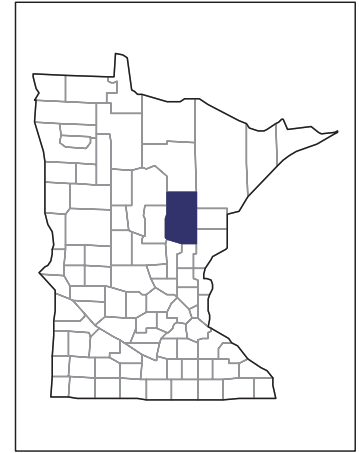


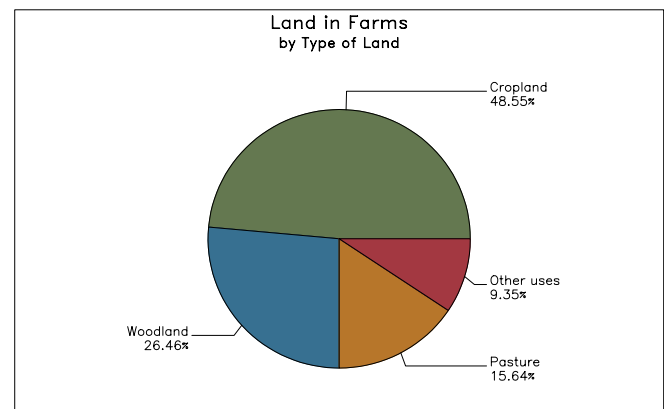
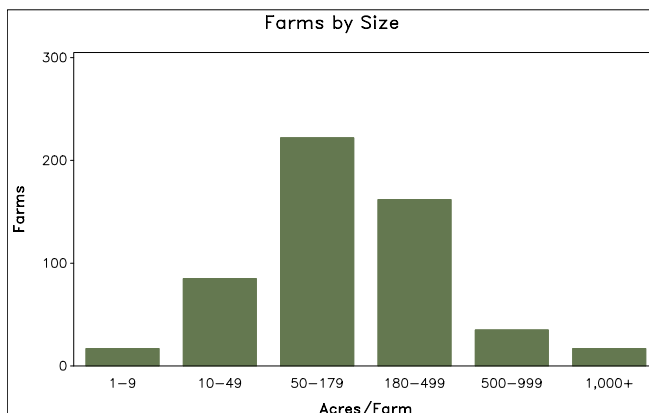
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Aitkin County Minnesota



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	538	674	- 20
Land in Farms	132,672 acres	174,364 acres	- 24
Average Size of Farm	247 acres	259 acres	- 5
Market Value of Products Sold	\$13,534,000	\$12,187,000	+ 11
Crop Sales \$7,180,000 (53 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$6,355,000 (47 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$25,157	\$18,081	+ 39
Government Payments	\$222,000	\$285,000	- 22
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$1,807	\$2,907	- 38



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Aitkin County – Minnesota

Ranked items among the 87 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	13,534	79	87	2,467	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,180	77	87	2,059	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,355	76	87	2,316	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,677	78	86	1,697	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	347	55	84	1,244	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	41	46	82	1,795	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,645	19	79	704	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	61	16	52	537	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,408	42	86	1,196	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	58	87	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	4,308	64	87	1,806	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	949	75	84	1,376	2,493
Hogs and pigs	13	82	86	2,145	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	26	77	85	2,141	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	104	32	85	1,662	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	84	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	41,725	10	87	420	3,060
Wild rice	4,024	5	10	7	26
Soybeans for beans	(D)	79	84	(D)	2,039
Sod harvested	(D)	3	28	75	761
Oats for grain	797	58	86	478	1,957
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	12,204	59	87	1,840	3,060
Pigeons or squab	1,200	4	54	50	1,501
Layers	1,090	46	86	1,554	3,024
Horses and ponies	798	49	86	1,676	3,066
Pheasants	692	26	66	403	1,544

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	179	Farming	205
\$1,000 to \$2,499	78	Other	333
\$2,500 to \$4,999	74	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	78	Male	473
\$10,000 to \$19,999	50	Female	65
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16	Asian	5
\$100,000 to \$249,999	20	Black or African American	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	5	White	813
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	12,377	More than one race	14
Average per farm (\$)	23,006	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,875		
Average per farm (\$)	3,485		

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.