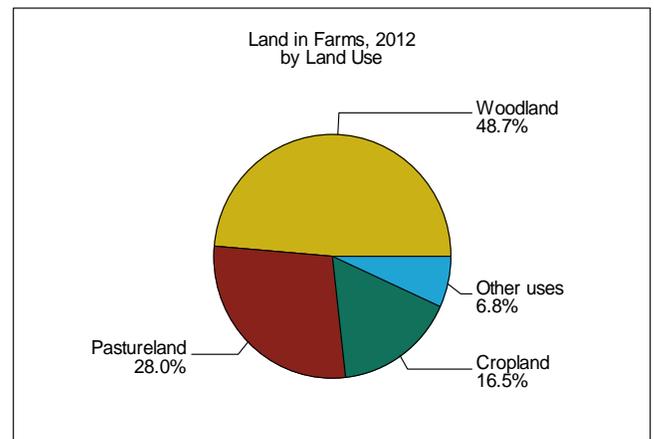
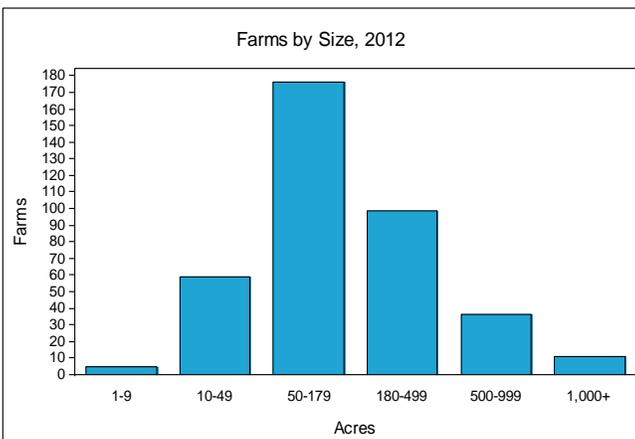
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Braxton County West Virginia

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	386	381	+ 1
Land in Farms	88,911 acres	79,437 acres	+ 12
Average Size of Farm	230 acres	208 acres	+ 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$4,858,000	\$3,063,000	+ 59
Crop Sales \$970,000 (20 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$3,888,000 (80 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$12,585	\$8,040	+ 57
Government Payments	\$147,000	\$14,000	+ 950
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,086	\$780	+ 424





Braxton County – West Virginia

Ranked items among the 55 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	4,858	25	55	2,849	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	970	29	55	2,892	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,888	23	55	2,557	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	29	49	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	6	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	68	31	52	2,033	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	53	27	52	1,739	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	29	43	50	2,353	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	36	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	771	18	54	2,122	3,049
Poultry and eggs	16	26	54	2,177	3,013
Cattle and calves	3,778	19	55	1,988	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	30	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	3	45	52	2,458	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	27	31	54	2,296	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	37	32	52	2,428	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	20	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	27	14	55	1,761	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,256	25	54	1,442	3,057
Corn for grain	39	30	48	2,467	2,638
Cut Christmas trees	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	1,557
Vegetables harvested, all	19	31	52	2,101	2,801
Apples	6	41	52	1,177	2,167
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	6,818	23	55	2,222	3,063
Layers	798	38	54	2,037	3,040
Colonies of bees	616	4	54	508	2,761
Horses and ponies	434	24	55	2,194	3,072
Goats, all	249	29	54	1,990	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	88	Farming	194
\$1,000 to \$2,499	49	Other	192
\$2,500 to \$4,999	68	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74	Male	356
\$10,000 to \$19,999	48	Female	30
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	17	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	564
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,589	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	11,887	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	657		
Average per farm (\$)	1,701		

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.