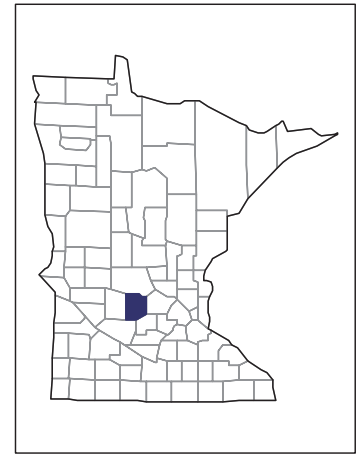


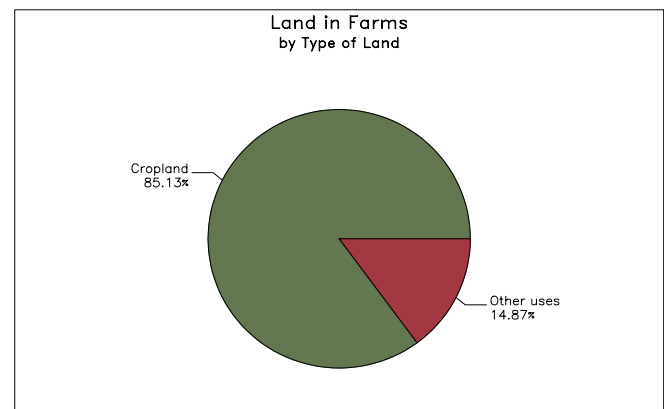
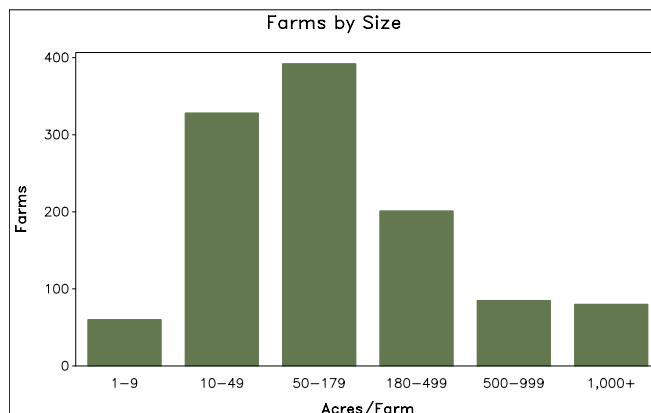
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## County Profile

### Meeker County Minnesota



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,146	1,141	0
<b>Land in Farms</b>	321,781 acres	340,552 acres	- 6
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	281 acres	298 acres	- 6
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$204,037,000	\$129,070,000	+ 58
Crop Sales \$82,416,000 (40 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$121,621,000 (60 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$178,043	\$113,120	+ 57
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$5,707,000	\$5,293,000	+ 8
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$6,391	\$6,974	- 8



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### Meeker 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	204,037	27	87	309	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	82,416	40	87	496	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	121,621	17	87	285	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	77,333	37	86	349	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,124	32	84	562	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	215	58	79	1,772	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	52	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,391	27	86	729	3,054
Poultry and eggs	79,951	4	87	131	3,020
Cattle and calves	10,730	44	87	1,142	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	26,923	15	84	247	2,493
Hogs and pigs	3,620	47	86	611	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	284	25	85	453	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	95	38	85	1,741	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	38	44	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	79	84	(D)	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	128,639	29	85	194	2,634
Soybeans for beans	92,550	29	84	218	2,039
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,821	45	87	1,465	3,060
Corn for silage	6,900	14	84	218	2,263
Wheat for grain, all	4,678	31	83	1,000	2,481
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Turkeys	1,767,247	4	81	13	2,371
Layers	(D)	4	86	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	260,897	6	73	124	2,627
Cattle and calves	27,626	32	87	1,106	3,060
Hogs and pigs	15,392	46	86	591	2,958

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	423	Farming	507
\$1,000 to \$2,499	57	Other	639
\$2,500 to \$4,999	53	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	73	Male	1,035
\$10,000 to \$19,999	61	Female	111
\$20,000 to \$24,999	28	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	48	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	102	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	134	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	71	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	64	White	1,650
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	181,301	More than one race	14
Average per farm (\$)	158,204	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	38,857		
Average per farm (\$)	33,907		

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.