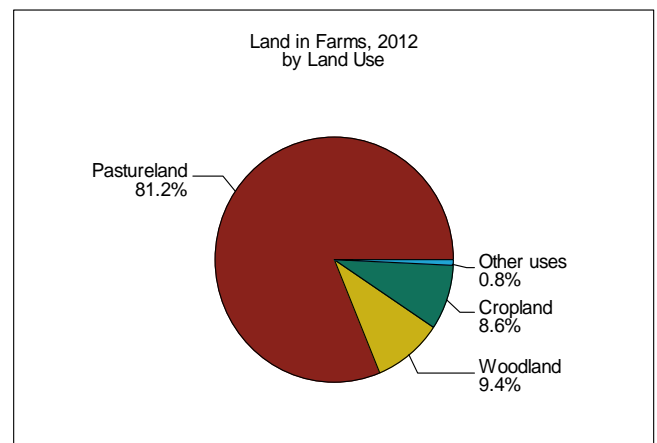
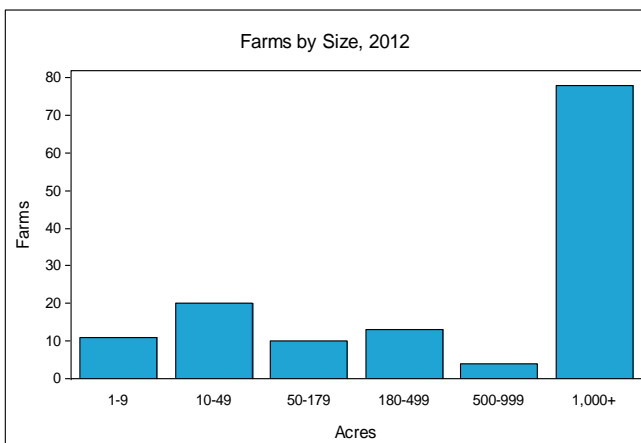


### Meagher County Montana

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	136	138	- 1
<b>Land in Farms</b>	812,325 acres	812,412 acres	0
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	5,973 acres	5,887 acres	+ 1
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$39,006,000	\$25,279,000	+ 54
Crop Sales \$9,480,000 (24 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$29,526,000 (76 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$286,810	\$183,181	+ 57
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$533,000	\$572,000	- 7
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$10,662	\$13,958	- 24





## Meagher County – Montana

### Ranked items among the 56 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	39,006	37	56	1,953	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,480	44	56	2,126	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	29,526	26	56	1,309	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,194	43	55	1,811	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	39	-	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	23	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	42	-	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	11	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	5,286	29	56	556	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	10	55	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	25,768	26	56	631	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	22	27	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	10	54	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	61	46	56	2,155	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	110	34	53	1,039	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	34,599	31	56	489	3,057
Barley for grain	8,614	20	55	92	1,158
Wheat for grain, all	6,722	45	54	852	2,537
Spring wheat for grain	4,149	42	53	212	633
Winter wheat for grain	2,573	44	49	1,174	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	41,930	25	56	646	3,063
Layers	(D)	11	56	(D)	3,040
Hogs and pigs	(D)	11	52	(D)	2,889
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	9	48	(D)	2,637
Sheep and lambs	(D)	20	55	(D)	2,897

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	34	Farming	88
\$1,000 to \$2,499	10	Other	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	5		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	7	Male	126
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Female	10
\$25,000 to \$39,999	7		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	17	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	21	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$500,000 or more	17	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	24,390	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	179,342	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	240
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	16,147	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	118,726	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	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.

<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.