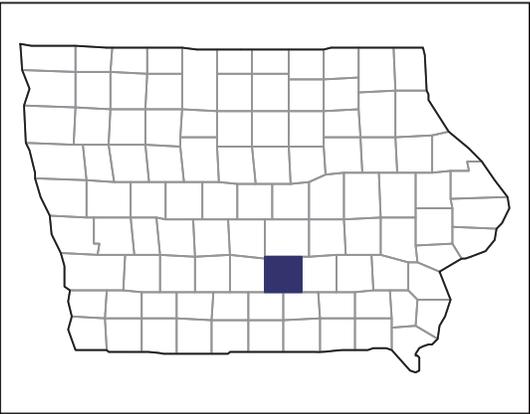


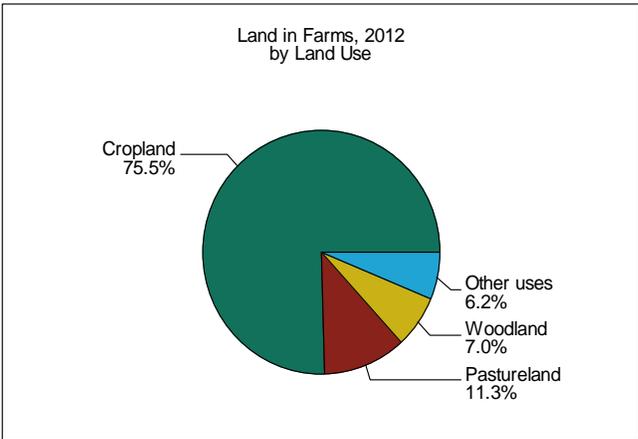
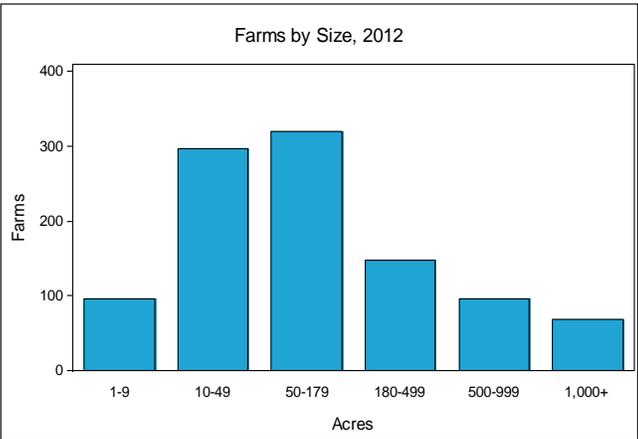
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Marion County Iowa

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,024	951	+ 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	264,902 acres	246,191 acres	+ 8
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	259 acres	259 acres	0
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$137,892,000	\$92,716,000	+ 49
Crop Sales \$110,989,000 (80 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$26,903,000 (20 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$134,660	\$97,493	+ 38
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$6,603,000	\$5,586,000	+ 18
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,923	\$7,673	+ 16





## Marion County – Iowa

### Ranked items among the 99 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	137,892	81	99	864	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	110,989	78	99	585	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	26,903	88	99	1,382	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	105,043	78	99	444	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	239	27	97	1,426	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	29	38	89	1,999	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	6	93	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	62	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	87	67	99	1,441	3,013
Cattle and calves	14,360	79	99	1,048	3,056
Milk from cows	1,702	44	80	1,083	2,038
Hogs and pigs	10,385	86	99	410	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	237	45	99	708	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	95	56	99	1,872	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	29	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	37	51	98	1,595	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	81,040	80	99	385	2,638
Soybeans for beans	76,940	68	99	396	2,162
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,975	31	99	1,460	3,057
Corn for silage	1,892	59	99	811	2,237
Oats for grain	704	22	98	405	1,825
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	28,001	51	99	1,022	3,063
Hogs and pigs	26,763	89	99	434	2,889
Sheep and lambs	1,968	21	99	466	2,897
Layers	1,699	52	99	1,433	3,040
Horses and ponies	788	28	99	1,511	3,072

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	340	Farming	409
\$1,000 to \$2,499	77	Other	615
\$2,500 to \$4,999	70	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	62	Male	921
\$10,000 to \$19,999	62	Female	103
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	61	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	32	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	66	Asian	14
\$100,000 to \$249,999	72	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	78	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	79	White	1,510
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	103,735	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	101,304	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	51,613		
Average per farm (\$)	50,404		

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.