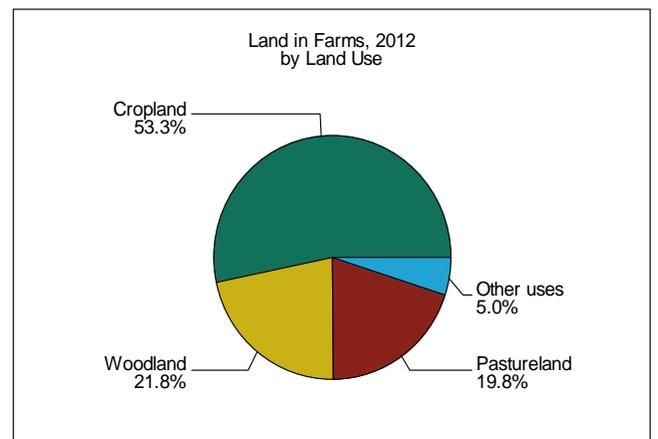
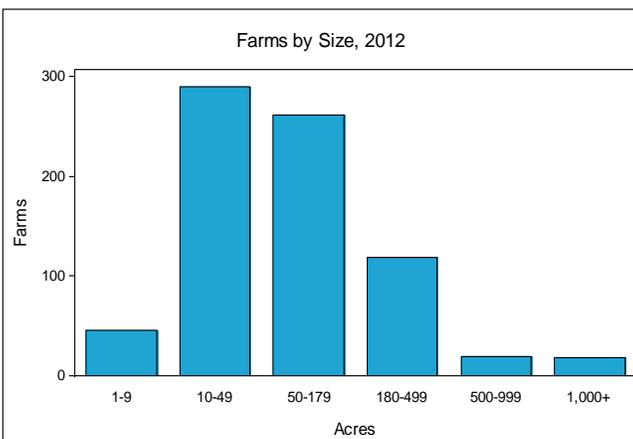


Meade County Kentucky

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	754	887	- 15
Land in Farms	119,495 acres	121,448 acres	- 2
Average Size of Farm	158 acres	137 acres	+ 15
Market Value of Products Sold	\$36,571,000	\$28,712,000	+ 27
Crop Sales \$18,905,000 (52 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$17,666,000 (48 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$48,503	\$32,370	+ 50
Government Payments	\$1,424,000	\$1,213,000	+ 17
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$3,632	\$2,967	+ 22





Meade County – Kentucky

Ranked items among the 120 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	36,571	49	120	2,000	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	18,905	35	120	1,736	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,666	47	120	1,714	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	16,082	31	117	1,320	2,926
Tobacco	863	70	104	192	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	160	54	117	1,622	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	115	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	126	68	110	1,944	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,643	39	120	1,516	3,049
Poultry and eggs	10,427	22	120	595	3,013
Cattle and calves	6,606	53	120	1,606	3,056
Milk from cows	363	53	84	1,566	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	56	113	1,973	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	79	35	117	1,555	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	159	63	118	1,448	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	32	35	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	18	60	118	1,953	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	20,355	43	120	952	3,057
Corn for grain	18,719	28	117	999	2,638
Soybeans for beans	16,072	32	102	1,001	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	4,101	25	93	1,070	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	4,101	25	93	994	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	692,207	18	116	348	2,723
Cattle and calves	18,302	45	120	1,432	3,063
Layers	1,494	55	120	1,538	3,040
Horses and ponies	851	60	120	1,402	3,072
Goats, all	638	31	120	968	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	171	Farming	372
\$1,000 to \$2,499	118	Other	382
\$2,500 to \$4,999	84	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	112	Male	688
\$10,000 to \$19,999	104	Female	66
\$20,000 to \$24,999	28	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	46	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	Black or African American	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	19	White	1,133
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	36,073	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	47,842	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	14
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,018		
Average per farm (\$)	9,307		

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.