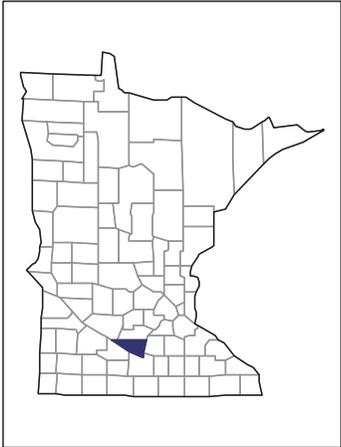


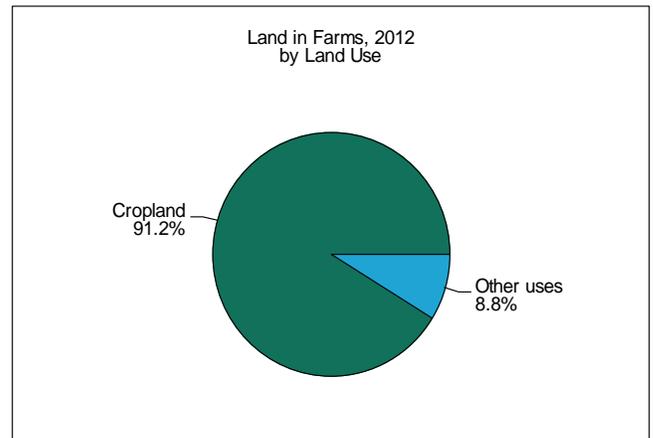
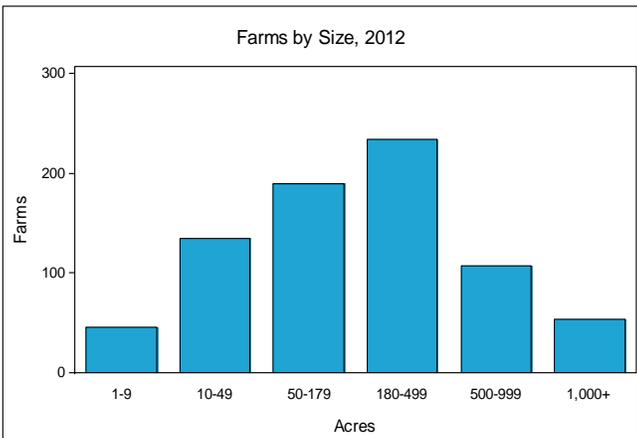
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Nicollet County Minnesota

| | 2012 | 2007 | % change |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------|
| Number of Farms | 764 | 827 | - 8 |
| Land in Farms | 274,217 acres | 273,981 acres | 0 |
| Average Size of Farm | 359 acres | 331 acres | + 8 |
| Market Value of Products Sold | \$386,630,000 | \$236,763,000 | + 63 |
| Crop Sales \$178,136,000 (46 percent) | | | |
| Livestock Sales \$208,494,000 (54 percent) | | | |
| Average Per Farm | \$506,061 | \$286,292 | + 77 |
| Government Payments | \$6,050,000 | \$5,489,000 | + 10 |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments | \$9,380 | \$8,144 | + 15 |





Nicollet 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 | 386,630 | 19 | 87 | 183 | 3,077 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 178,136 | 37 | 87 | 286 | 3,072 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 208,494 | 8 | 87 | 165 | 3,076 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 175,082 | 35 | 85 | 193 | 2,926 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 436 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 635 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 2,232 | 36 | 87 | 573 | 2,802 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | (D) | (D) | 81 | (D) | 2,724 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | (D) | 69 | 79 | (D) | 2,678 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | (D) | 45 | 50 | (D) | 1,530 |
| Other crops and hay | 744 | 74 | 87 | 2,150 | 3,049 |
| Poultry and eggs | 47,389 | 8 | 87 | 264 | 3,013 |
| Cattle and calves | 15,907 | 31 | 86 | 966 | 3,056 |
| Milk from cows | 37,673 | 12 | 83 | 202 | 2,038 |
| Hogs and pigs | 107,169 | 7 | 86 | 39 | 2,827 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk | 85 | 59 | 87 | 1,494 | 2,988 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | (D) | (D) | 85 | (D) | 3,011 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 43 | - | 1,366 |
| Other animals and other animal products | (D) | (D) | 86 | (D) | 2,924 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Corn for grain | 143,739 | 26 | 85 | 158 | 2,638 |
| Soybeans for beans | 85,247 | 40 | 85 | 326 | 2,162 |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 5,001 | 71 | 87 | 2,213 | 3,057 |
| Corn for silage | 3,785 | 31 | 84 | 484 | 2,237 |
| Vegetables harvested, all | 1,981 | 27 | 87 | 317 | 2,801 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Layers | (D) | 3 | 86 | (D) | 3,040 |
| Pullets for laying flock replacement | (D) | 1 | 78 | (D) | 2,637 |
| Hogs and pigs | 268,330 | 8 | 85 | 51 | 2,889 |
| Cattle and calves | 29,678 | 25 | 87 | 968 | 3,063 |
| Pheasants | (D) | 10 | 42 | 112 | 963 |

Other County Highlights, 2012

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 110 | Farming | 478 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 12 | Other | 286 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 22 | | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 21 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 29 | Male | 727 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 7 | Female | 37 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 29 | | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 18 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 55.5 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 101 | | |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 143 | All operators by race ² : | |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 107 | American Indian or Alaska Native | - |
| \$500,000 or more | 165 | Asian | - |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 298,749 | Black or African American | 1 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 391,032 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| | | White | 1,131 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 113,056 | More than one race | - |
| Average per farm (\$) | 147,979 | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ² | - |

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.