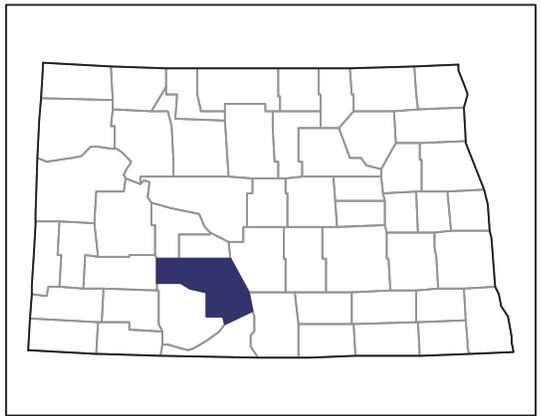


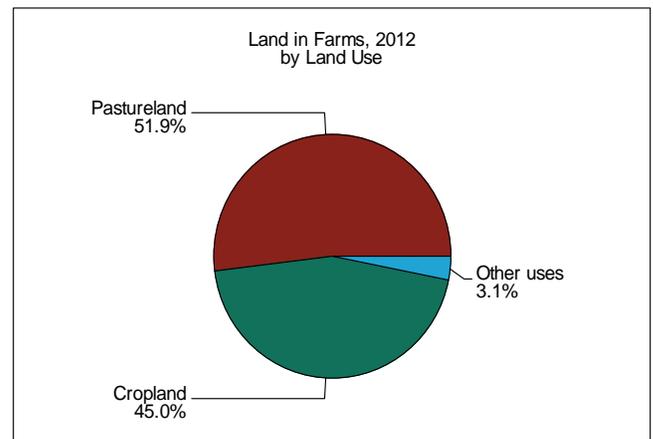
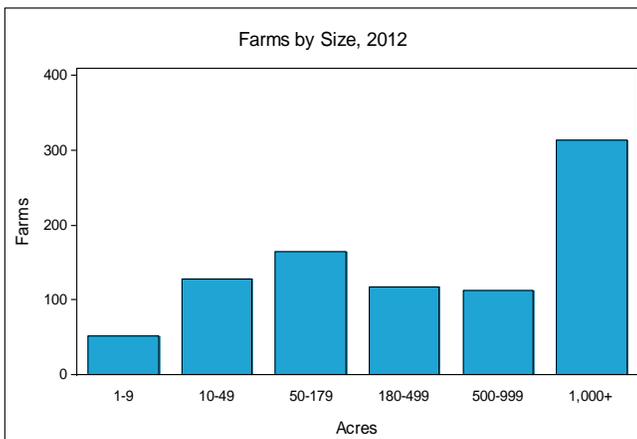
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Morton County North Dakota

|  | 2012            | 2007            | % change |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                     | 887             | 836             | + 6      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                       | 1,220,004 acres | 1,165,098 acres | + 5      |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>                | 1,375 acres     | 1,394 acres     | - 1      |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>       | \$225,239,000   | \$117,251,000   | + 92     |
| Crop Sales \$152,179,000 (68 percent)      |                 |                 |          |
| Livestock Sales \$73,060,000 (32 percent)  |                 |                 |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                    | \$253,933       | \$140,252       | + 81     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                 | \$5,558,000     | \$5,361,000     | + 4      |
| <b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b> | \$10,106        | \$8,934         | + 13     |





## Morton 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                             | 225,239  | 19         | 53                    | 454       | 3,077                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                       | 152,179  | 24         | 53                    | 378       | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                       | 73,060   | 2          | 53                    | 670       | 3,076                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                    |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                             | 137,655  | 25         | 53                    | 308       | 2,926                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 436                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 635                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                      | 196      | 19         | 39                    | 1,527     | 2,802                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 9        | 12         | 27                    | 2,417     | 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   | 14,320   | 9          | 53                    | 227       | 3,049                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 19       | 17         | 53                    | 2,099     | 3,013                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 56,371   | 2          | 53                    | 242       | 3,056                 |
| Milk from cows  | 12,779   | 1          | 35                    | 437       | 2,038                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 238      | 13         | 44                    | 1,054     | 2,827                 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk                                  | 414      | 7          | 49                    | 403       | 2,988                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                            | 330      | 14         | 52                    | 838       | 3,011                 |
| Aquaculture   | -        | -          | 3                     | -         | 1,366                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                               | 2,911    | 6          | 51                    | 73        | 2,924                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Wheat for grain, all  | 214,361  | 11         | 53                    | 38        | 2,537                 |
| Spring wheat for grain  | 193,546  | 8          | 53                    | 14        | 633                   |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 109,566  | 4          | 53                    | 20        | 3,057                 |
| Corn for grain  | 54,566   | 22         | 53                    | 586       | 2,638                 |
| Sunflower seed, all   | 51,053   | 3          | 53                    | 5         | 565                   |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                         |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Cattle and calves   | 111,699  | 1          | 53                    | 100       | 3,063                 |
| Colonies of bees  | 13,254   | 10         | 44                    | 54        | 2,761                 |
| Sheep and lambs   | 3,946    | 3          | 50                    | 223       | 2,897                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 2,434    | 3          | 53                    | 338       | 3,072                 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens                                 | 1,436    | 3          | 43                    | 840       | 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                           | 176      | Farming   | 490      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 43       | Other   | 397      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 50       |   |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 61       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 55       | Male  | 833      |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 21       | Female  | 54       |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 47       |   |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 28       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 53.6     |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 99       |   |          |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 110      | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 75       | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 6        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 122      | Asian   | 4        |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 142,749  | Black or African American   | -        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 160,935  | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
|   |          | White   | 1,411    |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 93,981   | More than one race  | -        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 105,954  | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 3        |

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero.

<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.