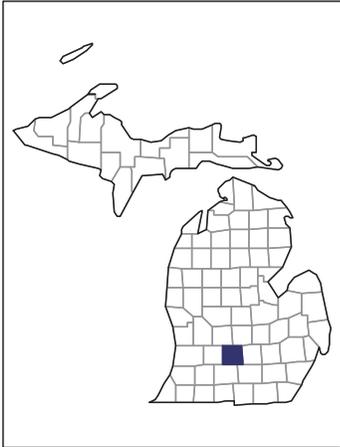


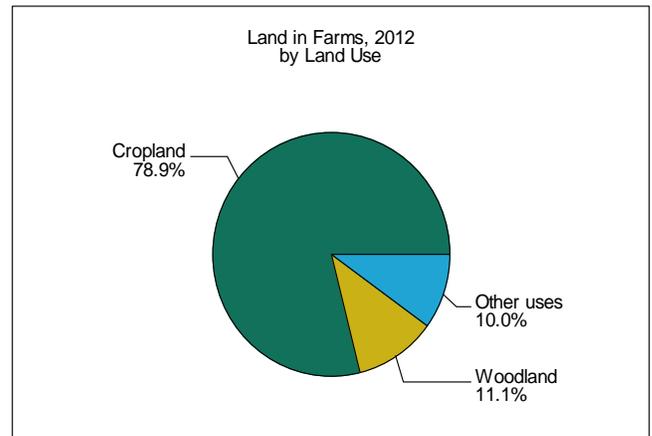
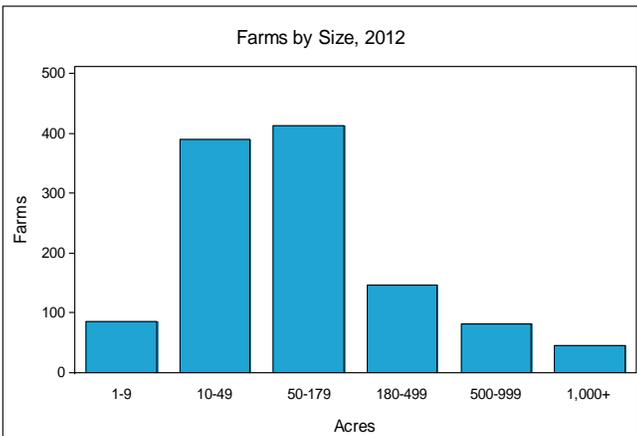
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Eaton County Michigan

|  | 2012          | 2007          | % change |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                     | 1,163         | 1,231         | - 6      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                       | 223,239 acres | 222,215 acres | 0        |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>                | 192 acres     | 181 acres     | + 6      |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>       | \$119,049,000 | \$70,642,000  | + 69     |
| Crop Sales \$99,774,000 (84 percent)       |               |               |          |
| Livestock Sales \$19,275,000 (16 percent)  |               |               |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                    | \$102,364     | \$57,386      | + 78     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                 | \$3,008,000   | \$3,033,000   | - 1      |
| <b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b> | \$5,549       | \$5,132       | + 8      |





## Eaton County – Michigan

### Ranked items among the 83 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                             | 119,049  | 28         | 83                    | 997       | 3,077                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                       | 99,774   | 24         | 82                    | 646       | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                       | 19,275   | 37         | 83                    | 1,642     | 3,076                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                    |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                             | 94,283   | 17         | 82                    | 508       | 2,926                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 436                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 635                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                      | 2,274    | 34         | 82                    | 570       | 2,802                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 3        | 75         | 79                    | 2,588     | 2,724                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                            | 1,240    | 42         | 81                    | 975       | 2,678                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                    | 99       | 26         | 78                    | 294       | 1,530                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 1,876    | 34         | 82                    | 1,395     | 3,049                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 72       | 36         | 82                    | 1,495     | 3,013                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 7,881    | 23         | 82                    | 1,490     | 3,056                 |
| Milk from cows  | 6,521    | 41         | 73                    | 625       | 2,038                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 3,776    | 19         | 80                    | 627       | 2,827                 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk                                  | 360      | 10         | 79                    | 471       | 2,988                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                            | 527      | 14         | 81                    | 527       | 3,011                 |
| Aquaculture   | -        | -          | 37                    | -         | 1,366                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                               | 138      | 37         | 82                    | 935       | 2,924                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Soybeans for beans  | 71,867   | 10         | 71                    | 436       | 2,162                 |
| Corn for grain  | 61,995   | 19         | 80                    | 527       | 2,638                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | 16,264   | 12         | 78                    | 533       | 2,537                 |
| Winter wheat for grain  | 16,264   | 12         | 78                    | 439       | 2,480                 |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 13,397   | 33         | 82                    | 1,361     | 3,057                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                         |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Cattle and calves   | 11,969   | 30         | 83                    | 1,790     | 3,063                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 10,992   | 18         | 81                    | 611       | 2,889                 |
| Layers  | 4,464    | 15         | 82                    | 845       | 3,040                 |
| Sheep and lambs   | 2,809    | 6          | 79                    | 315       | 2,897                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 2,203    | 9          | 83                    | 397       | 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                           | 329      | Farming   | 577      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 110      | Other   | 586      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 87       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 92       | Male  | 975      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 100      | Female  | 188      |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 28       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 57.8     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 66       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 24       | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | -        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 97       | Asian   | 3        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 99       | Black or African American   | 8        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 60       | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 71       | White   | 1,736    |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 90,254   | More than one race  | 6        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 77,604   | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 15       |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 37,411   |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 32,167   |   |          |

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero.

<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.