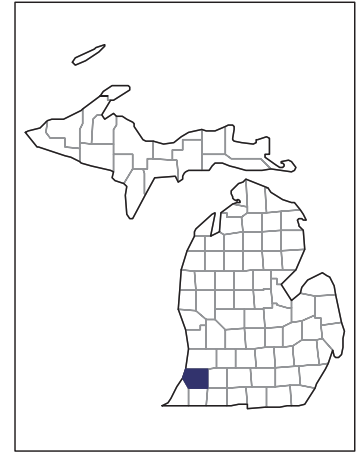


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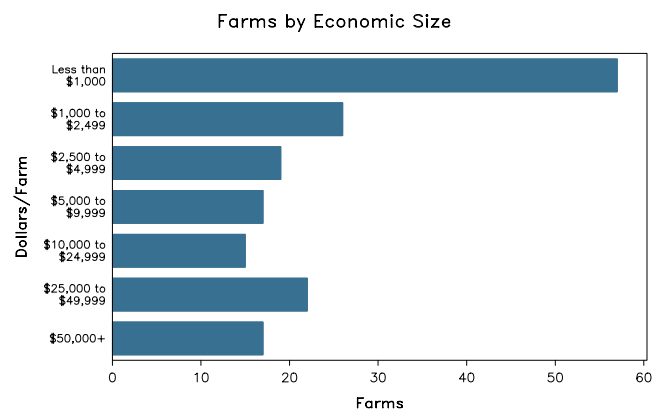
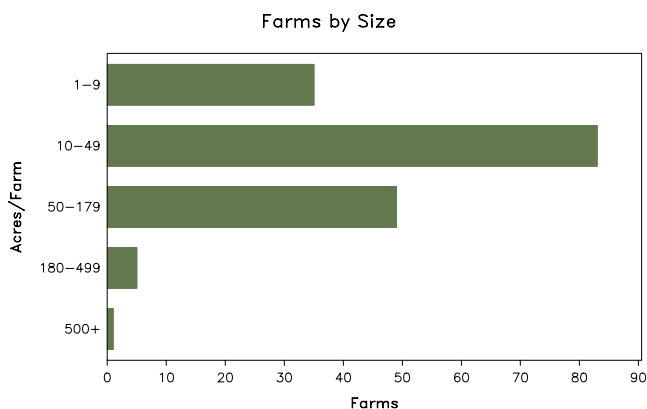
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Farms with Women Principal Operators Compared with All Farms

	Women Principal Operators	All Farms
Number of Farms	173	1,232
Land in Farms	9,174 acres	185,343 acres
Average Size of Farm	53 acres	150 acres
Market Value of Products Sold	\$5,663,000	\$173,472,000
Crop Sales	\$3,197,000	\$142,654,000
Livestock Sales	\$2,466,000	\$30,818,000
Average Per Farm	\$32,735	\$140,805
Government Payments	\$67,000	\$1,436,000
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,190	\$5,319

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Farms with Women Principal Operators



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Van Buren County – Michigan Farms with Women Principal Operators

Selected Highlights

Item	Farms	Quantity
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		
Total value of agricultural products sold	173	5,663
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	90	3,197
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	44	2,466
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)		
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	9	(D)
Tobacco	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	2	(D)
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	46	(D)
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	11	341
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	1	(D)
Other crops and hay	28	74
Poultry and eggs	14	11
Cattle and calves	13	(D)
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1	(D)
Hogs and pigs	8	(D)
Sheep, goats, and their products	18	39
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	17	(D)
Aquaculture	-	-
Other animals and other animal products	2	(D)
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)		
Corn for grain	13	1,261
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	47	1,051
Land in berries	31	408
Grapes	10	214
Corn for silage or greenchop	1	(D)
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)		
Hogs and pigs	5	(D)
Cattle and calves	21	760
Horses and ponies	71	557
Layers	17	439
Sheep and lambs	13	346

