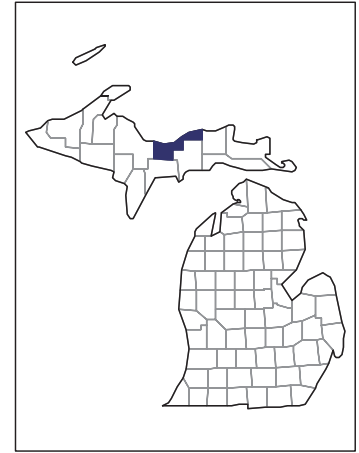


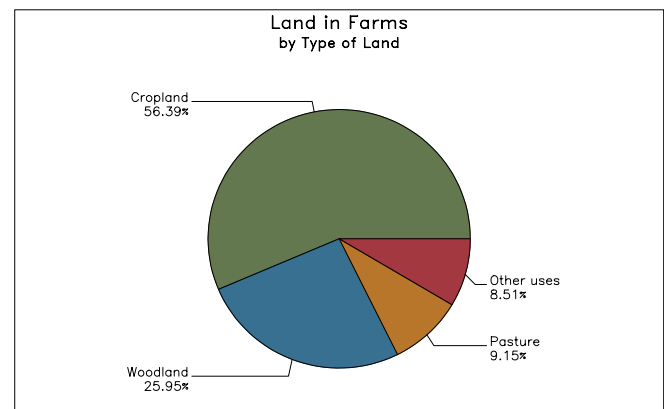
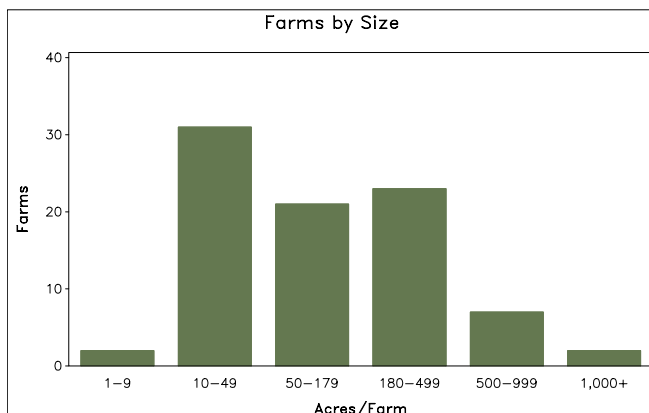
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## County Profile

### Alger County Michigan



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	86	67	+ 28
<b>Land in Farms</b>	18,357 acres	14,969 acres	+ 23
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	213 acres	223 acres	- 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$2,772,000	\$1,511,000	+ 83
Crop Sales \$337,000 (12 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$2,435,000 (88 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$32,231	\$22,547	+ 43
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$64,000	\$168,000	- 62
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$2,286	\$14,009	- 84



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### Alger County – Michigan

#### Ranked items among the 83 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	2,772	72	83	2,928	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	337	79	83	2,971	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,435	68	83	2,732	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	24	77	82	2,657	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	21	71	81	2,381	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	23	74	81	1,984	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	29	75	80	2,366	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	81	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	239	75	83	2,599	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	598	68	83	2,745	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,675	60	77	1,164	2,493
Hogs and pigs	74	50	82	1,466	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	18	70	82	2,698	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	41	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	80	82	2,684	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,329	62	83	2,105	3,060
Barley for grain	412	10	60	387	1,154
Corn for silage	351	66	79	1,502	2,263
Oats for grain	144	67	80	1,165	1,957
Corn for grain	(D)	72	78	(D)	2,634
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	1,901	69	83	2,793	3,060
Sheep and lambs	(D)	(D)	80	(D)	2,891
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	542	44	81	1,093	2,476
Layers	515	74	82	2,143	3,024
Horses and ponies	139	79	83	2,933	3,066

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	22	Farming	34
\$1,000 to \$2,499	9	Other	52
\$2,500 to \$4,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	25	Male	70
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3	Female	16
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	136
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,429	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	28,241	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	647		
Average per farm (\$)	7,525		

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

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<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.