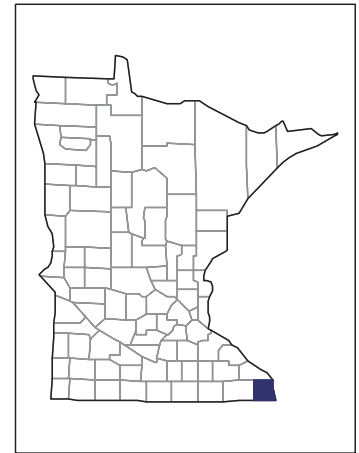


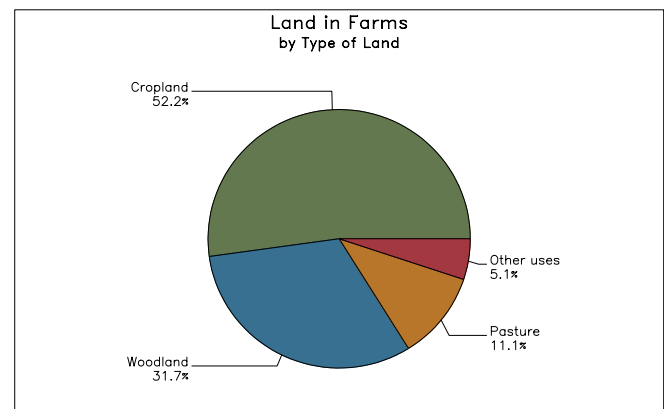
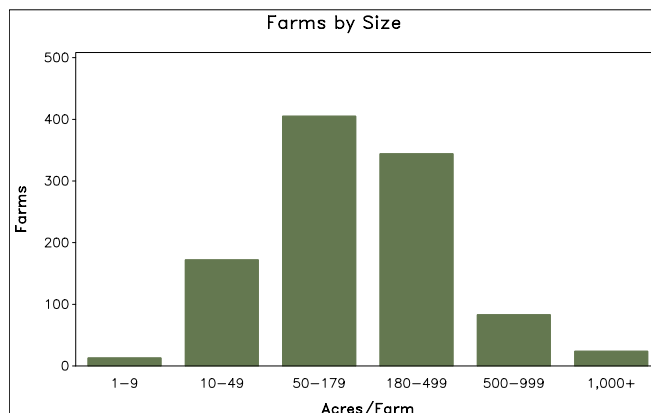
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## County Profile

### Houston County Minnesota



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,041	1,031	+ 1
<b>Land in Farms</b>	244,404 acres	253,600 acres	- 4
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	235 acres	246 acres	- 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$90,999,000	\$66,559,000	+ 37
Crop Sales \$27,783,000 (31 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$63,216,000 (69 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$87,415	\$64,558	+ 35
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$4,096,000	\$4,651,000	- 12
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$4,923	\$7,245	- 32



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### Houston County – Minnesota

#### Ranked items among the 87 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	90,999	56	87	974	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	27,783	64	87	1,262	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	63,216	42	87	651	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	23,819	60	86	917	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	85	68	84	1,914	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	473	12	82	730	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	446	45	79	1,475	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	52	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,959	23	86	570	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	45	87	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	21,851	22	87	617	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	33,086	12	84	217	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5,349	42	86	511	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	142	39	85	844	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	115	30	85	1,584	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	44	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	84	(D)	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	43,678	55	85	646	2,634
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	31,021	19	87	660	3,060
Soybeans for beans	21,849	63	84	804	2,039
Corn for silage	6,171	17	84	243	2,263
Oats for grain	1,905	28	86	198	1,957
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Turkeys	(D)	35	81	(D)	2,371
Cattle and calves	47,482	13	87	622	3,060
Hogs and pigs	15,407	45	86	590	2,958
Sheep and lambs	1,162	40	86	798	2,891
Layers	998	50	86	1,635	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	370	Farming	465
\$1,000 to \$2,499	46	Other	576
\$2,500 to \$4,999	52	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	78	Male	951
\$10,000 to \$19,999	78	Female	90
\$20,000 to \$24,999	29	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	60	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	39	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	87	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	113	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	46	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	43	White	1,509
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	67,909	More than one race	8
Average per farm (\$)	65,234	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	30,777		
Average per farm (\$)	29,565		

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.