Operator Characteristics

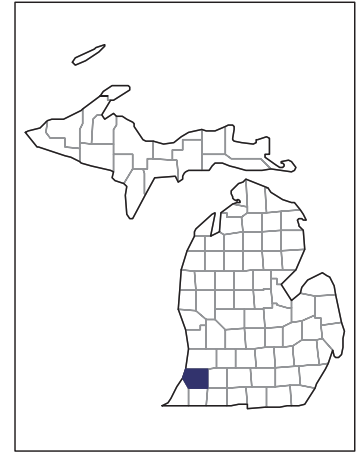
Item	Quantity
Primary occupation:	
Farming	65
Other	108
Days worked off farm:	
None	52
Any	121
Years on present farm:	
2 years or less	11
3 to 4 years	3
5 to 9 years	27
10 years or more	132
Age group:	
Under 45 years	24
45 to 64 years	101
65 years and over	48
Average age of principal operator (years)	58.3

Economic Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:	
Less than \$1,000	62
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24
\$2,500 to \$4,999	16
\$5,000 to \$9,999	17
\$10,000 to \$49,999	37
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,926
Average per farm (\$)	28,475
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,015
Average per farm (\$)	5,867
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (\$1,000)	33
Total organic product sales (\$1,000)	-
Total income from farm-related sources, gross before taxes and expenses (\$1,000)	211

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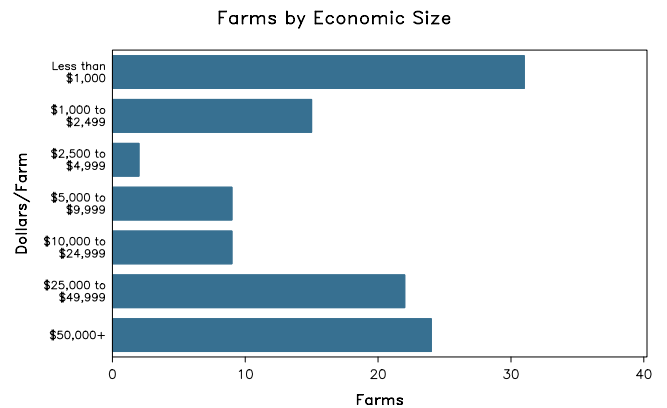
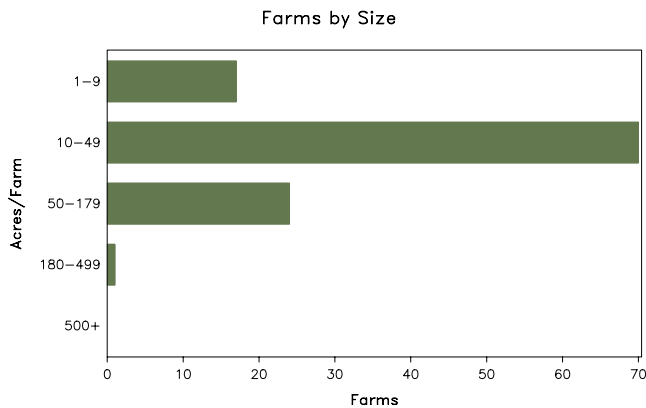
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Farms with Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Operators Compared with All Farms

	Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Operators	All Farms
Number of Farm Operators ¹	163	1,844
Number of Farms	112	1,232
Land in Farms	4,312 acres	185,343 acres
Average Size of Farm	39 acres	150 acres
Market Value of Products Sold	\$5,079,000	\$173,472,000
Crop Sales	\$5,069,000	\$142,654,000
Livestock Sales	\$11,000	\$30,818,000
Average Per Farm	\$45,351	\$140,805
Government Payments	\$4,000	\$1,436,000
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$768	\$5,319

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Farms with Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Operators



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Van Buren County – Michigan Farms with Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Operators

Selected Highlights

Item	Farms	Quantity
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		
Total value of agricultural products sold	112	5,079
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	83	5,069
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	11	11
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)		
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2	(D)
Tobacco	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	-	-
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	73	4,877
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	8	177
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-
Other crops and hay	5	(D)
Poultry and eggs	8	(D)
Cattle and calves	3	3
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-
Hogs and pigs	-	-
Sheep, goats, and their products	3	(D)
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-
Aquaculture	-	-
Other animals and other animal products	-	-
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)		
Land in berries	89	1,106
Grapes	5	263
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10	146
Cherries, tart	2	(D)
Corn for silage or greenchop	3	45
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)		
Layers	13	218
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	3	150
Goats, all	12	78
Horses and ponies	9	61
Sheep and lambs	6	60

