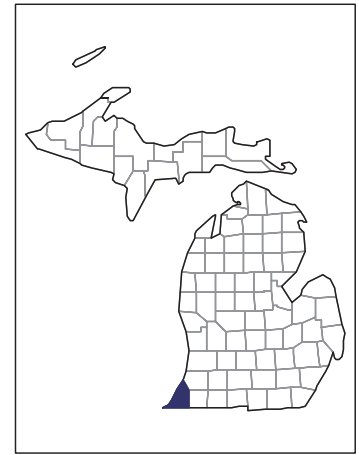


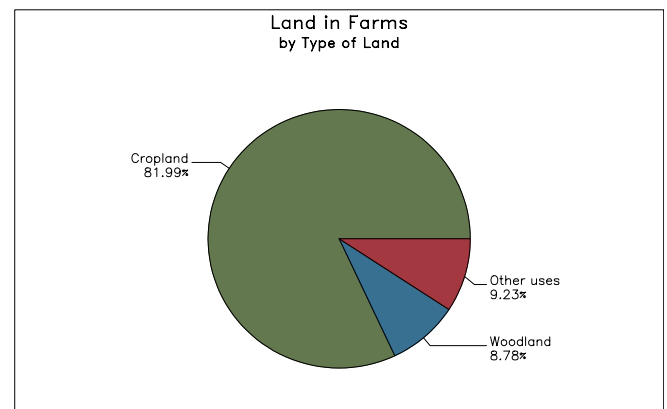
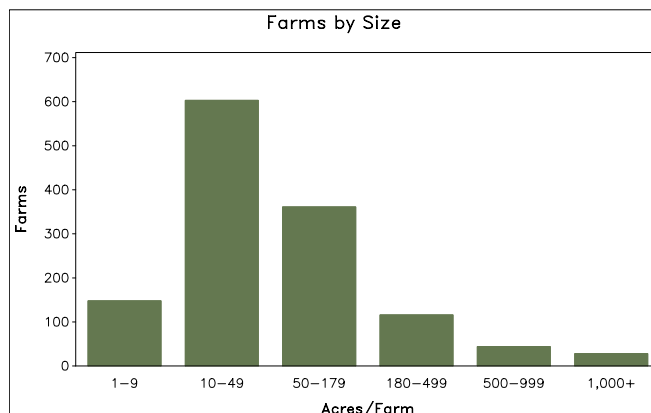
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Berrien County Michigan



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,300	1,093	+ 19
Land in Farms	169,016 acres	174,009 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	130 acres	159 acres	- 18
Market Value of Products Sold	\$136,260,000	\$96,716,000	+ 41
Crop Sales \$123,319,000 (91 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$12,941,000 (9 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$104,815	\$88,487	+ 18
Government Payments	\$2,241,000	\$3,016,000	- 26
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,295	\$9,139	- 31



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County Profile

Berrien County – Michigan

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

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	136,260	15	83	618	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	123,319	8	83	266	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,941	41	83	1,861	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	34,063	21	82	766	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	33,849	2	81	75	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	36,105	3	81	75	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	17,966	8	80	172	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	338	14	81	149	1,710
Other crops and hay	998	49	83	1,511	3,054
Poultry and eggs	68	47	82	1,547	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,591	51	83	2,425	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,924	47	77	805	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6,519	14	82	470	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	34	46	79	1,940	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	462	21	82	522	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	41	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	341	22	82	498	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	46,468	23	78	624	2,634
Soybeans for beans	39,223	21	65	608	2,039
Vegetables harvested for sale	7,804	5	81	117	2,794
Grapes	7,744	1	62	22	2,040
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,316	63	83	2,107	3,060
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	21,750	14	81	498	2,958
Colonies of bees	4,639	5	76	152	2,640
Cattle and calves	4,347	53	83	2,532	3,060
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	3,208	7	81	709	2,476
Layers	2,825	29	82	973	3,024

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	327	Farming	638
\$1,000 to \$2,499	83	Other	662
\$2,500 to \$4,999	112	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	163	Male	1,116
\$10,000 to \$19,999	148	Female	184
\$20,000 to \$24,999	34	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	95	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	28	American Indian or Alaska Native	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	89	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	106	Black or African American	25
\$250,000 to \$499,999	56	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	59	White	1,934
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	112,830	More than one race	16
Average per farm (\$)	86,793	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	34
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	33,779		
Average per farm (\$)	25,984		

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.

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.