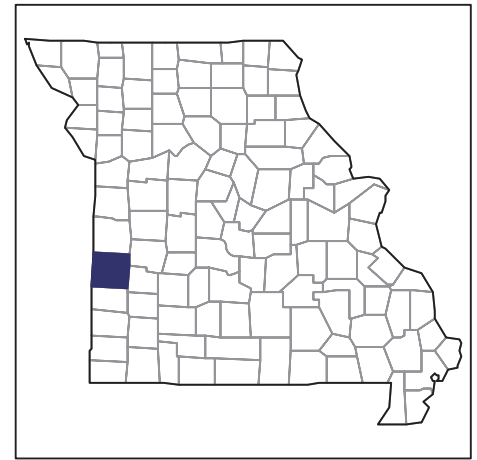


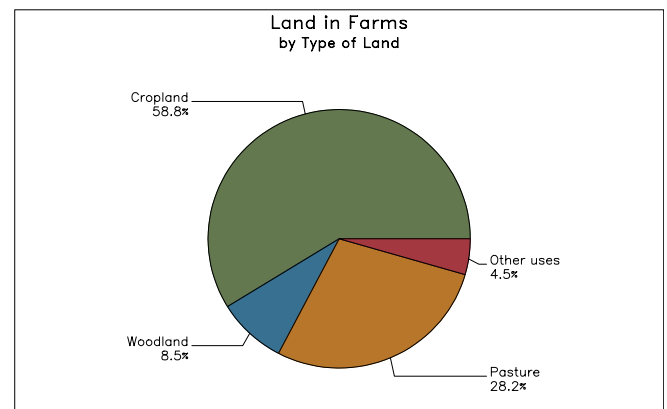
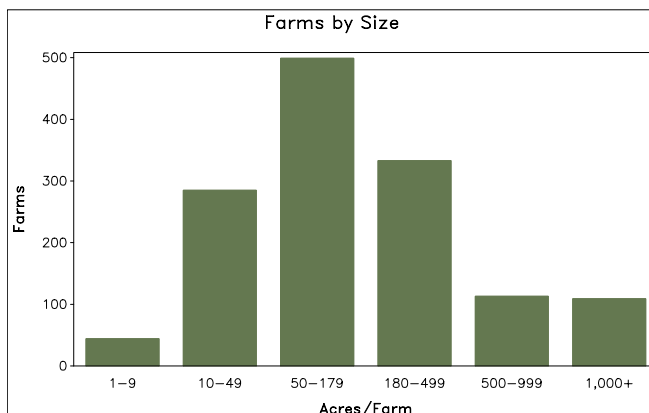
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## County Profile

### Vernon County Missouri



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,383	1,399	- 1
<b>Land in Farms</b>	455,844 acres	426,450 acres	+ 7
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	330 acres	305 acres	+ 8
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$129,353,000	\$80,323,000	+ 61
Crop Sales \$39,281,000 (30 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$90,072,000 (70 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$93,530	\$57,415	+ 63
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$4,692,000	\$3,909,000	+ 20
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$7,885	\$5,809	+ 36



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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	129,353	10	114	669	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	39,281	36	114	1,042	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	90,072	10	114	456	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	35,521	35	114	747	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	11	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	8	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	244	31	109	1,415	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	257	5	97	968	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	308	38	109	1,633	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	63	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,950	11	114	573	3,054
Poultry and eggs	9,011	20	113	593	3,020
Cattle and calves	24,704	20	114	536	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	7,980	14	106	564	2,493
Hogs and pigs	48,119	4	112	88	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	98	33	112	1,115	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	134	56	113	1,457	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	45	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	25	56	110	1,681	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	66,433	7	114	129	3,060
Soybeans for beans	57,510	38	104	457	2,039
Corn for grain	44,861	29	107	638	2,634
Wheat for grain, all	25,259	6	108	434	2,481
Pecans, all	(D)	1	67	5	1,315
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Hogs and pigs	338,569	3	111	37	2,958
Pullets for laying flock replacement	320,653	3	110	101	2,627
Cattle and calves	72,941	10	114	279	3,060
Turkeys	(D)	21	99	(D)	2,371
Layers	1,787	40	113	1,172	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	372	Farming	614
\$1,000 to \$2,499	110	Other	769
\$2,500 to \$4,999	172	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	141	Male	1,228
\$10,000 to \$19,999	176	Female	155
\$20,000 to \$24,999	35	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	91	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	41	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	90	Asian	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	68	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	36	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	4
\$500,000 or more	51	White	2,034
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	104,960	More than one race	35
Average per farm (\$)	75,893	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	33,243		
Average per farm (\$)	24,037		

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.