Operator Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Primary occupation:	
Farming	80
Other	83
Days worked off farm:	
None	24
Any	139
Years on present farm:	
2 years or less	32
3 to 4 years	12
5 to 9 years	58
10 years or more	61
Age group:	
Under 45 years	53
45 to 64 years	95
65 years and over	15
Average age (years)	48.3

Economic Characteristics

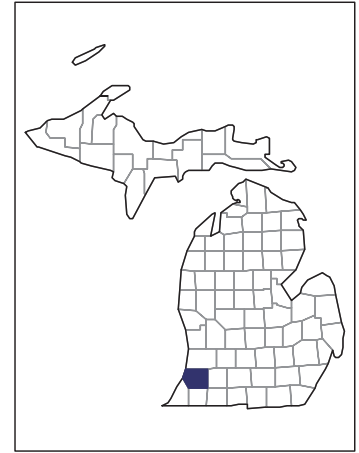
Item	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:	
Less than \$1,000	31
\$1,000 to \$2,499	15
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9
\$10,000 to \$49,999	31
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	8
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	3,934
Average per farm (\$)	35,129
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,426
Average per farm (\$)	12,732
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (\$1,000)	(D)
Total organic product sales (\$1,000)	-
Total income from farm-related sources, gross before taxes and expenses (\$1,000)	277

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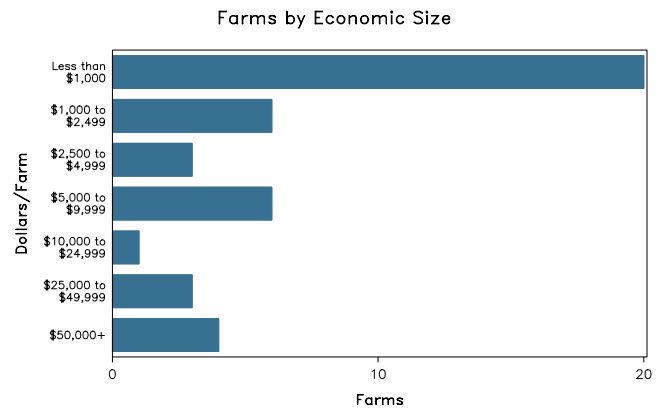
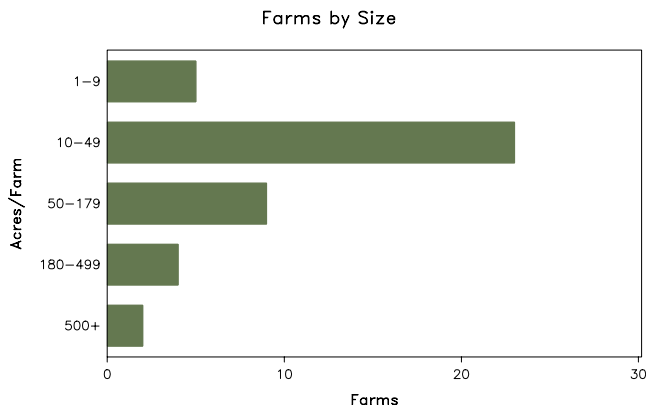
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Farms with American Indian or Alaska Native Operators Compared with All Farms

	American Indian or Alaska Native Operators ²	All Farms
Number of Farm Operators ¹	52	1,844
Number of Farms	43	1,232
Land in Farms	9,016 acres	185,343 acres
Average Size of Farm	210 acres	150 acres
Market Value of Products Sold	(D)	\$173,472,000
Crop Sales	(D)	\$142,654,000
Livestock Sales	\$27,000	\$30,818,000
Average Per Farm	(D)	\$140,805
Government Payments	(D)	\$1,436,000
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	(D)	\$5,319

