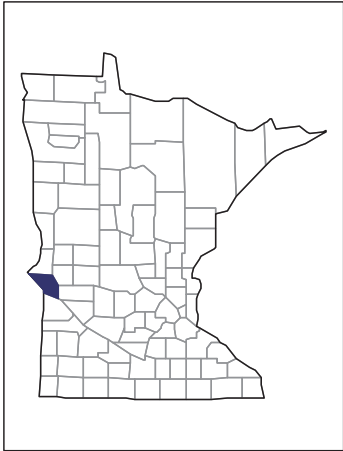


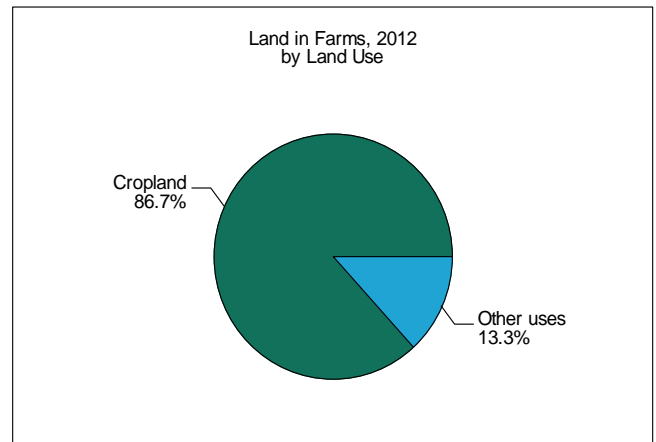
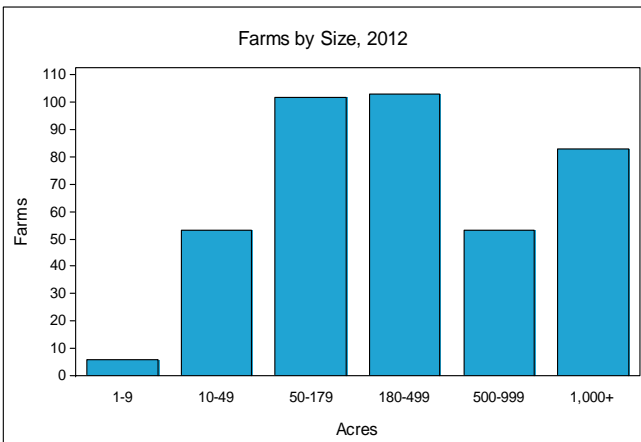
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Big Stone County Minnesota

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	400	452	- 12
Land in Farms	248,778 acres	252,291 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	622 acres	558 acres	+ 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$164,624,000	\$86,834,000	+ 90
Crop Sales \$138,296,000 (84 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$26,328,000 (16 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$411,561	\$192,110	+ 114
Government Payments	\$3,512,000	\$4,045,000	- 13
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$10,240	\$10,508	- 3





Big Stone County – Minnesota

Ranked items among the 87 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	164,624	55	87	712	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	138,296	48	87	441	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	26,328	54	87	1,401	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	44	85	306	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	87	87	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	81	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	79	-	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	77	87	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,216	79	86	2,265	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	69	83	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	17,971	34	86	293	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	71	65	87	1,658	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	52	60	85	2,245	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	23	43	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	81	86	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	98,733	30	85	240	2,162
Corn for grain	88,680	48	85	354	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	12,448	16	85	612	2,537
Spring wheat for grain	(D)	16	85	152	633
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,216	76	87	2,483	3,057
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	27	76	(D)	2,416
Hogs and pigs	41,005	36	85	332	2,889
Cattle and calves	4,632	79	87	2,431	3,063
Sheep and lambs	496	66	86	1,442	2,897
Layers	293	80	86	2,629	3,040

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	91	Farming	252
\$1,000 to \$2,499	5	Other	148
\$2,500 to \$4,999	7		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	25	Male	376
\$20,000 to \$24,999	3	Female	24
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	47		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	61	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	35	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	94	Asian	2
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	109,351	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	273,377	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	535
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	67,047	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	167,617	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	7

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.