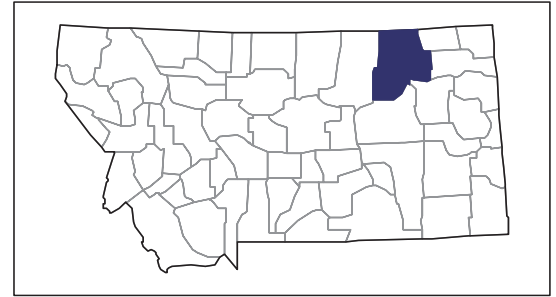


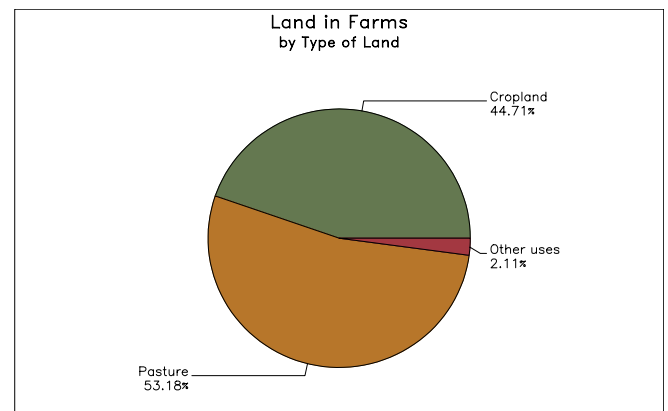
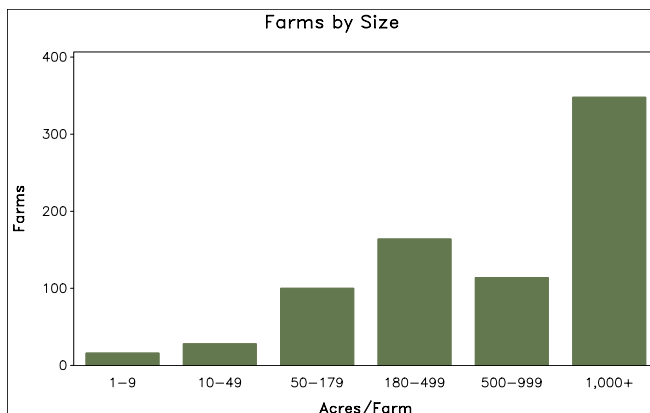
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## County Profile



## Valley County Montana

	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	770	743	+ 4
<b>Land in Farms</b>	2,061,260 acres	2,051,667 acres	0
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	2,677 acres	2,761 acres	- 3
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$80,393,000	\$67,437,000	+ 19
Crop Sales \$44,815,000 (56 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$35,578,000 (44 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$104,406	\$90,763	+ 15
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$11,345,000	\$9,610,000	+ 18
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$19,294	\$17,284	+ 12



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#### Ranked items among the 56 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	80,393	12	56	1,100	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	44,815	9	56	930	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	35,578	15	56	1,035	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	40,871	7	54	675	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	33	41	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	24	-	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	42	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	9	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	17	56	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	7	44	55	2,597	3,020
Cattle and calves	33,151	13	56	371	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	37	36	48	2,157	2,493
Hogs and pigs	28	27	54	1,822	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	57	42	56	2,108	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	1	15	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	790	9	52	259	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Wheat for grain, all	290,842	5	53	16	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	76,858	12	56	87	3,060
Dry edible peas	43,412	3	31	7	277
Flaxseed	10,894	1	10	11	112
Barley for grain	7,570	23	53	108	1,154
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	71,127	11	56	291	3,060
Colonies of bees	3,813	13	41	181	2,640
Sheep and lambs	2,184	35	55	460	2,891
Horses and ponies	1,067	39	56	1,300	3,066
Mink and their pelts	(D)	3	5	86	123

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	264	Farming	449
\$1,000 to \$2,499	18	Other	321
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	42	Male	634
\$10,000 to \$19,999	37	Female	136
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	58	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	21	American Indian or Alaska Native	42
\$50,000 to \$99,999	94	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	117	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	50	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	36	White	1,030
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	68,112	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	88,458	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	33,344		
Average per farm (\$)	43,304		

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.