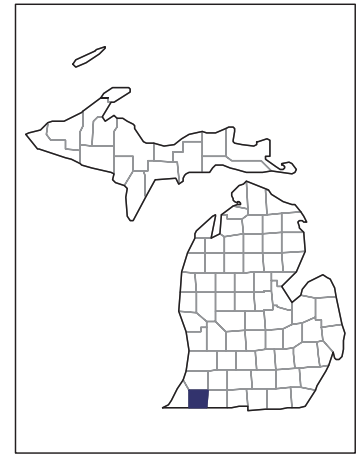


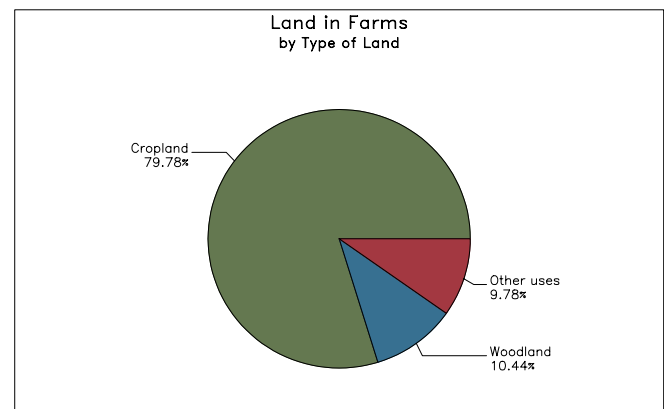
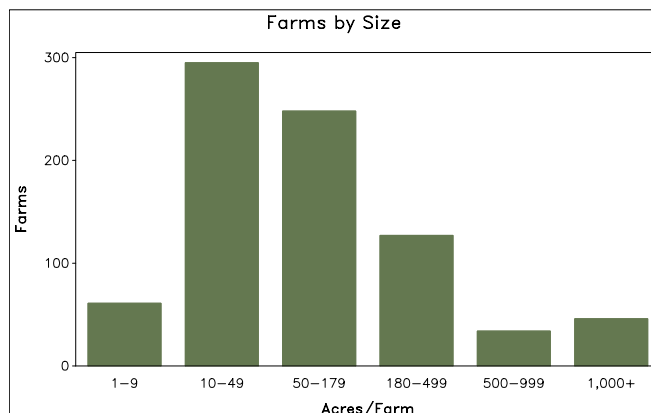
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Cass County Michigan



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	811	808	0
Land in Farms	190,330 acres	189,127 acres	+ 1
Average Size of Farm	235 acres	234 acres	0
Market Value of Products Sold	\$101,549,000	\$64,272,000	+ 58
Crop Sales \$55,685,000 (55 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$45,863,000 (45 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$125,214	\$79,545	+ 57
Government Payments	\$2,807,000	\$3,025,000	- 7
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,573	\$9,139	- 28



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Cass 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	101,549	20	83	878	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	55,685	22	83	771	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	45,863	19	83	855	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	40,840	19	82	676	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	7,440	16	81	246	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	4,152	14	81	208	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,907	32	80	827	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	107	35	81	396	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,240	41	83	1,312	3,054
Poultry and eggs	136	25	82	1,344	3,020
Cattle and calves	1,545	53	83	2,444	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,091	66	77	1,313	2,493
Hogs and pigs	42,676	2	82	104	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	83	33	79	1,245	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	221	35	82	1,038	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	41	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	111	53	82	949	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	77,636	10	78	416	2,634
Soybeans for beans	38,529	23	65	617	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,437	56	83	1,875	3,060
Vegetables harvested for sale	5,394	12	81	164	2,794
Beans, snap	3,730	1	74	13	2,171
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	156,205	2	81	110	2,958
Cattle and calves	5,236	48	83	2,437	3,060
Pheasants	(D)	13	66	(D)	1,544
Layers	1,892	38	82	1,141	3,024
Horses and ponies	1,221	38	83	1,126	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	294	Farming	343
\$1,000 to \$2,499	79	Other	468
\$2,500 to \$4,999	61	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	61	Male	688
\$10,000 to \$19,999	58	Female	123
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	23	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	56	Black or African American	32
\$250,000 to \$499,999	34	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	46	White	1,170
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	89,544	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	110,412	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	20,568		
Average per farm (\$)	25,361		

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.