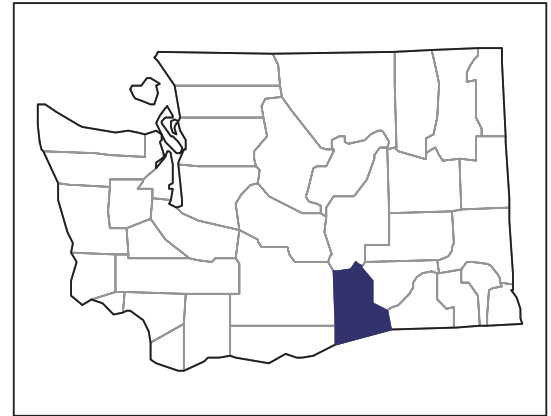


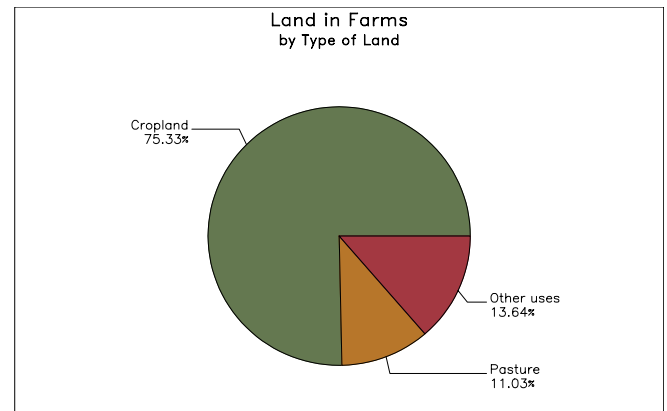
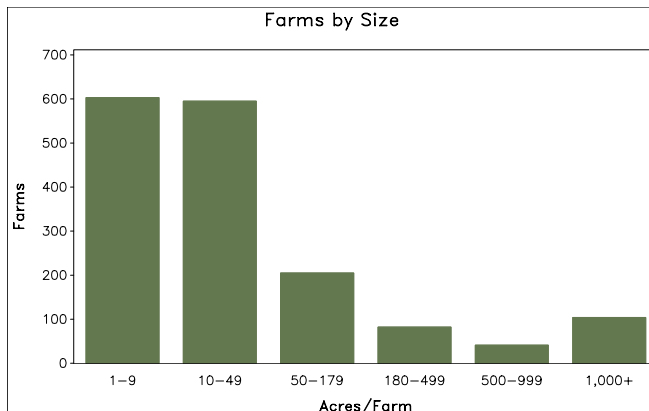
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Benton County Washington



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,630	1,313	+ 24
Land in Farms	632,636 acres	607,963 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	388 acres	463 acres	- 16
Market Value of Products Sold	\$525,918,000	\$400,571,000	+ 31
Crop Sales \$470,024,000 (89 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$55,894,000 (11 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$322,649	\$305,080	+ 6
Government Payments	\$6,064,000	\$5,400,000	+ 12
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$38,623	\$27,412	+ 41



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Benton County – Washington

Ranked items among the 39 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	525,918	3	39	53	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	470,024	3	39	23	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	55,894	12	39	718	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	44,982	7	36	637	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	168,673	2	37	16	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	204,764	3	39	21	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	38	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	33	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	4	39	30	3,054
Poultry and eggs	422	15	39	1,139	3,020
Cattle and calves	48,151	4	39	239	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	14	34	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	378	4	37	1,096	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	252	9	39	509	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	39	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	34	34	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	158	18	39	797	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	94,268	8	30	177	2,481
Vegetables harvested for sale	73,530	2	37	9	2,794
Potatoes	32,170	2	37	6	2,124
Grapes	23,322	1	35	10	2,040
Sweet corn	22,500	2	35	4	2,384
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	39,324	8	39	799	3,060
Quail	(D)	2	22	(D)	1,386
Pheasants	(D)	2	31	(D)	1,544
Horses and ponies	3,559	11	39	174	3,066
Colonies of bees	2,544	10	38	250	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	543	Farming	653
\$1,000 to \$2,499	204	Other	977
\$2,500 to \$4,999	160		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	185	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	120	Male	1,328
\$20,000 to \$24,999	29	Female	302
\$25,000 to \$39,999	44		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	31	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	77		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	71	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	53	American Indian or Alaska Native	53
\$500,000 or more	113	Asian	9
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	367,143	Black or African American	6
Average per farm (\$)	225,241	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	11
		White	2,479
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	175,346	More than one race	19
Average per farm (\$)	107,574	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	266

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.