

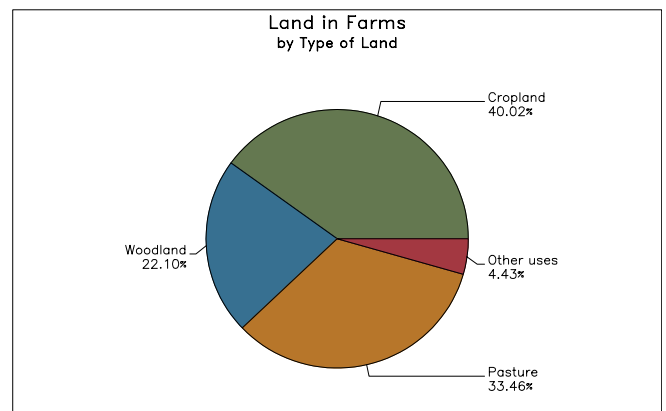
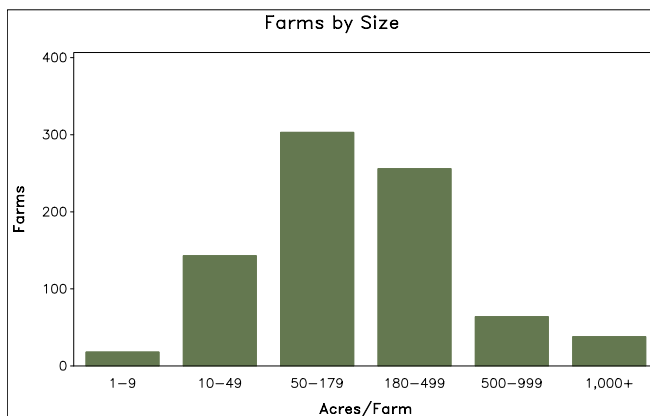
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Benton County Missouri



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	822	839	- 2
Land in Farms	222,303 acres	258,867 acres	- 14
Average Size of Farm	270 acres	309 acres	- 13
Market Value of Products Sold	\$49,979,000	\$31,208,000	+ 60
Crop Sales \$10,475,000 (21 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$39,504,000 (79 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$60,802	\$37,196	+ 63
Government Payments	\$819,000	\$836,000	- 2
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,882	\$3,265	+ 19



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Ranked items among the 114 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	49,979	67	114	1,566	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	10,475	75	114	1,838	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	39,504	28	114	956	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,352	71	114	1,310	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	11	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	32	109	1,438	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	88	97	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	234	47	109	1,745	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	51	63	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,656	44	114	1,037	3,054
Poultry and eggs	22,064	12	113	381	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,954	39	106	1,093	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	112	(D)	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	93	36	112	1,157	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	114	63	113	1,590	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	14	45	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	12	80	110	1,964	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	40,401	39	114	442	3,060
Soybeans for beans	16,895	68	104	891	2,039
Corn for grain	8,061	73	107	1,249	2,634
Wheat for grain, all	6,130	45	108	902	2,481
Field and grass seed crops, all	2,276	27	88	75	931
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,510,812	8	105	248	2,476
Turkeys	157,004	13	99	135	2,371
Cattle and calves	39,431	50	114	798	3,060
Layers	(D)	15	113	(D)	3,024
Hogs and pigs	9,639	49	111	706	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	188	Farming	407
\$1,000 to \$2,499	63	Other	415
\$2,500 to \$4,999	78	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	123	Male	726
\$10,000 to \$19,999	110	Female	96
\$20,000 to \$24,999	43	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	79	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	48	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	31	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	19	White	1,222
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	45,204	More than one race	15
Average per farm (\$)	54,992	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,395		
Average per farm (\$)	7,779		

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.