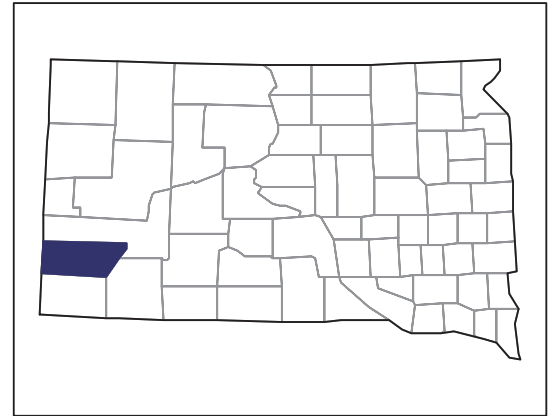


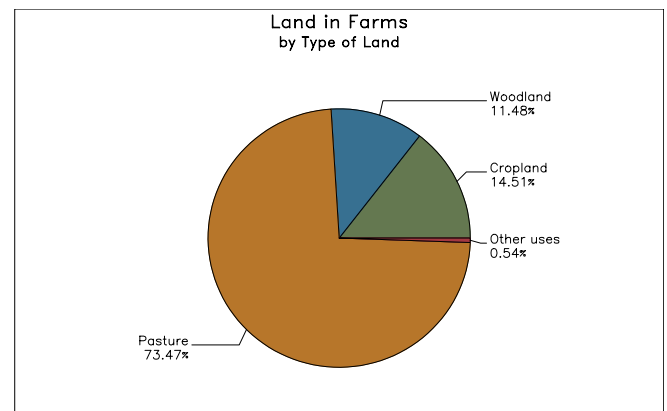
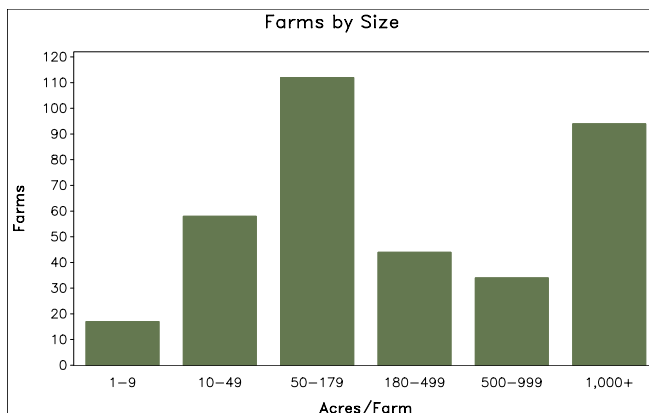
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Custer County South Dakota



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	359	303	+ 18
Land in Farms	601,129 acres	589,129 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	1,674 acres	1,944 acres	- 14
Market Value of Products Sold	\$14,377,000	\$12,470,000	+ 15
Crop Sales \$577,000 (4 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$13,800,000 (96 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$40,048	\$41,156	- 3
Government Payments	\$1,075,000	\$477,000	+ 125
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$11,558	\$5,180	+ 123



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Custer County – South Dakota

Ranked items among the 66 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	14,377	65	66	2,436	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	577	66	66	2,905	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	13,800	64	66	1,821	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	383	65	66	2,205	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	32	-	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	17	-	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	19	27	34	2,449	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	11	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	175	65	66	2,718	3,054
Poultry and eggs	20	45	65	2,158	3,020
Cattle and calves	12,068	62	66	1,044	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6	57	60	2,440	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	16	64	65	2,406	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	7	66	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	6	9	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	779	11	66	263	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,778	63	66	1,559	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	3,982	58	66	1,080	2,481
Proso millet	(D)	28	40	66	170
Oats for grain	(D)	65	66	(D)	1,957
Sorghum for grain	(D)	31	36	(D)	1,158
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	22,055	64	66	1,326	3,060
Bison	2,754	5	51	13	1,543
Horses and ponies	1,798	11	66	674	3,066
Layers	815	22	65	1,801	3,024
Sheep and lambs	(D)	63	63	(D)	2,891

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	125	Farming	174
\$1,000 to \$2,499	28	Other	185
\$2,500 to \$4,999	32	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Male	304
\$10,000 to \$19,999	27	Female	55
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	38	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	1	White	587
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	13,425	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	37,396	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,561		
Average per farm (\$)	9,918		

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.