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Farms with American Indian or Alaska Native Operators



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Van Buren County – Michigan Farms with American Indian or Alaska Native Operators

Selected Highlights

Item	Farms	Quantity
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		
Total value of agricultural products sold	43	(D)
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	22	(D)
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7	27
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)		
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	5	(D)
Tobacco	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	5	(D)
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	12	(D)
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1	(D)
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-
Other crops and hay	4	47
Poultry and eggs	2	(D)
Cattle and calves	3	22
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-
Hogs and pigs	2	(D)
Sheep, goats, and their products	3	1
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	3	2
Aquaculture	-	-
Other animals and other animal products	-	-
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)		
Corn for grain	5	(D)
Soybeans for beans	3	(D)
Land in berries	11	(D)
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13	818
Vegetables harvested for sale	5	14
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)		
Layers	10	106
Rabbits and their pelts	4	96
Horses and ponies	16	70
Cattle and calves	8	(D)
Goats, all	5	34

Operator Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Primary occupation:	
Farming	25
Other	27
Days worked off farm:	
None	23
Any	29
Years on present farm:	
2 years or less	3
3 to 4 years	4
5 to 9 years	20
10 years or more	25
Age group:	
Under 45 years	7
45 to 64 years	32
65 years and over	13
Average age (years)	55.3

Economic Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:	
Less than \$1,000	20
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6
\$10,000 to \$49,999	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	(D)
Average per farm (\$)	(D)
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	(D)
Average per farm (\$)	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (\$1,000)	3
Total organic product sales (\$1,000)	-
Total income from farm-related sources, gross before taxes and expenses (\$1,000)	34

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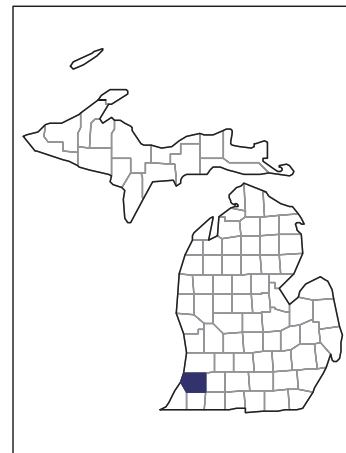
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Farms with Asian Operators Compared with All Farms



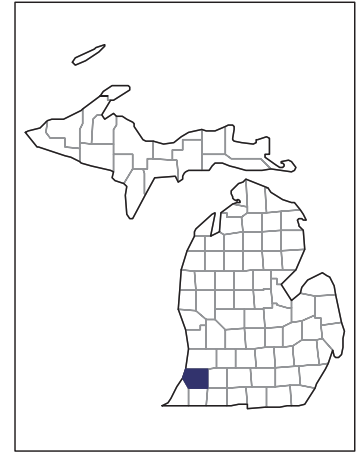
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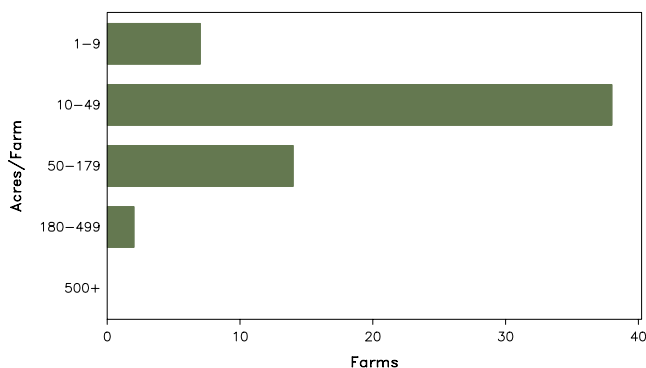
Farms with Black or African American Operators Compared with All Farms

	Black or African American Operators ²	All Farms
Number of Farm Operators ¹	78	1,844
Number of Farms	61	1,232
Land in Farms	2,863 acres	185,343 acres
Average Size of Farm	47 acres	150 acres
Market Value of Products Sold	(D)	\$173,472,000
Crop Sales	(D)	\$142,654,000
Livestock Sales	\$23,000	\$30,818,000
Average Per Farm	(D)	\$140,805
Government Payments	\$13,000	\$1,436,000
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$1,116	\$5,319

