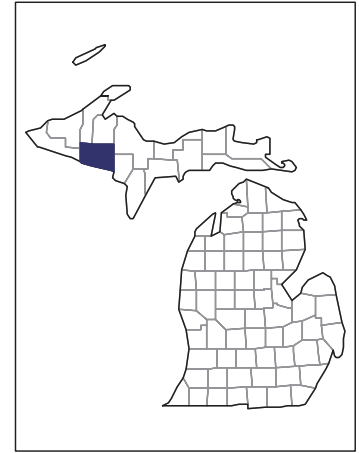


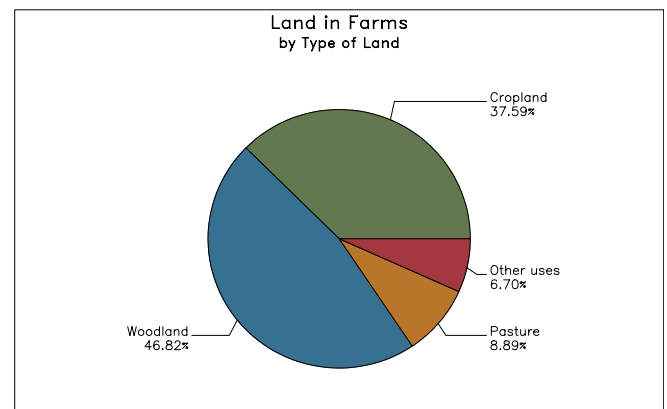
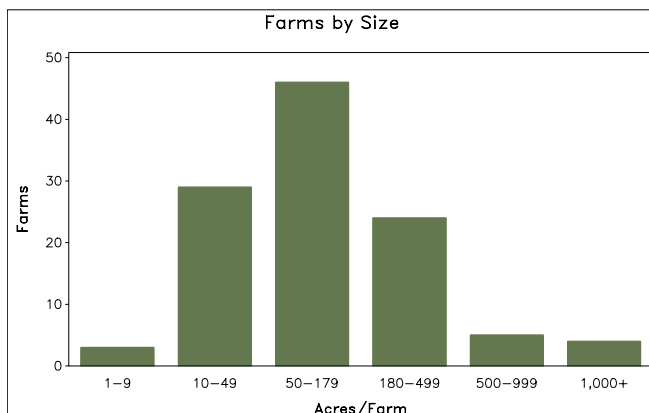
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Iron County Michigan



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	111	106	+ 5
Land in Farms	27,731 acres	31,382 acres	- 12
Average Size of Farm	250 acres	296 acres	- 16
Market Value of Products Sold	\$1,949,000	\$3,214,000	- 39
Crop Sales \$1,437,000 (74 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$512,000 (26 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$17,560	\$30,318	- 42
Government Payments	\$44,000	\$15,000	+ 193
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,073	\$736	+ 182



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Iron 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	1,949	77	83	2,966	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,437	70	83	2,697	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	512	78	83	2,974	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	42	76	82	2,597	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,090	41	81	782	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	80	-	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	81	81	1,709	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	74	83	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	39	54	82	1,785	3,020
Cattle and calves	393	70	83	2,832	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	77	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	8	73	82	2,350	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	9	68	79	2,649	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	34	41	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,940	67	83	2,162	3,060
Vegetables harvested for sale	361	50	81	823	2,794
Potatoes	354	19	73	231	2,124
Oats for grain	308	54	80	852	1,957
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	69	(D)	1,134
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	1,191	73	83	2,886	3,060
Deer	(D)	(D)	68	(D)	1,246
Layers	243	78	82	2,570	3,024
Ducks	236	29	80	525	2,733
Sheep and lambs	187	59	80	2,040	2,891

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	33	Farming	34
\$1,000 to \$2,499	16	Other	77
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16	Male	93
\$10,000 to \$19,999	15	Female	18
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	1	White	176
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,212	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	19,925	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	61		
Average per farm (\$)	547		

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.