

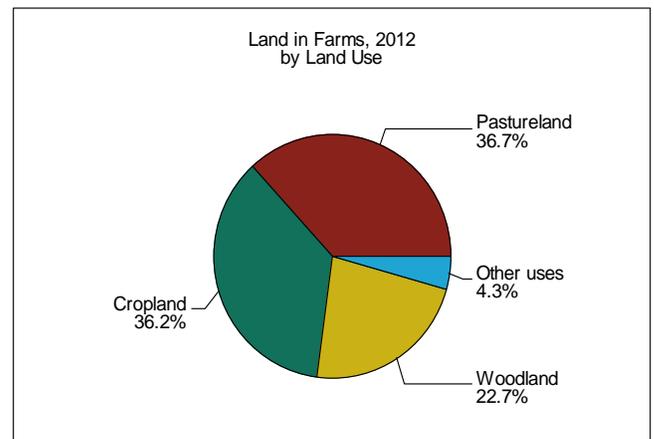
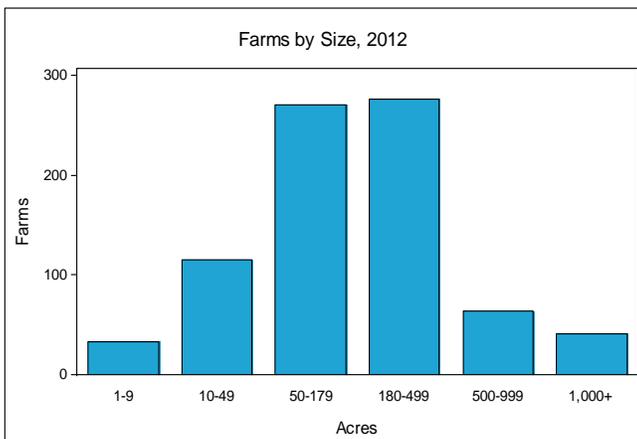
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Benton County Missouri

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	800	822	- 3
<b>Land in Farms</b>	240,653 acres	222,303 acres	+ 8
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	301 acres	270 acres	+ 11
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$62,697,000	\$49,979,000	+ 25
Crop Sales \$13,012,000 (21 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$49,685,000 (79 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$78,372	\$60,802	+ 29
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,013,000	\$819,000	+ 24
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$4,346	\$3,882	+ 12





## Benton County – Missouri

### Ranked items among the 114 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	62,697	61	114	1,601	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	13,012	76	114	1,949	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	49,685	26	114	909	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	9,265	75	114	1,549	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	12	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	7	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	109	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	95	107	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	133	66	107	1,926	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	55	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	3,495	11	113	845	3,049
Poultry and eggs	27,291	14	113	364	3,013
Cattle and calves	17,603	45	114	894	3,056
Milk from cows	840	47	96	1,322	2,038
Hogs and pigs	3,457	40	109	646	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	136	43	110	1,111	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	114	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	14	46	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	29	49	114	1,724	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	40,521	29	114	352	3,057
Soybeans for beans	20,188	70	111	920	2,162
Corn for grain	9,181	73	108	1,218	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	4,087	48	108	1,071	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	4,087	48	108	995	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,166,602	9	109	284	2,723
Turkeys	150,521	11	103	126	2,416
Layers	103,137	9	113	362	3,040
Cattle and calves	42,295	33	114	636	3,063
Roosters	12,135	5	80	165	2,120

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	136	Farming	422
\$1,000 to \$2,499	68	Other	378
\$2,500 to \$4,999	88		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	89	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	118	Male	722
\$20,000 to \$24,999	40	Female	78
\$25,000 to \$39,999	92		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	40	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$500,000 or more	24	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	63,276	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	79,095	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
		White	1,203
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,639	More than one race	8
Average per farm (\$)	5,799	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3

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.