

# 2002 Census of Agriculture House District Profile

## District 78, Michigan

**Number of farms:** 802

**Land in farms:** 163,351 acres

**Average size of farm:** 204 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 17,571 acres

**Total number of Farm Operators:** 1,220

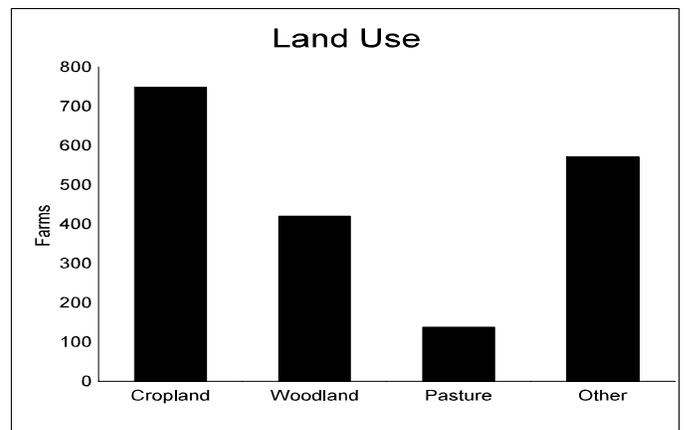
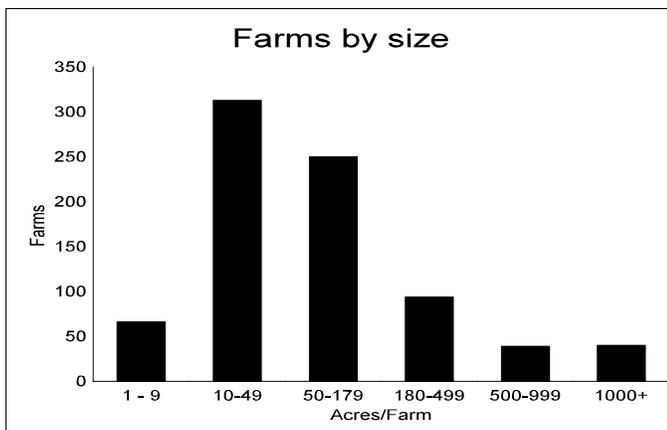
**Market Value of Production:** \$77,956,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$97,202

**Government Payments:** \$3,194,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$11,288

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources <sup>1</sup>:** \$4,267,000



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**Ranked items among the 110 house districts in the state, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State rank	Universe <sup>2</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	77,956	15	101
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) <sup>3</sup></b>			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	21,238	18	83
Tobacco	-	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	10,292	7	78
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	12,879	6	73
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod	15,358	12	93
Cut Christmas trees and other short rotation woody crops	100	29	67
Poultry and eggs	22	44	71
Cattle and calves	1,075	47	74
Milk and other dairy products from cows	3,711	36	64
Hogs and pigs	12,235	4	69
Sheep, goats, and their products	15	47	69
Horses, ponies, mules, burros and donkeys	190	37	77
Aquaculture	(D)	25	32
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>			
Hogs and pigs	54,880	4	68
Cattle and calves	4,904	42	76
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,449	20	63
Horses and ponies	1,210	41	87
Layers 20 weeks old and older	670	52	72
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>			
Soybeans	50,219	17	76
Corn for grain	42,898	14	74
All Vegetables harvested	6,444	6	78
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and green chop	6,227	41	87
Apples	4,240	5	72

**Other House District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	182	Farming	498
\$1,000 to \$2,499	92	Other	304
\$2,500 to \$4,999	74	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	75	Male	722
\$10,000 to \$19,999	94	Female	80
\$20,000 to \$24,000	26	Average age of principal operator (years)	56
\$25,000 to \$39,999	42	All operators <sup>4</sup> by race	
\$40,000 to \$49,000	23	White	1,189
\$50,000 to \$99,999	61	Black or African American	7
\$100,000 to \$249,999	66	American Indian or Alaskan Native	3
\$250,000 to \$499,999	35	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	32	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	66,437	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	92,145	All operators <sup>4</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino Origin	23
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,580		
Average per farm (\$)	21,609		

(D) Cannot be disclosed.

<sup>1</sup> Customwork, farm rent, forest products, recreational services, cooperative dividends, animal boarding, tax refunds, etc.

<sup>2</sup> Universe is number of house districts in state with item.

<sup>3</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>4</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.