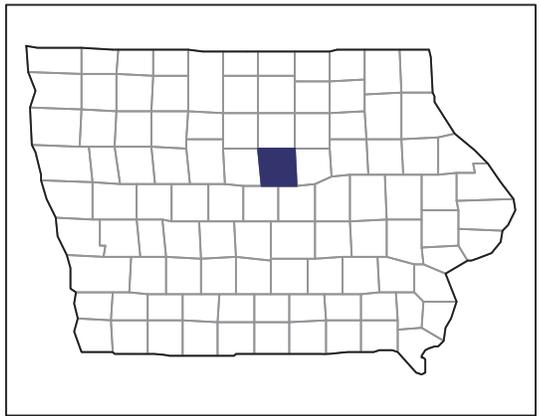


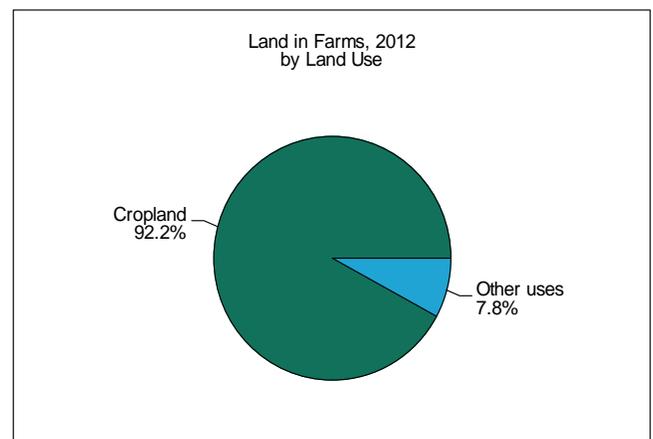
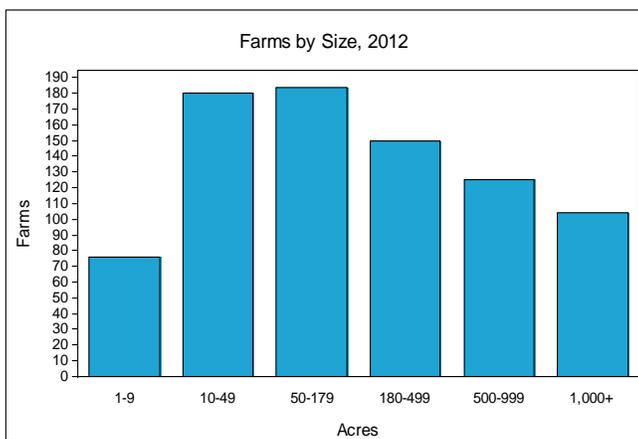
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Hardin County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	819	943	- 13
Land in Farms	332,266 acres	339,001 acres	- 2
Average Size of Farm	406 acres	359 acres	+ 13
Market Value of Products Sold	\$534,496,000	\$379,570,000	+ 41
Crop Sales \$261,033,000 (49 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$273,463,000 (51 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$652,620	\$402,514	+ 62
Government Payments	\$9,829,000	\$7,836,000	+ 25
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$15,006	\$10,461	+ 43





Hardin County – Iowa

Ranked items among the 99 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	534,496	8	99	94	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	261,033	13	99	122	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	273,463	10	99	105	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	260,561	13	99	54	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	97	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	42	34	89	1,873	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	64	64	93	2,168	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	334	84	99	2,591	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	28	99	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	24,673	52	99	664	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	77	80	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	235,410	4	99	9	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	208	48	99	769	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	299	16	99	918	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	13	29	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	8	98	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	194,447	18	99	56	2,638
Soybeans for beans	93,982	51	99	273	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,822	75	99	2,384	3,057
Corn for silage	558	90	99	1,355	2,237
Oats for grain	267	62	98	776	1,825
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	(D)	13	99	(D)	3,040
Hogs and pigs	720,009	5	99	9	2,889
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	15	88	(D)	2,637
Cattle and calves	22,662	67	99	1,239	3,063
Sheep and lambs	961	58	99	924	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	187	Farming	443
\$1,000 to \$2,499	22	Other	376
\$2,500 to \$4,999	27	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	40	Male	751
\$10,000 to \$19,999	32	Female	68
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	22	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	12	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	54	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	94	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	74	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	246	White	1,157
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	381,236	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	465,490	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	180,268		
Average per farm (\$)	220,108		

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.