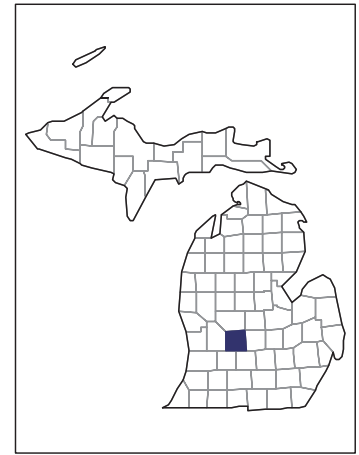


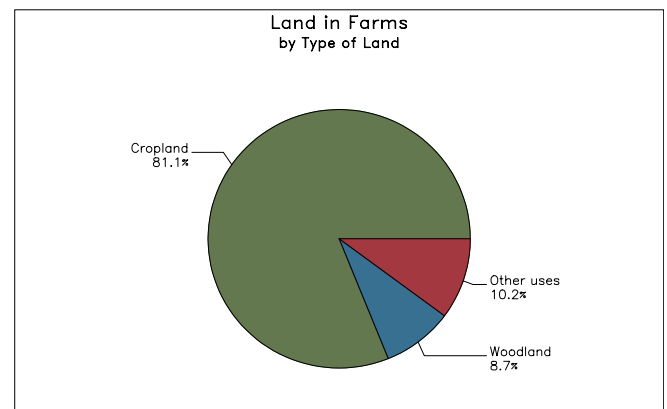
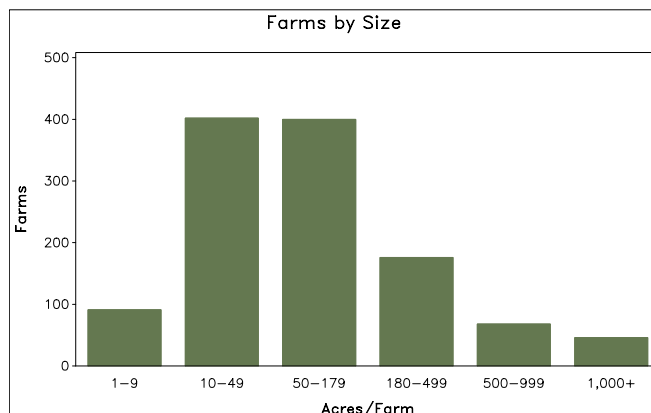
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## County Profile

### Ionia County Michigan



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,183	1,146	+ 3
<b>Land in Farms</b>	238,435 acres	230,102 acres	+ 4
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	202 acres	201 acres	0
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$201,226,000	\$113,074,000	+ 78
Crop Sales \$54,233,000 (27 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$146,992,000 (73 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$170,098	\$98,668	+ 72
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$3,349,000	\$4,277,000	- 22
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$5,184	\$8,402	- 38



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### Ionia 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	201,226	5	83	315	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	54,233	25	83	790	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	146,992	4	83	215	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	46,363	15	82	616	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,346	38	81	705	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,332	20	81	276	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,306	38	80	985	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	70	41	81	511	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,818	13	83	605	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	3	82	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	16,385	6	83	820	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	67,351	4	77	103	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	9	82	(D)	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	103	28	79	1,076	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	267	30	82	875	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	41	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	95	57	82	1,030	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	72,617	14	78	445	2,634
Soybeans for beans	50,783	15	65	506	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	25,974	11	83	819	3,060
Corn for silage	12,852	6	79	90	2,263
Wheat for grain, all	9,962	17	75	707	2,481
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers	(D)	1	82	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	2	81	(D)	2,627
Cattle and calves	48,572	4	83	604	3,060
Hogs and pigs	47,124	7	81	310	2,958
Colonies of bees	(D)	14	76	(D)	2,640

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	331	Farming	545
\$1,000 to \$2,499	134	Other	638
\$2,500 to \$4,999	111	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	100	Male	1,026
\$10,000 to \$19,999	94	Female	157
\$20,000 to \$24,999	40	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	57	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	36	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	84	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	78	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	54	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	64	White	1,748
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	160,017	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	135,264	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	11
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	49,012		
Average per farm (\$)	41,430		

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.