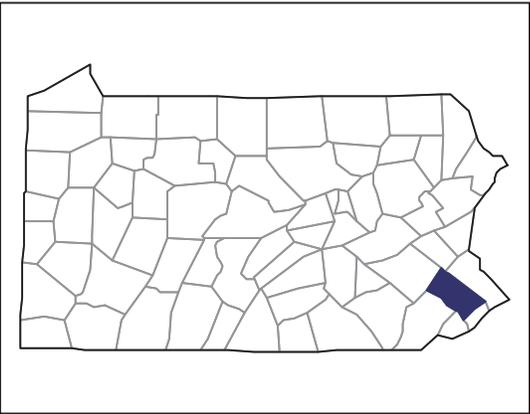


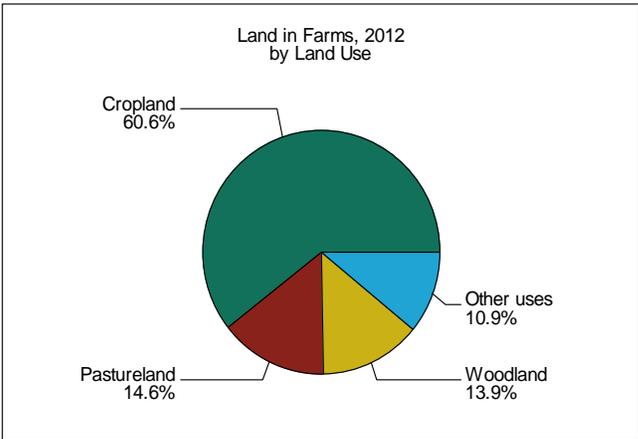
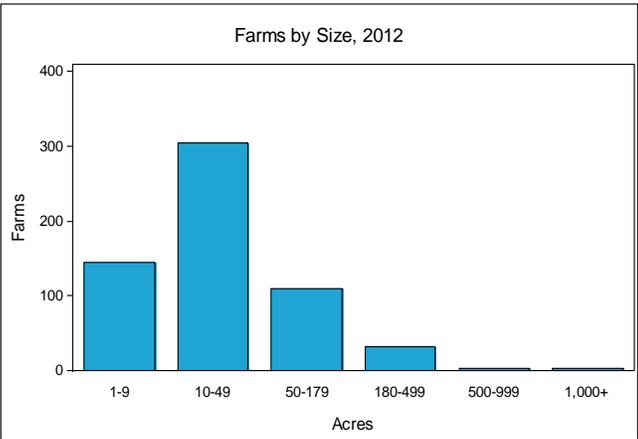
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Montgomery County Pennsylvania

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	596	719	- 17
Land in Farms	30,780 acres	41,908 acres	- 27
Average Size of Farm	52 acres	58 acres	- 10
Market Value of Products Sold	\$25,594,000	\$30,028,000	- 15
Crop Sales \$18,398,000 (72 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$7,196,000 (28 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$42,943	\$41,764	+ 3
Government Payments	\$293,000	\$238,000	+ 23
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,655	\$2,641	+ 76





Montgomery County – Pennsylvania

Ranked items among the 67 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	25,594	48	67	2,234	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,398	36	67	1,749	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,196	51	67	2,300	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,551	49	66	1,876	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	22	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	948	37	66	853	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	383	40	66	806	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	11,368	10	66	239	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	493	10	64	68	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,655	49	66	1,511	3,049
Poultry and eggs	642	28	67	1,061	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,815	49	67	2,377	3,056
Milk from cows	2,108	56	64	1,012	2,038
Hogs and pigs	990	26	65	869	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	43	66	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,054	6	67	232	3,011
Aquaculture	251	16	54	464	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	29	67	729	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,227	56	67	1,817	3,057
Corn for grain	3,691	49	66	1,518	2,638
Soybeans for beans	1,963	43	66	1,536	2,162
Corn for silage	530	56	64	1,374	2,237
Wheat for grain, all	408	45	62	1,934	2,537
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	17,417	24	66	630	3,040
Cattle and calves	3,312	55	67	2,575	3,063
Hogs and pigs	2,920	28	66	860	2,889
Horses and ponies	2,107	16	67	426	3,072
Sheep and lambs	1,067	37	66	846	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	171	Farming	328
\$1,000 to \$2,499	75	Other	268
\$2,500 to \$4,999	42	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71	Male	433
\$10,000 to \$19,999	72	Female	163
\$20,000 to \$24,999	22	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	33	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	19	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	43	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	Black or African American	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	13	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	9	White	909
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	33,088	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	55,517	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,833		
Average per farm (\$)	-3,076		

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.