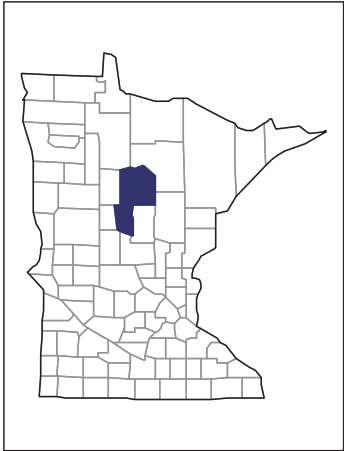


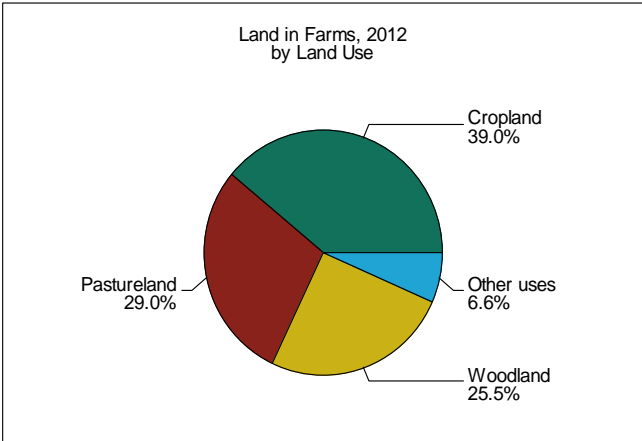
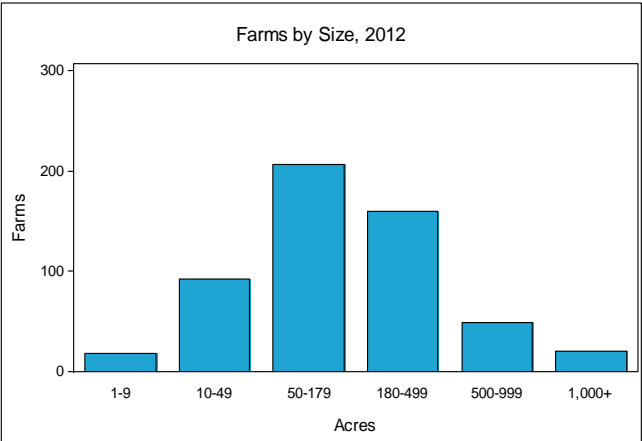
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Cass County Minnesota

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	546	563	- 3
Land in Farms	157,215 acres	169,160 acres	- 7
Average Size of Farm	288 acres	300 acres	- 4
Market Value of Products Sold	\$38,153,000	\$25,631,000	+ 49
Crop Sales \$10,496,000 (28 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$27,657,000 (72 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$69,878	\$45,525	+ 53
Government Payments	\$542,000	\$344,000	+ 58
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,237	\$2,800	+ 51





Cass 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	38,153	74	87	1,971	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	10,496	79	87	2,066	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	27,657	53	87	1,361	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	5,911	79	85	1,692	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	44	55	81	1,847	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	9	28	50	986	1,530
Other crops and hay	3,413	36	87	858	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	14,989	34	86	1,016	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	52	83	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	20	76	86	1,824	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	52	71	87	1,883	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	462	7	85	609	3,011
Aquaculture	216	18	43	498	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	56	66	86	1,375	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	36,961	10	87	431	3,057
Wild rice	(D)	2	11	2	23
Corn for grain	6,183	75	85	1,361	2,638
Corn for silage	2,526	40	84	665	2,237
Soybeans for beans	1,308	80	85	1,631	2,162
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	(D)	26	76	(D)	2,416
Cattle and calves	27,787	29	87	1,029	3,063
Horses and ponies	1,895	9	87	499	3,072
Layers	1,723	33	86	1,423	3,040
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,120	28	85	917	2,723

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	119	Farming	295
\$1,000 to \$2,499	57	Other	251
\$2,500 to \$4,999	57		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	59	Male	465
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Female	81
\$25,000 to \$39,999	62		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	21	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	44		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	20	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$500,000 or more	13	Asian	2
		Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	36,192	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Average per farm (\$)	66,285	White	842
		More than one race	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,938	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8
Average per farm (\$)	7,212		

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.