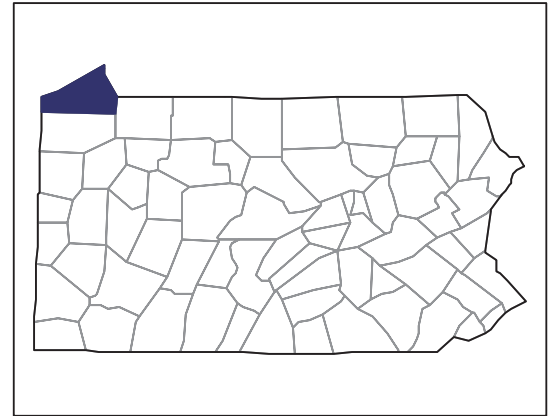


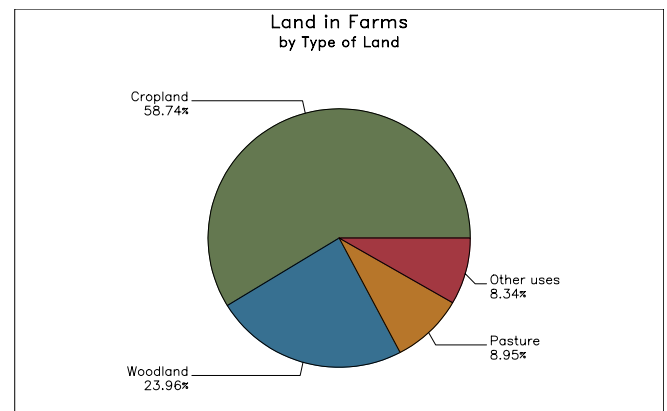
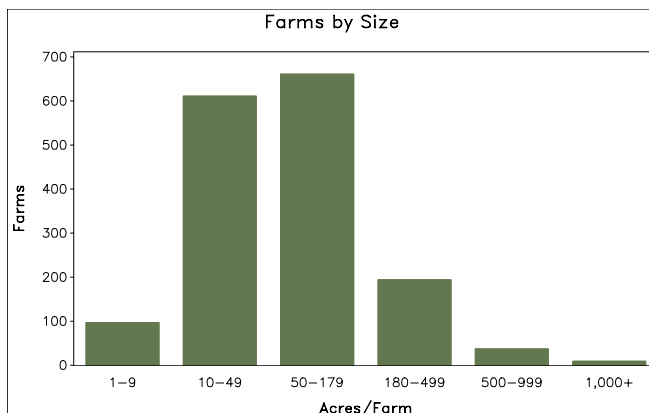
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Erie County Pennsylvania



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,609	1,283	+ 25
Land in Farms	173,125 acres	166,130 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	108 acres	129 acres	- 16
Market Value of Products Sold	\$71,284,000	\$64,390,000	+ 11
Crop Sales \$49,202,000 (69 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$22,081,000 (31 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$44,303	\$50,187	- 12
Government Payments	\$1,348,000	\$1,488,000	- 9
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,029	\$5,927	- 15



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Erie County – Pennsylvania

Ranked items among the 67 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	71,284	24	67	1,224	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	49,202	9	67	864	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	22,081	35	67	1,448	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,794	22	67	1,288	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	19	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,918	4	67	332	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	23,075	2	66	94	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	10,698	14	65	282	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	34	53	66	720	1,710
Other crops and hay	1,684	36	66	1,021	3,054
Poultry and eggs	656	28	67	1,059	3,020
Cattle and calves	3,187	42	67	2,021	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	15,429	34	65	362	2,493
Hogs and pigs	115	43	66	1,353	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	47	49	66	1,704	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	537	10	67	452	3,024
Aquaculture	1,699	9	59	137	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	411	23	67	435	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,815	28	67	748	3,060
Corn for grain	18,489	20	66	956	2,634
Grapes	12,427	1	62	18	2,040
Soybeans for beans	8,049	23	61	1,079	2,039
Corn for silage	3,738	34	64	420	2,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	22,603	24	67	615	3,024
Cattle and calves	14,063	36	67	1,722	3,060
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	21	65	(D)	2,627
Mink and their pelts	(D)	4	7	67	123
Horses and ponies	2,080	17	67	517	3,066

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	633	Farming	638
\$1,000 to \$2,499	154	Other	971
\$2,500 to \$4,999	154	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	158	Male	1,362
\$10,000 to \$19,999	112	Female	247
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	74	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	American Indian or Alaska Native	24
\$50,000 to \$99,999	72	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	120	Black or African American	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	41	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	22	White	2,251
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	60,696	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	37,723	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	16,914		
Average per farm (\$)	10,512		

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.