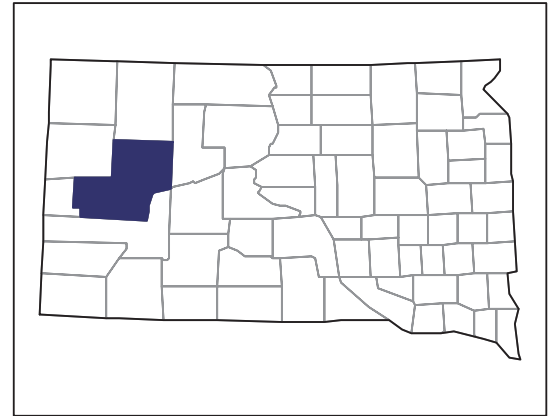


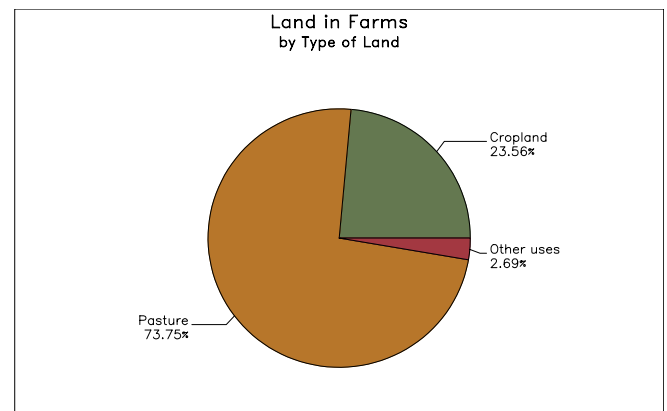
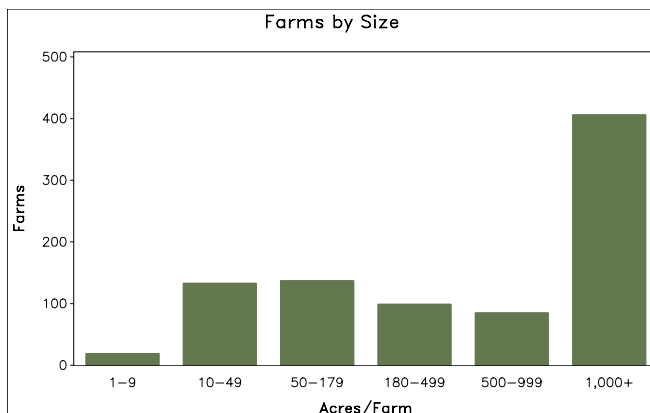
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## County Profile

### Meade County South Dakota



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	879	895	- 2
<b>Land in Farms</b>	2,208,880 acres	2,228,839 acres	- 1
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	2,513 acres	2,490 acres	+ 1
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$78,408,000	\$66,373,000	+ 18
Crop Sales \$20,292,000 (26 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$58,116,000 (74 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$89,201	\$74,160	+ 20
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$5,967,000	\$3,210,000	+ 86
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$13,942	\$8,607	+ 62



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#### Ranked items among the 66 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	78,408	38	66	1,125	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	20,292	50	66	1,443	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	58,116	21	66	700	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,901	53	66	1,123	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	(D)	6	34	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	11	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	2	66	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	75	32	65	1,503	3,020
Cattle and calves	55,897	10	66	205	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	394	43	54	1,694	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	56	60	2,384	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	917	11	65	130	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	554	2	66	439	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	9	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	272	29	66	558	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	209,864	1	66	4	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	89,835	13	66	189	2,481
Proso millet	12,934	3	40	12	170
Sunflower seed, all	3,949	24	47	108	620
Oats for grain	1,556	29	66	251	1,957
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	119,646	2	66	87	3,060
Sheep and lambs	12,684	8	63	90	2,891
Horses and ponies	3,976	1	66	126	3,066
Pheasants	1,500	20	41	285	1,544
Colonies of bees	(D)	25	49	(D)	2,640

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	208	Farming	516
\$1,000 to \$2,499	54	Other	363
\$2,500 to \$4,999	48	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	66	Male	774
\$10,000 to \$19,999	49	Female	105
\$20,000 to \$24,999	21	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	69	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	107	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	143	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	63	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	22	White	1,376
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	64,430	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	73,299	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	11
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	27,128		
Average per farm (\$)	30,863		

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.