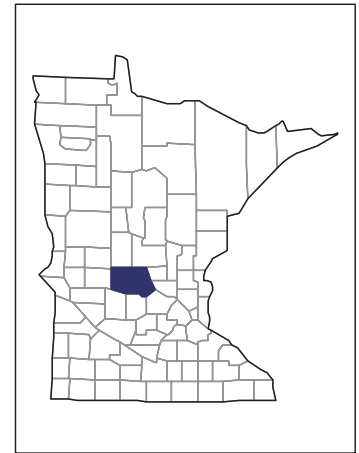


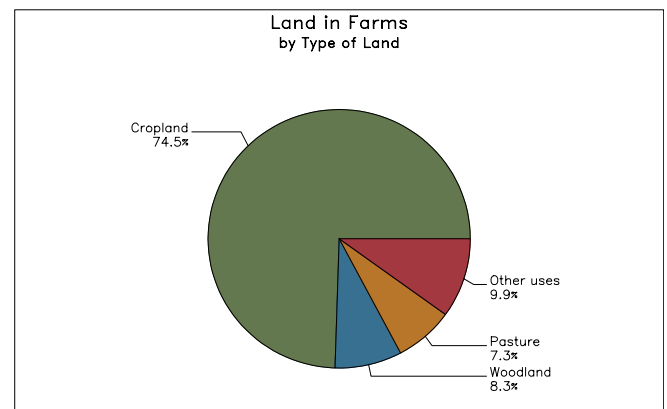
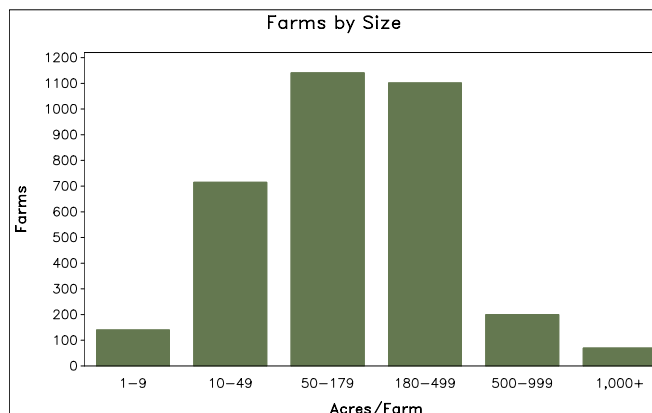
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Stearns County Minnesota



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	3,368	3,152	+ 7
Land in Farms	708,284 acres	681,350 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	210 acres	216 acres	- 3
Market Value of Products Sold	\$519,433,000	\$343,660,000	+ 51
Crop Sales \$73,711,000 (14 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$445,722,000 (86 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$154,226	\$109,029	+ 41
Government Payments	\$12,639,000	\$12,085,000	+ 5
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,306	\$7,307	- 27



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Stearns 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	519,433	1	87	54	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	73,711	43	87	569	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	445,722	1	87	34	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	61,876	47	86	478	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,376	29	84	426	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	326	13	82	871	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,959	16	79	666	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	48	24	52	617	1,710
Other crops and hay	5,124	16	86	314	3,054
Poultry and eggs	123,370	2	87	73	3,020
Cattle and calves	67,505	3	87	164	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	220,773	1	84	21	2,493
Hogs and pigs	30,183	27	86	148	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	456	4	85	530	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	17	44	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	2,948	4	84	56	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	176,203	14	85	88	2,634
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	109,076	1	87	27	3,060
Soybeans for beans	83,436	35	84	266	2,039
Corn for silage	66,159	1	84	4	2,263
Oats for grain	20,243	1	86	3	1,957
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,411,532	2	82	187	2,476
Turkeys	1,837,136	3	81	12	2,371
Layers	1,199,737	3	86	86	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	424,756	4	73	75	2,627
Cattle and calves	207,145	1	87	40	3,060

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	787	Farming	1,902
\$1,000 to \$2,499	207	Other	1,466
\$2,500 to \$4,999	180	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	252	Male	3,142
\$10,000 to \$19,999	270	Female	226
\$20,000 to \$24,999	87	Average age of principal operator (years)	52.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	188	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	68	American Indian or Alaska Native	20
\$50,000 to \$99,999	252	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	557	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	318	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	202	White	5,084
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	407,510	More than one race	13
Average per farm (\$)	120,995	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	151,640		
Average per farm (\$)	45,024		

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.