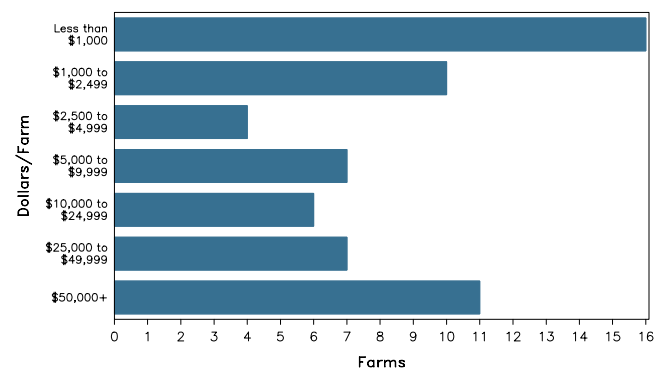
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Farms with Black or African American Operators

Farms by Size



Farms by Economic Size



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Van Buren County – Michigan Farms with Black or African American Operators

Selected Highlights

Item	Farms	Quantity
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		
Total value of agricultural products sold	61	(D)
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	43	(D)
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6	23
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)		
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1	(D)
Tobacco	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	2	(D)
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	33	(D)
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2	(D)
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	1	(D)
Other crops and hay	7	21
Poultry and eggs	4	(D)
Cattle and calves	2	(D)
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-
Hogs and pigs	1	(D)
Sheep, goats, and their products	2	(D)
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-
Aquaculture	-	-
Other animals and other animal products	-	-
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)		
Land in berries	35	684
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11	225
Corn for grain	1	(D)
Wheat for grain, all	1	(D)
Cut Christmas trees	1	(D)
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)		
Layers	4	150
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2	(D)
Pullets for laying flock replacement	2	(D)
Geese	2	(D)
Cattle and calves	2	(D)

Operator Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Primary occupation:	
Farming	34
Other	44
Days worked off farm:	
None	24
Any	54
Years on present farm:	
2 years or less	6
3 to 4 years	3
5 to 9 years	24
10 years or more	45
Age group:	
Under 45 years	4
45 to 64 years	44
65 years and over	30
Average age (years)	60.0

Economic Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:	
Less than \$1,000	20
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6
\$2,500 to \$4,999	4
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7
\$10,000 to \$49,999	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	(D)
Average per farm (\$)	(D)
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	(D)
Average per farm (\$)	(D)
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (\$1,000)	19
Total organic product sales (\$1,000)	(D)
Total income from farm-related sources, gross before taxes and expenses (\$1,000)	33

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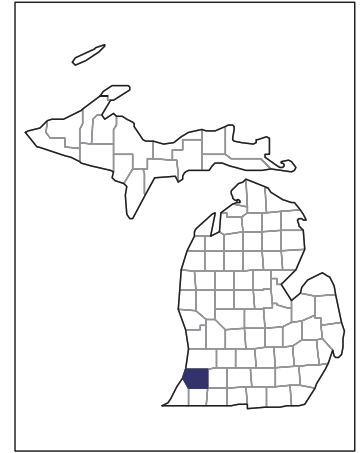
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Farms with Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Operators Compared with All Farms



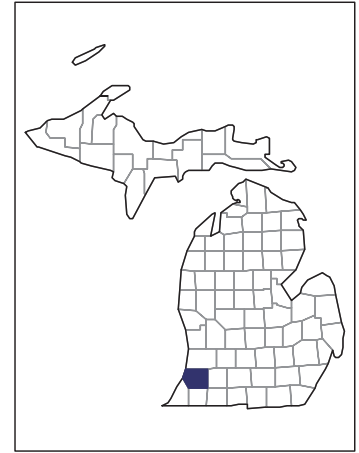
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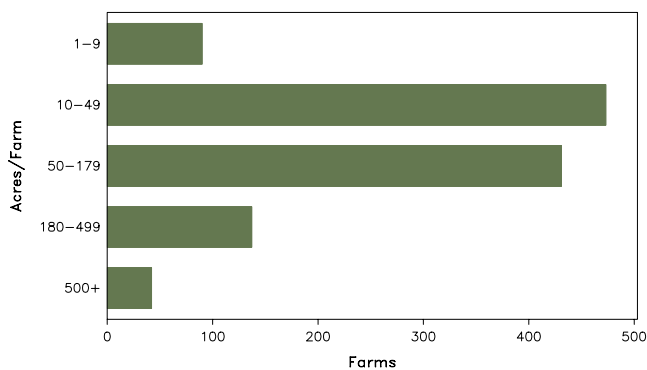
Farms with White Operators Compared with All Farms

