

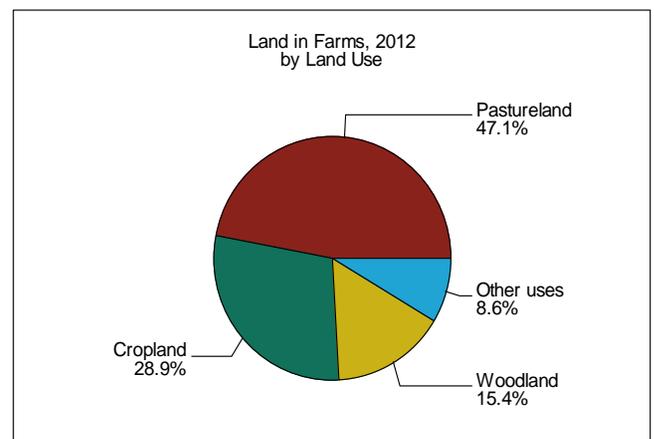
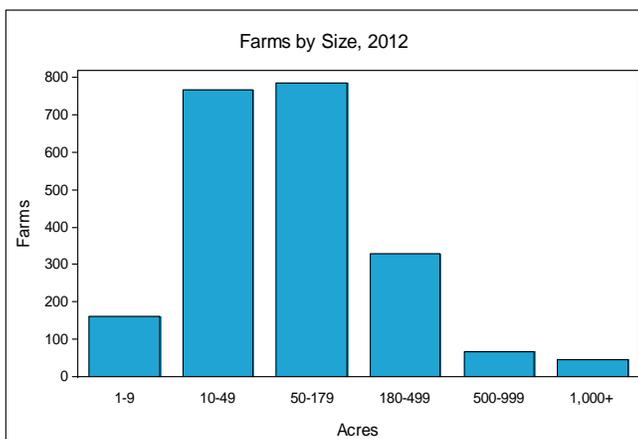
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Benton County Arkansas

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	2,157	2,151	0
<b>Land in Farms</b>	304,845 acres	254,608 acres	+ 20
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	141 acres	118 acres	+ 19
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$529,128,000	\$433,957,000	+ 22
Crop Sales \$5,050,000 (1 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$524,078,000 (99 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$245,307	\$201,747	+ 22
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,832,000	\$495,000	+ 270
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,190	\$3,459	+ 79





## Benton County – Arkansas

### Ranked items among the 75 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	529,128	1	75	97	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,050	40	75	2,418	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	524,078	1	75	41	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	600	43	57	2,353	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	22	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	475	14	74	1,120	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	431	14	73	764	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,494	11	58	892	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	19	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,050	9	75	1,328	3,049
Poultry and eggs	457,539	1	73	6	3,013
Cattle and calves	57,152	1	75	238	3,056
Milk from cows	6,544	1	27	623	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	12	65	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	5	71	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	571	5	73	481	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	15	34	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	3	70	(D)	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	70,535	1	75	77	3,057
Field and grass seed crops, all	1,300	1	5	70	583
Corn for silage	1,065	1	17	1,093	2,237
Wheat for grain, all	921	37	51	1,687	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	921	37	51	1,620	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	17,760,938	1	65	5	2,723
Layers	1,672,147	1	75	52	3,040
Turkeys	518,672	8	55	54	2,416
Pullets for laying flock replacement	468,442	5	67	59	2,637
Cattle and calves	115,546	1	75	91	3,063

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	403	Farming	1,030
\$1,000 to \$2,499	213	Other	1,127
\$2,500 to \$4,999	246	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	291	Male	1,903
\$10,000 to \$19,999	240	Female	254
\$20,000 to \$24,999	83	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	140	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	52	American Indian or Alaska Native	81
\$50,000 to \$99,999	105	Asian	123
\$100,000 to \$249,999	62	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	65	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	257	White	3,111
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	457,082	More than one race	36
Average per farm (\$)	211,906	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	42
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	77,735		
Average per farm (\$)	36,039		

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.