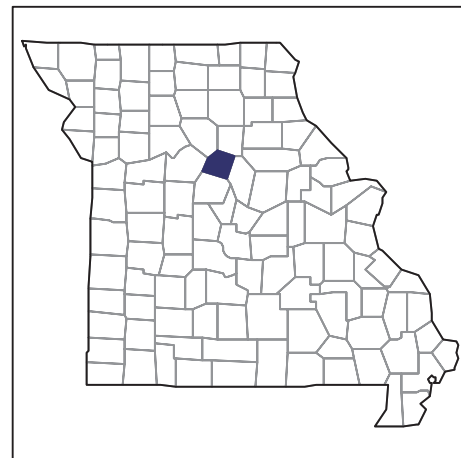


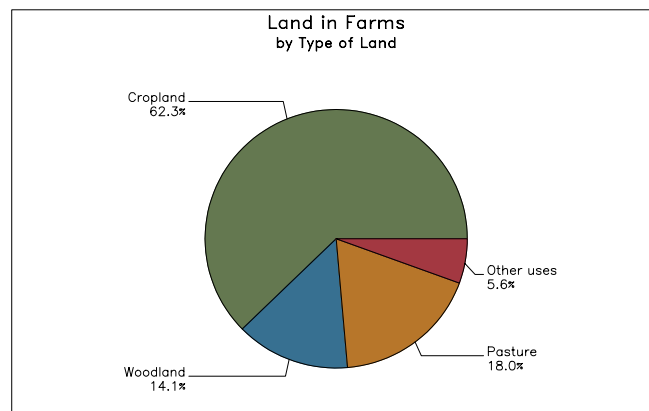
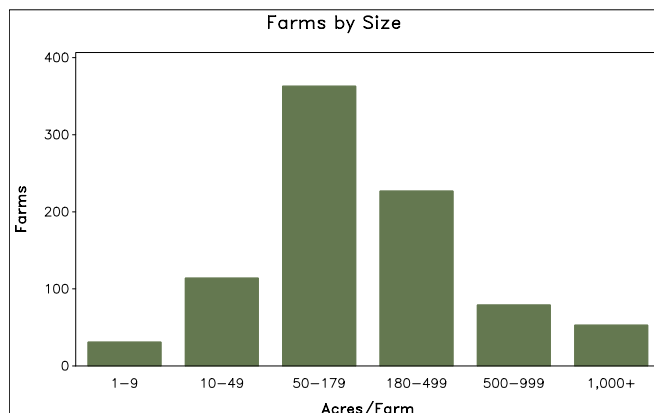
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## County Profile

### Howard County Missouri



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	867	806	+ 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	276,590 acres	270,228 acres	+ 2
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	319 acres	335 acres	- 5
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$45,061,000	\$29,278,000	+ 54
Crop Sales \$34,407,000 (76 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$10,654,000 (24 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$51,973	\$36,325	+ 43
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$3,596,000	\$2,716,000	+ 32
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$6,635	\$6,229	+ 7



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Ranked items among the 114 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	45,061	73	114	1,655	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	34,407	43	114	1,126	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,654	86	114	2,007	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	31,079	42	114	800	2,933
Tobacco	231	3	11	292	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	109	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	46	97	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	13	109	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,385	54	114	1,213	3,054
Poultry and eggs	198	46	113	1,265	3,020
Cattle and calves	9,721	74	114	1,212	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	182	89	106	1,887	2,493
Hogs and pigs	253	79	112	1,169	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	160	13	112	765	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	54	113	1,432	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	45	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	100	110	(D)	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans for beans	49,492	46	104	515	2,039
Corn for grain	45,848	27	107	631	2,634
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	28,055	63	114	738	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	9,785	34	108	711	2,481
Sorghum for grain	533	42	89	584	1,158
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	26,377	71	114	1,160	3,060
Pheasants	(D)	1	45	(D)	1,544
Quail	(D)	3	55	(D)	1,386
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,690	27	105	797	2,476
Hogs and pigs	1,097	80	111	1,184	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	271	Farming	327
\$1,000 to \$2,499	62	Other	540
\$2,500 to \$4,999	68	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	75	Male	778
\$10,000 to \$19,999	94	Female	89
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	68	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	51	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	68	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	26	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	15	White	1,250
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	36,131	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	41,673	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	14,954		
Average per farm (\$)	17,248		

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.