	White Operators ²	All Farms
Number of Farm Operators ¹	1,724	1,844
Number of Farms	1,173	1,232
Land in Farms	175,569 acres	185,343 acres
Average Size of Farm	150 acres	150 acres
Market Value of Products Sold	\$162,311,000	\$173,472,000
Crop Sales	\$131,561,000	\$142,654,000
Livestock Sales	\$30,750,000	\$30,818,000
Average Per Farm	\$138,372	\$140,805
Government Payments	\$1,377,000	\$1,436,000
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,378	\$5,319

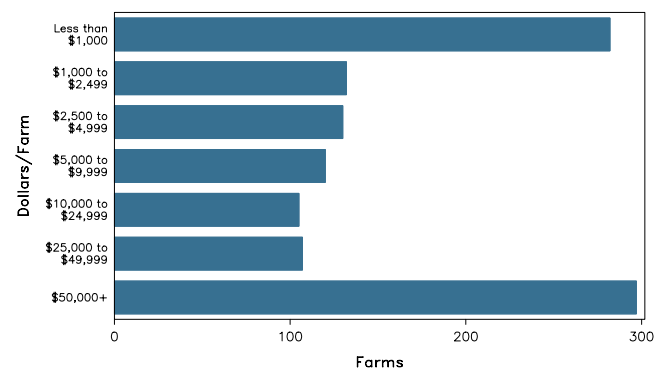
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Farms with White Operators

Farms by Size



Farms by Economic Size



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Selected Highlights

Item	Farms	Quantity
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)		
Total value of agricultural products sold	1,173	162,311
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	793	131,561
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	273	30,750
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)		
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	196	(D)
Tobacco	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	82	20,118
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	386	71,632
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	59	14,787
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	15	(D)
Other crops and hay	234	(D)
Poultry and eggs	82	(D)
Cattle and calves	138	3,005
Milk and other dairy products from cows	19	20,036
Hogs and pigs	49	6,510
Sheep, goats, and their products	58	129
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	41	173
Aquaculture	2	(D)
Other animals and other animal products	9	14
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)		
Corn for grain	172	42,335
Soybeans for beans	108	(D)
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	342	12,589
Vegetables harvested for sale	81	8,502
Land in berries	262	(D)
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)		
Hogs and pigs	44	20,060
Cattle and calves	201	10,787
Pheasants	6	(D)
Turkeys	9	(D)
Layers	89	2,258

Operator Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Primary occupation:	
Farming	788
Other	936
Days worked off farm:	
None	572
Any	1,152
Years on present farm:	
2 years or less	108
3 to 4 years	78
5 to 9 years	292
10 years or more	1,246
Age group:	
Under 45 years	307
45 to 64 years	987
65 years and over	430
Average age (years)	55.6

Economic Characteristics

Item	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:	
Less than \$1,000	336
\$1,000 to \$2,499	105
\$2,500 to \$4,999	116
\$5,000 to \$9,999	111
\$10,000 to \$49,999	209
\$50,000 to \$99,999	105
\$100,000 to \$249,999	78
\$250,000 to \$499,999	43
\$500,000 or more	70
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	122,695
Average per farm (\$)	104,599
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	47,265
Average per farm (\$)	40,294
Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption (\$1,000)	2,810
Total organic product sales (\$1,000)	(D)
Total income from farm-related sources, gross before taxes and expenses (\$1,000)	6,272

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