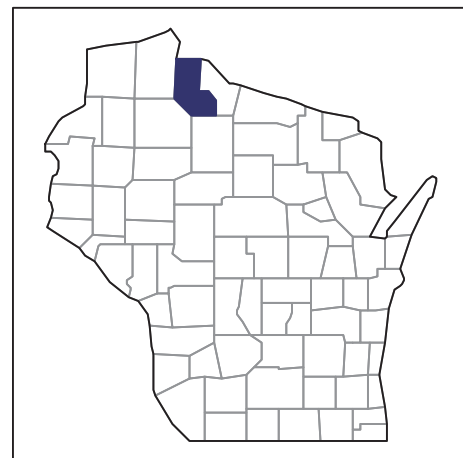


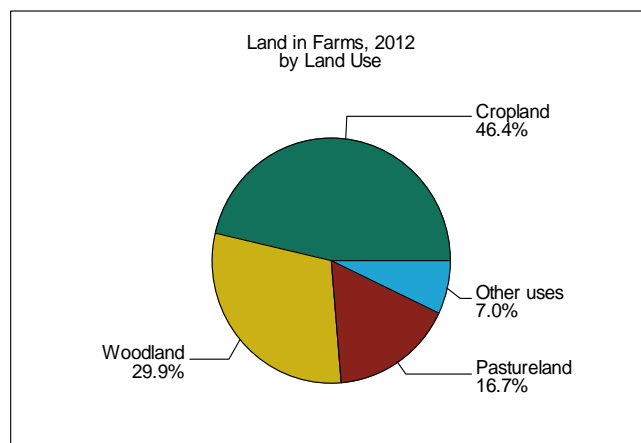
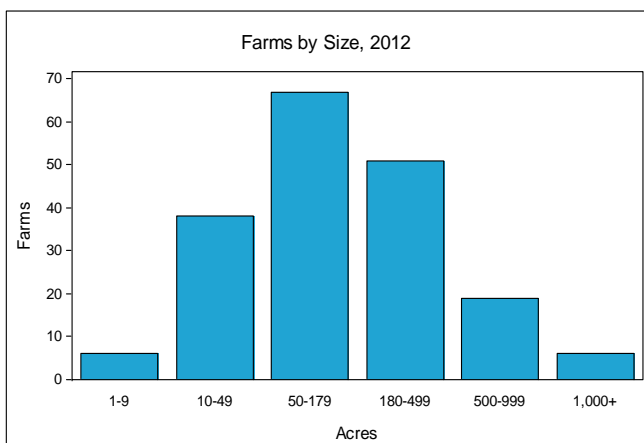
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Ashland County Wisconsin

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	187	203	- 8
Land in Farms	45,815 acres	55,370 acres	- 17
Average Size of Farm	245 acres	273 acres	- 10
Market Value of Products Sold	\$12,036,000	\$11,947,000	+ 1
Crop Sales \$2,517,000 (21 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$9,518,000 (79 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$64,363	\$58,855	+ 9
Government Payments	\$214,000	\$179,000	+ 20
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,293	\$3,811	+ 65





Ashland County – Wisconsin

Ranked items among the 72 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	12,036	65	72	2,603	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,517	68	71	2,648	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	9,518	63	72	2,134	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,083	65	71	2,214	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	10	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	110	65	70	1,812	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	7	69	70	2,466	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	204	61	71	1,754	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	43	34	67	514	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,070	61	71	1,879	3,049
Poultry and eggs	8	68	72	2,479	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,946	64	72	2,344	3,056
Milk from cows	7,494	62	68	588	2,038
Hogs and pigs	16	61	70	1,929	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	-	-	68	-	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	67	69	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	32	53	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	4	67	70	2,572	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,442	53	72	1,161	3,057
Corn for grain	1,308	63	69	1,833	2,638
Corn for silage	1,063	63	69	1,094	2,237
Soybeans for beans	965	64	68	1,692	2,162
Oats for grain	207	62	71	875	1,825
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	7,522	63	72	2,142	3,063
Layers	371	70	72	2,526	3,040
Horses and ponies	205	66	72	2,758	3,072
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	132	66	71	1,899	2,723
Deer	93	25	54	426	1,034

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	39	Farming	66
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24	Other	121
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	17	Male	159
\$10,000 to \$19,999	33	Female	28
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	6	White	295
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	9,933	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	53,116	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,684		
Average per farm (\$)	14,353		

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.