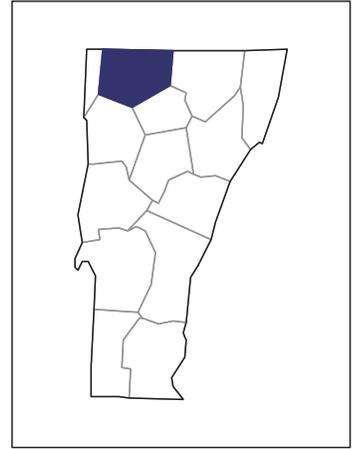


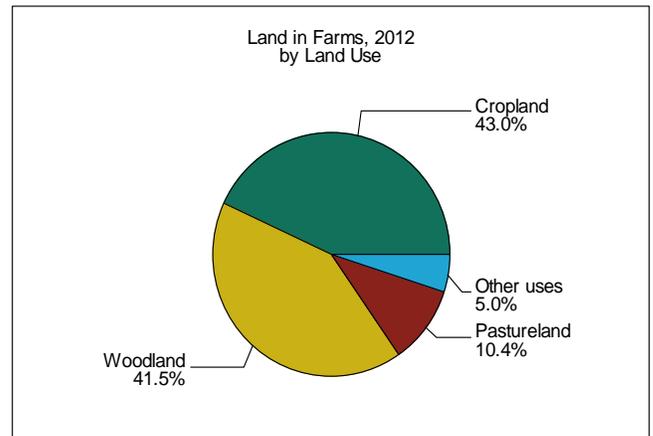
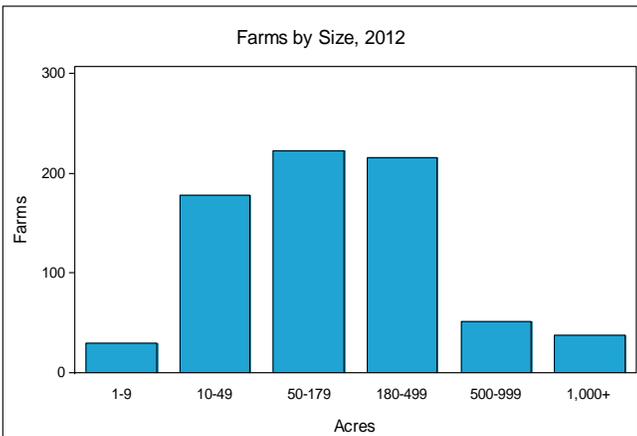
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Franklin County Vermont

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	736	740	- 1
<b>Land in Farms</b>	186,294 acres	180,006 acres	+ 3
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	253 acres	243 acres	+ 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$184,366,000	\$160,619,000	+ 15
Crop Sales \$31,586,000 (17 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$152,781,000 (83 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$250,498	\$217,052	+ 15
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$2,937,000	\$2,143,000	+ 37
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$11,656	\$8,748	+ 33





## Franklin County – Vermont

### Ranked items among the 14 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	184,366	2	14	616	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	31,586	1	14	1,443	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	152,781	2	14	262	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,386	2	14	1,629	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	818	10	14	911	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	243	12	14	992	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,448	6	14	900	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	75	11	13	359	1,530
Other crops and hay	21,615	1	14	142	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	2	14	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	16,732	1	14	928	3,056
Milk from cows	132,031	2	14	52	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	14	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	575	5	14	289	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	71	11	13	2,081	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	8	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	357	3	13	533	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	47,904	2	14	247	3,057
Corn for silage	21,316	2	14	54	2,237
Corn for grain	4,442	1	14	1,455	2,638
Soybeans for beans	797	2	9	1,724	2,162
Cut Christmas trees	148	10	13	343	1,557
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers	(D)	1	14	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	65,216	2	14	313	3,063
Roosters	(D)	1	12	356	2,120
Colonies of bees	1,488	2	14	337	2,761
Goats, all	1,203	4	13	435	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	129	Farming	401
\$1,000 to \$2,499	67	Other	335
\$2,500 to \$4,999	68	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	61	Male	644
\$10,000 to \$19,999	66	Female	92
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	44	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	45	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	77	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	71	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	83	White	1,198
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	151,393	More than one race	17
Average per farm (\$)	205,698	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	41,805		
Average per farm (\$)	56,800		

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.

<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.