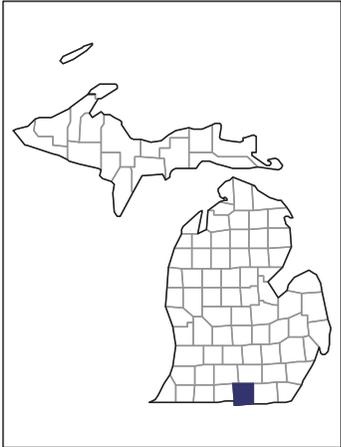


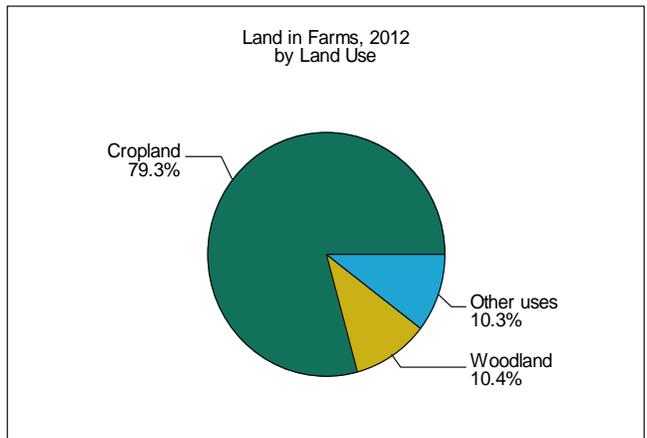
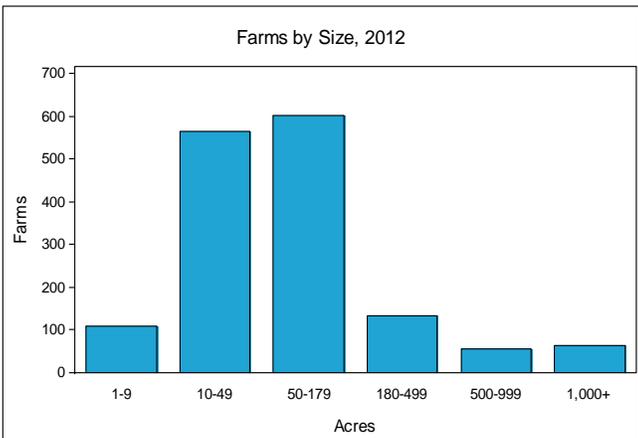
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Hillsdale County Michigan

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,530	1,674	- 9
Land in Farms	262,363 acres	269,916 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	171 acres	161 acres	+ 6
Market Value of Products Sold	\$161,533,000	\$120,635,000	+ 34
Crop Sales \$115,914,000 (72 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$45,619,000 (28 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$105,577	\$72,064	+ 47
Government Payments	\$6,159,000	\$6,019,000	+ 2
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,975	\$5,487	+ 27





Hillsdale County – Michigan

Ranked items among the 83 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	161,533	21	83	732	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	115,914	21	82	550	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	45,619	21	83	965	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	95,078	16	82	503	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	82	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	615	23	79	637	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	10	81	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	84	29	78	328	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,782	36	82	1,440	3,049
Poultry and eggs	99	31	82	1,405	3,013
Cattle and calves	14,723	10	82	1,029	3,056
Milk from cows	21,776	23	73	321	2,038
Hogs and pigs	8,026	13	80	463	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	498	6	79	334	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	394	22	81	713	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	37	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	104	43	82	1,076	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	76,723	7	71	399	2,162
Corn for grain	68,583	14	80	475	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,046	25	82	1,187	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	10,441	17	78	660	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	10,441	17	78	568	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	22,554	15	83	1,245	3,063
Hogs and pigs	21,713	13	81	478	2,889
Layers	4,282	18	82	867	3,040
Sheep and lambs	2,819	5	79	314	2,897
Quail	(D)	2	28	(D)	944

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	698	Farming	588
\$1,000 to \$2,499	97	Other	942
\$2,500 to \$4,999	91		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	100	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	132	Male	1,335
\$20,000 to \$24,999	36	Female	195
\$25,000 to \$39,999	71		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	22	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	61		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	89	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	65	American Indian or Alaska Native	12
\$500,000 or more	68	Asian	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	132,739	Black or African American	3
Average per farm (\$)	86,758	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	2,205
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	41,258	More than one race	13
Average per farm (\$)	26,966	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	17

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.