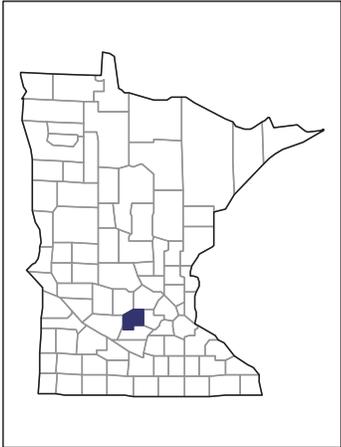


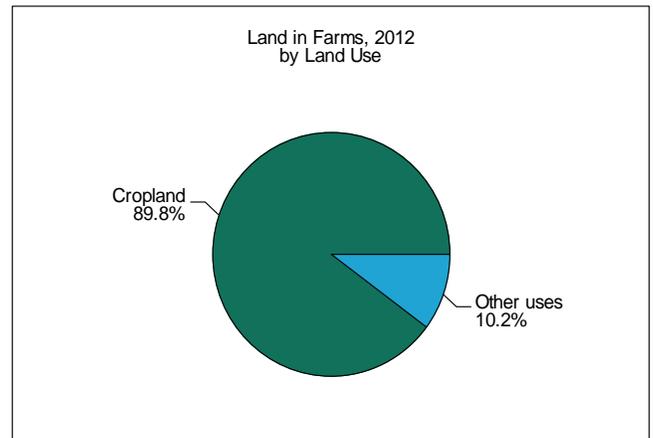
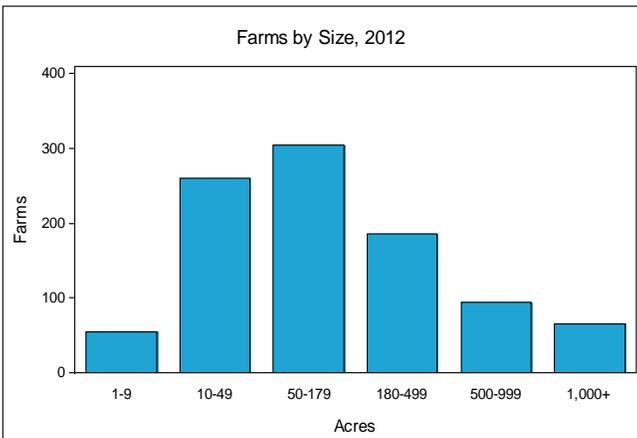
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



McLeod County Minnesota

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	966	1,021	- 5
Land in Farms	263,885 acres	243,958 acres	+ 8
Average Size of Farm	273 acres	239 acres	+ 14
Market Value of Products Sold	\$234,534,000	\$125,439,000	+ 87
Crop Sales \$178,845,000 (76 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$55,689,000 (24 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$242,788	\$122,859	+ 98
Government Payments	\$7,031,000	\$4,385,000	+ 60
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$9,300	\$5,785	+ 61





McLeod County – Minnesota

Ranked items among the 87 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	234,534	46	87	431	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	178,845	36	87	281	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	55,689	46	87	842	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	169,328	38	85	214	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,601	33	87	537	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	18	81	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	18	79	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,443	29	87	661	3,049
Poultry and eggs	59	67	87	1,567	3,013
Cattle and calves	22,550	24	86	727	3,056
Milk from cows	28,401	19	83	260	2,038
Hogs and pigs	2,928	52	86	674	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	376	19	87	446	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	35	43	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	14	86	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	121,250	30	85	206	2,638
Soybeans for beans	79,543	42	85	372	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,951	35	87	1,313	3,057
Corn for silage	5,095	22	84	362	2,237
Vegetables harvested, all	1,940	28	87	323	2,801
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	30,638	24	87	936	3,063
Hogs and pigs	9,308	51	85	648	2,889
Layers	2,385	25	86	1,169	3,040
Sheep and lambs	1,643	26	86	570	2,897
Pheasants	610	17	42	259	963

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	210	Farming	605
\$1,000 to \$2,499	36	Other	361
\$2,500 to \$4,999	44	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	49	Male	902
\$10,000 to \$19,999	53	Female	64
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	127	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	150	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	94	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	124	White	1,342
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	170,059	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	176,045	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	80,560		
Average per farm (\$)	83,396		

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.