

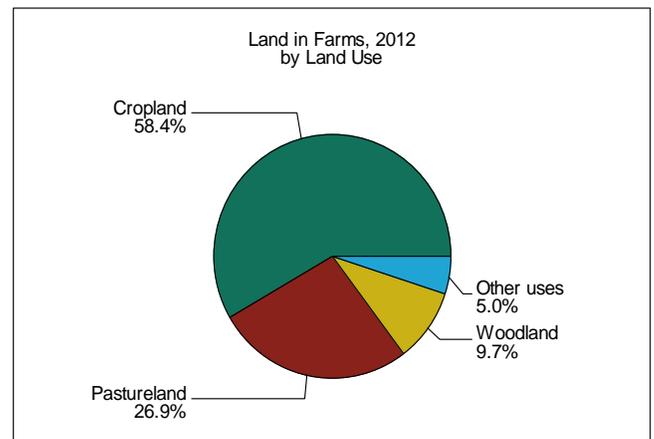
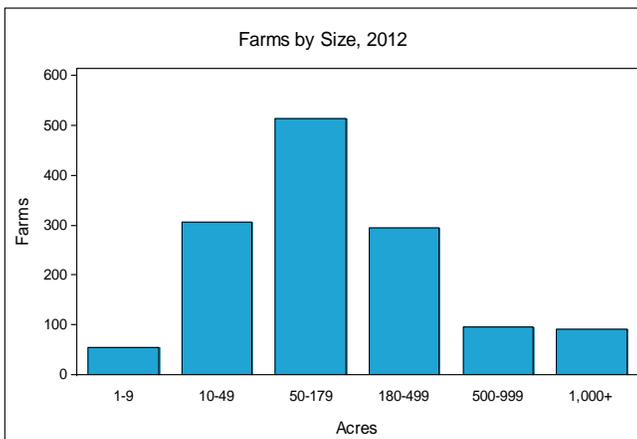
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Vernon County Missouri

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,356	1,383	- 2
Land in Farms	418,614 acres	455,844 acres	- 8
Average Size of Farm	309 acres	330 acres	- 6
Market Value of Products Sold	\$208,997,000	\$129,353,000	+ 62
Crop Sales \$62,212,000 (30 percent) Livestock Sales \$146,785,000 (70 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$154,128	\$93,530	+ 65
Government Payments	\$4,561,000	\$4,692,000	- 3
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,501	\$7,885	- 5





Vernon County – Missouri

Ranked items among the 114 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	208,997	6	114	504	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	62,212	18	114	1,001	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	146,785	6	114	280	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	49,927	27	114	834	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	12	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	7	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	4	109	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	3,625	2	107	224	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	107	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	55	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,378	3	113	671	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	20	113	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	26,548	21	114	605	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	5	96	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	96,736	2	109	48	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	400	7	110	415	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	194	42	114	1,274	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	46	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	51	31	114	1,412	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	72,742	34	111	429	2,162
Corn for grain	55,041	25	108	581	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	53,129	12	114	176	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	21,968	7	108	438	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	21,968	7	108	338	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	397,621	2	108	25	2,889
Pullets for laying flock replacement	194,946	5	106	162	2,637
Turkeys	146,678	12	103	129	2,416
Cattle and calves	63,052	13	114	336	3,063
Sheep and lambs	3,294	2	109	263	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	309	Farming	594
\$1,000 to \$2,499	92	Other	762
\$2,500 to \$4,999	126	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	129	Male	1,193
\$10,000 to \$19,999	179	Female	163
\$20,000 to \$24,999	70	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	132	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	48	American Indian or Alaska Native	16
\$50,000 to \$99,999	86	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	80	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	43	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	62	White	2,077
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	168,161	More than one race	11
Average per farm (\$)	124,012	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	60,376		
Average per farm (\$)	44,525		

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.